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AND

PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY.

1836.



P R O C L A M A T I O N.

BY HIS EXCELLENCY MAJOR-GENERAL

SIR COLIN CAMPBELL,

*Knight Commander of the Most Honorable Military Order
of the Bath, Lieutenant-Governor and Commander in
Chief, in and over His Majesty's Province of Nova-
Scotia and its Dependencies, &c. &c. &c.*

CAMPBELL.

WHEREAS, the General Assembly of this Province stands prorogued until Wed-
nesday, the 13th day of May :

I have thought fit, further to prorogue the said General Assembly until Wednesday,
the 12th day of August next, of which all Persons concerned are desired to take notice
and govern themselves accordingly.

*Given under my Hand and Seal at Arms, at Halifax, this 2d day of
May, 1855, in the fifth year of His Majesty's Reign.*

BY HIS EXCELLENCY'S COMMAND,

RUPERT D. GEORGE.

GOD SAVE THE KING.



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Scotia and its Dependencies, &c. &c. &c.*

CAMPBELL.

WHEREAS, the General Assembly of this Province stands prorogued until Wed-
nesday, the 12th day of August next :

I have thought fit, further to prorogue the said General Assembly until Wednesday,
the 14th day of October next, of which all Persons concerned are desired to take notice
and govern themselves accordingly.

*Given under my Hand and Seal at Arms, at Halifax, this 7th day of
August, in the 6th year of His Majesty's Reign, A. D. 1855.*

BY HIS EXCELLENCY'S COMMAND,

THOMAS W. JAMES, D. S.

GOD SAVE THE KING.



P R O C L A M A T I O N .

BY HIS EXCELLENCY MAJOR-GENERAL

SIR COLIN CAMPBELL.

C. CAMPBELL

Knight Commander of the Most Honorable Military Order of the Bath, Lieutenant-Governor and Commander in Chief, in and over His Majesty's Province of Nova-Scotia and its Dependencies, &c. &c. &c.

WHEREAS, the General Assembly of this Province stands prorogued until Wednesday, the 14th day of October next :

I have thought fit, further to prorogue the said General Assembly until Wednesday, the 25th day of November next, of which all Persons concerned are desired to take notice and govern themselves accordingly.

Given under my Hand and Seal at Arms, at Halifax, this 28th day of September, in the 6th year of His Majesty's Reign. A. D. 1835.

BY HIS EXCELLENCY'S COMMAND,

THOMAS W. JAMES, D. S.

GOD SAVE THE KING.



P R O C L A M A T I O N .

BY HIS EXCELLENCY MAJOR-GENERAL

SIR COLIN CAMPBELL.

C. CAMPBELL.

Knight Commander of the Most Honorable Military Order of the Bath, Lieutenant-Governor, and Commander in Chief, in and over His Majesty's Province of Nova-Scotia and its Dependencies, &c. &c. &c.

WHEREAS, the General Assembly of this Province stands prorogued until Wednesday, the 25th day of November, inst :

I have thought fit, further to prorogue the said General Assembly until Thursday, the 21st day of January next, then to meet for the Dispatch of Business, of which all Persons concerned are desired to take notice and govern themselves accordingly.

Given under my Hand and Seal at Arms, at Halifax, this 17th day of November, 1835, in the 6th year of His Majesty's Reign.

BY HIS EXCELLENCY'S COMMAND,

THOMAS W. JAMES, D. S.

GOD SAVE THE KING.

JOURNAL AND PROCEEDINGS

OF

THE HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY

OF

THE PROVINCE OF NOVA-SCOTIA.

THURSDAY, 21st JANUARY, 1836.

A Message from His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, by Mr. Deputy-Secretary James:—

Message from Gov. commands attendance of House

Mr. Speaker,

His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor commands this House to attend His Excellency immediately in the Council Chamber.

Accordingly, Mr. Speaker, with the House, went up to attend His Excellency in the Council Chamber, House attend Gov.

And being returned,

In virtue of a Commission from His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, to the Honorable S. B. ROBIE, CHARLES R. PRESCOTT and SAMUEL CUNARD, a Copy of which is as follows: Commission from Gov. to Members of Council to swear in Members of House

BY HIS EXCELLENCY

SIR COLIN CAMPBELL,

KNIGHT COMMANDER OF THE MOST HONORABLE MILITARY ORDER OF THE BATH, LIEUTENANT-GOVERNOR AND COMMANDER IN CHIEF IN AND OVER HIS MAJESTY'S PROVINCE OF NOVA-SCOTIA AND ITS DEPENDENCIES, &c. &c. &c.

C. CAMPBELL.

R. S. TO ALL TO WHOM THESE PRESENTS SHALL COME. GREETING.

KNOW Ye, that I, the said Lieutenant-Governor, by virtue of the power and authority in me vested, have constituted and appointed, and do by these Presents constitute and appoint the Honble. S. B. ROBIE, CHARLES R. PRESCOTT, and SAMUEL CUNARD, to be a Commissioner or Commissioners, or either of them, to tender and administer the usual State Oaths, according to Law, to all and every person and persons who is, are or shall be, elected a Member of the House of Assembly in this Province; giving:

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giving them, or either of them, full power and authority to perform the matters herein- before mentioned, ratifying and confirming all and whatsoever the said Commissioners, or either of them, shall do and perform in this behalf.

Given under my Hand and Seal at Arms, at Halifax, this 20th day of January, A. D. 1836, in the 6th Year of His Majesty's Reign.

BY HIS EXCELLENCY'S COMMAND,

THOMAS W. JAMES, D. S.

Commissioners ad-
minister Oaths to
new Members

The said Commissioners came into the body of the House, and the following Members Elect took the usual Oaths prescribed by Law, in the presence of the said Commis- sioners, and then respectively took their Seats, viz :

Mr. Bell takes his
seat for Town of
Halifax

Hugh Bell, Esquire, returned duly Elected a Member for the Town of Halifax, in place of Charles R. Fairbanks, Esquire, Master of the Rolls in the Court of Chancery, whose Seat has become vacated by his resignation thereof, under the provisions of an Act passed in the last Session of the General Assembly.

Mr. Crow for On-
slow

John Crow, Esquire, returned duly Elected a Member for the Town of Onslow, in the place of Robert Dickson, Esquire, (deceased,) and

Mr. Clements for
Yarmouth

Reuben Clements, Esquire, returned duly Elected a Member for the Town of Yar- mouth, in the place of Samuel Sheldon Poole, Esquire, (deceased.)

Speaker reports at-
tendance of House
upon Gov.

Mr. Speaker reported that the House had attended His Excellency the Lieutenant- Governor in the Council Chamber, where His Excellency had been pleased to make a Speech, of which Mr. Speaker said he had, to prevent mistakes, obtained a Copy, which he read to the House, and is as follows :

*Mr. President, and Gentlemen of His Majesty's Council,
Mr Speaker, and Gentlemen of the House of Assembly ;*

His Excellency's
Speech at opening
of the Session

IT affords me great pleasure to meet you again in General Assembly. Since our last meeting I have visited many parts of this beautiful and interesting Province, and was much gratified with its appearance, and the industry manifested by its inhabitants.

I have the satisfaction to congratulate you that, under the blessing of Divine Providence, an abundant harvest has spread plenty throughout the country ; and I have also the satisfaction of informing you that the affairs of this Province are now generally in a state of steady and progres- sive improvement, with regard to trade and agriculture. The Fisheries on our coast have been more productive this season than for some years past. This important branch of industry and commerce should be encouraged and protected, as it is a source of wealth to those engaged in it, and also to the Province. I anticipate that these indications of reviving prosperity will continue to increase ; and I hope by our joint endeavours and exertions to advance the public good.

Mr. Speaker, and Gentlemen of the House of Assembly ;

I shall direct the Public Accounts of last year to be laid before you for your inspection ; and I trust that you will find the supplies granted to His Majesty have been faithfully applied. I shall also direct the usual Estimates to be submitted to you ; and I confidently rely upon your making the necessary provision for the services of the year.

*Mr. President, and Gentlemen of His Majesty's Council ;
Mr. Speaker, and Gentlemen of the House of Assembly ;*

I have again to recommend to your favorable consideration, a more effectual system for the im- provement of the great Roads and Bridges, leading from the Capital through the Province : expe- rience shows that the sums annually allotted to this service, restricted as they have been by local divisions in the expenditure, cannot, upon so extended a line, produce a beneficial effect : the pre- sent system is admitted to be defective, as the labour of one year is, in many instances, scarcely perceptible on the return of another.

Concurring entirely in the resolution expressed by you in the last Session, I have directed re- ports of the state of the different Main Post Roads to be prepared and laid before you ; and I con- fidently trust that you will adopt measures to remedy the existing evil.

The

THURSDAY, 21st JANUARY, 1836.

The Union of King's and Dalhousie Colleges having formerly been brought to your notice during the Session of 1832, by the then Governor; and His Majesty's Government being desirous of bringing this protracted and important measure to a settlement, have instructed me to submit the subject again to your consideration; and they confidently trust that the House of Assembly will relinquish their claim, made last Session, upon Dalhousie College, that there may be sufficient funds for establishing and maintaining an United College upon liberal principles; so that the means of facilitating the diffusion of the higher Branches of Education may be attainable by all classes. I feel assured that, to facilitate this desirable object, you will be disposed to meet the wishes of His Majesty's Government. I expect that I shall have occasion to communicate with you further on this subject during the present Session—in which case I shall do so by Message.

The Act with regard to Common and Grammar Schools being about to expire, the important subject of public Education will demand your earliest attention.

I submitted a Message to you last Session, accompanied by an Act of the Imperial Parliament, regarding a general arrangement of the Post Office, and the internal Postage in the North American Colonies. As the Act in question was intended to come into operation on the 1st January, in the present year, I trust you will give the subject, also, your early attention.

I have the satisfaction to inform you that His Majesty's Government have intimated their readiness to apply to Parliament for the funds necessary for erecting Light Houses on the Islands of Scattarie and St. Paul, provided that the Colonies, whose trade is to be benefited by the measure, will engage to defray the expense of their future maintenance; the liberality and anxiety which have been evinced by His Majesty's Government to adopt any precautions for obviating the recurrence of the melancholy accidents by Shipwrecks upon these Islands, will be duly appreciated. The humanity and liberality which have heretofore been displayed by the Legislature of this Province, in succouring those who have been Shipwrecked upon her coasts, assure me that you will cordially co-operate with the Home Government, and with the neighbouring Colonies, in promoting a measure so important to the Commercial Interests of the whole of British North America.

I am happy to congratulate you, Gentlemen, upon the health and tranquility which the Province has enjoyed during the past year: and I earnestly hope that these blessings may be long experienced. I beg to assure you that you will ever find me ready to co-operate in such measures as may be found conducive to the welfare and prosperity of this Province, so distinguished for its loyalty and attachment to the Parent State.

C. CAMPBELL.

On motion of Mr. Stewart, *resolved*, that a Committee be appointed to consider the subject of the State Oaths, required of Members of the Legislature upon taking their Seats, and of other persons upon taking Office in this Province, and to prepare and bring in a Bill, thereupon,

Committee to consider of the State Oaths

Ordered, That Mr. Stewart, Mr. Doyle and Mr. Bell, be a Committee for the above purpose.

Ordered, That Mr. Stewart, Mr. Young, Mr. Uniacke, Mr. Shey and Mr. Dickson, be a Committee to prepare an Address in answer to His Excellency's Speech.

Committee to prepare an Address in answer to His Excellency's Speech
Committee to examine the Public Accounts

Ordered, That Mr. Lawson, Mr. G. Smith, Mr. Deblois, Mr. Young and Mr. B. DeWolf, be a Committee of this House, for the purpose of examining the Public Accounts, jointly with a Committee of His Majesty's Council, and that the Clerk do acquaint the Council therewith.

Ordered, That Mr. Uniacke, Mr. Wilkins and Mr. Doyle, be a Committee to examine and report on the expiring Laws.

Committee on Expiring Laws

On motion of Mr. Deblois, *resolved*, that a Committee be appointed to enquire into the operation of the present Revenue Laws, as they affect the collection of the Duties, the convenience of the Trade, and the security of the Revenue, and whether the combination of the Imperial Duties with the Provincial has been attended with the advantages contemplated, and that the Committee have power to send for Persons and Papers.

Committee to examine and report on the Revenue Laws

Ordered, That Mr. Deblois, Mr. Stewart, Mr. G. Smith, Mr. Young, Mr. Lawson, Mr. Huntington and Mr. Morton, be a Committee for the above purpose.

Ordered, That the Committee meet on Thursday next, and report their proceedings on or before the following Thursday.

On motion of Mr. G. Smith, *resolved*, that a Committee be appointed to prepare an Address to His Majesty on the subject of the Timber Trade, praying that the existing

Committee to prepare an Address to His Majesty on the subject of the Timber Trade
rates

THURSDAY and FRIDAY, 21st and 22nd JANUARY, 1836.

rates of Duties upon Timber and Deals, imported into the United Kingdom, and the regulation thereof, may not be altered in the manner recommended by the Committee of the Honorable the House of Commons in August last, or otherwise howsoever.

Ordered, That Mr. G. Smith, Mr. Deblois, and Mr. Stewart, be a Committee for the above purpose.

Conference to be desired with Council on the General State of the Province Council to be requested to join in Address on Timber Trade

On motion of Mr. G. Smith, *resolved*, that a Conference be desired with the Council, by Committee, on the General State of the Province; and that, upon such Conference, the Committee of this House request, that His Majesty's Council will appoint a Committee to join the Committee of this House in preparing the Address to His Majesty on the subject of the Timber Trade, to be reported as a joint Address of His Majesty's Council and this House.

Ordered, That the Clerk do request the said Conference.

Then the House adjourned until To-morrow, at three of the clock.

Friday, 22nd January, 1836.

PRAYERS.

Address to His Excellency reported.

Mr. Stewart reported from the Committee appointed to prepare an Address in Answer to His Excellency's Speech, that the Committee had drawn up an Address accordingly; and he read the same in his place, and afterwards delivered it in at the Clerk's Table, where it was read, and is as follows:—

TO HIS EXCELLENCY MAJOR-GENERAL

SIR COLIN CAMPBELL,

Knight Commander of the Most Honorable Military Order of the Bath, Lieutenant-Governor and Commander in Chief in and over His Majesty's Province of Nova-Scotia and its Dependencies, &c. &c. &c.

THE HUMBLE ADDRESS OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY—

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY,

WE, His Majesty's dutiful Subjects, the Representatives of His loyal People of Nova-Scotia, thank Your Excellency for the Speech with which you have been pleased to open the present Session.

It has afforded us much pleasure to find that Your Excellency has been gratified by the appearance of the Province; and that the industry of its Inhabitants has merited your approbation. We do not doubt that their interests will be advanced by the local knowledge acquired by Your visits to the different parts of the Country.

The increasing prosperity of our Commerce, Fisheries and Agriculture, demands our grateful acknowledgments to the Author of all Good.—Whatever may be in our power to advance these important objects we will readily adopt, in the hope that by the united exertions of all branches of the Legislature the public wealth may continue to increase.

We thank Your Excellency for directing the Public Accounts to be submitted to us—and you may rely upon our cheerfully making provision for the necessary expenses of His Majesty's Government.

Our acknowledgments are due to Your Excellency for procuring Reports of the state of the Main Post Roads, in pursuance of the Resolution of the last Session.

These Reports, and the Laws regulating the expenditure of the money granted for the support of Roads and Bridges, we will take into consideration, and should we find the system to be materially defective, shall endeavour to adopt such measures as may appear to be best calculated to promote the efficiency of this branch of the public service.

The Communications which Your Excellency may submit to us during the present Session, concerning the union of Windsor and Dalhousie Colleges, together with that part of Your Speech which relates to it, and the establishment and maintenance of a Collegiate Institution for the diffusion of Learning, upon liberal principles, shall receive our respectful attention.

Agreeing

FRIDAY, 22nd JANUARY, 1836.

Agreeing with Your Excellency that general education is of paramount importance, the Law regulating Common and Grammar Schools, now about to expire, shall receive our early and anxious consideration.

We will also take into our early deliberation the general arrangement of the Post-Office in the North American Colonies, as proposed to be regulated by the Act of the Imperial Parliament submitted to the Legislature by Your Excellency at the last Session.

On no subject will we more readily unite with His Majesty's Government and the other North American Colonies, than on that of adopting measures to rescue the Mariner from the perils of Shipwreck, especially upon the shores of Scattarie and St. Paul's. To this, so interesting to humanity itself, we have long turned our anxious attention, and Your Excellency's reliance upon our liberality in this particular will not, we trust, be disappointed. We are grateful to His Majesty's Government for proposing to erect Light-Houses on these Islands, and will readily unite with the other North American Colonies and the Mother Country, in the support of these Establishments.

That the blessings of health and tranquility have been enjoyed throughout the Province during the past year demands our humble gratitude, and thanking Your Excellency for your offer to cooperate in promoting its prosperity, We beg to assure you, that the loyalty of its inhabitants and their affection for the Parent State continue unabated.

Resolved, That the said Address be agreed to.

Ordered, That the Address be engrossed and be presented to His Excellency by the whole House.

Ordered, That the Committee who prepared the Address be a Committee to wait upon His Excellency to know his pleasure when he will be attended by the House with the said Address.

Address agreed to
To be presented by
whole House
Committee to wait
on Gov. to know
when he will receive
Address

A Message from the Council by Mr. Halliburton :

Mr. Speaker,

The Council have appointed Mr. Cunard, Mr. Cogswell and Mr. Allison, a Committee to join the Committee of the House of Assembly, to examine the Public Accounts.

The Council agree to the Conference desired by this Honorable House, on the General State of the Province, and the Committee of the Council are ready to meet the Committee of this Honorable House.

And then the Messenger withdrew.

Ordered, That the Select Committee, appointed to prepare the Address to His Majesty on the subject of the Timber Trade, be a Committee to manage such Conference.

So they went to the Conference,

And being returned,

Mr. G. Smith reported that the Managers had been at the Conference, and had complied with the instructions of the House.

Resolved, That no Petition of a private nature be received after Monday, the 15th day of February next.

A Message from the Council, by Mr. Halliburton :

Mr. Speaker,

The Council request a further Conference by Committee, with a Committee of this Honorable House, on the subject of the last Conference.

And then the Messenger withdrew.

Resolved, That this House do agree to the further Conference desired by the Council, and that the Clerk do acquaint the Council therewith.

Ordered, That the Committee who managed the last Conference do manage this Conference.

So they went to the Conference.

And being returned,

Mr. G. Smith reported, that the Managers had been at the Conference, and that the Committee of the Council had communicated to the Committee of this House, on said Conference, that the Council had agreed to join in the Address to His Majesty, on the subject of the Timber Trade, and had appointed Mr. Cogswell, Mr. Allison and Mr. Cunard, their Committee to join in preparing said Address.

Committee of Council
on Public Accts.

Council agree to
Conference on General
State of Province

Committee of Conference

Conference held &
reported

Limitation of time
for receiving Private
Petitions

Council request further
Conference

Committee to manage
Conference

Conference reported
Council agree to
join in Address on
Timber Trade
Committee of Council
thereon

Mr.

FRIDAY and SATURDAY, 22d and 23d JANUARY, 1836.

Report from Committee of time Gov. will receive House with their Address to him

Mr. Stewart reported from the Committee appointed to wait on His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, to know his pleasure when he would receive the Address of the House, that the Committee had, pursuant to order, waited on His Excellency, and that His Excellency was pleased to appoint To-morrow, at one of the Clock, at Government-House.

Then the House adjourned until To-morrow, at twelve of the clock.

Saturday, 23rd January, 1836.

PRAYERS.

Mr. Speaker and the House attended His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor with their Address, pursuant to the order of yesterday.

And being returned,

Mr. Speaker reported that His Excellency was pleased to give this answer to the Address of the House.

His Excellency's answer reported

Mr. Speaker, and Gentlemen of the House of Assembly:

I beg to return you my best thanks for your address. Your ready promise of providing the necessary supplies, and of taking into your consideration the subjects to which I have called your attention, demands my acknowledgments. One of the principal objects of my endeavours, is to study the welfare of this loyal Province and its inhabitants; and it is very gratifying to me that my humble efforts are so cheerfully assisted by the House of Assembly, in promoting the prosperity of their native land.

Motion relating to abolishing of Inferior Courts

On motion of Mr. Oxley, *resolved*, that a Committee be appointed to enquire into the expediency of abolishing the Inferior Courts of Common Pleas throughout the Province, with leave to report by Bill or otherwise.

Committee to enquire thereon

Ordered, That Mr. Creighton, Mr. Oxley, Mr. Barss, Mr. Clements, Mr. W. H. Roach, Mr. Chipman, Mr. B. Dewolf, Mr. G. Smith, Mr. Wier, Mr. Lawson, Mr. Young and Mr. Uniacke, be a Committee for the above purpose.

Committee to wait upon His Excellency and request a Copy of the Royal Instructions

Mr. Stewart moved that the House do come to a resolution as follows, viz:—

Resolved, that a Committee be appointed to wait upon His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, and request that he will be pleased to direct that a Copy of the Royal Instructions be laid before this House, which being seconded and put and the House dividing thereon, there appeared for the motion, sixteen; against it three.

Committee named

So it passed in the Affirmative.

Ordered, That Mr. Stewart, Mr. G. Smith and Mr. B. Dewolf, be a Committee for the above purpose.

Committee to wait on His Excellency and request information respecting the Post Office pursuant to resolution of last Session

On motion of Mr. Stewart, the resolution passed on the 10th day of February last, in the last Session of this House, relative to obtaining information connected with the Post Office department, was read from the Journal, and thereupon.

Resolved, That the Committee to whom the Bill for regulating the Post-Office in Nova-Scotia, was referred, do wait on His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, and respectfully request that he will be pleased to direct the information requested by this House in that resolution, to be laid before the House as early as possible.

Committee appointed to enquire into operation of School Act to report by Bill, &c.

On motion of Mr. Young, *resolved*, that a Committee be appointed to enquire into the operation of the Act for the encouragement of Schools, with the view of ascertaining whether the same shall be continued, and what alterations and improvements may be made therein, and report by Bill or otherwise.

Committee named

Ordered, That Mr. Young, Mr. Bell, Mr. Creighton, Mr. Freeman, Mr. Huntington, Mr. W. H. Roach, Mr. Chipman, Mr. O'Brien, Mr. Oxley, Mr. Crow, Mr. G. Smith and Mr. Uniacke, be a Committee for the above purpose.

Report of Address of Joint Committee on Timber Trade

Mr. G. Smith, from the Committee, appointed to prepare an Address to His Majesty

SATURDAY, 23d JANUARY, 1836.

ty on the subject of the Timber Trade, reported by the said Address so prepared by the joint Committees of the Council and this House, and he read the same in his place, and afterwards delivered it in at Clerks Table, where it was also read, and is as follows:—

TO THE KING'S MOST EXCELLENT MAJESTY.

May it please Your Majesty :

WE, Your Majesty's Council and House of Assembly of this Your Majesty's Loyal Province of Nova-Scotia, now convened in General Assembly, beg leave to approach Your Majesty's Throne, and most respectfully to submit to the consideration of Your Majesty's Government, the Copy of a Memorial to Your Majesty in the year 1834, upon the subject of the Timber Trade of the British North American Provinces.

Your Majesty was graciously pleased to inform the acting Governor of Nova-Scotia, by a Despatch, dated 4th April, 1834, from the Right Honorable E. G. Stanley, Your Majesty's Secretary of State for the Colonies "that it was not the intention of His Majesty's Government to propose to Parliament any alteration in the Duties affecting that Trade the present year," and that no steps would be taken without the fullest consideration of the Colonial Interests involved.

That the People of Nova-Scotia conceiving that no alteration would be made in the Duties affecting the Timber Trade, until after a full investigation of the subject by your Majesty's Government, and being entirely satisfied that such investigation must produce conviction that many important interests of Your Majesty's Subjects would be sacrificed by the introduction of any material change in this Trade, have not since pressed the subject upon Your Majesty's notice. That they have since increased their Establishments for the manufacture of Timber and Deals, knowing that the Shipping and Navigation of Great-Britain, the Manufacturers, those engaged in the Fisheries, and even the poorest description of Emigrants from Great-Britain to these Colonies, are all deeply interested in the measure, and that Your Majesty's Government would not, without due deliberation, destroy a Trade so important to the Empire.

With deep concern, therefore, the People of this Province have learned that a Committee of the House of Commons of the Imperial Parliament have recommended a change in the Duties, which, if adopted by Parliament, must be ruinous to that branch of the Trade of these Colonies, and give a monopoly of the British Market in Timber and Deals to Foreigners.

That little argument is necessary to prove that Colonial Interests are not more deeply concerned in the proposed measure, than the Shipping, Manufacturing and Commercial Welfare, of the Parent State. To the views presented in the accompanying Memorial, it does not seem requisite to add more until these are controverted and disproved, even as a measure of finance merely, it may be problematical whether it will answer that object when a few years shall have destroyed the Sniping and Commerce engaged in this Trade, and which has heretofore directly or indirectly augmented the Revenue of Great-Britain.

Under all circumstances, therefore, we humbly implore, on behalf of the People of Nova-Scotia, that Your Majesty will not sanction any change in a branch of Trade which has hitherto proved so highly beneficial to the Empire at large.

Resolved, That the said Address be received and adopted by this House.

Ordered, That the Committee of this House, who reported said Address, be a Committee to join a Committee of the Council to wait upon His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor with said address, and to request His Excellency to forward the same as soon as possible, to be laid at the foot of the Throne, with His Excellency's favourable recommendation of the prayer thereof.

Address adopted

and Committee appointed to wait upon His Excellency with it

A Petition of Joshua Snow, was presented by Mr. C. Roche, and read, praying a return of Provincial Duties paid by him to the Collector of Impost and Excise at Shelburne, upon a quantity of British Plantation Sugar, imported by him, in the year 1832, in the Schooner Don Juan, and shipped for Halifax, in the Schooner Fair Lady, which sunk at the Wharf, in Shelburne, whereby the Sugar was lost to Petitioner.

Petition of Joshua Snow for return of Duty on Sugar lost at Shelburne

Ordered, That the Petition be referred to Mr. Lawson, Mr. Huntington and Mr. Deblois, to examine and report thereon to this House.

On motion of Mr. Doyle, *resolved,* that a Committee be appointed to wait on His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, and respectfully request His Excellency to direct the proper Officers to transmit to this House, a statement of the Funds invested for the Government

Committee to request from Governor statements and information as regards Windsor and Dalhousie Colleges

SATURDAY and MONDAY, 23d and 25th JANUARY, 1836.

Government of Dalhousie College, with the period and mode of investment, name of the Fund, and amount of Interest which has accumulated thereon; also all correspondence between His Majesty's Ministers and this Province, on that subject; and the measures adopted by the Governors of that Institution thereon, together with a Transcript of the Records kept by the Governors of both Dalhousie and Windsor Colleges, since the year 1830,—the Correspondence to and from the Colonial Office, on this head; and all Documents in their possession or under their control, connected with the projected union of Windsor and Dalhousie Colleges; and an Abstract of the Title under which the Trustees of Dalhousie College, hold the Land on which it is erected.

Ordered, That Mr. Doyle, Mr. Young and Mr. Uniacke, be a Committee for the above purpose.

Then the House adjourned until Monday next, at twelve of the Clock.

Monday, 25th January, 1836.

PRAYERS.

Report from Committee to wait on Governor with Address to His Majesty on the Timber Trade

Mr. Deblois, from the Committee appointed to wait upon His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, with the joint Address of the Council and this House, to His Majesty, on the subject of the Timber Trade, reported, that the Committee had so waited upon His Excellency, and had complied with the order of the House; and that His Excellency, in answer to the application, was pleased to say, that he should have great pleasure in forwarding the Address as desired, with his favorable recommendation of the prayer thereof.

House go into Committee on General State of Province in reference to the Timber Trade

On motion of Mr. Morton the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole House, on the General State of the Province, to consider the Currency.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair,

Mr. Morton took the Chair,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chairman reported from the Committee, that they had made some progress in the business referred to them, and had come to a Resolution thereupon, which they had directed him to report to the House, and he read the same in his place, and afterwards delivered it in at the Clerk's Table, where it was again read, and is as follows:

Report of Resolution to adopt British Sterling as Money of Account

Resolved, That it is the opinion of this Committee, that British Sterling ought to be the Money of Account in this Province.

The Chairman also acquainted the House, that he was directed by the Committee to move for leave to sit again on the consideration of the General State of the Province, in reference to the Currency, which was agreed to by the House.

Resolution agreed to

The said Resolution was again read by the Clerk, and, upon the question put thereupon, was agreed to by the House.

Currency made order of Day for to-morrow

Ordered, That this House do, to-morrow, again resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, on the General State of the Province, to consider further of the Currency.

Committee to bring in Bill relating to Seamen

Mr. Deblois moved, that the House do come to a Resolution as followeth:

Whereas, an Act of the Imperial Parliament, passed in the 5th and 6th year of His present Majesty's Reign, entitled, An Act to amend and consolidate the Laws relating to the Merchant Service of the United Kingdom; *And whereas*, it is provided by the 54th Section of the said Act as follows: "That this Act shall not extend or apply to any Ship registered in, or belonging to, any British Colony, having a Legislative Assembly,—or to the Crew of any such Vessel, while such Ship shall be within the precincts of such Colony, any thing hereinbefore contained, to the contrary notwithstanding;" *And whereas*, it is necessary that provision be made for the protection of Seamen

MONDAY and TUESDAY, 25th and 26th JANUARY, 1836.

Seamen belonging to Vessels owned and registered in this Province, and for their better government while employed in the same: *Resolved*, that a Committee be appointed to examine said Imperial Act, and to adopt, alter and amend, for the consideration of this House, such sections of the said Imperial Act, as, by the aforesaid 54th section, will not apply to such Provincial Vessels while in the precincts of this Province, and to report by Bill or otherwise; which, being seconded and put, was agreed to by the House.

Ordered, That Mr. Deblois, Mr. G. Smith, Mr. Bell, Mr. Huntington and Mr. Clements, be a Committee for the above purpose.

Mr. Huntington, pursuant to leave given, presented a Bill to divide the County of Shelburne, and to regulate the Representation thereof; and the same was read a first time. Bill to divide the County of Shelburne

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time.

Then the House adjourned until to-morrow, at twelve of the Clock.

Tuesday, 26th January, 1836.

PRAYERS.

Mr. Uniacke, pursuant to leave given, presented a Bill to carry into effect an Act passed in the Parliament of Great-Britain, in the fifty-ninth year of the Reign of His late Majesty King George the Third, entitled, "An Act to enable His Majesty to make regulations with respect to the taking and curing Fish on certain parts of the Coast of Newfoundland, Labrador and His Majesty's other Possessions in North America, according to a Convention made between His Majesty and the United States of America: and the same was read a first time. Bill to carry into effect an Act of G. B. relating to the curing of Fish taken on the Shores of North America according to convention with the U. S. of America

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time.

Mr. Deputy Secretary James acquainted the House that he had a Message from His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor to this House, signed by His Excellency, and he delivered the said Message to the House; and the same was read by Mr. Speaker, all the Members being uncovered, and is as follows, viz:— Message from His Excellency concerning the Act for dividing the County of Halifax and Petition to His Majesty against the Act from persons in Bridgetown

M E S S A G E.

C. CAMPBELL.

THE Lieutenant-Governor lays before the House of Assembly the Copy of a Despatch, which he has received from His Majesty's Secretary of State for the Colonies, with a Memorial from certain Persons of Bridgetown, in the County of Annapolis, addressed to the King, praying, for reasons therein mentioned, that the Royal Assent may not be given to the Act, passed in the last Session of the Legislature, for dividing the County of Halifax, and to regulate the Representation thereof; to which His Majesty has therefore reluctantly, for the present, withheld his Assent until the Assembly have had an opportunity of considering the subject of the Memorial.

Government-House, Halifax, 26th January, 1836.

Mr. Deputy Secretary James also delivered to the House the following Papers referred to in said Message, viz:—

A Copy of a Dispatch from Lord Glenelg, His Majesty's Secretary of State for the Colonies, to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor of this Province, dated, at Downing Street, 12th August, 1835. Papers referred to in Message delivered to the House Despatch from Lord Glenelg

A Copy of a Letter from S. L. Morse, to the Earl of Aberdeen, (late Colonial Secretary,) dated Bridgetown, County of Annapolis, 30th March, 1835. Letter from S. L. Morse to Col. Secy.

TUESDAY, 26th JANUARY, 1836.

Petition from inhabitants of Annapolis to His Majesty against Halifax County Division Act

A Copy of a Petition from certain Inhabitants of the Upper District of the County of Annapolis to His Majesty and the Privy Council: and the said several Papers were read by the Clerk.

(See Appendix, No. 1.)

Message and papers made order of Day for Monday next

On motion, *resolved*, that the said Message and accompanying Papers be referred to a Committee of the whole House, for consideration on Monday next.

Bill to divide the County of Shelburne read 2d time. Motion to defer for three months negatived

A Bill to divide the County of Shelburne, and to regulate the Representation thereof, was read a second time; and thereupon,

Mr. Lawson moved, that the further consideration of the Bill be deferred to this day three months: which being seconded and put, and the House dividing thereon, there appeared for the motion, thirteen; against it, sixteen.

So it passed in the Negative.

referred to Committee of whole House

Ordered, That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House.

Bill presented to divide the County of Annapolis

Mr. W. H. Roach, pursuant to leave given, presented a Bill to divide the County of Annapolis, and regulate the Representation thereof; and the same was read a first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time,

Petition of J. Marsters and others for aid to be continued to the Eastern line of Stage Coaches
Petition of H. Denoon and others on the same subject
Petition of John Ross to the like effect setting forth expenses of the Establishment, &c. praying also reimbursement of ferriages
Referred to Special Committee

A Petition of J. Marsters and others, Inhabitants of the District of Colchester, was presented by Mr. Lawson, and read, praying that the annual grant in aid of the Eastern line of Stage Coaches from Halifax to Pictou may be continued.

A Petition of Hugh Denoon and others, of Pictou, was presented by Mr. G. Smith, and read, praying to the same effect as the last foregoing Petition.

A Petition of John Ross, principal Proprietor of the Eastern line of Stage Coaches between Halifax and Pictou, was also presented by Mr. G. Smith, and read, setting forth the expenses of that Establishment, and praying to the like effect as the foregoing Petitions; and also, that the amount of Ferriages paid on account of those Coaches, for conveying them between Halifax and Dartmouth, may be reimbursed to the Proprietors.

Ordered, That the several foregoing Petitions be referred to Mr. G. Smith, Mr. Archibald, Mr. Chipman, Mr. Morton and Mr. Dickson, to examine and report upon to this House.

Report of Committee who waited on His Excellency in regard to Windsor and Dalhousie Colleges

Mr. Doyle reported from the Committee, appointed to wait upon His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, and request certain information and statements in regard to Windsor and Dalhousie Colleges, that the Committee had so waited upon His Excellency, and that he was pleased to answer the application, by saying, that the required documents should be laid before the House with the least possible delay.

Motion for Committee to request information as to the Duties paid on Liquors, &c. for the last ten years negatived

Mr. W. H. Roach moved, that the House do come to a Resolution as followeth, viz:

Resolved, That a Committee be appointed to wait on His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, and request that he will be pleased to direct the proper Officers to furnish this House with an account of the number of Gallons, and the amount of Duties paid into the Treasury on Wines, Brandy, Gin, Rum, Whiskey, Spirits and Cordials, for the last ten years, designating each year's amount: which being seconded and put, and the House dividing thereon, there appeared for the motion, ten; against it, thirteen.

So it passed in the Negative.

Bill presented to reduce the expenses of Judgments by Confession

Mr. Archibald, pursuant to leave given, presented a Bill to reduce the Expenses of Suits at Law on Judgments by Confession; and the same was read a first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time.

Petition of S. Irwin for compensation for damage to her houses by Commissioners of Streets in Halifax

A Petition of Sarah Irwin, (Widow,) was presented by Mr. Bell, and read, praying a compensation for damages suffered by her in consequence of two Dwelling-houses, held by her, in the Town of Halifax, being rendered almost untenable by the proceedings of the Commissioners of Streets.

Ordered, That the Petition do lie on the Table,

TUESDAY and WEDNESDAY, 26th and 27th JANUARY, 1836.

Mr. Uniacke, pursuant to leave given, presented a Bill for consolidating and amending the Statutes relative to Offences against the Person; and the same was read a first time.

Bill presented for consolidating Statutes relative to offences against the person
Referred to Committee

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to Mr. Uniacke, Mr. Johnston, Mr. Stewart, Mr. Creighton and Mr. Young, to examine and report thereon to this House.

On motion, the Order of the Day was read; and thereupon, The House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole House, on the General State of the Province, to consider further of the Currency.

Order of day read
House in Committee of whole on the Currency

Mr. Speaker left the Chair,

Mr. Morton took the Chair,

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 directed him to move for leave to sit again on the consideration thereof; which was agreed to by the House.

Report progress

Ordered, That this House do again to-morrow resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, on the General State of the Province, to consider further of the Currency.

Currency made of order of day for to-morrow

Then the House adjourned until To-morrow, at twelve of the Clock.

Wednesday, 27th January, 1836.

PRAYERS.

A Bill to divide the County of Annapolis, and to regulate the Representation thereof, was read a second time.

Bill to divide the County of Annapolis read 2d time

Ordered, That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House.

A Petition of John Story, was presented by Mr. Deblois, and read, praying that the time limited in the Act of last Session for the erection by him of a Patent Slip or Railway at Halifax, for the repair of Vessels, may be extended.

Petition of John Story praying extension of time for erecting a Marine Railway

Ordered, That the Petition be referred to Mr. Bell, Mr. Huntington and Mr. Deblois, to examine and report upon to this House.

Referred to Committee

A Petition of Noah Rockwell and others, was presented by Mr. Morton, and read, praying aid to the Agricultural Interests, by the erection of Storehouse in Halifax, for the reception of Agricultural Produce, the Establishment of a Cloth Manufactory, and otherwise.

Petition for erection of Storehouses in Halifax for Agricultural purposes, &c.

Ordered, That the Petition do lie on the Table.

On motion of Mr. Uniacke, *resolved*, that the Bill to carry into effect an Act, passed in the Parliament of Great-Britain, in the Fifty-ninth year of the Reign of His late Majesty King George the Third, &c. be referred to a Select Committee, to examine and report thereon; and also, generally, as regards the Fisheries on the Coasts of this Province, in reference to encroachments thereon by Foreign Fishermen.

Bill to give effect to Act concerning convention with the U. States referred to Committee who are also to report Foreign encroachments on Fisheries

Ordered, That Mr. Uniacke, Mr. Johnston, Mr. G. Smith, Mr. Wilkins, Mr. Dodd, Mr. Homer and Mr. Doyle, be a Committee for the above purpose.

Committee thereon

A Petition of H. Harrington and others, was presented by Mr. Morton, and read, praying that measures may be adopted to prevent Fees being taken by the Chief-Justice and Judges of the Supreme Court, in Suits at Law.

Petition for abolishing Judge's Fees

Ordered, That the Petition do lie on the Table.

Mr. Young, pursuant to leave given, presented a Bill to divide the County of Sydney, and to regulate the Representation thereof; and the same was read a first time.

Bill presented to divide the County of Sydney

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time.

Mr. Lawson presented to the House an Account from Mr. Treasurer Wallace, of

Treasurer's account current laid before House

all

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all Monies received into, and payments made from, the Provincial Treasury, between the 1st January and the 31st December, 1835.

(See Appendix, No. 2.)

Ordered, That that the Account do lie on the Table, to be perused by the Members of this House.

Leave of absence to Mr. Wilkins, Mr. Shey and Mr. B. Dewolf

Ordered, That Mr. Wilkins, Mr. Shey and Mr. B. Dewolf, have leave of absence from this House, on Saturday next, and from thence to the following Wednesday, to enable them to go to Windsor, for the purpose of attending a Meeting of the Directors of the proposed Avon Bridge, upon important business connected with that undertaking.

Message of Lt. Gov. and Petitions against Halifax Division Bill made order of day for Friday next

Resolved, That the Order for considering on Monday next the Message and accompanying papers sent to the House, yesterday, by His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, be discharged, and that the same be considered on Friday next, in a Committee of the whole House.

Petition for new road from Halifax to Guysborough

A Petition of J. & M. Tobin and others, Merchants and other Inhabitants of Halifax, was presented by Mr. Deblois, and read, praying aid for a New Road to be opened from Halifax to Guysborough, by the way of Musquodoboit, near the Sea Coast.

Ordered, That the Petition do lie on the Table.

Committee to wait on Gov. and request returns of vessels entered and cleared, &c.

On motion of Mr. G. Smith, *resolved*, that a Committee be appointed to wait on His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, to request His Excellency will be pleased to direct the proper Officers to lay before this House a Return of all Ships and Vessels entered and cleared at the several Ports in this Province, during the year 1835, describing their Tonnages, and whether Foreign or British, and the amount of the Imports and Exports in such Vessels, during such period, whether coastwise or otherwise.

Ordered, That Mr. G. Smith, Mr. Dickson and Mr. Creighton, be a Committee for the above purpose.

Committee

Petition from Halifax Merchants for Sterling to be made Money of Account Referred to Committee of whole

A Petition of J. Albro and others, Merchants and Inhabitants of Halifax, was presented by Mr. Bell, and read, praying that British Sterling may be made the Money of Account of this Province.

Ordered, That the Petition be referred to the Committee of the whole House, on consideration of the General State of the Province, in reference to the Currency.

Order of Day Committee of whole on Currency

On motion, the Order of the Day was read ; and thereupon, The House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole House, on the General State of the Province, to consider further of the Currency.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair,

Mr. Morton took the Chair,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair,

The Chairman reported from the Committee, that they had made further progress in the business to them referred, and had come to another Resolution thereon, which they had directed him to report to the House ; and he read the same in his place, and afterwards delivered it in at the Clerk's Table, where it was again read, and is as follows :

Resolution reported for payment of past Debts, Salaries, &c. converting Sterling into Currency by deducting a fifth

Resolved, That it is the opinion of this Committee, that Debts, contracted before any Act to be passed under this and the Resolution passed on Monday last, on the subject of making British Sterling the Money of Account in this Province, shall go into operation, when the same are paid in British Sterling, one fifth shall be deducted from the amount, and this rule should be adopted for converting Currency into Sterling, shall also be applied to Salaries, Fees, the Public Debt, and all obligations.

The Chairman also acquainted the House that he was directed by the Committee to ask for leave to sit again on the consideration of the same subject, which the House agreed to.

WEDNESDAY and THURSDAY, 27th and 28th JANUARY, 1836.

The said Resolution was again read by the Clerk, and, upon the usual question being put by the Speaker, that the House do agree to the same, the House dividing, there appeared, for agreeing to the Resolution, sixteen; against it, eleven. Resolution agreed to upon division

For the Resolution.

Mr Doyle
Mr B Dewolf
Mr Stewart
Mr Young
Mr Wilkins
Mr Morton
Mr Dickson
Mr Bell

Mr Creighton
Mr O'Brien
Mr Archibald
Mr Huntington
Mr Chipman
Mr Oxley
Mr C Roche
Mr Wier

Against the Resolution.

Mr Deblois
Mr Crow
Mr Johnston
Mr Shey
Mr Uniacke
Mr Cochran
Mr G Smith
Mr Clements

Mr Lawson
Mr Homer
Mr W H Roach

So it passed in the Affirmative.

Ordered, That this House will, again to-morrow, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, on the General State of the Province, to consider further of the Currency order of day for To-morrow

Then the House adjourned until To-morrow, at twelve of the clock.

Thursday, 28th January, 1836.

PRAYERS.

A Bill to divide the County of Sydney, and to regulate the Representation thereof, was read a second time. Sydney divison Bill read 2d time and committed

Ordered, That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House,

A Petition of James Fletcher, George Cochran and James Cochran, was presented by Mr Wilkins, and read, praying a Return of Duties paid by them upon a quantity of Flour at Windsor, which had been previously paid by them at Welchpool, a Free Port in the Province of New Brunswick. Petition for return of Duties at Windsor on Flour

Ordered, That the Petition be referred to the Select Committee on the Petition of Joshua Snow, to examine and report upon, and that Mr. Wilkins and Mr. Morton, be added to the said Committee. Referred to Select Committee

Ordered, That the Petition of Charles Starr be referred to the same Committee to examine and report upon to this House. Petition of Chas. Starr for return of Duty on Threshing Machine referred to same Committee

Ordered, That the Petition of Sarah Irwin, be referred to Mr. Bell, Mr. Morton and Mr. W. H. Roach, to examine and report thereon to this House. Petition of Mrs. Irwin referred to Select Committee

A Petition of Francis Parker and others, was presented by Mr. O'Brien, and read, praying an Act of Incorporation of a Company for erecting Dams, Mills and Machinery, at Petit River, in the County of Hants, for the purpose of Manufacturing Plaister of Paris or Gypsum, and putting it up for exportation. Petition for Incorporation of Petit Plaister and Mills Company

Ordered, That Mr. O'Brien have leave to bring in a Bill pursuant to the prayer of the Petition. Leave to bring in Bill therefor

A Petition of the Rev. William B. McLeod and others, was presented by Mr. Young, and read, praying aid to open a new line of road from McCarra's Brook to McAdam's Bridge, in the Upper District of the County of Sydney, and for aid to repair a part of Arisaig Pier, injured by a storm in December last. Petition for aid to Road in County Sydney and to Arisaig Pier

Ordered, That the Petition do lie on the Table, and that such part thereof as relates to Arisaig Pier, be referred to Mr. G. Smith, Mr. Young and Mr. Chipman, to examine and report thereon to this House. Arisaig Pier referred to Select Committee

A Petition of James Dennison, was presented by Mr. Chipman, and read, praying leave to export one of the Entire Horses, (called Randolph,) imported by the Province, and now owned by him. Petition of Dennison for leave to export Randolph

Ordered, That the Petition be referred to Mr. Chipman, Mr. Wilkins and Mr. Cochran, to examine and report thereon to this House. Referred to Select Committee

THURSDAY, 28th JANUARY, 1836.

Report from Com-
mittee to request
Royal Instructions
of Lt. Gov.
Answer To-morrow

Mr. Stewart reported from the Select Committee appointed to wait upon His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, and request a Copy of the Royal Instructions, that the Committee had performed that duty, and that His Excellency was pleased to say, that he would give an answer to the application to-morrow.

Committee to re-
quest returns of
Vessels, Tonnage,
&c

Mr. G. Smith reported from the Select Committee appointed yesterday to wait upon His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor and request a Return of Vessels, their Tonnage, &c. entered and cleared at the several Ports of this Province, that the Committee had so done, and that His Excellency was pleased to say that he would give immediate directions for the said Returns to be laid before the House.

Petition for aid to
Cloth Manufactory
Mills, &c. at Kent-
ville

A Petition of James E. DeWolfe and others, was presented by Mr. Morton, and read, praying aid in the Establishment of Cloth and other Manufactories, Oat Mill, &c. at Kentville, in King's County.

Referred to Select
Committee

Ordered, That the Petition be referred to Mr. Morton, Mr. Chipman, Mr. Wier, Mr. Oxley, Mr. Stewart, Mr. Dickson, Mr. B. Dewolf, Mr. W. H. Roach and Mr. Harris, to examine and report thereon to this House.

Agricultural Peti-
tion of Rockwell and
others referred to
same Committee

Ordered, That that the Petition of Noah Rockwell and others, be referred to the same Committee, who are also to examine and report thereon to this House.

Order of Day
Committee of whole
on Currency

On motion, the Order of the Day was read; and thereupon, The House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole House, on the General State of the Province, to consider further of the Currency.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair,

Mr. Morton took the Chair,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair,

Resolutions report-
ed

The Chairman reported from the Committee, that they had gone through the business to them referred, and had come to two further Resolutions on the subject, which they had directed him to report to the House; and he read the same in his place, and afterwards delivered them in at the Clerk's Table, where they were again read, and are as follow:—

Value in Sterling of
Province Note

Resolved, That it is the opinion of this Committee, that the Province Note shall be and be deemed to be, of the value of Sixteen Shillings, in British Sterling.

Tender of Silver &
Copper

Resolved, That it is the opinion of this Committee, that British Silver shall be a tender to the extent of One Hundred pieces, and British and Provincial Copper Coins, to the extent of Twelve Pence only.

Resolutions agreed
to

The said Resolutions being again read by the Clerk, were, upon the question severally put thereupon, agreed to by the House.

Motion for Commit-
tee to bring in Bill
on Currency agree-
ably to resolutions
carried

Mr. Stewart moved, that a Select Committee be appointed to prepare and bring in a Bill in accordance with the several Resolutions reported from the Committee of the whole House, and agreed to on the subject of the Currency: which, being seconded and put, and the House dividing thereon, there appeared for the motion, eighteen; against it, thirteen.

For the Motion.

Against the Motion.

Division thereon

Mr Morton
Mr Wilkins
Mr B Dewolf
Mr Chipman
Mr Young
Mr Stewart
Mr Crow
Mr Bell
Mr C Roche

Mr O'Brien
Mr Archibald
Mr Huntington
Mr Creighton
Mr Doyle
Mr Wier
Mr Lovett
Mr Dickson
Mr Oxley

Mr Uniacke
Mr Harris
Mr Dodd
Mr Budd
Mr Clements
Mr Deblois
Mr Delap

Mr Shey
Mr Lawson
Mr W H Roach
Mr Cochran
Mr G Smith
Mr Morse

So it passed in the Affirmative.

Committee named

Ordered, That Mr. Stewart, Mr. Young, Mr. Huntington, Mr. Creighton and Mr. Bell, be a Committee for the above purpose.

Mr.

THURSDAY and FRIDAY, 28th and 29th JANUARY, 1836.

Mr. O'Brien, pursuant to leave given, presented a Bill to Incorporate the Petit Plaister and Mills Company; and the same was read a first time.

Petit Plaister and Mills Company Bill presented

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time.

On motion of Mr. Stewart, *resolved*, that this House do, on Thursday next, proceed to consider that part of His Excellency's Speech at the opening of the Session, which relates to the Main Post Roads of the Province.

Main Post Roads made Order of Day for Thursday

On motion of Mr. Stewart, *resolved*, that a Committee be appointed to wait upon His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, and respectfully request that he will be pleased to inform this House whether any reply has been received by His Excellency, on the subject of the Address of this House, passed at its last Session, to His Majesty, relative to opening the Ports of this Colony, to the advantages of Foreign Trade.

Committee to know from Gov. whether answer received to Free Port Address

Ordered, That Mr. Stewart, Mr. Young and Mr. Doyle, be a Committee for the above purpose.

Committee named

Then the House adjourned until to-morrow, at twelve of the Clock.

Friday, 29th January, 1836.

PRAYERS.

A Petition of William O'Brien and others, was presented by Mr. Wilkins, and read, praying that an Act may be passed, to Incorporate a Company for erecting Mills and Machinery at Noel, in the County of Hants, for preparing Plaister of Paris or Gypsum, for exportation.

Petition to incorporate Noel Plaister and Mills Company

Ordered, That the Petition do lie on the Table, and that Mr. Wilkins have leave to bring in a Bill pursuant to the prayer thereof.

Leave to bring in Bill therefor

On motion, the Order of the Day was read; and thereupon,

Mr. G. Smith moved, that the said Order for considering this day, in Committee of the whole House, the Message of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, sent to this House on Tuesday last, and the accompanying Copy of Despatch from the Colonial Secretary of State, with Copy of Petition from Inhabitants of the County of Annapolis, to His Majesty, against the Royal Assent to the Halifax County Division Bill, be discharged, and that the said Message and other Papers be referred to a Select Committee, to examine and report thereon to this House: which, being seconded,

Motion to discharge order from Committee of whole House on Governor's Message and Bridgetown Petition, and to refer to Select Committee

Mr. Johnston moved, by way of amendment, that the said Order of the Day be postponed until Monday next: which, being seconded and put, and the House dividing thereon, there appeared for the amendment, twelve; against it, seventeen.

Amendment negatived

So it passed in the Negative.

The original motion was then put, and the House dividing thereon, there appeared for the motion, seventeen; against it, twelve.

Motion for Select Committee carried

So it passed in the Affirmative.

Ordered, That Mr. Uniacke, Mr. Morse, Mr. Creighton, Mr. Huntington and Mr. Dickson, be a Committee for the above purpose.

Committee thereon

Mr. Stewart, from the Select Committee on the Currency, reported a Bill to establish the Standard and value of Money in this Province, and to provide for the assimilation of the Currency and Monies of Account thereof, with those of the United Kingdom: and the same was read a first time; and thereupon,

Money Standard and Currency Assimilation Bill reported from Currency Committee

Mr. Deblois moved, that the Bill be printed: which, being seconded and put, and the House dividing thereon, there appeared for the motion, eight; against it, nineteen.

Motion for printing Bill negatived

So it passed in the Negative.

Mr. Uniacke then moved, that the Bill be read a second time on Monday next: which, being

Motion to defer 2d reading until Monday negatived

FRIDAY and SATURDAY, 29th and 30th JANUARY, 1836.

being seconded and put, and the House dividing thereon, there appeared for the motion, nine; against it, seventeen. So it passed in the Negative.

On motion of Mr. Doyle, *resolved*, that the Bill be read a second time, to-morrow.

Second reading
fixed for to-morrow
Bill presented to
amend Marine In-
surance Act

Mr. Deblois, pursuant to leave given, presented a Bill to amend the Act to incorporate a Marine Insurance Company in Halifax; and the same was read a first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time,

Petition for aid to
Wharf in Wilmot

A Petition of Peter Starratt and others, was presented by Mr. Johnston, and read, praying aid to the erection of a Wharf or Breakwater at Marshall's Cove, in Wilmot, on the shore of the Bay of Fundy.

Referred to Select
Committee

Ordered, That the Petition be referred to the Select Committee on the Petition of the Rev. W. B. McLeod and others, in relation to Arisaig Pier, and that Mr. Lovett and Mr. Harris be added to the said Committee.

Petition against
Judges' Fees

A Petition of John White and others, was presented by Mr. Morton, and read, praying that measures may be adopted for preventing the Chief-Justice and Judges of the Supreme Court from taking Fees in Actions at Law.

Ordered, That the Petition do lie on the Table.

Then the House adjourned until To-morrow, at twelve of the Clock.

Saturday, 30th January, 1836.

PRAYERS.

Report from Com-
mittee of Gover-
nor's answer in re-
lation to Free Port
Address

Mr. Stewart reported from the Select Committee appointed on Thursday last, to wait upon His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor, in reference to the Address of this House to His Majesty, on the subject of opening the Ports of the Province to Foreign Trade; that the Committee had complied with the order of the House, and that His Excellency, in answer, was pleased to say to the Committee, that no reply to the Address of the House had been communicated to him by His Majesty's Government.

Answer of Gov. as
to Royal Instruc-
tions

Mr. Stewart also reported further from the Select Committee on the subject of the Royal Instructions, that His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor had been pleased to communicate to the Committee, in answer to the application of the House, that he was at all times ready to afford the House all the information in his power, and that he would readily furnish the House with such parts of the Royal Instructions as the House would specify, which were not confidential.

Bills read 2d time—
Petit Plaister Com-
pany Bill
Bill to amend Ma-
rine Insurance Act
Bills committed

A Bill to Incorporate the Petit Plaister and Mills Company; also,
A Bill to amend the Act to Incorporate a Marine Insurance Company, were severally read a second time.

Ordered, That the Bills be committed to a Committee of the whole House.

Petition of George
E. Morton for re-
turn of Duties on
articles destroyed
by fire.
Referred to Select
Committee

A Petition of George E. Morton, was presented by Mr. Deblois, and read, praying a return of Duties paid upon the importation of a quantity of Drugs and Phials, imported into Halifax, from Boston, and destroyed by Fire.

Ordered, That the Petition be referred to the Select Committee on the Petition of Joshua Snow, who are also to examine and report upon this Petition.

Committee on Ame-
rican Convention
and Fishery Bill re-
port amendments

Mr. Uniacke reported from the Select Committee on the Bill to carry into effect an Act, passed in the Parliament of Great-Britain, in the Fifty-ninth year of the reign of His late Majesty King George the Third, &c.; that the Committee had examined said Bill, and had prepared some amendments thereto, which they recommend to the House to adopt with the Bill; and he read the said amendments in his place, and afterwards delivered them, with the Bill, in at the Clerk's Table.

Bill read 2d time
and committed with
the amendments

The said Bill was then read a second time with the amendments. *Ordered*,

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Ordered, That the Bill and amendments be committed to a Committee of the whole House.

On motion, the Order of the Day was read; and thereupon,

A Bill to establish the Standard and Value of Money in this Province, and to provide for the Assimilation of the Currency and Monies of Account thereof, with those of the United Kingdom, was read a second time. Money Standard and Currency Bill read 2d time

Mr. Uniacke moved, that the further consideration of the Bill be deferred to this day three months: which, being seconded and put, and the House dividing thereon, there appeared for the motion, seventeen; against it, fifteen. Motion to defer Bill three months carried

For the Motion.

Mr G Smith	Mr Cochran
Mr Rudolf	Mr Uniacke
Mr Lawson	Mr Johnston
Mr W H Roach	Mr Dodd
Mr Budd	Mr Lent
Mr Delap	Mr Homer
Mr Deblois	Mr Harris
Mr Morse	Mr Crow
Mr Clements	

Against the Motion.

Mr C Roche	Mr Morton
Mr O'Brien	Mr Huntington
Mr Creighton	Mr Oxley
Mr Wier	Mr Dickson
Mr Archibald	Mr Doyle
Mr Lovett	Mr Chipman
Mr Bell	Mr Young
Mr Stewart	

So it passed in the Affirmative.

Mr. Dodd, pursuant to leave given, presented to the House, Returns and Accounts of Labor performed on the roads, in the North Eastern and North Western Districts of Cape-Breton, for Meal provided them by advances from the Provincial Treasury, in the years 1833 & 1834. Accounts of Highway labor done in Cape-Breton in payment of Meal

Ordered, That that the Returns and Accounts do lie on the Table, to be perused by the Members of this House.

On motion, the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole House, on the consideration of the several Bills which stood committed. House go into Committee on Bills

Mr. Speaker left the Chair,

Mr. Lovett took the Chair,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair,

The Chairman reported from the Committee, that they had gone through the Bill to carry into effect an Act, passed in the Parliament of Great-Britain, in the 59th year of the reign of His late Majesty King George the Third, &c. and had made some amendments thereto, which they had directed him to report to the House; that they had also gone through the Bill to reduce the expense of Suits at Law, on Judgments by Confession, and had directed him to report the same to the House, without any amendment; that the Committee had also had under consideration, the Bill to Incorporate the Petit Plaister and Mills Company, and had agreed to recommend to the House to refer the same to a Select Committee, to examine and report upon to the House; and afterwards delivered the Bills, with the amendments, in at the Clerk's Table. Report Bill to carry into effect the Act concerning the Convention with America in regard to Fishery with amendments Judgment Confession Bill without amendment Recommend Petit Plaister Bill to Select Committee

The Chairman also acquainted the House, that he was directed by the Committee to move for leave to sit again on the consideration of Bills committed: which, the House agreed to.

The amendments to the first mentioned Bill, reported from the Committee, were read throughout a first and second time, and, upon the question put thereupon, were agreed to by the House. Bills to be engrossed

Ordered, That the Bill, with the amendments, be engrossed.

Ordered, That the Bill, reported without the amendments, be engrossed.

Ordered, That the Bill to Incorporate the Petit Plaister and Mills Company, be referred to Mr. O'Brien, Mr. Uniacke and Mr. Stewart, to examine and report thereon to the House. Petit Plaister Bill referred to Select Committee

A Petition of the Halifax Steam Boat Company, was presented by Mr. Bell, and read, setting forth the embarrassments in the Funds of the Company, and praying aid Petition of Halifax Steam Boat Company for aid

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in the Establishment of an additional Steam Boat, on the Ferry from Halifax to Dartmouth, and an annual Grant in support of the expenses.

Referred to Select Committee

Ordered, That the Petition be referred to Mr. Bell, Mr. Uniacke and Mr. Morton, to examine and report thereon to this House.

Then the House adjourned, until To-morrow, at twelve of the clock.

Monday, 1st February, 1836.

PRAYERS.

Engrossed Bills read third time, viz Bill to carry into effect Act of Parliament relating to American Convention and Fisheries

An engrossed Bill to carry into effect an Act, passed in the Parliament of Great-Britain, in the Fifty-ninth year of the Reign of His late Majesty King George the Third, &c. ; was read a third time.

Judgments by Confession Bill

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and that the title be, An Act to carry into effect an Act, passed in the Parliament of Great-Britain, in the Fifty-ninth year of the Reign of His late Majesty King George the Third, entitled, An Act to enable His Majesty to make regulations with respect to the taking and curing Fish on certain parts of the Coasts of Newfoundland, Labrador, and His Majesty's other Possessions in North America, according to a Convention made between His Majesty and the United States of America.

Bills passed and sent to Council

An engrossed Bill to reduce the Expenses of Suits at Law, on Judgments by Confession ; was read a third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and that the title be, An Act to reduce the Expenses of Suits at Law, on Judgments by Confession.

Petition for continued aid to Annapolis Steam Boat

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bills to the Council and desire their concurrence.

A Petition of James Whitney, was presented by Mr. W. H. Roach, and read, praying a continuance of the grant in aid of running a Steam-Boat between Annapolis and St. John, N. B. carrying the Mail.

Petition for aid to Packet from Bay Verte to P E Island

A Petition of Jonathan Chappell, was presented by Mr. Morse, and read, praying an annual grant in aid of running a Packet Boat between Bay Verte and Prince Edward Island.

Petition of appraisers of New Road in Macan

A Petition of Michael Gordon and John Roach, was also presented by Mr. Morse, and read, praying payment for their services as appraisers upon the laying out of a new Road in Macan Settlement, in the County of Cumberland.

Ordered, That the Petitions do lie on the Table.

Petition of Grand Jury of Colchester as to assessing owners of Lands in different Townships Referred to Select Committee

A Petition of the Grand Inquest for the District of Colchester, was presented by Mr. Archibald, and read, setting forth the doubts and difficulties existing in Assessing for Town and County charges, persons owning Lands situate in different Townships.

Ordered, That the Petition be referred to Mr. Dickson, Mr. Archibald and Mr. Morton, to examine and report thereon to the House.

Petition for compensation for carrying Mail over La Have Ferry

A Petition of John Pernette, keeper of the Ferry across LaHave River, was presented by Mr. Rudolf, and read, setting forth his conveyance of the Weekly Mail on said Ferry, without any payment therefor, and praying a grant for that service.

Ordered, That the Petition do lie on the Table.

Oat Mill Upper La Have

A Petition of William Newcomb, was also presented by Mr. Rudolf, and read, praying aid towards the erection of an Oat Mill, at Upper LaHave, in the County of Lunenburg.

Ordered, That the Petition be referred to the Committee on the Petition of James E. DeWolfe and others, and that the said Committee do also examine and report upon this Petition.

Referred to Select Committee

Bill to Vacate Seats of Members

Mr. Doyle, pursuant to leave given, presented a Bill to vacate the Seats of Members of the Assembly, in certain cases; and the same was read a first time.

Mr.

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Mr. Doyle also, pursuant to leave given, presented a Bill concerning private Acts; and the same was read a first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time.

A Petition of Francis Parker and others, was presented by Mr. O'Brien, and read, praying the extension of the Mail communication through Newport and into the Township of Kempt, as far as Petite.

A Petition of Kenneth McKenzie and others, was presented by Mr. Dodd, and read, praying aid to open a New Road between Marguerite Lake and Wagamatcook River, in Cape Breton.

Odered, That the Petitions do lie on the Table.

A Petition of Joseph Sanford and others, was presented by Mr. Morton, and read, praying that measures may be adopted to prevent the taking of Fees by the Chief-Justice and the Judges of the Supreme Court, in Suits at Law.

Ordered, That the Petition do lie on the Table, and that Mr. Morton have leave to bring in a Bill to abolish the Fees therein referred to.

Mr. Morton, pursuant to leave given, presented a Bill to abolish the Fees at present taken by the Chief-Justice and Judges of the Supreme Court, throughout the Province; and the same was read a first time.

Mr. O'Brien moved, that the Bill be committed to a Select Committee, to examine and report thereon to the House: which, being seconded and put, and the House dividing thereon, there appeared for the motion, ten; against it, fourteen.

So it passed in the Negative.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time.

A Petition of John Killam and others, was presented by Mr. Clements, and read, praying that a Light-House may be erected near Yarmouth.

Ordered, That the Petition do lie on the Table.

Mr. Stewart, pursuant to leave given, presented a Bill relative to Executions issuing from the Supreme Court of this Province: and the same was read a first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time.

On motion of Mr. Stewart, *resolved*, that a Committee be appointed to wait upon His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, and request he will be pleased to furnish this House with a Copy of such parts of the Royal Instructions, forming the constitution of the Colony, as may not be confidential.

Ordered, That Mr. Stewart, Mr. G. Smith and Mr. Huntington, be a Committee for the above purpose.

On motion, the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole House, on the further consideration of the several Bills which stood committed.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair,

Mr. Lovett took the Chair,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chairman reported from the Committee that they had gone through the Bill to amend the Act to Incorporate a Marine Insurance Company in Halifax, and had directed him to report the said Bill to the House, without any amendment; and that they had also had under consideration, the Bill to divide the County of Shelburne, and to regulate the Representation thereof, and had agreed to recommend to the House to defer the further consideration thereof to this day three months; and he afterwards delivered the Bills in at the Clerk's Table.

The Chairman also acquainted the House, that he was directed by the Committee to move for leave to sit again on the consideration of Bills committed; which the House agreed to.

Bill concerning Private Acts

Petition for Post Communication in Kempt

Petition for New Road in Cape-Breton

Petition against Judges fees

Leave to bring in bill to abolish Judges fees

Bill presented to abolish Judges fees

Motion for reference of Bill to Select Committee negatived

Petition for Light House at Yarmouth

Bill relating to Writs of Execution

Committee to request from Gov. the Royal Instructions not confidential

Committee named

Committee of whole on Bills

Report Marine Insurance Bill without amendment

And recommend Shelburne Division Bill to be deferred three months

Mr.

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Motion against report on Shelburne Bill negatived

Mr. C. Roche moved, that the Report of the Committee, in regard to the Bill to divide the County of Shelburne, and to regulate the Representation thereof, be not received by the House; which, being seconded and put, and the House dividing thereon, there appeared, for the motion, fourteen; against it, seventeen.

For the Motion.

Mr Stewart
Mr Dickson
Mr Morton
Mr Young
Mr Doyle
Mr Clements
Mr Budd
Mr Lent
Mr W H Roach

Mr Delap
Mr C Roche
Mr Lovett
Mr Archibald
Mr Huntington

Against the Motion.

Mr Bell
Mr Deblois
Mr Creighton
Mr Chipman
Mr Dodd
Mr Morse
Mr Uniacke
Mr Oxley
Mr Wier

Mr Homer
Mr Harris
Mr Crow
Mr O'Brien
Mr Cochran
Mr G Smith
Mr Lawson
Mr Rudolf

So it passed in the Negative.

Bill deferred three months

Ordered, That the further consideration of said Bill be deferred to this day three Months.

Marine Insurance Bill to be engrossed

Ordered, That the Bill reported from the Committee, without amendment, be engrossed.

Letter from Dy. Secy. transmitting Copy of Despatch relative to Books of Record Commission sent to Provinces

Mr. Speaker presented to the House, a Letter from Mr. Deputy-Secretary James, dated the 29th January last, transmitting by Command of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, to be laid before the House, and which Mr. Speaker accordingly laid before the House. A Copy of a Despatch from His Grace the Duke of Wellington in relation to the transmission to this Province, of a set of the Works published in England, by the Record Commissioners, with a Catalogue of the Books received, &c. and the said Letter, Copy of Despatch and Catalogue, were read by the Clerk.

(See Appendix, No. 3.)

Ordered, That the said several Papers do lie on the Table.

Report from Committee on Expiring Laws, 44 Bills presented for continuing the several Acts therein mentioned, viz—
Alien Act

Mr. Uniacke reported from the Committee on the Expiring Laws, and thereupon, presented to the House Forty-four Bills, to continue the several Acts about to expire; and the said Bills were read a first time, and are as follow, viz:

A Bill to continue the Act respecting Aliens coming into this Province or residing therein.

Suspension of Acts against Forestalling

A Bill to continue the Act to suspend the operation of several Acts of the General Assembly, passed to prevent Forestalling, Regrating and Monopolizing.

Suspension of Acts against Forestalling Cordwood Driving Carriages

A Bill to continue the Act to suspend the operation of the Acts to prevent Forestalling, Regrating and Monopolizing, of Cordwood in the Town of Halifax.

A Bill to continue the Act to prevent disorderly Riding, and to regulate the driving of Carriages, on the Streets of Halifax, or on the public roads of this Province, and for repealing certain Acts therein mentioned.

Prices of Carriages

A Bill to continue the Act in addition to the Act for regulating the Rates and Prices of Carriages.

Nuisances in Rivers

A Bill to continue the Act in addition and in amendment of the Act to prevent Nuisances by Hedges, Wears, and other incumbrances, obstructing the Passage of Fish in the Rivers in this Province.

Halifax Night Watch

A Bill to continue the Act for the better preservation of the property of the Inhabitants of the Town of Halifax, by providing for a sufficient Watch at Night.

Light Houses

A Bill to continue the Act for the support and regulation of Light-Houses.

Prevention of Bites of Animals

A Bill to continue the Act to provide against the occurrence of Diseases from the bite of Animals.

Amendment of Wills Act

A Bill to continue an Act in amendment of certain Acts relating to Wills, Legacies and Executors, and for the settlement and distribution of the Estates of Intestates.

Addition of Wills Acts

A Bill to continue the Act, entitled, An Act in further addition to the Act relating to Wills, Legacies and Executors, and for the settlement and distribution of the Estates of Intestates.

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A Bill to continue the Act to regulate the Weighing of Beef.	Weighing of Beef
A Bill to continue the Act to regulate the Pilotage of Vessels at the Port of Halifax, and the several Acts in amendment thereof and additional thereto.	Pilotage at Halifax
A Bill to continue the Act to regulate the Pilotage of Vessels at the Port of Sydney, in the Island of Cape-Breton.	Pilotage at Sydney C. B.
A Bill to continue the Act to preserve and regulate the Navigation of the Harbour of Pugwash.	Pugwash Harbor
A Bill to continue the Act to preserve the Harbour of Cape Forchu, in Yarmouth.	Cape Forchu Harbor
A Bill to continue the Act for the more easy Redemption and Foreclosure of Mortgages.	Mortgages
A Bill to continue the Act for affording relief to Copartners in certain cases.	Copartners
A Bill to continue the Act to lessen the expenses of the proof of Written Documents in Actions depending in any of the Courts within this Province.	Proof of Writings in Courts
A Bill to continue the Act in amendment of an Act, made and passed in the first and second years of His late Majesty's Reign, entitled, An Act to extend the Laws and Ordinances of the Province of Nova-Scotia to the Island of Cape-Breton.	Laws of Nova-Scotia extended to Cape Breton
A Bill to continue the Act to enable those interested in LaHave Common to make Regulations for the Management thereof.	LaHave Common
A Bill to continue the Act in further addition to, and in amendment of, the Act for the choice of Town Officers and Regulating of Townships, and the Act to alter and amend the same.	Town Officers
A Bill to continue the Act to prevent damage to the Nets of Fishermen by Coasting Vessels.	Fishermen's Nets
A Bill to continue the Act to prevent the Clandestine Landing of Liberated Slaves and other persons therein mentioned from Vessels arriving in this Province.	Landing of Slaves
A Bill to continue the Act concerning Malicious Injuries to Property.	Malicious injuries
A Bill to continue the Act to prevent the spreading of Contagious Diseases and for the performance of Quarantine, and the Act in amendment thereof.	Quarantine
A Bill to continue the Acts to provide for the Regulation and Management of the Grammar School or Academy at Annapolis.	Annapolis Academy
A Bill to continue the Act for Regulating the Alewives Fishery on Barrington River.	Alewives Fishery, Barrington
A Bill to continue the Act concerning the Terms of the Supreme Court at Halifax.	Terms of Sup. Court
A Bill to continue the Act to amend an Act for establishing a Public School in the Town of Halifax.	Halifax Grammar School
A Bill to continue the Acts now in force relating to Trespasses.	Trespasses
A Bill to continue the Act to provide for the Accommodation and Billetting of His Majesty's Troops or of the Militia, when on their March from one part of the Province to another, and also the Act in amendment thereof.	Billetting of Troops
A Bill to continue the Act to regulate the Expenditure of Monies hereafter to be appropriated for the service of Roads and Bridges, and the Act in amendment thereof.	Road expenditure
A Bill to continue the several Acts concerning the Bridewell and Police in Halifax.	Bridewell
A Bill to continue the Act to encourage the importation of improved breeds of Cattle into this Province.	Importation of Cattle
A Bill to continue the Act to amend the Act to regulate the Assize of Bread.	Assize of Bread
A Bill to continue an Act relating to the Court of Commissioners at Halifax.	Commissioners Court
A Bill to continue the Act for the Summary Trial of Actions, and the Act in amendment thereof.	Summary Trials
A Bill to continue the Acts concerning the Inferior Courts of Common Pleas within this Province.	Courts of Common Pleas
A Bill to continue the several Acts for the Regulation of the Militia.	Militia
A Bill to continue the Act for the Inspection of Flour and Meal.	Flour Inspection
A Bill to continue the Act to encourage the Seal Fisheries of this Province.	Seal Fisheries
A Bill to continue the Act relating to Passengers from Great-Britain and Ireland arriving in this Province.	Passengers from United Kingdom

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Schools

A Bill to continue the Act for the encouragement of Schools.
The said several Bills were read a first time, and ordered to be read a second time.

Then the House adjourned, until to-morrow, at twelve of the Clock.

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PRAYERS.

An engrossed Bill to amend the Act to Incorporate a Marine Insurance Company in Halifax, was read a third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and that the title be, An Act to amend the Act to Incorporate a Marine Insurance Company in Halifax.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Council and desire their concurrence.

Bills read 2d time,

&c

Members' Seats

Private Acts

Judges Fees

The following Bills were read a second time, viz :—

A Bill to vacate the Seats of Members of the Assembly in certain cases.

A Bill concerning private Acts.

A Bill to abolish the Fees at present taken by the Chief-Justice and Judges of the Supreme Court.

A Bill relative to Executions issuing from the Supreme Court of this Province.

Executions

Continuing Bills,

Suspension of
Forestalling

Suspension of Acts
against Forestalling
Cordwood

Driving Carriages

A Bill to continue the Act to suspend the operation of several Acts of the General Assembly, passed to prevent Forestalling, Re-grating and Monopolizing.

A Bill to continue the Act to suspend the operation of the Acts to prevent Forestalling, Re-grating, and Monopolizing, of Cordwood in the Town of Halifax.

A Bill to continue the Act to prevent disorderly Riding, and to regulate the driving of Carriages, on the Streets of Halifax, or on the public roads of this Province, and for repealing certain Acts therein mentioned.

Prices of Carriages

A Bill to continue the Act in addition to the Act for regulating the Rates and Prices of Carriages.

Nuisances in Rivers

A Bill to continue the Act in addition and in amendment of the Act to prevent Nuisances by Hedges, Weirs, and other incumbrances, obstructing the Passage of Fish in the Rivers in this Province.

Halifax Night
Watch

A Bill to continue the Act for the better preservation of the Property of the Inhabitants of the Town of Halifax, by providing for a sufficient Watch at Night.

Light Houses

A Bill to continue the Act for the support and regulation of Light-Houses.

Prevention of Bites
of Animals

A Bill to continue the Act to provide against the occurrence of Diseases from the bite of Animals.

Amendment of
Wills Act

A Bill to continue an Act in amendment of certain Acts relating to Wills, Legacies and Executors, and for the settlement and distribution of the Estates of Intestates.

Addition of Wills
Acts

A Bill to continue the Act, entitled, An Act in further addition to the Act relating to Wills, Legacies and Executors, and for the settlement and distribution of the Estates of Intestates.

Weighing of Beef

A Bill to continue the Act to regulate the Weighing of Beef.

Pilotage at Halifax

A Bill to continue the Act to regulate the Pilotage of Vessels at the Port of Halifax, and the several Acts in amendment thereof and additional thereto.

Pilotage at Sydney
C. B.

A Bill to continue the Act to regulate the Pilotage of Vessels at the Port of Sydney, in the Island of Cape-Breton.

Pugwash Harbor

A Bill to continue the Act to preserve and regulate the Navigation of the Harbour of Pugwash.

Cape Forchu Harbor

A Bill to continue the Act to preserve the Harbour of Cape Forchu, in Yarmouth.

Mortgages

A Bill to continue the Act for the more easy Redemption and Foreclosure of Mortgages.

Co-partners

A Bill to continue the Act for affording relief to Co-partners in certain cases.

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A Bill to continue the Act to lessen the expense of the proof of written Documents, in Actions depending in any of the Courts within this Province.	Proof of Writings in Courts
A Bill to continue the Act in amendment of an Act, made and passed in the first and second years of His late Majesty's Reign, entitled, An Act to extend the Laws and Ordinances of the Province of Nova-Scotia, to the Island of Cape-Breton.	Laws of Nova-Scotia extended to C. Breton
A Bill to continue the Act to enable those interested in La Have Common, to make Regulations for the management thereof.	LaHave Common
A Bill to continue the Act in further addition to, and in amendment of, the Act for the Choice of Town Officers, and regulating of Townships, and the Act to alter and amend the same.	Town Officers
A Bill to continue the Act to prevent damage to the Nets of Fishermen, by Coasting Vessels.	Fishermen's Nets
A Bill to continue the Act to prevent the clandestine landing of Liberated Slaves and other persons therein mentioned, from Vessels arriving in this Province.	Landing of Slaves
A Bill to continue the Act concerning malicious injuries to property.	Malicious injuries
A Bill to continue the Act to prevent spreading of Contagious Diseases, and for the performance of Quarantine, and the Act in amendment thereof.	Quarantine
A Bill to continue the Acts to provide for the regulation and management of the Grammar School or Academy at Annapolis.	Annapolis Academy
A Bill to continue the Act concerning the Terms of the Supreme Court at Halifax,	Terms of Sup. Court
A Bill to continue the Act to amend an Act for establishing a Public School in the Town of Halifax.	Halifax Grammar School
A Bill to continue the Acts now in force relating to Trespasses.	Trespasses
A Bill to continue the Act to provide for the accommodation and billeting of His Majesty's Troops or of the Militia, when on their march from one part of the Province to another, and also the Acts in amendment thereof.	Billeting of Troops
A Bill to continue the Acts to regulate the expenditure of Monies hereafter to be appropriated for the service of Roads and Bridges, and the Act in amendment thereof.	Road expenditure
A Bill to continue the several Acts concerning the Bridewell and Police in Halifax.	Bridewell
A Bill to continue the Act to encourage the Importation of improved breeds of Cattle into this Province.	Importation of Cattle
A Bill to continue the Act to amend the Act to regulate the Assize of Bread.	Assize of Bread
A Bill to continue an Act relating to the Court of Commissioners at Halifax.	Commissioners Court
A Bill to continue the Act for the Summary Trial of Actions, and the Act in amendment thereof.	Summary Trials
A Bill to continue the Act concerning the Inferior Courts of Common Pleas within this Province.	Courts of Common Pleas
A Bill to continue the several Acts for the Regulation of the Militia.	Militia
A Bill to continue the Act for the Inspection of Flour and Meal.	Flour Inspection
A Bill to continue the Act to encourage the Seal Fisheries of this Province.	Seal Fisheries
<i>Ordered,</i> That the Bills be committed to a Committee of the whole House.	Bills committed
A Bill to continue the Act respecting Aliens coming into the Province or residing therein, was read a second time; and thereupon,	Bill to continue Alien Act deferred three months
On motion of Mr. Stewart, <i>resolved,</i> that the further consideration of the Bill be deferred to this day three months.	
A Bill to continue the Act for regulating the Alewives Fishery on Barrington River, was read a second time; and thereupon,	Bill to continue Alewives Fishery, Act deferred 3 months
On motion of Mr. Homer, <i>resolved,</i> that the further consideration of the Bill be deferred until this day three months.	
A Bill to continue the Act relating to Passengers from Great-Britain and Ireland arriving in this Province, was read a second time; and thereupon,	Bill to continue Passenger Act read 2d time, motion to defer same, negatived
Mr. Uniacke moved, that the further consideration of the Bill be deferred until this day three months: which, being seconded and put, and the House dividing thereon, there appeared for the motion, six; against it, twenty-one.	For

TUESDAY, 2d FEBRUARY, 1836.

*For the Motion.**Against the Motion.*

Mr Doyle
Mr Barss
Mr Uniacke
Mr W H Roach
Mr Bell
Mr O'Brien

Mr Wier
Mr Budd
Mr Delap
Mr C Roche
Mr Morse
Mr Harris
Mr Crow
Mr Clements
Mr Creighton
Mr Oxley
Mr Archibald

Mr Johnston
Mr Huntington
Mr Stewart
Mr Lovell
Mr Cochran
Mr Morton
Mr Chipman
Mr Dodd
Mr G Smith
Mr Dickson

Division thereon

So it passed in the Negative.

Bill committed

Ordered, That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House.

Petition of C. Benson an old soldier for aid

A Petition of Christopher Benson was presented by Mr. Delap, and read, setting forth the Petitioner's having served in his Youth as an Officer in a Provincial Corps of the British Army, during the Revolutionary Contest in America, for which he had received no reward; and that he had afterwards settled in the County of Annapolis, and served as an Officer in the Militia of that County, which he had been indefatigable in drilling and bringing into order without compensation, and, being now reduced to poverty, prays some assistance from the Provincial Fund to enable him to maintain himself without applying to the Parish for relief; and thereupon,

Withdrawn

On motion of Mr. Rudolf, *ordered*, that Mr. Delap have leave to withdraw the Petition.

Petition W. Muir for return of duty on Rum

A Petition of William Muir was presented by Mr. C. Roche, and read, praying a return of Duty upon a quantity of Rum shipped by him from Shelburne for St. John, N. B. and upon which, owing to a mistake, the drawback was not obtained.

Referred to return duty Committee

Ordered, That the Petition be referred to the Committee on the Petition of Joshua Snow, who are likewise to examine into the merits of this Petition and report thereon.

Petition of S. Archibald Road Commissioner for payment of overexpenditure

A Petition of Samuel Archibald, a Road Commissioner, was presented by Mr. G. Smith, and read, praying reimbursement of Monies by him over-expended on the new line of road between Truro and Halifax through Brookfield.

Ordered, That the Petition do lie on the Table.

Report from Committee to request Royal Instructions not confidential

Mr. Stewart reported from the Select Committee appointed to wait upon His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, and request a Copy of such part of the Royal Instructions as are not confidential; that the Committee had so done, and that His Excellency was pleased to say that he would direct the same to be laid before the House without delay.

Bill presented concerning Currency

Mr. Uniacke, pursuant to leave given, presented a Bill concerning the Currency of Nova-Scotia, and the same was read a first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time.

Committee to enquire into expenditure of certain Road Money in Lunenburg

On motion of Mr. Creighton, *resolved*, that a Committee be appointed to enquire into the expenditure of the following sums, during the last year, viz: Fifty pounds on the Road from La Have Ferry to the Town of Lunenburg—One Hundred and Five pounds from Queen's County Line to La Have Ferry—Twenty-five pounds from John Beck's to La Have Bridge, on the Annapolis road, through Brookfield; and that the said Committee have power and authority to send for Persons and Papers:

Committee named

Ordered, That Mr. Stewart, Mr. Morse, Mr. Barss, Mr. Chipman and Mr. Huntington, be a Committee for the above purpose.

Petition for aid to Lunenburg Library

A Petition of the Committee of the Lunenburg Public Library Association, was presented by Mr. Rudolf, and read, praying aid to the Funds of that Institution

Ordered, That the Petition do lie on the Table.

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A Petition of the Granville Ferry Temperance Society, and a Petition of James Hall and others, Members of the Temperance Society in Lower Granville, were presented by Mr. Johnston, and read, severally praying that the Act of last Session, in regard to granting Licenses for the sale of Spirituous Liquors by retail, may be reviewed, and the sole power of granting the same be limited to the Courts of Sessions and Grand Juries.

Petitions of Temperance Societies in Granville

A Petition of the Executive Committee of the Lunenburg Town and County Temperance Society, was presented by Mr. Creighton, and read, praying to the same effect as the foregoing Petitions.

In Lunenburg

Ordered, That the foregoing Petitions, on the subject of Licenses for the sale of Spirituous Liquors, be referred to Mr. Johnston, Mr. Uniacke, Mr. Stewart, Mr. Chipman, Mr. O'Brien, Mr. Lent, Mr. Barss, Mr. Creighton, Mr. Bell, Mr. Wier, Mr. Blanchard and Mr. Young, to examine and report thereon to this House by Bill or otherwise.

Temperance Petitions referred to Select Committee

Mr. O'Brien reported from the Select Committee, on the Bill to Incorporate the Petit Plaister and Mills Company, that the Committee had considered the Bill, and had made several amendments thereto, which they recommend to the House to adopt with the Bill; and he delivered the Bill and amendments in at the Clerk's Table, where the same were read by the Clerk.

Report from Committee on Petit Plaister Bill amendments

Ordered, That the Bill be re-committed to the Committee of the whole House, with the amendments.

Re-committed

On motion, the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole House, on the further consideration of the several Bills which stood committed.

Committee of whole on Bills

Mr. Speaker left the Chair,

Mr. Lovett took the Chair,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chairman reported from the Committee that they had gone through the Bill to vacate the Seats of Members of the Assembly, in certain cases; the Bill concerning private Acts; the Bill to abolish the Fees at present taken by the Chief-Justice and Judges of the Supreme Court, throughout the Province; the Bill relative to Executions issuing from the Supreme Court of this Province; the Bill to continue the Act to suspend the operation of several Acts of the General Assembly to prevent Forestalling, Regrating and Monopolising; the Bill to continue the Act to suspend the operation of the Acts to prevent Forestalling, Regrating and Monopolising, of Cordwood in the Town of Halifax; the Bill to continue the Act to prevent disorderly Riding, and to regulate the driving of Carriages, on the Streets of Halifax, or other Towns, or on the public roads of this Province, and for repealing certain Acts therein mentioned; the Bill to continue the Act in addition to the Act for regulating the Rates and Prices of Carriages; the Bill to continue the Act in addition to, and in amendment of, the Act to prevent Nuisances by Hedges, Wears, and other incumbrances, obstructing the Passage of Fish in the Rivers in this Province; the Bill to continue the Act for the better preservation of the Property of the Inhabitants of the Town of Halifax, by providing for a sufficient Watch at Night; the Bill to continue the Act to preserve the Harbour of Cape Forchu, in Yarmouth; the Bill to continue the Act to preserve and regulate the Navigation of the Harbour of Pugwash; the Bill to continue the Act to provide against the occurrence of Diseases from the bite of Animals; the Bill to continue an Act in amendment of certain Acts relating to Wills, Legacies and Executors, and for the settlement and distribution of the Estates of Intestates; the Bill to continue the Act, entitled, An Act in further addition to the Act relating to Wills, Legacies and Executors, and for the settlement and distribution of the Estates of Intestates; the Bill to continue the Act to regulate the Weighing of Beef; the Bill to continue the Act to regulate the Pilotage of Vessels at the Port of Halifax, and the several Acts in amendment thereof and additional thereto; the Bill to continue the Act to regulate the Pilotage of Vessels at the Port of Sydney, in the Island of Cape-Breton; the Bill to continue the Act to lessen the expense of the proof of written Documents, in Actions depending in any of the Courts within this Province;

Bills reported without amendment, viz
Bill to vacate Members Seats
Private Acts Bill
Judges Fees Bill
Executions Bill

And 28 continuing Bills

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the Bill to continue the Act in amendment of an Act, made and passed in the first and second years of His late Majesty's Reign, entitled, An Act to extend the Laws and Ordinances of the Province of Nova-Scotia to the Island of Cape-Breton; the Bill to continue the Act in further addition to, and in amendment of, the Act for the Choice of Town Officers, and regulating of Townships, and the Act to alter and amend the same; the Bill to continue the Act to prevent damage to the Nets of Fishermen, by Coasting Vessels; the Bill to continue the Act to prevent the clandestine landing of Liberated Slaves and other persons therein mentioned, from Vessels arriving in this Province; the Bill to continue the Act concerning malicious injuries to property; the Bill to continue the Act to prevent the spreading of Contagious Diseases, and for the performance of Quarantine, and the Act in amendment thereof; the Bill to continue the Acts to provide for the regulation and management of the Grammar School or Academy at Annapolis; the Bill to continue the Act to amend an Act for establishing a Public School in the Town of Halifax; the Bill to continue the Acts now in force relating to Trespasses; the Bill to continue the Act to provide for the accommodation and billeting of His Majesty's Troops or of the Militia, when on their march from one part of the Province to another, and also the Acts in amendment thereof; the Bill to continue the Act to encourage the Importation of improved breeds of Cattle into this Province; the Bill to continue the Act relating to the Court of Commissioners at Halifax; and the Bill to continue the Act to encourage the Seal Fisheries of this Province; and had directed him to report the said Bills severally to the House without any amendment. That the Committee had also gone through the Bill to continue the Act to enable those interested in La Have Common, to make Regulations for the management thereof, and had made an amendment thereto, which they had directed him to report to the House with the Bill; and he afterwards delivered the said several Bills and the said amendment in at the Clerk's Table.

Report LaHave
Common Bill with
amendment

The Chairman also acquainted the House that he was directed by the Committee to move for leave to sit again on the consideration of Bills committed: which the House agreed to.

Amendment agreed
to

The amendment to the last mentioned Bill, reported from the Committee, was read by the Clerk a first and second time, and, upon the question put thereupon, was agreed to by the House.

Bills to be engrossed

Ordered, That the Bill, with the amendment, be engrossed.

Ordered, That the Bills, reported without amendment, be engrossed.

Then the House adjourned, until To-morrow, at twelve of the clock.

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PRAYERS.

Report of Select
Committee on Govs.
Message and
Bridgetown Petition
on Halifax County
Division Bill

Mr. Uniacke reported from the Select Committee, to whom was referred the Message of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, with the accompanying Documents sent to this House on Tuesday, the 26th January last; and he read the report in his place, and afterwards delivered it in at the Clerk's Table, where it was again read, and is as follows:

The Committee to whom were referred the Message of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, the Despatch of the Secretary of the Colonies, and the Petition of Silas L. Morse and others, Inhabitants of the County of Annapolis, objecting to the Bill which passed the Legislature, for dividing the County of Halifax, have maturely considered those Documents, and recommend the House to adopt a Resolution to the following effect:—

Resolution recom-
mended by Com-
mittee

Resolved, That the object of this House, in passing the Bill, entitled, "An Act to Divide the County of Halifax, and regulate the Representation thereof," is fully expressed

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sed therein ; and therefore, it is inexpedient to offer any explanation which may tend to influence His Majesty's decision thereon.

Halifax, 2d February, 1836.

(Signed)

{ JAMES B. UNLACKE, Chairman, HERBERT HUNTINGTON,
JAMES S. MORSE, JOHN CREIGHTON, THOMAS DICKSON.

Resolved unanimously, That the foregoing Report be received and adopted by this House, and that the Resolution therein recommended be agreed to. Report and Resolution adopted

On motion of Mr. Oxley, *resolved*, that the Committee who prepared said Report, be a Committee to wait upon His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor with a Copy thereof, and of the Resolution of this House thereupon, as the answer of this House to the Message of His Excellency on the subject. Committee to wait on Gov. with report &c in answer to his Message

A Petition of John and Henry Muncey was presented by Mr. Bell, and read, praying payment of a Bounty upon a Sealing Voyage, which had not been obtained within the time limited by the Act, in consequence of the absence of the Master of the Vessel. Petition for payment of a Bounty on a Sealer

Ordered, That the Petition be referred to Mr. Bell, Mr. Huntington and Mr. Barss, to examine and report upon the merits thereof to this House.

A Petition of S. S. Blowers and others, of the Committee of the Acadian School in Halifax, was presented by Mr. Bell, and read, praying a continuance of the Provincial Grant to that Institution. Petition for aid to Acadian School Halifax

Ordered, That the Petition be referred to the Committee on the subject of Schools.

An engrossed Bill to vacate the Seats of Members of the Assembly, in certain cases, was read a third time. Bill to vacate Seats of Members passed

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and that the title be, An Act to vacate the Seats of Members of the Assembly in certain cases.

An engrossed Bill concerning private Acts, was read a third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and that the title be, An Act concerning private Acts. Bill on Private Acts passed

An engrossed Bill relative to Executions issuing from the Supreme Court of this Province, was read a third time. Bill relative to issuing of Executions passed

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and that the title be, An Act relative to Executions issuing from the Supreme Court of this Province.

An engrossed Bill to abolish the Fees at present taken by the Chief Justice and Judges of the Supreme Court throughout the Province, was read a third time. Bill for abolishing Judges Fees passed

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and that the title be, An Act to abolish the Fees at present taken by the Chief Justice and Judges of the Supreme Court throughout the Province.

An engrossed Bill to continue the Act to enable those interested in La Have Common to make Regulations for the Management thereof, was read a third time. LaHave Common Bill passed

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and the title be, An Act to render perpetual the Act to enable those interested in La Have Common to make Regulations for the Management thereof.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bills to the Council and desire their concurrence.

A Petition of Thomas Whitttemore, of Antigonish, was presented Mr. Dickson, and read, praying a return of Duties paid by him upon a Piano and certain Carding Machinery, and wire therefor, brought by him into this Province from the United States of America. Petition of T. Whitttemore praying return of Duties

Ordered, That the Petition be referred to the Select Committee on the Petition of Joshua Snow, who are likewise to examine and report upon this Petition.

On motion of Mr. Stewart, *resolved*, that a Committee be appointed to examine the Statutes respecting Highway Labor, and to enquire into the operation thereof, to report to this House thereon by Bill or otherwise. Committee to examine into Statutes respecting Highway Labor

Ordered,

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Ordered, That Mr. Stewart, Mr. Wier, Mr. G. Smith, Mr. Dickson, Mr. Dodd, Mr. Lawson, Mr. Cochran, Mr. Chipman, Mr. W. H. Roach, Mr. Homer, Mr. Barss and Mr. Rudolf, be a Committee for the above purpose.

Currency Bill committed

A Bill concerning the Currency of Nova-Scotia, was read a second time ; and, Upon the usual question being put by the Speaker whether the Bill should be referred to the Committee of the whole House, the House dividing thereon, there appeared for committing the Bill, fifteen ; against it, fifteen ; and thereupon,

Mr. Speaker gave his casting vote for committing the Bill, and it was accordingly committed to a Committee of the whole House.

House in Committee on Bills

On motion, the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole House on the further consideration of Bills committed.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair,

Mr. Lovett took the Chair,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

Report progress

The Chairman reported from the Committee that they had made some progress in the business referred to them, and had directed him to move for leave to sit again on the consideration of Bills committed : which the House agreed to.

Then the House adjourned, until to-morrow, at twelve of the Clock.

Thursday, 4th February, 1836.

PRAYERS.

Letter from Prov. Secy. with Copy of Despatch from Col. Secy. relative to Free Ports, Flour Duty, &c

Mr. Speaker laid before the House, a Letter from Mr. Deputy Secretary James, dated the 2d February, inst. transmitting by command of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor to be laid before the House, the Copy of a Despatch, with certain accompanying Papers, received from the Right Honorable the Secretary of State for the Colonies, occasioned by the Address of the House to His Majesty, passed in its last Session, relative to the opening of the Ports of this Colony to the advantages of Foreign Trade ; and which Papers Mr. Speaker also laid before the House, and the same were read by the Clerk.

(See Appendix, No. 4.)

Ordered, That the Letters and Papers do lie on the Table, and that this House do proceed to the consideration thereof on Monday next, the 8th February, inst.

Petition from Margaree Temperance Society

A Petition of Irad Hart and others, Members of the Temperance Society of the North East Branch of Marguerite or Margaree, in the County of Cape-Breton, was presented by Mr. Uniacke, and read, praying that the Liquor License Act, of last Session, may be altered, and the right to grant Licenses exclusively confined to the Grand Juries and Justices in Sessions.

Ordered, That the Petition be referred to the Select Committee on the former Petitions of Temperance Societies.

Report on Petition of John Story Marine Slip

Mr. Bell reported from the Select Committee, on the Petition of John Story ; and he read the Report in his place, and afterwards delivered it in at the Clerk's Table, where it was again read.

(See Appendix, No. 5.)

Ordered, That the Report do lie on the Table.

Bill to extend time to John Story for Marine Slip

Mr. Bell also, pursuant to leave given, presented a Bill to amend the Act for securing to John Story and his Assigns, the exclusive right in a certain Slip or Railway for the use of Vessels ; and the same was read a first time.

Mr.

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- Mr. Huntington moved, that the further consideration of the Bill be deferred until this day three months: which, being seconded and put, and the House dividing thereon, there appeared for the motion, five; against it, twenty-one.
So it passed in the Negative.
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time.
- A Petition of Samuel Soley was presented by Mr. Archibald, and read, setting forth the loss of a Vessel, run by him from Truro to St. John, N. B. and praying aid to enable him to establish another Vessel, as a Packet between those places; and thereupon,
Mr. Huntington moved, that Mr. Archibald have leave to withdraw the Petition: which, being seconded and put, and the House dividing thereon, there appeared, for the motion, fourteen; against it, fourteen.
So Mr. Speaker gave his casting vote for the motion, and it passed in the Affirmative.
- Mr. Bell reported from the Select Committee on the Petition of Sarah Irwin; and he read the Report in his place, and afterwards delivered it in at the Clerk's Table, where it was again read.
(See Appendix, No. 6.)
Ordered, That the Report do lie on the Table.
- A Petition of Israel W. Ruggles and others, Inhabitants of the County of Annapolis, was presented by Mr. Johnston, and read, praying an Act to enable the Petitioners and others to be incorporated as a Company, for running one or more Steam-boats between Bridgetown, Annapolis, Digby, St. John, N. B. Eastport and St. Andrews, N. B.
Ordered, That the Petition be referred to Mr. Johnston, Mr. Stewart, Mr. Huntington, Mr. Lovett and Mr. W. H. Roach, to examine and report thereon to the House.
- Mr. Johnston also presented to the House another Petition of Israel W. Ruggles and others, praying aid, by a Provincial Annual Grant or otherwise, for the encouragement of the foregoing proposed establishment of Steam-boats, and the same was read; whereupon,
Mr. Oxley moved, that Mr. Johnston have leave to withdraw the said Petition last presented; which, being seconded and put, and the House dividing thereon, there appeared, for the motion, twenty-one; against it, eight,
So it passed in the Affirmative.
- A Petition of Zenas Waterman and others, Inhabitants of the Northern District of Queen's County, was presented by Mr. J. R. Dewolf, and read, setting forth the disadvantages resulting from the importation and use of Spirituous Liquors, and praying that such Laws may be passed as will tend to diminish the commercial traffic in ardent drinks, and abolish their demoralizing retail.
Ordered, That the Petition be referred to the Select Committee appointed on the Petitions in regard to the Laws relating to Licenses for the retail of Spirituous Liquors.
- A Petition of the Trustees of the Yarmouth Academy, was presented by Mr. Clements, and read, praying a continuation of the usual Grant in support of that Institution, and a further sum, equal to the allowance of a combined Grammar and Common School, for the support of an Usher.
Mr. Clements also, by leave of the House, laid upon the Table the annual Report of the expenditure of Monies granted for the support of said Academy, and of the general state of that Institution; and the same was read by the Clerk.
- (See Appendix, No. 7.)
Ordered, That the Petition and Report be referred to the School Committee.

Motion to defer Bill negatived

Petition for aid to Packet from Truro to St. John, N. B.

Withdrawn

Casting vote of Speaker

Report on Petition of Sarah Irwin for damage to Houses by Comrs. of Streets

Petition for Incorporation for Annapolis Steam Boat Company

Referred to Select Committee

Petition for aid to Annapolis Steam Boat Subscribers

Withdrawn

Temperance Petition from Queen's County

Referred to Committee

Petition from Trustees of Yarmouth Academy for aid

Annual report of Yarmouth Academy

Referred to School Committee

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Petition for aid to
Oat Mill at Pleasant
River

A Petition of James D. Waterman and others, Inhabitants of Pleasant River, in Queen's County, was presented by Mr. J. R. Dewolf, and read, praying aid to Peleg Waterman, to assist him in erecting an Oat Mill on said River.

Referred to Select
Committee

Ordered, That the Petition be referred to the Select Committee on the Petition of James E. DeWolfe and others, who are likewise to examine and report upon this Petition.

Committee of whole
on Bills

On motion, the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole House, on the further consideration of the several Bills which stood committed.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair,

Mr. Lovett took the Chair,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

Report Petit Plaister
Company's Bill
with amendments

The Chairman reported from the Committee that they had gone through the Bill to incorporate the Petit Plaister and Mills Company, and had made several amendments thereto, which they had directed him to report to the House; and he afterwards delivered the Bill, with the amendments, in at the Clerk's Table.

The Chairman also acquainted the House that he was directed by the Committee to move for leave to sit again on the consideration of Bills committed: which the House agreed to.

Amendments
agreed to

The said amendments were read throughout by the Clerk a first and second time, and, upon the question put thereupon, were agreed to by the House.

Ordered, That the Bill, with the amendments, be engrossed.

Two Messages from
Governor

Mr. Deputy-Secretary James acquainted the House that he had two Messages from His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor to this House, signed by His Excellency; and he delivered the said Messages to the House, and the same were read by Mr. Speaker, all the Members being uncovered, and are as follow:

MESSAGE:

C. CAMPBELL.

Message with re-
ports on Main Post
Roads

THE Lieutenant-Governor lays before the House of Assembly, Reports of necessary repairs, and of proposed improvements, on the Main Post Roads, leading from the Capital through the Province,—prepared in compliance with a Resolution of the House of Assembly, in its last Session.

ALTHOUGH it is not intended at present to recommend all the improvements specified in these Reports, yet, the repairs pointed out appear to be indispensably necessary; as also, the completing such alterations as have already been commenced on the Main Eastern Post Road, as far as the Gut of Canso.

THE Lieutenant-Governor also desires to draw the attention of the House of Assembly to the necessary alteration which was formerly proposed in the Amherst line of Road, thereby avoiding the present difficult route over the Cumberland Mountain. The Roads in Cape-Breton appear to require immediate consideration. The Post Road to Sydney, from the Gut of Canso, should be opened throughout. A survey will be required to be made on the fifth section, a distance of thirty-four miles, before any Money shall be expended, except in finishing the part already opened. There are many important repairs, and new lines of Road, deserving early attention, which are specified in the Reports; but, the Lieutenant-Governor is unwilling to bring those proposed improvements specially to the notice of the Assembly, as sufficient means are not apparently available for their completion.—He must, however, express his anxious desire, that the House will, in its wisdom, see the necessity of adopting a permanent system for gradually improving all these important means of communication, so essential to the increase of the Trade and Agricultural interest of the Province.

THE Reports will be found to contain much valuable information, and some of them are drawn up with zeal and ability; and, it is therefore hoped that a suitable compensation will be granted for these services.

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MESSAGE :

C. CAMPBELL.

THE Lieutenant-Governor lays before the House of Assembly the Copy of a Despatch which he has received from His Majesty's Secretary of State for the Colonies, upon the subject of erecting Light-Houses on the Islands of St. Paul and Scatarie, so fatally destructive to human life and trade. The Lieutenant-Governor feels assured, that the liberality of the Parent Government, in undertaking the erection of Light-Houses on those Islands, will be met with a corresponding feeling by the House of Assembly.

Message with despatch relative to Light Houses on Scatarie and St. Paul

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Mr. Deputy-Secretary James also delivered, with said first Message, the several Reports and Papers therein referred to, with a list thereof, which were read by the Clerk.
(See Appendix, No. 8.)

Reports on Roads delivered to House

Also, a Copy of a Despatch from the Secretary of State for the Colonies, mentioned in the second Message, and other Papers connected therewith, which were read by the Clerk.
(See Appendix, No. 9.)

Also, Despatch relative to Light Houses, &c

Ordered, That the said Messages and other Papers sent therewith do lie on the Table, to be perused by the Members of this House.

On motion, the House again resolved itself into a Committee of the whole House on the further consideration of the several Bills which stood committed.

House in Committee on Bills

Mr. Speaker left the Chair,

Mr. Lovett took the Chair,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chairman reported from the Committee that they had gone through the Bill concerning the Currency of Nova-Scotia, and had made several amendments thereto, which they had directed him to report to the House, and he afterwards delivered the Bill with the amendments in at the Clerk's Table.

Report Currency Bill with amendments

The Chairman also acquainted the House that he was directed by the Committee to move for leave to sit again on the consideration of Bills committed: which the House agreed to.

The said amendments to the Currency Bill, reported from the Committee, were read by the Clerk; and thereupon,

Mr. Uniacke moved, that the Report of the Committee, be not received by the House; which, being seconded and put, and the House dividing thereon, there appeared for the motion, sixteen; against it, twenty:

Motion not to receive report on Currency Bill negatived

For the Motion.

Mr G Smith	Mr Barss
Mr Uniacke	Mr Crow
Mr Deblois	Mr Harris
Mr Lawson	Mr Homer
Mr Shey	Mr Dodd
Mr Rudolf	Mr J R Dewolf
Mr W H Roach	
Mr Delap	
Mr Cochran	
Mr Budd	

Against the Motion.

Mr C Roche	Mr Lovett
Mr Clements	Mr Young
Mr Wier	Mr Huntington
Mr Bell	Mr Oxley
Mr Archibald	Mr Morton
Mr Creighton	Mr Stewart
Mr Wilkins	Mr Lent
Mr Johnston	Mr Chipman
Mr B Dewolf	Mr Dickson
Mr O'Brien	Mr Doyle

So it passed in the Negative.

The said amendments being again read, were then, upon the question put thereupon, agreed to by the House.

Amendments agreed to

Ordered, That the Bill, with the amendments, be engrossed.

Mr. G. Smith then moved, that the said Bill be printed: which, being seconded,

Mr. O'Brien moved, that the House adjourn: which, being seconded and put, and the House dividing thereon, there appeared for the previous question of adjournment, seventeen; against it, seventeen—whereupon,

Motion to print Bill Previous question carried

Mr.

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Casting vote of
Speaker

Mr. Speaker gave his Casting Vote, in favor of the motion for the adjournment—and accordingly,

The House adjourned, until to-morrow, at twelve of the Clock.

Friday, 5th February, 1836.

PRAYERS:

Petition of J. C. Hume for allowance as Secretary of Board of Health

A Petition of James C. Hume, of Halifax, Surgeon, was presented by Mr. Deblois, and read, praying payment of an allowance of Twenty Pounds, fixed as his Salary, as Secretary to the Central Board of Health in the past year, the Board having no Funds out of which to pay the same.

Ordered, That the Petition do lie on the Table.

Petition of J. F. Muncey for payment of expenses of Shipwrecked Emigrants

A Petition of John Francis Muncey, of Halifax, Trader, was presented by Mr. Deblois, and read, setting forth his having received at the Magdalen Islands, and there supported, a large number of Irish Emigrants, shipwrecked upon St. Paul's Island, whom he had subsequently sent, at his own expense, to Miramichi, in New-Brunswick, having supplied them with clothes and provision, and paid the expense of their transportation from St. Paul's; and that he had applied to the House of Assembly of New-Brunswick, who had refused him any compensation; and praying, from the Funds of this Province, remuneration for his large expenditure, thus made in the cause of humanity.

Ordered, That the Petition be referred to Mr. Deblois, Mr. O'Brien, Mr. Delap, Mr. Budd and Mr. J. R. Dewolf, to examine and report upon the merits thereof to this House.

Referred to Select Committee

Petition of Weeks and Fitzpatrick for remission of amount on Duty Bond

A Petition of Joshua Wingate Weeks and Garret Fitzpatrick, of Sydney, C. B. Merchants, was presented by Mr. Dodd, and read, praying relief from payment of the amount of certain Provincial Duties for which they were Sureties on behalf of one Andrew Crawford Ross, to whom time had been given by the Collector, without notice to them, which prevented them from securing the amount from the Principal, who has now become insolvent.

Ordered, That the Petition be referred to Mr. Uniacke, Mr. Bell and Mr. Harris, to examine and report upon to this House.

Referred to Select Committee

Petition of Pictou Temperance Society

A Petition of the West River Temperance Society, District of Pictou, was presented by Mr. Blanchard, and read, praying that a Law may be passed imposing a local tax upon all Spirituous Liquors imported into, or manufactured in, said District, for the support of the Poor thereof.

Ordered, That the Petition be referred to the Select Committee already appointed upon certain Petitions from Temperance Societies.

Referred to Committee

Petition of Pictou Library

A Petition of John W. Harris and others, Office Bearers of the Pictou Subscription Library, was presented by Mr. Blanchard, and read, praying assistance by a grant to that Institution from the Provincial Funds.

Ordered, That the foregoing Petition, together with the Petition for aid to the Lunenburg Library, presented to this House on Tuesday last, be referred to Mr. Blanchard, Mr. Rudolf and Mr. Barss, to examine and report upon to this House.

Referred with Lunenburg Library Petition to Select Committee

Petition of Overseers of Poor for Egerton expenses of Transient Paupers

A Petition of James Fraser and James M'Gregor, Acting Overseers of the Poor for the Township of Egerton, in the District of Pictou, was presented by Mr. Blanchard, and read, praying reimbursement of the expenses incurred by them on account of two transient Irish Paupers, who had been much frozen in the woods, and supported by that Township.

Ordered, That the Petition be referred to Mr. O'Brien, Mr. Archibald and Mr. W. H. Roach, to examine and report upon to this House.

Referred to Select Committee

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A Petition of William Sutherland and Ronald Ross, praying a Bounty for having erected a Grist and Shelling Mill on Boulardrie Island, in Cape-Breton, and the Petition of Francis Stout, praying a bounty for having added to their Grist Mill a Shelling Mill and a Kiln for making Oatmeal, at the North Western Arm, near Sydney, in Cape-Breton, were severally presented by Mr. Dodd, and read.

Petitions for aid to Oat Mills in Cape-Breton

Ordered, That the Petitions be referred to the Select Committee, on the Petition of James E. DeWolfe and others, and that said Committee do likewise examine and report upon these Petitions.

Referred to Select Committee

A Petition of James Farrell was presented by Mr. Uniacke, and read, praying remuneration for Boarding, Lodging, Clothing, and other necessaries supplied by him, at his house in Mainadieu, Cape-Breton, to the survivors of the Crew of Schooner Joseph & Sons, of Barrington, wrecked at Scatarie, in September last.

Petition of J. Farrell for expenses of Shipwrecked Seamen

Ordered, That the Petition be referred to Mr. Dickson, Mr. O'Brien and Mr. Oxley, to examine and report upon to this House.

Referred to Select Committee

An engrossed Bill to continue the Act to suspend the operation of several Acts of the General Assembly, passed to prevent Forestalling, Regrating and Monopolizing, was read a third time.

Engrossed continuing Bills read 3d time and passed, viz. to continue Acts relating to Forestalling

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and that the title be, An Act to suspend the operation of several Acts of the General Assembly, passed to prevent Forestalling, Regrating and Monopolizing.

An engrossed Bill to continue the Act to suspend the operation of the Acts to prevent Forestalling, Regrating and Monopolizing, of Cordwood in the Town of Halifax, was read a third time.

Forestalling Cordwood

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and that the title be, An Act to continue the Act to suspend the operation of the Acts to prevent Forestalling, Regrating and Monopolizing, of Cordwood in the Town of Halifax.

An engrossed Bill to continue the Act to prevent disorderly Riding, and to regulate the driving of Carriages on the Streets of Halifax, or other Towns, or on the public roads of this Province, and for repealing certain Acts therein mentioned, was read a third time.

Disorderly Driving.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and that the title be, An Act to continue the Act to prevent disorderly Riding, and to regulate the driving of Carriages on the Streets of Halifax, or other Towns, or on the public roads of this Province, and for repealing certain Acts therein mentioned.

An engrossed Bill to continue the Act in addition to the Act for regulating the Rates and Prices of Carriages, was read a third time.

Rates of Carriages

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and that the title be, An Act to continue the Act in addition to the Act for regulating the rates and prices of Carriages.

An engrossed Bill to continue the Act in addition to, and in amendment of, the Act to prevent Nuisances by Hedges, Weirs, and other incumbrances, obstructing the Passage of Fish in the Rivers of this Province, was read a third time.

Nuisances in River

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and that the title be, An Act to continue the Act in addition to, and in amendment of, the Act to prevent Nuisances by Hedges, Weirs and other incumbrances, obstructing the Passage of Fish in the Rivers of this Province.

An engrossed Bill to continue the Act for the better preservation of the Property of the Inhabitants of the Town of Halifax, by providing for a sufficient Watch at Night, was read a third time.

Halifax Night Watch

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and that the title be, An Act to continue the Act for the better preservation of the Property of the Inhabitants of the Town of Halifax, by providing for a sufficient Watch at Night.

An engrossed Bill to continue the Act to provide against the occurrence of Diseases from the bite of Animals, was read a third time.

Prevention from Bites of Animals

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Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and that the title be, An Act to continue the Act to provide against the occurrence of Diseases from the bite of Animals.

Amendment of Wills Act

An engrossed Bill to continue an Act in amendment of certain Acts relating to Wills, Legacies and Executors, and for the settlement and distribution of the Estates of Intestates, was read a third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and that the title be, An Act to continue an Act in amendment of certain Acts relating to Wills, Legacies and Executors, and for the Settlement and Distribution of the Estates of Intestates.

Addition to Wills Act

An engrossed Bill to continue the Act, entitled, An Act in further addition to the Act relating to Wills, Legacies and Executors, and for the settlement and distribution of the Estates of Intestates, was read a third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and that the title be, An Act to continue the Act, entitled, An Act in further addition to the Act relating to Wills, Legacies and Executors, and for the settlement and distribution of the Estates of Intestates.

Weighing of Beef

An engrossed Bill to continue the Act to regulate the Weighing of Beef, was read a third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and that the title be, An Act to continue the Act to regulate the Weighing of Beef.

Pilotage of Vessels at Port of Halifax

An engrossed Bill to continue the Act to regulate the Pilotage of Vessels at the Port of Halifax, and the several Acts in amendment thereof and additional thereto, was read a third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and that the title be, An Act to continue the Act to regulate the Pilotage of Vessels at the Port of Halifax, and the several Acts in amendment thereof and additional thereto.

Petit Plaister Bill

An engrossed Bill to Incorporate the Petit Plaister and Mills Company, was read a third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and that the title be, An Act to Incorporate the Petit Plaister and Mills Company.

Bills sent to Council

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the several Bills to the Council and desire their concurrence.

Engrossed Currency Bill read 3d time

An engrossed Bill concerning the Currency of Nova-Scotia, was read a third time; and thereupon,

Rider added to continue Currency Bill of 1834 to 1st Aug. next

On motion of Mr. Stewart, *resolved*, that the following Enacting Clause be added to the Bill by way of Rider, viz :

And be it further enacted, That the Act, passed in the Fourth Year of His present Majesty's Reign, entitled, An Act for regulating the Currency of this Province, save and except the Preamble and fifth Clause thereof, shall be revived and continued, and the said Act, and every matter, clause and thing, therein contained, except as aforesaid, are hereby revived and continued, until this Act shall come into operation, that is to say, until the first day of August next ensuing the passing hereof, and no longer.

Rider to postpone time of operation of Bill and substitute Rates of Foreign Coins negatived

Mr. Uniacke then moved, that the following Enacting Clause, be also added to the Bill by way of Rider, viz :

And be it further enacted, That the first, second, third, fourth, fifth, ninth, twelfth, and last Clauses of this Act, shall not go into operation before the first day of December, 1837, and in the mean time, in all future Contracts, the several and respective Gold and Silver Coins herein specified, being of full weight and fineness, shall be, and be deemed of the value of, and equivalent to, the sum of Halifax Currency specified against each respective Coin, and for the payment of all debts hereafter contracted, until the said 1st day of December, 1837, shall be received, and may be legally tendered and paid, according to the rates, and in the proportionate sums respectively expressed herein, that is to say:

The Eagle of the United States

£ 2 10 0

The half Eagle of the United States

1 5 0

The

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The quarter Eagle of the United States	£ 0 12 6
The Dollar, { Of the United States or central America, Spain, Spanish and Republican America and Brazil }	{ 0 5 0

And all the aliquot parts of such Dollars at the above rate and relative proportions : which, being seconded and put, and the House dividing thereon, there appeared, for the motion, sixteen ; against it, nineteen.

For the Motion.

Mr Lawson
Mr G Smith
Mr Harris
Mr Cochran
Mr W H Roach
Mr Delap
Mr Barss
Mr Dodd

Mr Budd
Mr Shey
Mr Rudolf
Mr Crow
Mr J R Dewolf
Mr Morse
Mr Deblois
Mr Uniacke

Against the Motion.

Mr C Roche
Mr Doyle
Mr Creighton
Mr Wier
Mr Oxley
Mr O'Brien
Mr Huntington
Mr Bell
Mr B Dewolf
Mr Wilkins

Mr Archibald
Mr Stewart
Mr Dickson
Mr Clements
Mr Young
Mr Chipman
Mr Morton
Mr Lovett
Mr Blanchard

So it passed in the Negative.

Mr. Stewart then moved, that the Bill do now finally pass to be sent to the Council : which, being seconded and put, and the House dividing thereon, there appeared, for the motion, nineteen ; against it, sixteen. Bill passed and ordered to be sent to Council

For the Motion.

Mr Blanchard
Mr Morton
Mr Lovett
Mr Chipman
Mr Young
Mr Clements
Mr Dickson
Mr Stewart
Mr Archibald
Mr Wilkins

Mr B Dewolf
Mr Bell
Mr Huntington
Mr O'Brien
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Mr Budd

Mr Dodd
Mr Barss
Mr Delap
Mr W H Roach
Mr Cochran
Mr Harris
Mr G Smith
Mr Lawson

So it passed in the Affirmative.

Ordered, That the title to the Bill be, An Act concerning the Currency of Nova-Scotia ; and that the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Council and desire their concurrence.

A Petition of Peter Milne and others, Freeholders and Inhabitants of the District of Halifax, was presented by Mr. Lawson, and read, praying that strangers and persons from other Districts may not be appointed as Commissioners and brought as Labourers to expend the Public Money granted for the Road Service in that District.

Petition relating to the expenditure of Public Money on Roads in District of Halifax

Ordered, That the Petition do lie on the Table.

Ordered, That this House will, on Wednesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, on the consideration of that part of His Excellency's Speech, at the opening of the Session, which relates to the Main Roads of the Province.

Order of Day for Wednesday Com- of whole on Road Service

Ordered, That the several Reports on the state of the Main Roads, &c. sent yesterday to this House by His Excellency, be referred to the said Committee of the whole House.

Reports on Main Roads referred to said Committee

On motion of Mr. Dodd, *resolved,* that a Committee be appointed to revise the Laws respecting the levying of Executions, and to report to this House by Bill or otherwise.

Committee to revise Laws respecting the levying of Executions

Ordered, That Mr. Creighton, Mr. Stewart, Mr. Dodd, Mr. Blanchard and Mr. Uniacke, be a Committee for the above purpose.

Then the House adjourned, until To-morrow, at twelve of the clock.

Saturday.

SATURDAY, 6th FEBRUARY, 1836.

PRAYERS.

Story's Railway
Bill read 2d time
and committed

A Bill to amend the Act for securing to John Story and his Assigns the exclusive right in a certain Slip or Railway, for the use of Vessels, was read a second time.

Ordered, That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House.

Report of Bill to a-
bolish Oaths of Of-
fice

Mr. Stewart reported from the Select Committee, upon the subject of Oaths of Office, and thereupon, presented a Bill to abolish certain Oaths heretofore administered to persons taking office in this Province; and the same was read a first time.

Factors' Contracts
Bill presented

Mr. Johnston, pursuant to leave given, presented a Bill for the better protection of the Property of Merchants and others, who may hereafter enter into contracts or agreements, in relation to Goods, Wares or Merchandize, entrusted to Factors or Agents; and the same was read a first time.

Ordered, That the Bills be read a second time.

Poor-House account
laid on Table

Mr. Bell, pursuant to leave given, presented to the House, an Account of Paupers admitted into the Halifax Asylum for the Poor, during the year 1835,—distinguishing Halifax from the Transient, and the places from whence the Transient Poor came; also Accounts of receipts and expenditures of that Establishment during the same year; and the same were read by the Clerk.

(See Appendix, No. 10.)

Ordered, That the several Accounts do lie on the Table.

Papers relative to
Light-Houses on
Scatarie and St.
Paul and Petition
for Light-House at
Yarmouth referred
to Select Commit-
tee

Ordered, That the Message of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, received by this House on the 4th inst. with the Copy of Despatch and other Papers, relative to the proposed Light-Houses on the Islands of St. Paul and Scatarie; and also, the Petition of Inhabitants of Yarmouth, for the erection of a Light-House there, be referred to Mr. Uniacke, Mr. G. Smith, Mr. Huntington, Mr. Dodd, Mr. Lovett, Mr. Clements and Mr. Homer, to examine and report thereon to this House.

A Message from the Council, by Mr. Halliburton :

Mr. Speaker,

Council desire Con-
ference on Ameri-
can Convention
and Fisheries Bill

The Council request a Conference, by Committee, with a Committee of this Honorable House, on the subject of the Bill to carry into effect an Act of Parliament, relating to the American Convention and Fisheries.

And then the Messenger withdrew.

Agreed to held and
reported

On motion, *resolved,* that this House do agree to the said Conference, as desired by the Council, and that the Clerk do acquaint the Council therewith.

Ordered, That Mr. Uniacke, Mr. Stewart, Mr. G. Smith, Mr. Doyle and Mr. Dodd, do manage the Conference.

So they went to the Conference.

And being returned,

Mr. Uniacke reported, that the Managers had been at the Conference, and stated the substance of the Conference to the House.

Committee to re-
quest Lt. Gov. to
communicate with
Lt. Gov. of New-
Brunswick relative
to Boundary be-
tween the Provinces

On motion of Mr. Stewart, *resolved,* that a Committee be appointed to wait upon His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, and request that he will be pleased to call the attention of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor of New-Brunswick to the necessity of selecting Commissioners, (to be appointed under the authority of Acts, to be passed for the purpose by the Legislature of this and the Province of New-Brunswick,) to run out and establish the line of division between the two Provinces.

Committee named

Ordered, That Mr. Stewart, Mr. J. R. Dewolf and Mr. Siley, be a Committee for the above purpose.

Engrossed Bill to
continue Seal Fish-
ery Bounty read 3d
time

An engrossed Bill to continue the Act to encourage the Seal Fisheries of this Province, was read a third time; and thereupon,

Mr.

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- Mr. Oxley moved, that the word "three" be struck out of the said Bill, and the word "one" substituted therefor, so as to continue the operation of said Act for only one year, instead of three years, as now proposed by said Bill: which, being seconded and put, and the House dividing thereon, there appeared, for the motion, nine; against it, seventeen.
- So it passed in the Negative.
- Resolved*, That the Bill do pass, and that the title be, An Act to continue the Act to encourage the Seal Fisheries of this Province.
- An engrossed Bill to continue the Act to prevent damage to the Nets of Fishermen by Coasting Vessels, was read a third time.
- Resolved*, That the Bill do pass, and that the title be, An Act to continue the Act to prevent damage to the Nets of Fishermen, by coasting Vessels.
- An engrossed Bill to continue the Act to prevent the Clandestine Landing of Liberated Slaves and other persons therein mentioned, from Vessels arriving in this Province, was read a third time.
- Resolved*, That the Bill do pass, and that the title be, An Act continue the Act to prevent the Clandestine Landing of Liberated Slaves and other persons therein mentioned, from Vessels arriving in this Province.
- An engrossed Bill to continue the Act to prevent the spreading of Contagious Diseases and for the performance of Quarantine, and the Act in amendment thereof, was read a third time.
- Resolved*, That the Bill do pass, and that the title, An Act to continue the Act to prevent the spreading of Contagious Diseases, and for the performance of Quarantine, and the Act in amendment thereof.
- An engrossed Bill to continue the Acts to provide for the Regulation and Management of the Grammar School or Academy at Annapolis, was read a third time.
- Resolved*, That the Bill do pass, and that the title be, An Act to continue the Act to provide for the Regulation and Management of the Grammar School or Academy at Annapolis.
- An engrossed Bill to continue the Act to amend an Act for establishing a Public School in the Town of Halifax, was read a third time.
- Resolved*, That the Bill do pass, and that the title be, An Act to continue the Act to amend an Act for establishing a Public School in the Town of Halifax.
- An engrossed Bill to continue the Acts now in force relating to Trespasses, was read a third time.
- Resolved*, That the Bill do pass, and that the title be, An Act to continue the Acts now in force relating to Trespasses.
- An engrossed Bill to continue the Act to provide for the Accommodation and Billetting of His Majesty's Troops or of the Militia, when on their March from one part of the Province to another, and also the Act in amendment thereof, was read a third time.
- Resolved*, That the Bill do pass, and that the title be, An Act to continue the Act to provide for the Accommodation and Billetting of His Majesty's Troops or of the Militia, when on their March from one part of the Province to another, and also the Act in amendment thereof.
- An engrossed Bill to continue the Act to encourage the importation of improved breeds of Cattle into this Province, was read a third time.
- Resolved*, That the Bill do pass, and that the title be, An Act to continue the Act to encourage the importation of improved breeds of Cattle into this Province.
- An engrossed Bill to continue an Act relating to the Court of Commissioners at Halifax, was read a third time.
- Resolved*, That the Bill do pass, and that the title be, An Act to continue an Act relating to the Court of Commissioners at Halifax.
- Ordered*, That the Clerk do carry the several Bills to the Council and desire their concurrence.

Motion to lessen time therein

Negatived

Bill passed

Other Engrossed continuing Bills read 3d time viz. Relating to Fishermen's Nets

Landing of Slaves

Quarantine

Annapolis Academy

Halifax Grammar School

Trespasses

Billetting

Importation of Cattle

Court of Commissioners

Bills sent to Council

SATURDAY and MONDAY, 6th and 8th FEBRUARY, 1836.

A Message from the Council, by Mr. Halliburton :

Mr. Speaker,

Council agree to
American Convention
and Fishery
Bill with amend-
ments

The Council have agreed to the the Bill, entitled, An Act to carry into effect an Act, passed in the Parliament of Great-Britain, in the Fifty-ninth Year of the Reign of His late Majesty King George the Third, entitled, An Act to enable His Majesty to make regulations with respect to the taking and curing Fish on certain parts of the Coast of Newfoundland, Labrador, and His Majesty's other Possessions in North America, according to a Convention made between His Majesty and the United States of America, with amendments, to which they desire the concurrence of this Honorable House.

And then the Messenger withdrew.

Committee of
whole on Bills

On motion, the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole House, on the further consideration of the several Bills which stood committed.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair,

Mr. Lovett took the Chair,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

Recommend to Se-
lect Committee
Light House Bill
Mortgage Bill
Assize of Bread Bill
Summary Trials Bill

The Chairman reported from the Committee that they had considered the several Bills following, viz:—The Bill to continue the Act for the support and regulation of Light-Houses; the Bill to continue the Act for the more Easy Redemption and Foreclosure of Mortgages; the Bill to continue the Act to regulate the Assize of Bread; and the Bill to continue the Act for the Summary Trial of Actions, and the Act in amendment thereof, and recommend to the House that the said Bills should be respectively referred to Select Committees, to examine and report upon to the House; and he then delivered the Bills in at the Clerk's Table.

The Chairman also acquainted the House that he was directed by the Committee to move for leave to sit again on the consideration of Bills committed: which the House agreed to.

The several Bills
referred to Commit-
tee

Ordered, That the Bill to continue the Act for the support and regulation of Light-Houses, be referred to the Select Committee appointed to report upon the Papers relative to the proposed Light-Houses on the Islands of Scatarie and St. Paul, who are also to examine and report upon this Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill to continue the Act for the more easy Redemption and Foreclosure of Mortgages, be referred to Mr. Stewart, Mr. Johnston and Mr. Dodd, to examine and report thereon.

Ordered, That the Bill to continue the Act to amend the Act to regulate the Assize of Bread, be referred to Mr. C. Roche, Mr. Bell and Mr. Deblois, to examine and report upon to the House.

Ordered, That the Bill to continue the Act for the Summary Trial of Actions, and the Act in amendment thereof, be referred to Mr. Chipman, Mr. W. H. Roach, Mr. Huntington, Mr. Barss, Mr. Creighton, Mr. Bell, Mr. Archibald, Mr. Oxley, Mr. G. Smith, Mr. Young, Mr. Uniacke and Mr. Cochran, to examine and report upon to this House, with power to send for Persons and Papers.

Then the House adjourned, until Monday next, at twelve of the Clock.

Monday, 8th February, 1836.

PRAYERS.

Bills read 2d time,
viz—
Oaths abolishing

A Bill to abolish certain Oaths heretofore administered to Persons taking office in this Province; also,

Contracts of Factors

A Bill for the better protection of the Property of Merchants and others, who may hereafter enter into contracts or agreements, in relation to Goods, Wares or Merchandize, entrusted to Factors or Agents; were severally read a second time.

Bills committed

Ordered, That the Bills be committed to a Committee of the whole House. **A**

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A Petition of James Smith and others, Inhabitants of Stewiacke, was presented by Mr. Wier, and read, praying the Acts in relation to granting Tavern Licenses, may be amended, and the power for that purpose confined to the Grand Juries, and the Courts of Sessions.

Petition relating to
Liquor Licences

Ordered, That the Petition be referred to the Committee already appointed upon Petitions to the same effect.

Referred to Com-
mittee

A Petition of William McNutt and James B. McNutt, was presented by Mr. Archibald, and read, praying aid towards securing the Bank of the North River, near the Bridge on the Main Post Road through Onslow, so as to protect the Bridge.

Petition of McNutt
for aid to embank-
ment near North
River Bridge in
Onslow

Ordered, That the Petition be referred to Mr. O'Brien, Mr. Delap and Mr. Shey, to examine and report thereon to this House.

Mr. Stewart reported from the Select Committee, appointed to wait upon His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, in relation to the line of division between this Province and New Brunswick, that the Committee had performed the duty assigned to them, and that His Excellency, in answer to the application, was pleased to say that he would, without delay, communicate to the Lieutenant-Governor of New Brunswick the wishes of the House upon that subject.

Report from Com-
mittee to wait on
Governor relative
to line of division
of Provinces

A Petition of Jonathan Greaves, late Deputy Post-Master, at Truro, was presented by Mr. Archibald, and read, setting forth the additional trouble that had been imposed upon him by the Establishment of the Eastern Stage Coaches during his holding office, and praying compensation.

Petition of Jon.
Greaves late Deputy
Postmaster of
Truro

Ordered, That the Petition do lie on the Table.

A Petition of James R. Smith and Hugh Hartshorne was presented by Mr. Stewart, and read, stating their owning the Lands on each side of Moose River, in Parrsborough, and praying an Act of the Legislature, giving them the exclusive privilege of the tide way of said River, to enable them to erect Dams thereon for Saw and other Mills.

Petition of Messrs.
Smith and Harts-
horne for privilege
of Moose River

Ordered, That the Petition be referred to Mr. Stewart, Mr. Chipman, Mr. J. R. Dewolf, Mr. Huntington and Mr. Shey, to examine and report thereon to this House.

Referred to Select
Committee

A Petition of the River Philip Temperance Society, and a Petition of the Wallace Temperance Society, were presented by Mr. Oxley, and read, praying the enactment of Laws for the suppression of intemperance.

Petitions of Tem-
perance Societies

Ordered, That the Petitions be referred to the Committee, appointed upon the Petitions in relation to the Laws regarding Licenses for the sale of Spirituous Liquors by retail.

Referred to Com-
mittee

A Petition of Joshua Huestis and others, was presented by Mr. Oxley, and read, praying that in future Elections for the County of Cumberland, the Poll may be first opened at Amherst, instead of River Philip.

Petition from Cum-
berland that Elec-
tion should com-
mence at Amherst

Ordered, That the Petition do lie on the Table.

A Petition of Amos Seaman and others, owners of Vessels, and other persons interest- ed in Trade, in the County of Cumberland, was presented by Mr. Morse, and read, praying that the Law in regard to Light-House Duties may be altered, and rendered less burthensome to Vessels running from the Bay of Fundy to beyond Mount Desert.

Petition from Cum-
berland for lessen-
ing Light Duties on
Vessels trading be-
yond Mount Desert

Ordered, That the Petition be referred to the Select Committee, to whom was re-ferred the Bill to continue the Act regulating Light-Houses.

Referred to Com-
mittee on Light-
House Act

Mr. Wilkins, pursuant to leave given, presented a Bill to Incorporate the Noel As- sociated Plaister and Mills Company, and the same was read a first time.

Bill presented to
Incorporate Noel
Plaister Company

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time.

A Petition of Hector McNeil, of the Red Islands, in the Southern District of the County

MONDAY, 8th FEBRUARY, 1836.

Petitions relative to seizure of Rum, &c. imported into Cape Breton from Newfoundland

County of Cape-Breton, was presented by Mr. Uniacke, and read, setting forth his having imported from St John's Newfoundland, into the Bras d'or Lake, a quantity of Rum and Tobacco, which he obtained permission to land and enter there, from the Collector of the Colonial Duties in Arichat, in said District, and that the same had, notwithstanding, been seized by the Collector of Colonial Duties at Sydney, in the North Eastern District of said County, and subsequently condemned and sold, and praying relief.

A Petition of Michael McNeil, of the Big Narrows, in the Southern District of the County of Cape-Breton, was also presented by Mr. Uniacke, and read, representing his having imported a quantity of Rum, at the same time, and under the same circumstances, as mentioned in the last foregoing Petition, and which had, in like manner, been seized by the same Collector, and condemned and sold, and praying relief.

Referred to Select Committee

Ordered, That the said two Petitions, be referred to Mr. Huntington, Mr. Lawson and Mr. Bell, to examine into the merits thereof, and to report thereon to this House.

Petition for aid to Flax Mill in Cumberland

A Petition of Mathew Angus, and others, Inhabitants of Shinemacash, in the County of Cumberland, was presented by Mr. Stewart, and read, praying aid in the erection of a Flax Mill, for the purpose of dressing Flax, and manufacturing the same into Linen.

Referred to Committee

Ordered, That the Petition be referred to the Select Committee, on the Petition of James E. DeWolfe and others, who are to examine and report upon this Petition.

Petition for aid to Infant School

A Petition of Ladies' the Committee of the Infant School Society at Halifax was presented by Mr. Deblois, and read, praying a continuance of the grant in support of that Institution.

Ordered, That the Petition do lie on the Table.

Report on Pet. of J. F. Muncey

Mr. Deblois reported from the Select Committee, on the Petition of John Francis Muncey; and he read the Report in his place, and afterwards delivered it in at the Clerk's Table, where it was again read.

(See Appendix, No. 11.)

Ordered, That the Report do lie on the Table.

Petition for Bounty on Oat Mill in Cape Breton

A Petition of John MacFarlane, of the head of S. W. Branch of Margaree River, Cape-Breton, was presented by Mr. Uniacke, and read, praying a Bounty for the erection of an Oat Mill and Kiln, at that place.

Referred to Committee

Ordered, That the Petition be referred to the Select Committee on the Petition of James E. DeWolfe and others, to examine and report upon to this House.

Petition for Lock-up House at Pugwash

A Petition of H. G. Pineo and others, Inhabitants of Pugwash, and its vicinity, was presented by Mr. Stewart, and read, praying that a Lock-up House for the Imprisonment of Rioters and Seamen Deserters may be erected at that place.

Referred to Select Committee

Ordered, That the Petition be referred to Mr. Stewart, Mr. Oxley and Mr. Morse, with leave to report by Bill or otherwise.

Petition for over-expenditure on Bridge at Porte's Lake

A Petition of Alexander Taylor, a Road Commissioner, was presented by Mr. Lawson, and read, praying payment of an over-expenditure on a Bridge over Lake Porter, in Preston.

Ordered, That the Petition do lie on the Table.

Petition of Temperance Society, Pictou

A Petition of the Temperance Society, of the Lower Settlement, East River, Pictou, was presented by Mr. G. Smith, and read, praying that Magistrates may be prohibited from dealing in Spirituous Liquors, and that an additional duty thereon may be imposed, to be applied to the relief of the Poor.

Referred to Select Committee

Ordered, That the Petition be referred to the Committee on Petitions relative to Licenses for selling Spirituous Liquors.

An engrossed Bill to continue the Act to regulate the Pilotage of Vessels at the Port of Sydney, in the Island of Cape-Breton, was read a third time.

Resolved

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Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and that the title be, An Act to continue the Act to regulate the Pilotage of Vessels at the Port of Sydney, in the Island of Cape-Breton.

An engrossed Bill to continue the Act to preserve and regulate the Navigation of the Harbour of Pugwash, was read a third time.

Pugwash Harbour

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and that the title be, An Act to continue the Act to preserve and regulate the Navigation of the Harbour of Pugwash.

An engrossed Bill to continue the Act to preserve the Harbour of Cape Forchu, in Yarmouth, was read a third time.

Cape Forchu Harbour

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and that the title be, An Act to continue the Act to preserve the Harbour of Cape Forchu, in Yarmouth.

An engrossed Bill to continue the Act to lessen the expense of the proof of Written Documents in Actions depending in any of the Courts within this Province, was read a third time.

Proof of Writings

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and that the title be, An Act to continue the Act to lessen the expense of the proof of Written Documents in Actions depending in any of the Courts within this Province.

An engrossed Bill to continue the Act in amendment of an Act, made and passed in the first and second years of His late Majesty's Reign, entitled, An Act to extend the Laws and Ordinances of the Province of Nova-Scotia to the Island of Cape-Breton, was read a third time.

Extension of N. S. Laws to Cape-Breton

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and that the title be, An Act to continue the Act in amendment of an Act, made and passed in the first and second years of His late Majesty's Reign, entitled, An Act to extend the Laws and Ordinances of the Province of Nova-Scotia to the Island of Cape-Breton.

An engrossed Bill to continue the Act in further addition to, and in amendment of, the Act for the choice of Town Officers and Regulating of Townships, and the Act to alter and amend the same, was read a third time.

Town Officers

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and that the title be, An Act to continue the Act in further addition to, and in amendment of, the Act for the choice of Town Officers and regulating of Townships, and the Act to alter and amend the same.

Ordered, that the Clerk do carry the Bills to the Council and desire their concurrence.

Bills sent to Council

A Petition of Inhabitants of the lower end of the West River, in the District of Pictou, by John McLean, Chairman of a Public Meeting, was presented by Mr. G. Smith, and read, setting forth their being Members of the Congregation under the superintendance of the Rev. James Ross, and their Meeting-House being much decayed, they have commenced a new one, and pray an Act to enable them to sell and dispose of the old one,—paying absent proprietors and those refusing to join them in erecting the new Meeting-House their proportionate shares of the proceeds of the old building.

Petition from West River Pictou for sale of Meeting House

Ordered, That the Petition be referred to Mr. G. Smith, with leave to bring in a Bill pursuant to the prayer thereof.

A Petition of Joseph Smith and others, Inhabitants of New Glasgow, and of the East River of Pictou; also, a Petition of Abraham Patterson and others, Merchants, and other Inhabitants of Pictou; and a Petition of the General Mining Association, were presented by Mr. G. Smith, and read, setting forth the great advantage that would result from deepening the Navigation of the East River of Pictou, and the desire of the said Association to accomplish the same as far up as the Loading Wharf, near the New Glasgow Bridge, so as to admit of large Vessels proceeding that far, to the great benefit of the County at large, as well as the Association, and praying that pecuniary aid may be granted to the Association towards such undertaking, and that they may be empowered when it may be completed, to demand a small Toll upon Vessels exceeding Forty Tons Burthen, taking the benefit of passing up the Channel, in consequence of its being so deepened.

Several Petitions from Pictou praying aid towards deepening the East River of Pictou by General Mining Association

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Ordered,

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Referred to Select
Committee

Ordered, That the Petitions be referred to Mr. G. Smith, Mr. Archibald, Mr. Uniacke, Mr. Stewart and Mr. Dodd, to examine the merits thereof, and report thereon by Bill or otherwise.

House in Commit-
tee on Bills

On motion, the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole House on the further consideration of the several Bills which stood committed.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair,

Mr. Lovett took the Chair,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

Report Bill for abol-
ishing certain oaths
with an amendment

The Chairman reported from the Committee that they had gone through the Bill to abolish certain Oaths heretofore administered to Persons taking office in this Province, and had made an amendment thereto, which they had directed him to report to the House; and that they had also gone through the Bill for the better protection of the Property of Merchants and others, who may hereafter enter into contracts or agreements, in relation to Goods, Wares and Merchandize, entrusted to Factors or Agents; and had directed him to report the said Bill to the House, without any amendment, and he afterwards delivered the Bills, with the amendment, in at the Clerk's Table.

Merchant's proper-
ty protection Bill in
relation to Agents,
&c

The Chairman also acquainted the House that he was directed by the Committee to move for leave to sit again on the consideration of Bills committed: which the House agreed to.

Amendment agreed
to

The said amendment was read throughout a first and second time, and, upon the question put thereupon, was agreed to by the House.

Ordered, That the Bill, with the amendment, be engrossed.

Ordered, That the Bill reported, without amendment, be engrossed.

A Message from the Council, by Mr. Halliburton:

Mr. Speaker,

Council agree to
Bill concerning
Private Acts, also
Issuing of Execu-
tions
Marine Insurance
LaHave Common

The Council have agreed to the Bill, entitled, An Act concerning Private Acts; to the Bill, entitled, An Act relative to Executions issuing from the Supreme Court; to the Bill, entitled, An Act to amend the Act to incorporate a Marine Insurance Company in Halifax; and to the Bill, entitled, An Act to render perpetual the Act to enable those interested in LaHave Common, to make regulations for the management thereof, severally, without any amendment.

Petit Plaister Bill
with amendments

The Council have also also agreed to the Bill, entitled, An Act to incorporate the Petit Plaister and Mills Company, with amendments, to which amendments they desire the concurrence of this Honorable House.

And then the Messenger withdrew.

Petition from Di-
rectors of the Bank
of N. S.

A Petition of the Directors of the Bank of Nova Scotia, was presented by Mr. Stewart, and read, praying that the Incorporation may be at liberty to issue Notes of a lesser denomination than £5, according to their original Charter; and thereupon,

Motion to defer for
three months carried

Mr. Huntington moved, that the further consideration of the Petition be deferred to this day three months; which, being seconded and put, and the House dividing thereon, there appeared, for the motion, twenty-three; against it, eight.

For the Motion.

Mr Huntington
Mr Lovett
Mr G Smith
Mr Doyle
Mr Clements
Mr Morton
Mr Rudolf
Mr Shey
Mr Chipman
Mr Young
Mr Cochran
Mr Barss

Mr Budd
Mr Creighton
Mr Delap
Mr O'Brien
Mr B Dewolf
Mr Archibald
Mr Crow
Mr Homer
Mr Osley
Mr Harris
Mr Wier

Against the Motion.

Mr C Roche
Mr Deblois
Mr Uniacke
Mr Bell
Mr Johnston
Mr W H Roach
Mr Stewart
Mr Lawson

So it passed in the Affirmative.

MONDAY and TUESDAY, 8th and 9th FEBRUARY, 1836.

The Order of the Day being read, for considering the Papers sent to this House, on the subject of opening the Ports of this Province to the advantages of Foreign Trade, *Resolved*, That this House will, to-morrow, proceed to the consideration thereof.

Order of day
Foreign Trade
postponed

Then the House adjourned, until To-morrow, at twelve of the clock.

Tuesday, 9th February, 1836.

PRAYERS.

An engrossed Bill to abolish certain Oaths heretofore administered to Persons taking Office in this Province, was read a third time.

Engrossed Bill for
abolishing certain
oaths passed

Resolved unanimously, That the Bill do pass, and that the title be, An Act to abolish certain Oaths heretofore administered to Persons taking Office in this Province.

An engrossed Bill for the better protection of the Property of Merchants and others, who may hereafter enter into Contracts or agreements, in relation to Goods, Wares and Merchandize, entrusted to Factors or Agents, was read a third time.

Engrossed Property
protection Bill pas-
sed

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and that the title be, An Act for the better protection of the Property of Merchants and others, who may hereafter enter into Contracts or Agreements, in relation to Goods, Wares and Merchandize.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bills to the Council and desire their concurrence.

A Bill to Incorporate the Noel Associated Plaister and Mills Company, was read a second time.

Noel Plaister and
Mills Company Bill
read second time
and committed

Ordered, That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House.

A Petition of John Oal, of Halifax, Distiller, was presented by Mr. Doyle, and read, praying that the duty may be lowered upon Whiskey distilled in this Province from Barley.

Petition of John
Oal for reduction of
Duty on Whiskey
distilled in Province

Ordered, That the Petition do lie on the Table.

The amendments proposed by the Council to the Bill, entitled, An Act to Incorporate the Petit Plaister and Mills Company, were read throughout a first and second time, and, upon the question severally put thereupon, were agreed to by the House.

Amendments to Pe-
tit Plaister Bill
agreed to

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill and amendments back to the Council and acquaint them that this House have agreed to the said amendments.

A Petition of Samuel W. Ruggles and others, Merchants and Traders of Annapolis, was presented by Mr. Lovett, and read, praying that the Light-duties upon Vessels, Trading from the Bay of Fundy as far as Boston, may be assimilated to the amount paid by those going only as far as Mount Desert.

Petition from An-
napolis respecting
Light Duties

Ordered, That the Petition be referred to the Select Committee, to whom was referred the Bill to continue the Act for regulating and supporting Light-Houses.

Referred to Com-
mittee on Light
Houses

A Petition of the Trustees of the Annapolis Academy was presented by Mr. Lovett, and read, praying a continuance of the grant in support of that Institution.

Petition from Trus-
tees of Annapolis
Academy referred
to School Commit-
tee

Ordered, That the Petition be referred to the Select Committee on the subject of Schools.

Mr. Uniacke reported from the Select Committee to whom was referred the amendments proposed by the Council to the Bill, entitled, An Act to carry into effect an Act passed in the Parliament of Great-Britain in the Fifty-ninth Year of the Reign of His late Majesty King George the Third, &c.—That the Committee had considered the same, and recommend to the House to adopt all of said amendments, except the amendment proposed to the Preamble of the Bill; and thereupon,

Report of Commit-
tee on American
Convention Bill

The

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Amendments agreed to except that which relates to Preamble

The said several amendments were read by the Clerk, and, upon the question, severally put, thereupon, were agreed to by the House, with the exception of the said amendment proposed to the Preamble of the Bill, to which the House did not agree.

On motion, *resolved*, that the Clerk do request a Conference, by Committee, with a Committee of the Council, on the subject of said Bill and amendments.

Petition from Granville in relation to Marsh Lands

A Petition of Abraham Gesner and others, Proprietors of the Lower Belle Isle Diked Marsh Land, in Granville, was presented by Mr. Delap, and read, praying that a Law may be passed to enable them to make and enforce regulations in regard to turning in Cattle upon said Marsh, and otherwise.

Ordered, That the Petition do lie on the Table.

Bill respecting Barristers, &c

Mr. Stewart, pursuant to leave given, presented a Bill concerning the Barristers and Attornies practising in the Courts of this Province, and the same was read a first time.

Chancery Injunction Bill

Mr. Stewart also, pursuant to leave given, presented a Bill to restrain the issuing of Writs of Injunction out of the Court of Chancery, except in certain cases, and the same was read a first time.

Ordered, That the Bills be read a second time.

Petition of the Rev. F. Uniacke for aid to Schools

A Petition of the Rev. Fitzgerald Uniacke, was presented by Mr. Bell, and read, praying a continuance of the aid to the Free Schools under his superintendance, in St. George's Parish, in Halifax.

Ordered, That the Petition be referred to the Committee on the subject of Schools.

Petition of T. Miller concerning Licenses, &c

A Petition of Thomas Miller, of Gay's River, in the District of Colchester, Inn-keeper, was presented by Mr. Lawson, and read, setting forth that, although holding a Tavern License, he had been fined for selling a Pint of Wine to a sick person, out of his House; and that false charges had been made against him by a Temperance Society, before the Grand Jury, in order to deprive him of his License; and complaining of the high duty paid upon Tavern Licenses, and praying relief.

Ordered, That the Petition be referred to Mr. Doyle, Mr. Uniacke, Mr. Archibald, Mr. Cochran and Mr. Dickson, to examine and report upon to the House.

Referred to Committee

School returns laid before House

Mr. Speaker laid before the House a Letter from Mr. Deputy-Secretary James, dated this day, transmitting the Returns of the several Boards of School Commissioners of the last year, with an Abstract: which Returns and Abstract Mr. Speaker presented to the House, and the said Abstract was read by the Clerk: for which,

(*See Appendix, No. 12.*)

Ordered, That the said Letter, Returns and Abstract, do lie on the Table, to be perused by the Members of this House.

Communication from Dy. Prov. Sec. with Orders in Council and Petitions

Mr. Speaker also laid before the House, a Letter from Mr. Deputy-Secretary James, dated the 5th inst., requesting Mr. Speaker to lay before this House certain accompanying Papers, transmitted to the House by command of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor; and which Mr. Speaker accordingly presented to the House, with a list thereof, which was read by the Clerk, and is as follows:—

Act concerning Liberated Slaves disallowed

No. 1 Copy of an Order of His Majesty, in Council, dated 4th March, 1835, disallowing An Act to prevent the Clandestine Landing of Liberated Slaves and other persons therein mentioned, from Vessels arriving in this Province.

39 Acts allowed

No. 2 Copy of an Order of His Majesty, in Council, leaving to their operation Sixty-nine Acts, passed by the Legislature of Nova-Scotia, in the year 1834.

Statute of Limitations Real Estate allowed

No. 3 Copy of an Order of His Majesty, in Council, dated 13th April, 1835, leaving to its operation, an Act, passed by the Legislature of Nova-Scotia, in the year 1834, entitled, "An Act to amend an Act, made and passed in the 32d year of the Reign of His late Majesty George 2d. entitled, An Act for the limitation of Actions; and for avoiding Suits at Law.

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- No. 4 Copy of an order of His Majesty in Council, dated 26th August, 1835, specially confirming an Act, passed by the Legislature of Nova-Scotia, in the year 1834, entitled, **An Act for the commutation of the Royal Quit Rents in this Province.** Quit Rent Com-
tation Act confirmed
- 5 Copy of an order of His Majesty in Council, dated 26th August, 1835, leaving to their operation 46 enumerated Acts, passed by the Legislature of Nova-Scotia in December, 1834, and January, 1835. Acts allowed
- 6 Copy of an order of His Majesty in Council, dated 30th September, 1835, specially confirming an Act, passed by the Legislature of Nova-Scotia, in February, 1835, entitled, "An Act respecting the Offices of Master of the Rolls and Judge of the Court of Vice-Admiralty." Act to vacate seat
of Master of Rolls
confirmed
- 7 Copy of an order of His Majesty in Council, dated 30th September, 1835, specially confirming an Act, passed by the Legislature of Nova-Scotia, in February, 1835, entitled, "An Act to divide the County of Cape-Breton and to regulate the Representation thereof." Cape-Breton divi-
sion Act confirmed
- 8 Copy of an order of His Majesty in Council, dated 30th September, 1835, leaving to their operation two Acts, passed by the Legislature of Nova-Scotia, A. D. 1834. Acts allowed

For Copies of the foregoing Papers,
(See Appendix, No. 13.)

- 9 Petition of Settlers at Sherbrooke, (County of Lunenburg) representing the necessity of altering a part of the Road from Halifax to Annapolis, through Kemptville or Hammond's Plains. Petition from Sher-
brooke for Road
- 10 Petition of Trustees of Pictou Academy praying for assistance. Petition from Trus-
tees of Pictou Aca-
demy for aid
- 11 Petition of Presbyterian Congregation in Pictou, relative to the Pictou Academy, praying that that Institution may be placed on a more permanent and efficient footing. Petition from Pres-
byterians in Pictou
for aid to Academy

The said several Papers were read by the Clerk; and thereupon,
Ordered, That the said several Copies of Orders of His Majesty in Council, and the said Petition from Settlers in Sherbrooke, with the Letter from the Deputy-Secretary, do lie on the Table, to be perused by the Members of this House.

Ordered, That the Petitions of the Trustees of the Pictou Academy, and of the Presbyterian Congregation in Pictou, be referred to the Committee on Schools. Pictou Petitions re-
ferred to Committee
on Schools

A Message from the Council by Mr. Halliburton :
Mr. Speaker,

The Council agree to the Conference desired by this Honorable House, on the subject of the amendments to the Bill to carry into effect the Act of Parliament relating to the American Convention and Fisheries, and the Committee of the Council are ready to meet the Committee of this House. Council agree to
Conference on Con-
vention Bill

And then the Messenger withdrew.

Ordered, That the Committee who managed the last Conference on said Bill, do manage this Conference. Conference held
and reported

So they went to the Conference.

And being returned, Mr. Uniacke reported that the Managers had been at the Conference, and stated the substance of the Conference to the House.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry back to the Council the said Bill and amendments, and acquaint the Council that this House have agreed to all of said amendments, except the amendment proposed to the Preamble, and that they have not agreed to the last mentioned amendment. Convention Fishery
Bill sent back with
Message

A Petition of M. Tobin, surviving Trustee of the Roman Catholic Schools in Halifax, was presented by Mr. Doyle, and read, praying that the Grant for those Schools may be continued. Petition for aid to
Catholic Schools

Ordered, That the Petition be referred to the Committee on Schools.

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Address to His Majesty to be framed in regard to the disposal of Offices in the Customs and otherwise

On motion of Mr. Wilkins, *resolved*, that a Committee be appointed to prepare an Address to His Majesty, expressive of the regret felt by the Inhabitants of this His Majesty's Loyal Province, at the mode in which their own qualifications are overlooked, in reference to the appointment of persons filling the various offices in the Custom-House Department of Nova-Scotia, which are frequently filled by those who are not Natives or Inhabitants of this Province, but expressly sent out to fill them from Great-Britain; and expressive also, of the confident hope entertained by the People of this Province, that all other offices in the same, of a lower grade than that of the Lieutenant-Governor, will be filled as hitherto by the People of Nova-Scotia.

Committee named

Ordered, That Mr. Doyle, Mr. Wilkins and Mr. Stewart, be a Committee to prepare and report such Address.

Committee to request papers relating to Lunenburg Road Commissioners

On motion of Mr. Stewart, *resolved*, that a Committee be appointed to wait on His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, and respectfully request that he will direct copies of the recommendations of the Members of the County and Town of Lunenburg, of Road Commissioners of that County the last year; and also, Copies of the Documents and Papers relative to the appointment of Garret Miller, Esq. as a Road Commissioner therein, and to his expenditure of the Road Monies entrusted to him to expend, to be laid before this House.

Committee thereon

Ordered, That the Committee of Inquiry as to the expenditure of certain Road Monies in the County of Lunenburg, be a Committee for the above purpose.

Report from Committee on Public Accounts

Mr. Lawson reported from the Committee appointed to join a Committee of His Majesty's Council, to examine the Public Accounts; and he read the Report in his place, and afterwards delivered it in at the Clerk's Table, where it was read.

(See Appendix, No. 14.)

Ordered, That the Report do lie on the Table.

A Message from the Council, by Mr. Halliburton:

Mr. Speaker,

The Council have agreed, without amendment, to the several Bills following, viz:

Council agree to 27 continuing Bills as follows—
Forestalling

A Bill, entitled, An Act to continue the Act to suspend the operation of several Acts of the General Assembly, to prevent Forestalling, Regrating and Monopolizing.

Forestalling Cordwood

A Bill, entitled, An Act to continue the Act to suspend the operation of the Acts to prevent Forestalling, Regrating and Monopolizing, of Cord Wood, in the Town of Halifax.

Disorderly riding, &c

A Bill, entitled, An Act to continue the Act to prevent disorderly Riding, and to regulate the Driving of Carriages, on the Streets of Halifax, or other Towns, or on the public Roads of this Province, and for repealing certain Acts therein mentioned.

Rates of Carriages

A Bill, entitled, An Act to continue the Act in addition to the Act for regulating the Rates and Prices of Carriages.

Nuisances in Rivers

A Bill, entitled, An Act to continue the Act in addition to, and in amendment of, the Act to prevent Nuisances, by Hedges, Wears, and other incumbrances, obstructing the passage of Fish in the Rivers of this Province.

Halifax Night Watch

A Bill, entitled, An Act to continue the Act for the better preservation of the Property of the Inhabitants of the Town of Halifax, by providing for a sufficient Watch at Night.

Cape Forchu Harbour

A Bill, entitled, An Act to continue the Act to preserve the Harbour of Cape Forchu, in Yarmouth.

Pugwash Harbour

A Bill, entitled, An Act to continue the Act to preserve and regulate the Navigation of the Harbour of Pugwash.

Bites of Animals

A Bill, entitled, An Act to continue the Act to provide against the occurrence of Diseases from the bite of Animals.

Amendment of Wills Act

A Bill, entitled, An Act to continue an Act in amendment of certain Acts relating to Wills, Legacies and Executors, and for the Settlement and Distribution of the Estates of Intestates.

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A Bill, entitled, An Act to continue the Act, entitled, An Act in further addition to the Act relating to Wills, Legacies and Executors, and for the Settlement and Distribution of the Estates of Intestates.	Addition to Wills Act
A Bill, entitled, An Act to continue the Act to regulate the Weighing of Beef.	Weighing of Beef
A Bill, entitled, An Act to continue the Act to regulate the Pilotage of Vessels at the Port of Halifax, and the several Acts in amendment thereof and additional thereto.	Halifax Pilotage
A Bill, entitled, An Act to continue the Act to regulate the Pilotage of Vessels at the Port of Sydney, in the Island of Cape-Breton.	Sydney C.B. Pilotage
A Bill, entitled, An Act to continue the Act to lessen the expense of the proof of Written Documents in Actions depending in any of the Courts within this Province.	Proof of Writings
A Bill, entitled, An Act to continue the Act in amendment of an Act, made and passed in the first and second years of His late Majesty's Reign, entitled, An Act to extend the Laws and Ordinances of the Province of Nova-Scotia to the Island of Cape-Breton.	Amendment of C.B. Laws Act
An Bill, entitled, An Act to continue the Act in further addition to, and in amendment of, the Act for the choice of Town Officers and Regulating of Townships, and the Act to alter and amend the same.	Amendment of Town Officers Act
A Bill, entitled, An Act to continue the Act to prevent damage to the Nets of Fishermen, by Coasting Vessels.	Fishermens Nets
A Bill, entitled, An Act to continue the Act to prevent the Clandestine Landing of Liberated Slaves, and other persons therein mentioned, from Vessels arriving in this Province.	Clandestine Landing of Slaves
A Bill, entitled, An Act to continue the Act to prevent the spreading of Contagious Diseases and for the performance of Quarantine, and the Act in amendment thereof.	Quarantine
A Bill, entitled, An Act to continue the Act to provide for the regulation and management of the Grammar School or Academy at Annapolis.	Annapolis Academy
A Bill, entitled, An Act to continue the Act to amend the Act for establishing a Public School in the Town of Halifax.	Amendment of Halifax Grammar School Act
A Bill, entitled, An Act to continue the Acts now in force relating to Trespasses.	Trespasses
A Bill, entitled, An Act to continue the Act to provide for the Accommodation and Billetting of His Majesty's Troops or of the Militia, when on their March from one part of the Province to another, and also the Acts in amendment thereof.	Billetting Troops
A Bill, entitled, An Act to continue the Act to encourage the importation of improved Breeds of Cattle into this Province.	Importation of Cattle
A Bill, entitled, An Act to continue the Act relating to the Court of Commissioners at Halifax; and	Commissioners Court Halifax
A Bill, entitled, An Act to continue the Act to encourage the Seal Fisheries of this Province.	Seal Fisheries
The Council have also also agreed to the Bill, entitled, An Act to incorporate the Petit Plaister and Mills Company, as amended.	Council agree to amended Plaister Bill
The Council do not adhere to the amendment to the Bill to carry into effect the Act of Parliament relating to the American Convention and Fisheries, but agree to the Bill with the other amendments which have been agreed to by this Honorable House. And then the Messenger withdrew.	Council do not adhere to amendment to Convention Bill
Resolved, That the said Bill last mentioned do finally pass this House, as amended, and that the title be (as provided by one of said amendments) An Act relating to the Fisheries, and for the prevention of Illicit Trade in the Province of Nova-Scotia, and the Coasts and Harbours thereof.	Amendment Convention Bill passed Title altered
Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the said Bill back to the Council, and acquaint them with the above Resolution.	Bill sent back to Council
Mr. Morton, from the Select Committee on the Petition of James E. DeWolfe and others, reported on said Petition; and he read the report in his place, and afterwards delivered it in at the Clerk's Table, where it was again read.	Report on Petition of James E. De Wolfe and others

(See

TUESDAY and WEDNESDAY, 9th and 10th FEBRUARY, 1836.

(See Appendix, No. 15.)

Ordered, That the Report do lie on the Table.

The Order of the Day being read, for considering the Despatch and Papers relative to opening the Ports of this Province to the advantages of Foreign Trade, being read,
Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, proceed in such consideration.

Then the House adjourned, until To-morrow, at twelve of the clock.

Wednesday, 10th February, 1836.

PRAYERS.

Barrister's Bill read second time and committed

A Bill concerning the Barristers and Attornies practising in the Courts of this Province, was read a second time.

Ordered, That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House.

Chancery Injunction Bill read second time and

A Bill to restrain the issuing of Writs of Injunction out of the Court of Chancery, except in certain cases, was read a second time.

Referred to Select Committee

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to Mr. Uniacke, Mr. Stewart, Mr. Creighton, Mr. Johnston, Mr. Young, Mr. G. Smith, Mr. Wier, Mr. Blanchard, Mr. Huntington, Mr. J. R. Dewolf, Mr. Chipman and Mr. O'Brien, to examine and report thereon to this House.

Petitions from Economy and Londonderry for their being joined in regard to Representation

A Petition of Andrew Kerr and others, Freeholders and Inhabitants of Economy; and a Petition of Robert Vance and others, Freeholders and Inhabitants of Londonderry, were presented by Mr. Lawson, and read, praying that Economy may be united to Londonderry, in regard to the right of Voting for a Representation for the latter Township in General Assembly.

Referred to Select Committee

Ordered, That the Petitions be referred to Mr. Lawson, Mr. Wier and Mr. O'Brien, to examine and report upon to this House.

Petition for aid to Grist Mill on Windsor Road

A Petition of William Fenerty and others, Inhabitants of Windsor Road, was presented by Mr. Lawson, and read, praying aid in the erection of a Grist Mill.

Ordered, That the Petition be referred to the same Committee to whom have been referred the Petitions for aid to Oat Mills.

Petition as to Fishery in Sackville River

A Petition of Thomas Robinson and others, Inhabitants of Sackville Parish, was presented by Mr. Lawson, and read, complaining of Regulations made by Justices of Session in Halifax, in regard to the Fishery in Sackville River, and praying that the grievance may be enquired into and redressed.

Petition for Bill to assess Chester Baptist Meeting-House

A Petition of the Baptist Society, at Chester, was presented by Mr. Creighton, and read, praying that a Law may be passed to enable them to raise Money by Assessment upon the Pews of their Meeting-House, for the repairing and ornamenting thereof.

Leave to bring in Bill thereon

Ordered, That the Petition be referred to Mr. Creighton, with leave to bring in a Bill in accordance with the prayer thereof.

Petition of W. Kidston for increase of Constables fees in Commissioners Courts

A Petition of William Kidston, Constable of the Commissioners Court, at Halifax, was presented by Mr. Deblois, and read, stating the inadequacy of the Fees of that Office to remunerate him for his responsibility and labor, and praying an increase of those Fees.

Referred to Select Committee

Ordered, That the Petition be referred to Mr. Deblois, Mr. Bell and Mr. Lawson, to examine and report upon to this House.

Petition for aid to National School

A Petition of the Trustees of the National School, in Halifax, was presented by Mr. Deblois, and read, praying aid to repair the Building and support the School.

Referred to School Committee

Ordered, That the Petition be referred to the Committee on Schools.

Mr.

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Mr. Bell reported from the Select Committee on the Petition of the Halifax Steam-boat Company; and he read the report in his place, and afterwards delivered it in at the Clerk's Table, where it was again read.

Report on Halifax Steam-Boat Petition

(See Appendix, No. 16.)

Ordered, That the Report do lie on the Table.

A Petition of the Rev. Dr. Willis, on behalf of the Colored People of Halifax, was presented by Mr. Bell, and read, praying aid towards their School.

Petition for aid to African School

Ordered, That the Petition be referred to the Committee on Schools.

Mr. Chipman reported from the Select Committee on the Petition of James Dennison; and he read the report in his place, and afterwards delivered it in at the Clerk's Table, where it was again read.

Report on Petition of James Dennison

(See Appendix, No. 17.)

Mr. Chipman moved that the report be received and adopted by the House: which, being seconded and put, and the House dividing thereon, there appeared, for the motion, twelve; against it, twenty-two. So it passed in the negative.

Adoption of Report negatived

On motion of Mr. Lawson, resolved, that the further consideration of the Petition and report be deferred to this day three months.

Report and Petition deferred 3 months

On motion of Mr. W. H. Roach, resolved, that a Committee be appointed to enquire as to the alledged alteration of the Provincial Horse Imperial, and to report thereon to the House.

Committee to enquire as to the gelding of Imperial

Ordered That Mr. W. H. Roach, Mr. Uniacke and Mr. Cochran, be a Committee for the above purpose.

A Petition of the Managing Committee of the Nova-Scotia Baptist Education Society, was presented by Mr. Chipman, and read, praying further aid towards their Academy at Horton.

Petition for aid to Baptist Academy in Horton

Ordered, That the Petition be referred to the Committee on Schools.

Mr. Creighton reported from the Select Committee appointed to enquire as to the expediency of abolishing the Inferior Courts of Common Pleas throughout the Province; and thereupon, presented to the House, a Bill to abolish the Inferior Courts within this Province, and to repeal the Act to make further provision for the equal administration of Justice in the Province of Nova-Scotia, and the same was read a first time.

Report of Bill to abolish the Inferior Courts

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time.

On motion of Mr. Blanchard, resolved, that a Committee be appointed to enquire as to the mode and course of Trials and Practice in the Supreme Court upon the Circuits, and to report thereon, by Bill or otherwise.

Motion to enquire into the practice of Supreme Court upon the Circuits

Ordered, That Mr. Stewart, Mr. Blanchard, Mr. Young, Mr. Uniacke, Mr. Archibald, Mr. B. Dewolf, Mr. Chipman, Mr. W. H. Roach, Mr. Huntington, Mr. J. R. Dewolf, Mr. Creighton and Mr. Lawson, be a Committee for the above purpose.

Committee named

[A Message from the Council, by Mr. Halliburton :

Mr. Speaker,

The Council have not agreed to the Bill, entitled, An Act concerning the Currency of Nova-Scotia.

The Council have passed a Bill, entitled, An Act to regulate the Currency of Nova-Scotia: to which Bill they desire the concurrence of this Honorable House.

Council do not agree to Currency Bill and pass a Bill to regulate the same

And then the Messenger withdrew.]

It was moved that the Orders of the Day be read; and thereupon, The Order of the Day to resolve itself into a Committee on the consideration of that part of His Excellency's Speech which relates to the Road Service, being read,

Resolved, That this House will, To-morrow, resolve itself into such Committee.

Order of Day on the Road service, &c. read and postponed until to-morrow

WEDNESDAY and THURSDAY, 10th and 11th FEBRUARY, 1836.

Order of Day on Foreign Trade read and postponed until to-morrow

The Order of the Day for considering the Despatch and Papers relative to the opening of the Ports of the Province to Foreign Trade, being read, the House proceeded to the consideration thereof, and the said Despatch and Papers were read.

Resolved, That this House will, To-morrow, proceed to the further consideration of the same subject.

Then the House adjourned until To-morrow, at twelve of the Clock.

Thursday, 11th February, 1836.

PRAYERS.

Petition of Western Stage Coach Company

A Petition of the Western Stage Coach Company was presented by Mr. Stewart, and read, praying a continuance of the sums granted that Establishment for carrying His Majesty's Mails, and a grant of a sum towards paying off their debt.

Petition of Isaac Wyman for aid to run a Stage Coach

A Petition of Jesse Wyman and others, was presented by Mr. Huntington, and read, praying aid to establish a Carriage, carrying the Mail and Passengers, to be run with two Horses, weekly, between Yarmouth and Digby.

Petitions referred to Committee on Stage Coaches

Ordered, That the Petitions be referred to the Committee, on the Petitions relative to the Eastern Stage Coaches, and that the Committee do also examine and report upon these Petitions.

Petition praying a tax upon Lands of Absentees

A Petition of George Runciman and others, of the County of Annapolis, was presented by Mr. Delap, and read, praying that the Wilderness Lands, owned by Absentees, may be taxed, for making Roads through them.

Referred to Committee

Ordered, That the Petition be referred to Mr. Delap, Mr. Stewart, Mr. Cochran, Mr. Clements and Mr. Harris, to examine and report thereon, and upon the subject generally, by Bill or otherwise.

Petition in relation to erection of an Orphan House.

A Petition of the Commissioners of the Asylum for the Poor, in Halifax, was presented by Mr. Bell, and read, praying that the sum set apart by an Act of the General Assembly, to be paid from the Treasury, towards building an Orphan House in Halifax, upon twice the sum being raised for that purpose by the Town, may be so paid, upon an equal sum being raised by the Town.

Ordered, That the Petition do lie on the Table.

Council's Currency Bill read & deferred for three months

The engrossed Bill sent yesterday from the Council, entitled, An Act to regulate the Currency of Nova-Scotia, was read a first time; and thereupon,

Mr. Stewart moved, that the said Bill be read a second time this day three months: which, being seconded and put, and the House dividing thereon, there appeared, for the motion, twenty-six; against it, twelve.

For the Motion.

Mr Huntington
Mr Wilkins
Mr Blanchard
Mr G Smith
Mr Young
Mr Chipman
Mr Doyle
Mr Morton
Mr Cochran
Mr Delap
Mr Lent
Mr J R Dewolf
Mr O'Brien

Mr Bars
Mr Stewart
Mr Lovell
Mr Bell
Mr Clements
Mr Johnston
Mr Orley
Mr B D'Wolf
Mr E Dewolf
Mr Wier
Mr Archibald
Mr Creighton
Mr Crow

Against the Motion.

Mr C Roche
Mr Dodd
Mr Uniacke
Mr Deblois
Mr Shey
Mr Harris
Mr Rudolf
Mr Budd
Mr W H Roach
Mr Lawson
Mr Homer
Mr Morse

So it passed in the Affirmative.

Bills introduced relating to coins, Currency, &c.

Mr. Johnston, pursuant to leave given, presented a Bill to declare the value of certain Coins Current in this Province, and to provide a legal tender for the payment of debts, and the same was read a first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time.

The

THURSDAY and FRIDAY, 11th and 12th FEBRUARY, 1836.

The Order of the Day for the House to resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, on the consideration of that part of His Excellency's Speech which relates to the Road Service, being read.

Order of Day on Road service read and postponed

Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into such Committee.

The Order of the Day for the further consideration of the Despatch and Papers relative to the opening of the Ports of this Province to Foreign Trade, being read,

Order of Day on Foreign Trade read and

Mr. Stewart moved, that the House do come to a Resolution as followeth, viz:

Resolved, That this House adhere to the Resolutions passed by this House on the 7th April, 1832, and do earnestly desire that the prayer of this House contained in their Addresses, on the subject of the expense of the Customs' Establishment in this Colony, the Crown Duties collected therein, and the extension of the Foreign Trade of this Province, passed on the 29th March, 1834, and the 5th January, 1835, may be speedily granted: which being seconded,

Resolution moved relative thereto

Mr. Uniacke moved, as an amendment of the question, to leave out all the words of the proposed Resolution, except the word "*Resolved*," and, in place of the words so left out, to substitute the following after the said word "*Resolved*," viz:

Amendment moved and negatived

"That sufficient facilities for the prosecution of Trade, with Foreign Countries, in the Ships thereof, will be provided, if His Majesty's Government shall be pleased to extend to the Ports of Digby, Lunenburg and Arichat, the privileges of Free Warehousing Ports, as now enjoyed by Halifax, Pictou, Sydney, Liverpool and Yarmouth, in which event eight Ports of Entry for Foreign Ships will be established, at points the most favorably situated for this branch of Commerce": which, being seconded and put, and the House dividing thereon, there appeared, for the amendment, nine; against it, twenty-seven.

So it passed in the Negative.

The question upon the original Resolution as proposed, was then put, and the House dividing thereon, there appeared, for the Resolution, twenty-six; against it, ten.

Original Resolution carried

For the Resolution.

Against the Resolution.

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| Mr Huntington | Mr Barss |
| Mr Stewart | Mr B Dewolf |
| Mr Rudolf | Mr Johnston |
| Mr G Smith | Mr Delap |
| Mr Blanchard | Mr Archibald |
| Mr Chipman | Mr Lent |
| Mr Lovell | Mr E Dewolf |
| Mr Morton | Mr Ozley |
| Mr Doyle | Mr J B Dewolf |
| Mr Wilkins | Mr Crow |
| Mr W H Roach | Mr Clements |
| Mr Young | Mr Creighton |
| Mr Homer | Mr O'Brien |

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| Mr Shey |
| Mr Bell |
| Mr Wier |
| Mr Deblois |
| Mr Uniacke |
| Mr Harris |
| Mr Dodd |
| Mr Budd |
| Mr Cochran |
| Mr Lawson |

So it passed in the Affirmative.

Ordered, That this House will, to-morrow, proceed to the further consideration of the said Despatch and Papers, relative to Foreign Trade at the Out Ports of this Province.

Foreign Trade Order of Day for to-morrow

Then the House adjourned, until to-morrow, at twelve of the Clock.

Friday, 12th February, 1836.

PRAYERS.

A Petition of John Fox, Surgeon, was presented by Mr. Lent, and read, praying remuneration for time and services, in his having been obliged to remain and attend the Supreme Court at Shelburne, as a witness upon a trial for Murder, when he was about removing to another place to which his business called him.

Petition of Dr. Fox for remuneration for attending as a Witness on a Trial for murder at Shelburne Withdrawn

On motion of Mr. Cochran, *resolved*, that Mr. Lent have leave to withdraw the Petition.

Mr.

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Cape Breton Court
of Commissioners
Bill presented
Referred to Com-
mittee

Mr. Dodd, pursuant to leave given, presented a Bill to establish Courts of Commissioners in the Island of Cape-Breton, and the same was read a first time.

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to Mr. Dodd, Mr. Dickson, Mr. G. Smith, Mr. Wier, Mr. Oxley, Mr. Bell, Mr. Rudolf, Mr. J. R. Dewolf, Mr. Huntington, Mr. Lovett, Mr. E. Dewolf and Mr. B. Dewolf, to examine and report thereon to this House.

Petition for discon-
tinuance of Flour
Inspection in Hal-
ifax

A Petition of W. A. Black & Son and others, Merchants and Inhabitants of Halifax, was presented by Mr. Deblois, and read, praying that the Inspection of Meal and Flour in said Town may be discontinued, and the Weighing alone retained.

Referred to a Com-
mittee

Ordered, That the Petition be referred to Mr. Deblois, Mr. Bell, Mr. Delap, Mr. Dodd, Mr. Cochran, Mr. Morton and Mr. Creighton, to examine and report thereon to this House.

Petition for aid in
the erection of a
School House at
Granville

A Petition of Francis Mills and others, Inhabitants of New Caledonia, in Granville, was presented by Mr. Johnston, and read, praying aid in the erection of a School House at that place.

Ordered, That the Petition be referred to the Committee on Schools.

Petition for aid to
Baptist Academy at
Horton

A Petition of the Rev. William Chipman and others, of Cornwallis, was presented by Mr. Morton, and read, praying aid towards the Baptist Academy in Horton.

Ordered, That the Petition be referred to the Committee on Schools.

Petition on Licence
Law, &c.

A Petition also of the Rev. William Chipman and others, was presented by Mr. Morton, and read, praying an alteration in the Law of last Session for granting Licenses for the retail of Spirituous Liquors, and that the power of deciding thereon may be confined exclusively to the Grand Juries and Justices in Session.

Ordered, That the Petition be referred to the Committee on the subject of Licenses for the retail of Spirituous Liquors.

Referred to Licence
Law Committee

Petition from An-
napolis for aid in
erection of an Oat
Mill

A Petition of Stephen Chipman and others, of the Township of Annapolis, was presented by Mr. Lovett, and read, praying aid in the erection of an Oat Mill, on Round Hill Stream in said Township.

Ordered, That the Petition be referred to the Committee to whom the former Petitions on the subject of Oat Mills were referred, and that they do also examine and report upon this Petition.

Referred to Com-
mittee on Oat Mills

Report from Com-
mittee who waited
on His Excellency
with respect to
Commissioners in
Lunenburg

Mr. Stewart reported from the Select Committee, appointed to wait upon His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, and request certain Copies of Papers in regard to Road Commissioners, &c, in the the County of Lunenburg—that the Committee had performed that duty—and, that his Excellency was pleased to say that he would direct the required information to be laid before the House without delay.

Petition in regard to
Judges Fees

A Petition of John Lyons and others, was presented by Mr. Morton, and read, praying that measures may be taken to prevent the Chief-Justice and Judges of the Supreme Court from receiving the Fees paid them in Actions at Law.

Ordered, That the Petition do lie on the Table.

Bill respecting
Lands whereon
Mines, &c. are re-
served to His Ma-
jesty

Mr. Uniacke, pursuant to leave given, presented a Bill for facilitating the mode of indemnifying the Proprietors of Land, whereon His Majesty's reserved Mines and Minerals may be worked, and the same was read a first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to Mr. Uniacke, Mr. Dodd, Mr. Stewart, Mr. G. Smith and Mr. Doyle, to examine and report upon to this House.

Petition for aid in
erection of a Dike
at Chezetcook

A Petition of Paul Lapier and others, was presented by Mr. Lawson, and read, praying aid in the erection of a Dike for enclosing Marsh Lands at Chezetcook.

Ordered,

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Ordered, That the Petition be referred to Mr. Young, Mr. Dodd, Mr. Doyle, Mr. Chipman and Mr. Bell, to examine and report upon the merits thereof to this House. Referred to Committee.

Mr. Uniacke reported, from the Select Committee on the Petition of Joshua W. Weeks and Garrett Fitzpatrick, favorably to the prayer of the Petitioners; and he read the report in his place, and afterwards delivered it in at the Clerk's Table, where it was again read. Report on Petition of J. W. Weeks and G. Fitzpatrick

(See Appendix, No. 18.)

Resolved, That the Report be received and adopted by this House.

A Message from the Council, by Mr. Halliburton:

Mr. Speaker,

The Council have agreed to the Bill, entitled, An Act relating to the Fisheries, and for the prevention of Illicit Trade in the Province of Nova-Scotia, as amended.

Council agree to Fishery Act

And then the Messenger withdrew.

A Petition of Nathaniel Brown was presented by Mr. Lawson, and read, setting forth his having settled some time since on the new road between Musquedobit and Guysborough, encouraged by a grant of money from Government, and having opened a House of Entertainment for Travellers, and being obliged to provide for many poor travellers gratis, and praying an allowance therefor. Petition of Nathaniel Brown of New Guysboro Road

On motion of Mr. Archibald, *resolved*, that Mr. Lawson have leave to withdraw the Petition. Withdrawn

A Petition of George B. Young, the President, and other Office-bearers of the Mechanics' Institute, in Halifax, was presented by Mr. Bell, and read, praying a grant of money to enable them to add to their collection of Ornithological and other specimens of Natural History. Petition of Halifax Mechanics' Institute

Ordered, That the Petition do lie on the Table.

A Petition of Thomas Tupper and others, was presented by Mr. Chipman, and read, praying a Bounty to one Alexander Wilson, for the erection of an Oat Mill, in Aylesford. Oat Mill Aylesford

Ordered, That the Petition be referred to the Committee to whom were referred the former Petitions on the subject of Oat Mills, and that they do also examine and report upon this Petition.

A Petition of William Allen Chipman and others, resident in the Township of Cornwallis, was presented by Mr. Chipman, and read, setting forth, in many particulars, the evils of Intemperance, and praying that measures may be taken for the suppression thereof. Temperance Petition from Cornwallis

Ordered, That the Petition be referred to the Committee on former Petitions relating to the Laws in regard to Licences for selling Spirituous Liquors. Referred to Licence Committee

A Petition of Isaac O'Brien, was presented by Mr. O'Brien, and read, praying a bounty upon an Oat Mill and Kiln by him erected, and put into successful operation at Noel, in the County of Hants. Oat Mill at Noel

Ordered, That the Petition be referred to the Committee on the former Petitions relating to Oat Mills. Referred to a Committee

Mr. Creighton, pursuant to leave given on a former day, presented a Bill to authorise the Congregation of the Meeting House at Chester to raise money from the Pews of the said Meeting House, for the repairing and ornamenting thereof, and the same was read a first time. Bill for assessing Meeting House in Chester

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time.

A Petition of John Stirling and William Grigor, Surgeons, was presented by Mr. DeBlois, and read, setting forth the great number of poor persons to whom Medicines Petition for aid to Dispensary in Halifax
and

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and attendance had been furnished *gratis*, during the past year at the Public Dispensary, under the superintendance of the Petitioners, and praying continued and increased aid for that establishment.

Ordered, That the Petition do lie on the Table.

Petition against
High Duty on Li-
cences

A Petition of Robert Hill and others was presented by Mr. Archibald, and read, complaining of the hardships resulting to persons keeping Public Houses, from the high duty they are compelled to pay upon Licences for selling Liquor, and praying that the Law may be altered in that respect.

Referred to Com-
mittee

Ordered, That the Petition be referred to the Committee on former Petitions relative to the Licence Laws.

Conference to be
desired with Coun-
cil to request them
to join in Address
to His Majesty on
Fishery Bill

On motion of Mr. Uniacke, *resolved*, that a Conference, by Committee, be desired with the Council on the subject of the Bill, entitled, An Act relating to the Fisheries, and for the prevention of Illicit Trade, and that upon such Conference, the Committee of this House do inform the Committee of the Council, that it is the wish of this House that the Council should join this House in an Address to His Majesty, to be prepared by a Joint Committee, on the subject of said Bill, and the purposes therein contemplated.

Ordered, That the Clerk do request the said Conference.

Petition for aid to a
School in Dart-
mouth

A Petition of Jeremiah Page and others was presented by Mr. Bell, and read, praying aid towards a School in Dartmouth.

Ordered, That the Petition be referred to the Committee on Schools.

Petition of E. Joyce
for additional aid
for carrying the
Mail

A Petition of Edward Joyce, was presented by Mr. Archibald, and read, praying an additional allowance, as Courier, for carrying the Mail from Stewiacke to Gay's River and Musquodoboit, he being obliged to make the circuit of the Shubenacadie, and travel a greater distance than heretofore.

Ordered, That the Petition do lie on the Table.

Petition of W.
Watson praying
that Couriers may
be exempted from
Militia Duty and
Highway Labour
referred to Commit-
tees

A Petition of William Watson was presented by Mr. Archibald, and read, praying that Couriers, carrying the Mails, may be exempted from Militia duty, and Highway Labor.

Ordered, That the Petition be referred to the Committee appointed to revise the Laws in regard to Highway Labor.

Petition of P. Con-
nor praying recom-
pense for the loss
of his hand on duty
as Constable refer-
red to Committee

A Petition of Patrick Connor, of Dartmouth, was presented by Mr. Doyle, and read, praying some recompense for the loss of a hand, caused by the bursting of a Musket, while the Petitioner was employed on public duty as a Constable.

Ordered, That the Petition be referred to Mr. Doyle, Mr. Dickson and Mr. B. De-
wolf, to examine into the merits thereof and report thereon to this House.

Order of Day
On Road service
read and postponed

The Order of the Day for considering that part of His Excellency's Speech which relates to the Road Service, in Committee of the whole House, being read,

Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into such Committee,

Order of Day
On Foreign Trade
read

The Order of the Day, for resuming the consideration of the Despatch and Papers relative to the Foreign Trade of the Province, being read,

Mr. Stewart moved, that the House do come to a Resolution as followeth, viz:—

Resolution moved
relating to the abo-
lition of the Duty
on Flour, &c. for
Addresses as to
Free Ports

Resolved, That the abolition of the duty on Flour contemplated by His Majesty's Government, as communicated by His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor as a reply to the Address of this House on the 5th January, 1835, although a measure acceptable to this House, will not give His Majesty's loyal subjects the relief prayed for; but on the contrary thereof, that His Majesty's Government have misapprehended the wishes of this House; and whereas, the great expense of supporting the Customs' Establishment—the unconstitutional application of the Old Crown Duties thereto—and the great-

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er freedom of Trade so anxiously sought for by this House—are subjects of the deepest moment to the people of the Province, and demand from their Representatives that they should omit no constitutional measures to obtain for them speedy relief in the premises : *Resolved therefore*, that a Committee be appointed to prepare a further Address to His Majesty ; also, an Address to the Right Honorable the House of Lords ; also, an Address to the Honorable the House of Commons, again anxiously entreating that they may be afforded adequate relief, and that the Addresses to the House of Lords and the House of Commons be transmitted, by Mr. Speaker, to the Right Honorable Lord Melbourne and Lord John Russell, with the respectful request of this House, that they will present them severally to the said Houses of Lords and Commons ; which, being seconded,

Mr. Johnston moved, as an amendment to said Resolution, to leave out therefrom, the words “the unconstitutional application of the old Crown duties thereto,” which, being seconded and put, and the House dividing thereon, there appeared for the Motion, five ; against it twenty-one.

Amendment moved and Negatived

For the Motion.

Mr Johnston
Mr Lawson
Mr Uniacke
Mr Bell
Mr Deblois

Against the Motion.

Mr Budd	Mr Oxley	Mr E Dewolf
Mr J R Dewolf	Mr Huntington	Mr Rudolf
Mr Lovett	Mr Wilkins	Mr Cochran
Mr Harris	Mr Dodd	Mr Doyle
Mr Delap	Mr B Dewolf	Mr Chipman
Mr Homer	Mr Clements	Mr G Smith
Mr Archibald	Mr Lent	Mr Morton
Mr Wier	Mr O'Brien	Mr Young
Mr Crow	Mr Bays	Mr Dickson
Mr W H Roach	Mr Shey	Mr Stewart
Mr Creighton		

So it was moved in the Negative.

The Resolution as originally moved being then put, and the House dividing, there appeared for the Resolution, twenty-nine ; against it, seven.

Original Resolution passed

So it passed in the Affirmative.

On motion of Mr. Stewart, *resolved*, that the same Committee prepare an Address to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, praying that he will forward the Address to His Majesty, with His Excellency's favourable recommendation of the prayer thereof.

Same Committee to prepare an Address to His Excellency on same subject

Ordered, That Mr. Stewart, Mr. Doyle, Mr. G. Smith, Mr. Young and Mr. Creighton, be a Committee for the purposes mentioned in the foregoing Resolutions.

Committee

Then the House adjourned, until To-morrow, at Twelve of the clock.

Saturday, 13th February, 1836.

PRAYERS.

A Bill to declare the value of certain Coins current in this Province, and to provide a legal Tender for the payment of Debts ; also,

Currency Bill, also

A Bill to authorise the Congregation of the Meeting House at Chester to raise money from the Pews of the said Meeting House, for the repairing and ornamenting thereof, were severally read a second time.

Bill for assessing the Pews of Meeting House at Chester—were read 2d time

Ordered, That the Bills be committed to a Committee of the whole House.

Mr. Stewart reported from the Select Committee on the Petition of James R. Smith and Hugh Hartshorne ; and thereupon, presented

Report on Petition of J. R. Smith and H. Hartshorne and Bill presented for Dams, &c. on Moose River

A Bill to authorise certain Persons therein named to erect Dams, Abutments and Piers, across the mouth of Moose River, and to grant the right of Tide-way thereto and therein, and the same was read a first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time.

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Petition for liberty
to sell an old pent
road in Truro

A Petition of John Dickson and others, Magistrates, of the District of Colchester, was presented by Mr. Archibald, and read, praying that a Law may be passed to enable an old and useless pent road, leading from the Upper to the Lower Village of Truro, to be sold for the benefit of the District.

Ordered, That the Petition be referred to Mr. Archibald, Mr. Wier, and Mr. Dickson, to examine and report upon to this House.

Petition from Annapolis
against aid to
Liverpool road
so called

A Petition of Samuel M'Keown and others, of Nictau, in the Township of Annapolis, was presented by Mr. W. H. Roach, and read, praying that aid may not be granted towards opening a new road in that Settlement, up the face of the mountain, called the Liverpool road.

Ordered, That the Petition do lie on the Table.

Petition for aid to
make an outlet
from Lake Porter
to the sea

A Petition Henry Y. Mott and others, was presented by Mr. Lawson, and read, praying aid towards removing the sand from the outlet from Lake Porter into the sea, so as to permit the passage of Vessels.

Ordered, That the Petition do lie on the Table.

Petition for aid to-
wards an establish-
ment for employ-
ment of Colored
People at Preston

A Petition of William M'Laughlin, was presented by Mr. Lawson, and read, praying aid towards establishing an Establishment at Preston, for the employment of the coloured people there, in knitting and otherwise, offering to give security for a sum of money if he could obtain a Loan from the Provincial Treasury for that purpose.

Ordered, That the Petition do lie on the Table.

Petition for Draw
in Avon Bridge

A Petition of Jonathan M. Smith and others was presented by Mr. O'Brien, and read, praying that an Act may be passed rendering it compulsory on the Proprietors of the proposed Bridge over Avon River, near Windsor, to have a Draw in the Bridge for the passage of Vessels.

Ordered, That the Petition be referred to Mr. Stewart, Mr. G. Smith, Mr. Delap, Mr. Doyle and Mr. Clements, to examine and report upon the merits thereof to this House.

Petition from Pic-
tou relating to Li-
censes

A Petition of John Lorrain and others, Traders in the District of Pictou, was presented by Mr. G. Smith, and read, complaining of the high duty paid upon Licenses for selling Liquors, and praying that the tax may be reduced.

Mr G Smith added
to License Law
Committee

Ordered, That the Petition be referred to the Committee, on the subject of the Laws relating to Licenses for selling Spirituous and other Liquors, and that Mr. Smith be added to the said Committee.

Petition of the Gro-
cers of Halifax con-
cerning Licenses

A Petition of Peter Morriscey and others, Grocers of the Town of Halifax, was presented by Mr. Doyle, and read, praying a reduction of the duty payable in said Town upon Licences for vending Spirituous Liquors.

Referred to Com-
mittee

Ordered, That the Petition be referred to Mr. Doyle, Mr. Rudolf, Mr. Bell, Mr. Dodd and Mr. E. Dewolf, to examine into the merits thereof and report thereon by Bill or otherwise.

Message from His
Excellency relating
to expenditures of
different sums of
money at Scatarie
and elsewhere

Mr. Deputy Secretary James acquainted the House, that he had a Message from His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor to this House, and he delivered the said Message to the House, and the same was read by Mr. Speaker—all the Members being uncovered, and is as follows:

MESSAGE :

C. CAMPBELL.

THE Lieutenant-Governor informs the House of Assembly, that, in consequence of the melancholy occurrences and great loss of life from Shipwreck, at the Island of Scatarie, he was induced, during the last Spring and Summer Months, to employ Mr. James Dodd, with a boat's crew, for the purpose of aiding any unfortunate persons who might be Shipwrecked on that Island; and it is with infinite satisfaction that the Lieutenant-Governor informs the House that, through the intrepidity

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intrepidity and great activity of Mr. Dodd and his men, the whole of the Crew and Passengers, in all Two-hundred and seventy-four souls, of the Barque William Ewing, bound from Ireland to Quebec, and wrecked on the Island, were safely landed, and have been forwarded to the place of their destination. The Crews of two other Vessels were also safely landed from wrecks. An expense of Eighty Pounds Sixteen Shillings and Three pence has been incurred in this service, for the payment of which it is hoped that the House will provide.

During the last Spring representations were made, from parts of the Eastern and Western Coasts, that great distress was felt by many of the Poor Settlers in consequence of their seed potatoes having been destroyed by the dry rot; and it was also represented that the colored People at Hammond's Plains and Preston, were in a state of great wretchedness, and that, unless assistance was promptly rendered to them, very serious consequences might be apprehended. The Lieutenant-Governor was advised to purchase potatoes, and distribute them in the most economical manner to those requiring aid. In the execution of this service the sum of One hundred and fifty-five Pounds Nineteen Shillings and Four pence was found necessary; and he must appeal to the House of Assembly to provide for this expenditure.

The Lieutenant-Governor also informs the House of Assembly, that in the Month of May, 1834, the Barque Astrea, from Ireland, bound to Quebec, with Passengers, was wrecked at Little Lorau, on the Western Coast of Cape-Breton. By this distressing event Two hundred and forty-eight Lives were lost. The sum of Fifty Pounds was expended by the direction of Mr. President Jeffery, in burying the remains of these unfortunate people, the payment of which expense is submitted to the consideration of the Assembly.

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Mr. Deputy Secretary James also delivered to the House, by command of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, an Estimate of the Charge for defraying the expense of the Civil Establishment of Nova-Scotia for the year 1836; and the same was read,

Ordered, That the Message and Estimate do lie on the Table.

On motion of Mr. Stewart, *resolved*, that a Supply be granted to His Majesty.

Ordered, That the Estimate of the Civil Establishment be referred to the Committee of Supply.

Mr. Deblois reported from the Select Committee, appointed to enquire into the operation of the present Revenue Laws; and he read the report in his place, and afterwards delivered it in at the Clerk's Table, where it was again read,

(See Appendix, No. 19.)

Ordered, That the Report do lie on the Table.

On motion of Mr. Deblois, *resolved*, that this House will, on Wednesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House to consider of Ways and Means for raising the Supply granted to His Majesty.

Ordered, That the foregoing Report, on the operation of the Revenue Laws, be referred to the said Committee of the whole House.

Mr. G. Smith reported from the Select Committee on the several Petitions relative to Stage Coach Establishments; and he read the Report in his place, and afterwards delivered it in at the Clerk's Table, where it was again read.

(See Appendix, No. 20.)

Mr. G. Smith moved, that the Report and Petitions be referred to the Committee of Supply: which, being seconded and put, and the House dividing thereon, there appeared, for the motion, twenty-one; against it, sixteen.

For the Motion.

Mr Stewart
Mr Chipman
Mr Dickson
Mr Morton
Mr E Dewolf
Mr Doyle
Mr Harris
Mr G Smith
Mr Dodd
Mr Lovett
Mr Budd

Mr Johnston
Mr Crow
Mr Uniacke
Mr Deblois
Mr Bell
Mr J R Dewolf
Mr Homer
Mr Creighton
Mr O Roche
Mr Morse

Mr Delap
Mr B Dewolf
Mr Archibald
Mr O'Brien
Mr Lent
Mr Oxley
Mr Huntington
Mr Barss
Mr Cochran
Mr Wier
Mr Shey

Against the Motion.

Mr Clements
Mr Lawson
Mr W H Roach
Mr Rudolf
Mr Young

So it passed in the Affirmative.

Estimate of the expense of the Civil Establishment for 1836

Supply to be granted to His Majesty Estimate referred to Committee of Supply

Report on Revenue Laws

Ways and Means made Order of Day for Wednesday

Report on Revenue Laws referred to said Committee

Report relative to Stage Coaches

Motion to refer report to Committee of Supply—carried

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House in Committee
on Bills

On motion, the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole House on the further consideration of the several Bills which stood committed.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair,
Mr. Lovett took the Chair,
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

Bills reported, viz :
for securing to John
Story the right to a
Slip
To declare the
value of certain
Coins, &c. and
For Assessment of
Pews in Meeting
House at Chester

The Chairman reported from the Committee that they had gone through the Bill to amend the Act for securing to John Story and his Assigns the exclusive right to a certain Slip or Railway, for the use of Vessels; the Bill to declare the value of certain Coins current in this Province, and to provide a legal tender for the payment of Debts; and a Bill to authorise the Congregation of the Meeting House at Chester to raise money from the Pews of the said Meeting-House, for the repairing and ornamenting thereof; and that the Committee had directed him to report the said Bills to the House, without any amendment, and he afterwards delivered the Bills in at the Clerk's Table.

The Chairman also acquainted the House that he was directed by the Committee to move for leave to sit again on the consideration of the several Bills committed: which the House agreed to.

Motion not to re-
ceive report on Bill
for exclusive right
to Slip—negatived

Mr. Huntington moved, that the Report of the Committee in regard to the Bill to amend the Act for securing to John Story and his Assigns, the exclusive right in a certain Slip or Railway, for the use of Vessels, be not received by the House: which, being seconded and put, and the House dividing thereon, there appeared for the Motion, nine; against it, twenty-one.

For the Motion.

Mr Morton
Mr Chipman
Mr O'Brien
Mr G Smith
Mr Stewart
Mr Clements
Mr Young
Mr Huntington
Mr Lent

Against the Motion.

Mr C Roche	Mr Cochran
Mr Delap	Mr Shey
Mr Wier	Mr Crow
Mr Oxley	Mr Dodd
Mr Archibald	Mr Deblois
Mr W H Roach	Mr Bell
Mr J R Dewolf	Mr Uniacke
Mr E Dewolf	Mr Dickson
Mr Barss	Mr B Dewolf
Mr Johnston	Mr Doyle
Mr Morse	

So it passed in the Negative.

Motion nor to re-
ceive report on Bill
to declare the value
of Coins, &c.
negatived

Mr. C. Roche then moved, that the Report from the Committee, as far as the same relates to the Bill to declare the value of certain Coins current in this Province, and to provide a legal Tender for the payment of Debts, be not received by this House: which, being seconded and put, and the House dividing thereon, there appeared, for the motion, six; against it, twenty-seven.

For the Motion.

Mr Dickson
Mr Dodd
Mr Doyle
Mr Uniacke
Mr Deblois
Mr C Roche

Against the Motion.

Mr Rudolf	Mr E Dewolf	Mr Young
Mr Lent	Mr Barss	Mr Bell
Mr Harris	Mr Johnston	Mr Morton
Mr Delap	Mr Clements	Mr O'Brien
Mr Wier	Mr Morse	Mr G Smith
Mr Oxley	Mr Cochran	Mr Chipman
Mr Archibald	Mr Shey	Mr Stewart
Mr W H Roach	Mr Crow	Mr Huntington
Mr J R Dewolf	Mr Lovett	Mr B Dewolf

So it passed in the Negative.

Ordered, That the Bills, reported from the Committee without amendment, be engrossed.

On motion of Mr. Doyle, *resolved*, that a Committee be appointed to prepare and report a Bill confirmatory of the titles to Land in the Island of Cape-Breton.

Ordered, That Mr. Doyle, Mr. Dodd and Mr. Uniacke, be a Committee for the above purpose.

Committee to pre-
pare a Bill to con-
firm Titles to Land
in Cape-Breton

Order of Day on
Road Service read

The Order of the Day for the House to resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House

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House on the consideration of that part of His Excellency's Speech which relates to the Road Service, being read, and postponed until Monday next

Ordered, That this House do, on Monday next, resolve itself into such Committee.

Then the House adjourned until Monday next, at Twelve of the clock.

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PRAVERS.

Ordered, That Mr. Cochran have leave of absence from this House on Saturday next, and until the following Monday, to return home on account of sickness in his family. Leave of absence for Mr Cochran

An engrossed Bill to amend the Act for securing to John Story and his Assigns, the exclusive right in a certain Slip or Railway for the use of Vessels, was read a third time. Bill for Railway right to J. Story passed

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and that the title be, An Act to amend the Act for securing to John Story and his Assigns the exclusive right in a certain Slip or Railway, for the use of Vessels.

An engrossed Bill to declare the value of certain Coins current in this Province, and to provide a Legal Tender for the payment of Debts, was read a third time. Currency Bill passed

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and that the title be, An Act to declare the value of certain Coins current in this Province, and to provide a Legal Tender for the payment of Debts.

An engrossed Bill to authorise the Congregation of the Meeting House at Chester, to raise money from the Pews of the said Meeting House, for the repairing and ornamenting thereof, was read a third time. Bill for assessing Pews of Meeting House at Chester passed

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and that the title be, An Act to authorise the Congregation of the Meeting House at Chester to raise Money from the Pews of the said Meeting House, for the repairing and ornamenting thereof.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bills to the Council and desire their concurrence.

Mr. B. Dewolf, pursuant to leave given, presented a Bill to incorporate the Kennetcook Mills Company, and the same was read a first time. Kennetcook Mills Company Bill

Mr. Stewart reported in part from the Committee on the mode and course of Trials and Practice in the Supreme Court, upon the Circuits; and thereupon presented to the House, Report on Circuit Practice in Sup. Courts

A Bill concerning the Circuit Courts in this Province, and the same was read a first time. Bill presented

Mr. Johnston reported from the Committee on the Petition of Israel W. Ruggles and others; and thereupon presented to the House, Report on Petition of Annapolis Steam Boat Company

A Bill to Incorporate the Annapolis Steam Boat Company, and the same was read a first time. Bill presented

Ordered, That the Bills be read a second time.

Mr. Lawson reported from the Select Committee, on the Petitions from Economy and Londonderry, relative to the union of those two places, in regard to their Representation in General Assembly; and he read the Report in his place, and afterwards delivered it in at the Clerk's Table, where it was again read. Report on Petition relative to the representation of Economy & Londonderry

(See Appendix, No. 21.)

Ordered, That the Report do lie on the Table.

Mr. Bell reported from the Select Committee, on the Petition of John Muncey and Henry Muncey, relative to the bounty upon a Sealing Voyage; and he read the Report in Report on Petition of J & H Muncey

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in his place, and afterwards delivered it in at the Clerk's Table, where it was again read.

(See Appendix, No. 22.)

Ordered, That the Report do lie on the Table.

Report on Petition
of P. Connor

Mr. Doyle reported from the Select Committee on the Petition of Patrick Connor, relative to the loss of his hand, while employed in his duty as a Constable; and he read the report in his place, and afterwards delivered it in at the Clerk's Table, where it was again read.

(See Appendix, No. 23.)

Referred to Com-
mittee of Supply

On motion, resolved, that the Petition and Report be referred to the Committee of Supply.

Report relative to
erection of Light-
Houses on Scatarie
and St. Paul's

Mr. Uniacke reported from the Select Committee on the Message of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, and the Copy of a Despatch and other Papers sent therewith, relative to the erection and maintenance of Light-Houses on the Islands of Scatarie and St. Paul's; and he read the Report in his place, and afterwards delivered it in at the Clerk's Table, where it was again read.

(See Appendix, No. 24.)

Ordered, That the Report do lie on the Table.

A Message from the Council, by Mr. Halliburton:

Mr. Speaker,

Council agree to
Merchants Property
Bill with amend-
ments

The Council have agreed to the Bill, entitled, An Act for the better protection of the Property of Merchants and others, who may hereafter enter into Contracts or Agreements in relation to Goods, Wares or Merchandize, entrusted to Factors or Agents, with certain amendments, to which amendments they desire the concurrence of this Honorable House.

Agree to Conference
on Fisheries, &c

The Council agree to the Conference on the Bill, entitled, An Act relating to the Fisheries, and for the prevention of Illicit Trade in the Province of Nova-Scotia, and the Coasts and Harbors thereof, and the Committee of the Council are ready to meet the Committee of this Honorable House.

And then the Messenger withdrew.

Ordered, That the Committee who managed the last Conference on the amendments proposed by the Council to said Bill, do manage this Conference.

So they went to the Conference.

And being returned,

Mr. Uniacke reported, that the Managers had been at the Conference, and had thereupon complied with the instructions of the House.

A Message from the Council, by Mr. Halliburton:

Mr. Speaker,

Further Conference
desired by Council

The Council desire a further Conference, by Committee, with a Committee of this Honorable House on the subject of the last Conference.

And then the Messenger withdrew.

On motion, resolved, that this House do agree to the said Conference as desired by the Council.

Agreed to

Ordered, That the same Committee who managed the last Conference do manage this Conference.

Ordered, That the Clerk do acquaint the Council that this House do agree to the said Conference, and that the Committee of this House are ready to meet the Committee of the Council.

So the Managers went to the Conference.

Petition of Messrs.
Piers for Duty on
Cordage, &c.

A Petition of Temple Foster Piers, and Lewis Edward Piers, of Halifax, Merchants, was presented by Mr. Deblois, and read, complaining of the operation of the Imperial Acts, imposing Duties upon Foreign Goods, in regard to the Manufactures of this Province;

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Province; and praying that specific duties may, in many cases, be imposed, instead of *ad valorem* Duties, that Articles imported for the use of the Fisheries may not be free from Duty, or that the same may be better regulated, and more particularly, that Foreign Cordage imported may be subject to a higher Duty, so as to protect the Manufacture of that Article in this Province, and recommending a Tonnage or other Bounty for encouragement of the Fisheries, instead of the exemption from Duty on Articles imported for the use of the Fisheries.

Ordered, That the Petition do lie on the Table.

A Petition of John McDonald, a Licenced Teacher, and a Petition of Adams Archibald and others, Inhabitants of Middle Musquedoboit, were presented by Mr. Lawson, and read, praying that the present system of Common School Education may be revised, and that the principle of local Assessment for the support of Schools may be adopted.

Petition for Assessment for support of Schools

A Petition of George Weale, Teacher of a School in Musquedoboit, was presented by Mr. Lawson, and read, setting forth that he had been deprived of a half yearly allowance of the Provincial School Money to which he was entitled in the last year, owing to the state of the weather preventing him from sending in his Returns in time, and praying a grant of the amount.

Petition for payment of School allowance

A Petition of the Rev. Thomas McCulloch, D. D.; also, a Petition of the Presbyterian Congregation in the Town of Pictou, in connection with the Synod of Nova-Scotia; also, a Petition of the Presbyterian Congregation of Truro; and a Petition of the Presbyterian Congregation of James' Church, on the East River, in the Settlement of Pictou, were presented by Mr. G. Smith, and read, setting forth the declining state of the Pictou Academy, and its inefficiency during the last two years, from a part of the Funds being, by the Act of the Legislature, unnecessarily devoted to teaching the lower-branches of Learning, while another good and efficient School is kept for that purpose in the same neighbourhood, and praying that such arrangements may be made as will restore the Academical Institution to its former efficiency.

Petitions relative to Pictou Academy

Ordered, That the several foregoing Petitions, on the subject of Schools and the Pictou Academy, be referred to the Select Committee now appointed in regard to Schools.

Referred to School Committee

A Petition of John Gourley, of Middle Musquedoboit, praying aid to enable him to adapt his Grist Mill there for the manufacturing of Oats; and a Petition of Alexander Stewart, praying a bounty upon an Oat Mill by him erected at the Higgins' Settlement, in Musquedoboit, were presented by Mr. Lawson, and read.

Petitions of J. Gourley and A. Stewart relating to Oat Mills

A Petition of William Parker and others, was presented by Mr. Cochran, and read, praying a bounty upon an Oat Mill, erected in Newport.

Petition of W. Parker for bounty on an Oat Mill

A Petition of Isaac Archibald, of the Middle River of Pictou, was presented by Mr. G. Smith, and read, stating his having had his Mills burnt in 1833, and praying aid to rebuild the same in such way as to manufacture Oats.

Petition of Isaac Archibald setting forth the burning of his Mills

A Petition of Garret Miller of New Dublin, in the County of Lunenburg, was presented by Mr. Young, and read, praying an allowance for connecting an Oat Mill with a Grist Mill, lately erected by him at that place.

Petition of G. Miller relative to Mills

Ordered, That the Petitions be referred to the Select Committee to whom the former Petitions upon the subject of Mills were referred, and that the Committee do also examine and report upon these Petitions.

The several Petitions referred to Committee on Oat Mills

A Petition of Adams Archibald and others, Inhabitants of Middle Musquedoboit, was presented by Mr. Lawson, and a Petition of Alexander Kent and others, Inhabitants of Truro, was presented by Mr. Blanchard, and the said Petitions were read, praying that the power of granting Licences for the sale of Spirituous Liquors, may be vested only in the Courts of Sessions and Grand Juries, and that other measures may be taken for the suppression of Intemperance.

Petition of a Archibald and

A. Kent relating to Licenses

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Petition of I. Ward
on Licences

A Petition of Increase Ward and others, Inn-holders of the Bedford Bason and Windsor road, was presented by Mr. B. Dewolf, and read, complaining of the augmentation of the duty paid on Licences for keeping Public Houses, and praying that such duty may be reduced, or other relief afforded.

Referred to Licence
Committee

Ordered, That the foregoing Petitions be referred to the Select Committee on the Laws relating to the Licences for selling Liquors.

Petition relative to
Judges' Fees

A Petition of M. T. Archibald and others, of Musquedoboit, was presented by Mr. Lawson, and read, praying that measures may be continued to bring about the abolishing of Judges' Fees in the Supreme Court.

Petition respecting
division of the County
of Halifax

A Petition of H. A. Gladwin and others, Inhabitants of Musquedoboit, was also presented by Mr. Lawson, and read, complaining that, by the operation of the Act of last Session for dividing the County of Halifax and regulating its Representation, they would be virtually disfranchised of their right of Representation, and praying that the Act may be so remodelled as to protect their rights, and further, that, to ensure the complete freedom of the Freeholders, the voting shall be by ballot.

Petition for aid to
New Road from
Dartmouth to Guys-
borough

A Petition of Adams Archibald and others, Inhabitants of Middle Musquedoboit, was also presented by Mr. Lawson, and read, praying that larger grants of Money may be made and applied upon the New Main Eastern Road from Dartmouth to Guysborough, the former grants being of little use from their smallness.

Petition of John
and Thos. Munro
to obtain grant of
Land in Queen's
County

A Petition of John Munro and Thomas Munro, was presented by Mr. J. R. Dewolf, and read, praying and to enable them to obtain a grant of Wilderness Land on the new and unsettled Road between Brookfield, in Queen's County, and Dalhousie, in the County of Annapolis, for the purpose of providing a House of Entertainment for Travelers, where one is much needed.

Ordered, That the petitions do lie on the Table.

Petition from Pictou
relative to Justices
of the Peace, &c.

A Petition of Alexander Fraser and others, of the District of Pictou, was presented by Mr. G. Smith, and read, praying that Justices of the Peace may be compelled to hold their Courts for the recovery of small debts openly in the Court-Houses—that their Jurisdiction may be extended to sums of a higher amount than at present, and that no Appeal be allowed from their decisions without an Affidavit of merits.

Ordered, That the Petition be referred to the Committee, to whom was referred the Cape-Breton Commissioners' Court Bill, to be considered in connection with the Bill.

Petition in regard
to Assessing of Prop-
rietors of Pews of
Meeting House at
Fort Ellis

A Petition of George Wightman and others, was presented by Mr. G. Smith, and read, praying that an Act may be passed for Assessing the Proprietors of Pews in the Presbyterian Meeting-House, near Fort Ellis, in Shubenacadie, for the purpose of repairing and ornamenting said Building.

Ordered, That the Petition be referred to Mr. G. Smith, with leave to bring in a Bill in accordance with the prayer thereof.

Petition of McKen-
zie & Geddes late
Overseers of Poor
at Pictou

A Petition of John McKenzie and George Giddie, late Overseers of the Poor for the Township of Pictou, was presented by Mr. G. Smith, and read, setting forth their having, while in Office, expended large sums for the relief of Transient Paupers—that they are greatly pressed for arrears of debts incurred by them, on account of the Poor, and that the Township has refused to raise Funds for their relief, and praying a grant on account of the sums so expended upon the Transient Poor.

Petition of G.
McDonald one of
the Overseers of
Poor at Pictou

A Petition of George McDonald, Overseer of the Poor in the Township of Pictou, on behalf of himself and his Colleagues, was also presented by Mr. G. Smith, and read, praying that they may be reimbursed a sum of Money expended by them, during the past year, in obtaining the removal of Transient Paupers out of the Province, by defraying the expense thereof, instead of sending them to Halifax, to be a burthen to the Province.

Ordered, That the two foregoing Petitions be referred to Mr. Morse, Mr. Morton, and

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and Mr. B. Dewolf, to examine into the respective merits thereof, and to report thereon to this House.

Referred to Select Committee

A Petition of Duncan Campbell and others, Freeholders of three Combined Settlement, in the District of Pictou, viz:—Roger's Hill, Dalhousie Mountain, and west branch of River John, was presented by Mr. G. Smith, and read, praying that those Settlements may be laid off and established as a distinct Township, for the purposes of local assessments and otherwise.

Petition from Settlements in District of Pictou to be made a Township

Ordered, That the Petitions do lie on the Table.

A Petition of Alexander McKay and others, of Mount Dalhousie, in the District of Pictou, was presented by Mr. G. Smith, and read, praying that the Owners of Wilderness Lands may be taxed on account thereof.

Petition from Pictou praying tax on Wilderness Lands

Ordered, That the Petition be referred to the Select Committee appointed on the Petition before presented, on the subject of taxing Wilderness Lands.

Referred to former Committee on same subject

A Petition of H. A. Davidson and others, of River Philip, was presented by Mr. Oxley, and read, praying that alterations may be made in the Laws regulating labour on Highways.

Petition from River Philip relating to Highway Labor

Ordered, That the Petition be referred to the Committee appointed to examine the Laws relating to Highway labour.

Referred to Committee on Highway Acts

A Petition of Joseph Dimock, of Chester, was presented by Mr. Creighton, and read, praying compensation for having been obliged to fence a road run through his Lands some time since.

Petition of Joseph Dimock relative to the fencing a Road

Ordered, That the Petition be referred to Mr. Creighton, Mr. Chipman, and Mr. Lovett, to examine and report thereon to this House.

Referred to Select Committee

A Petition of Adam Esson and others, Merchants and Grocers of Halifax, was presented by Mr. Bell, and read, praying that a tare may be established for Sugar, different from that at present prevailing.

Petition of the Merchants and Grocers of Halifax praying a change in the tare of Sugar
Withdrawn

On motion of Mr. Huntington, resolved, that Mr. Bell have leave to withdraw the said Petition.

A Petition of Rufus Fairbanks and others, Tenants of Lots of Land upon the Common of Halifax, was presented by Mr. Bell, and read, setting forth the decrease in the value of the Lots, and praying that provision may be made for allowing the rents of said Lots to be again appraised at more moderate rates.

Petition of Tenants of Halifax Common

Ordered, That the Petition be referred to Mr. Bell, Mr. Deblois, and Mr. W. H. Roach, to examine and report thereon to this House.

Referred to Select Committee

A Petition of John McNeil and others, was presented by Mr. Budd, and read, praying aid in the erection of a Breakwater on the South side of St. Mary's Bay.

Petition for aid to Breakwater St. Mary's Bay

Ordered, That the Petition be referred to the Committee on Arisaig Pier, and that the Committee do examine and report upon this Petition.

Referred to Committee on Arisaig Pier

A Petition of Asa Poole and others, Inhabitants of Clements, in the County of Annapolis, was presented by Mr. Budd, and read; and

A Petition of William Spurr and others, Inhabitants of the Eastern District of the County of Annapolis, was presented by Mr. Johnston, and read, the said Petitions respectively praying that Bear River may be the line of division between the two Counties proposed to be formed from the County of Annapolis.

Two Petitions praying that Bear River may be the line of division of the County of Annapolis

Ordered, That the Petitions be referred to the Committee of the whole House on Bills committed, to be considered with the Annapolis County Division Bill.

Referred to Committee of the whole House

A Petition of Nathaniel Marsters and others, of the District of Colchester, was presented by Mr. Archibald, and read, praying that the grant to the Eastern Line of Stage Coaches may not be continued.

Petition against grant to Eastern Stage Coaches

Ordered, That the Petition do lie on the Table.

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Petition from Truro for Act to regulate Marsh Lands there

Referred to Select Committee

A Petition of Thomas Dunlap and others, of Truro, was presented by Mr. Archibald, and read, praying that a Law may be passed to enable the Proprietors of the Lower Village Marsh to make regulations as to Fences, &c., and to enforce the same.

Ordered, That the Petition be referred to Mr. Blanchard, Mr. Archibald and Mr. Wier, to examine and report thereon by Bill or otherwise.

Petition relative to Post Communication

A Petition of James Hall and others was presented by Mr. Delap, and read, praying that the Post Communication may be extended through Granville, in the County of Annapolis.

Ordered, That the Petition do lie on the Table.

Petition from Sydney for the formation of a new District

A Petition of Francis Maxwell and others, Inhabitants of St. Mary's, in the County of Sydney, was presented by Mr. Young, and read, praying the formation of a new District in that County, to be called the Western District.

Ordered, That the Petition do lie on the Table.

Petition for aid to Arisaig Pier

Referred to former Committee on same subject

A Petition of M. McKenzie and others was presented by Mr. Young, and read, praying aid to repair Arisaig Pier.

Ordered, That the Petition be referred to the Committee to whom the former Petition on the same subject was referred.

Petition relative to the opening of the Poll at Arichat

A Petition of the Rev. H. B. McLeod and others was presented by Mr. Young, and read, praying that, in future Elections for the County of Sydney, the Poll may be removed to, and held at, Arichat.

Petition for aid to re-erect Beacon on Wedge Island

A Petition of Hugh McDonald and others was presented by Mr. Young, and read, praying a grant to enable the Beacon on Wedge Island, at the entrance of St. Mary's River, to be again erected, the same having been thrown down and destroyed in a gale of wind.

Ordered, That the Petition be referred to the Committee on the subject of the Light House Act, and that they do examine and report upon this Petition.

Referred to Committee on Light Houses

Petition of J. Archibald for compensation for having to abandon his house built on a new Road

A Petition of Jonathan Archibald, was presented by Mr. Archibald, and read, stating his having settled and built a house in the wilderness part of the New Road to Guysborough, encouraged by a grant, and with the expectation that said Road would be completed, but has been compelled to abandon his dwelling, in consequence of the unfinished state of the Road, and the little probability of its completion, and praying some compensation.

Referred to Select Committee

Ordered, That the Petition be referred to Mr. Young, Mr. Dickson, and Mr. Harris, to examine into the merits thereof and report thereon to this House.

Petition of R. L. Grey praying compensation for attendance, &c. on Crew sick with Typhus Fever, &c.

A Petition of Robert L. Grey, of Sydney, in Cape-Breton, Surgeon, was presented by Mr. Dodd, and read, praying compensation for attendance and medicine furnished at the request of the Board of Health of that place to the Crew of a Ship from Savannah, having Typhus Fever, at the Quarantine Ground; and to two men who had been shipwrecked at Scatarie, and badly frozen; the latter at the request of the Magistrates of the place.

Ordered, That the Petition be referred to Mr. Dodd, Mr. Lawson, and Mr. Young, to examine and report thereon to the House.

Referred to Select Committee

Petition relative to Post Communication
Petition on same subject

A Petition of John Campbell and others was presented by Mr. Dodd, and read, praying the establishment of a Post Communication between Whycomagh and Bedeck, in Cape-Breton.

A Petition of Charles M'Alpine and others was also presented by Mr. Dodd, and read, praying the establishment of a Post Communication to Mainadieu, Louisburg and Catalogne, in Cape-Breton.

Petition of A. Sellon for remuneration of Gallows at C. B.

A Petition of Andrew Sellon was also presented by Mr. Dodd, and read, praying that measures may be taken to obtain for him a sum of money granted for the erection of a Gallows

MONDAY and TUESDAY, 15th and 16th FEBRUARY, 1836.

Gallows in Cape-Breton, for the execution of some Criminals sentenced to death in Cape-Breton and executed : John Fuller, the late Sheriff of Cape-Breton, having received the money from the Treasury, and refusing to pay the Petitioner who had performed the service.

Ordered, That the Petition do lie on the Table.

A Petition of John Fuller, late Sheriff of Cape-Breton, was presented by Uniacke, and read, praying remuneration for having, by Order of this House, attended the Cape-Breton Election Committee, in the year 1833, having travelled from Arichat for that purpose; and thereupon,

Petition of John Fuller for remuneration for attendance on Election Committee in 1833

On motion of Mr. Dodd, *resolved*, that the attempt of John Fuller, to introduce a Petition to this House, for compensation for attending this House at the Controverted Election for the County of Cape-Breton, is highly indecorous, and deserves severe reprehension; and therefore, that the said Petition be dismissed.

Dismissed with the disapprobation of the House

Mr. Deblois moved, that the House do come to a Resolution as followeth, viz :

Whereas, by Resolution of the House of Assembly, passed in the year 1830, it was deemed essential to the interests of this Province, for reasons therein stated, that a Person resident in London should be appointed Agent for the Province; *And whereas*, intelligence has been received of the death of John Bainbridge, Esq. the Gentleman then chosen :

Motion for appointment of Provincial Agent in London

Resolved, That it is highly important that an Agent, so residing, should be immediately chosen in his place : which, being seconded,

Mr. G. Smith moved an amendment, to leave out all the words both of the preamble and body of said Resolution, except the word "*resolved*," and in place of the words so left out, to insert the following after the said word "*resolved*," viz :—

Amendment moved and carried that appointment of Agent is inexpedient

That this House deem it inexpedient to appoint any Agent for this Province, resident in London, at present : which, being seconded and put, and the House dividing thereon, there appeared, for the amendment, twenty-one ; against it, seventeen :

For the amendment.

Mr Lovell	Mr W H Roach	Mr Archibald
Mr Young	Mr B Dewolf	Mr Chipman
Mr G Smith	Mr Delap	Mr Crow
Mr Dodd	Mr Huntington	Mr Wier
Mr E Dewolf	Mr Lent	Mr Oasley
Mr Morton	Mr Cochran	Mr Dickson
Mr O'Brien	Mr Clements	Mr Harris

Against it.

Mr C Roche	Mr Deblois
Mr J R Dewolf	Mr Johnston
Mr Kavanagh	Mr Lawson
Mr Budd	Mr Shey
Mr Homer	Mr Wilkins
Mr Creighton	Mr Uniacke
Mr Morse	Mr Rudolf
Mr Bell	
Mr Barss	

So it passed in the affirmative.

The Order of the Day for the House to resolve itself into a Committee on that part of His Excellency's Speech which relates to the Road Service, being read,

Order of Day on Road service read and postponed:

Resolved, That this House will, To-morrow, resolve itself into such Committee.

Then the House adjourned until to-morrow, at twelve of the Clock.

Tuesday, 16th February, 1836.

PRAYERS.

The amendments proposed by the Council to the Bill, entitled, An Act for the better protection of the Property of Merchants and others, who may hereafter enter into Contracts or Agreements relative to Goods, Wares or Merchandize, entrusted to Factors or Agents, were read a first time ; and thereupon,

Amendments of Council to Factors' Bill referred to Select Committee

Ordered, That said amendments be referred to Mr. Johnston, Mr. Deblois and Mr. O'Brien, to examine and report thereon to this House.

TUESDAY, 16th FEBRUARY, 1836.

Bills read second time, viz—
Moose River Bill

Kennetcook Mills Company Bill
Circuit Courts Bill
Annapolis Steam Boat Bill

Bills committed

Temperance Petitions

Referred to License Committee

Report from Committee on Imperial Merchant Seamen's Act

Bill presented relating to Merchant Seamen

Order for reference of Cape-Breton Commissioners Court Bill to Select Committee discharged
Bill read 2d time and Committed

Temperance Petition from Barrington

Referred to License Committee

Report on the several Petitions for return of Duties

Referred to Committee of Supply
Bill to enable persons to sell a Meeting House in Pictou

Petition from Parrsboro' respecting Licenses, &c.

A Bill to authorise certain Persons therein named to erect Dams, Abutments and Piers, across the mouth of Moose River, and to grant the right of Tide-way thereto and therein; also,

A Bill to incorporate the Kennetcook Mills Company; also,

A Bill concerning the Circuit Courts in this Province; also,

A Bill to Incorporate the Annapolis Steam Boat Company, were severally read a second time.

Ordered, That the Bills be committed to a Committee of the whole House.

A Petition of James Randall and others, Members of the Little River Temperance Society, near Antigonishe, and others;

Also, a Petition of Thomas C. Leaver and others, of the Antigonishe Temperance Society, and other Inhabitants of the Upper District of the County of Sydney, were presented by Mr. Young, and read, praying that the Duties on Licenses for selling Spirituous Liquors may be raised still higher, and that Shop Licenses for that purpose should not be granted; and Tavern Licenses granted only to persons of good character, and that the mode of conviction of offenders against the License Laws should be simplified.

Ordered, That the Petition be referred to the Committee on the several other Petitions relative to Licenses for selling Spirituous Liquors.

Mr. Deblois reported from the Select Committee, appointed on the 25th January last, to examine the Imperial Act to amend and consolidate the Laws relating to the Merchant Service of the United Kingdom, and to adopt, alter and amend, such sections thereof as will not apply to Provincial Vessels, as may be expedient; and thereupon presented to the House,

A Bill relating to the Merchant Seamen of this Province, and the same was read a first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time.

On motion of Mr. Dodd, *resolved,* that the order for referring the Bill to establish Courts of Commissioners in the Island of Cape-Breton to a Select Committee be discharged, and that the said Bill be now read a second time;

And the same was accordingly read a second time.

Ordered, That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House.

A Petition of Thomas Crowell and others, of Barrington, was presented by Mr. Homer, and read, praying that measures may be taken to banish altogether the use of Ardent Spirits.

Ordered, That the Petition be referred to the Committee on former Petitions relating to Licenses for selling Spirituous Liquors.

Mr. Lawson reported from the Select Committee on the several Petitions of Joshua Snow, George E. Morton, William Muir, Thomas Whittemore, James Fletcher and others, and Charles Starr, praying returns of Duties; and he read the report in his place, and afterwards delivered it in at the Clerk's Table, where it was again read.

(See Appendix, No. 25.)

Ordered, That the Report and Petitions be referred to the Committee of Supply.

Mr. G. Smith, pursuant to leave given on a former day, presented a Bill to enable the Proprietors of a certain Meeting House at West River, in Pictou, to sell the same and the same was read a first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time.

A Petition of James Ratchford and others, Members of the Parrsborough Temperance Society, and other Inhabitants of Parrsborough, was presented by Mr. Chipman, and read, praying that a heavier Duty may be levied upon Licenses for selling Spirits by retail, and that Shopkeepers should not be allowed to sell in quantities less than thirty gallons at one time.

Ordered,

Ordered, That the Petition be referred to the Committee on Licenses for selling Liquors.

On motion, the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole House, on the further consideration of the several Bills which stood committed.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair,

Mr. Lovett took the Chair,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chairman reported from the Committee, that they had gone through the Bill to continue the Acts relating to Passengers from Great-Britain and Ireland, arriving in this Province; the Bill concerning the Barristers and Attornies practising in the Courts of this Province; the Bill to Incorporate the Kennetcook Mills Company; and the Bill concerning the Circuit Courts in this Province; and had directed him to report the said Bills to the House severally, without any amendment. That the Committee had also had under their consideration the Bill to Incorporate the Noel Associated Plaister and Mills Company, and had made amendments thereto, which they had directed him to report to the House with the Bill; and that the Committee had also taken into consideration the Bill to continue the Acts for the Inspection of Flour and Meal, and recommend to the House to refer the said Bill to a Select Committee to report upon; and he afterwards delivered the said Bills, with the amendments, in at the Clerk's Table.

The Chairman also acquainted the House that he was directed by the Committee to move for leave to sit again on the consideration of Bills committed, which the House agreed to.

The said amendments to the Bill to Incorporate the Noel Associated Plaister and Mills Company, were read throughout a first and second time, and, upon the question put thereupon, were agreed to by the House.

Mr. Doyle, upon the report of the Bill to continue the Act relating to Passengers from Great-Britain and Ireland, arriving in this Province, moved, that the House do come to the following Resolution, viz:

Whereas, the provisions of the present Act only relate to Persons from Great-Britain and Ireland,—Resolved, that the said Bill be re-committed for the purpose of inserting therein a Clause to impose a similar tax upon all Foreigners and Convicts, whose term of punishment has expired, or who may have been pardoned, and thus to remove an invidious distinction between His Majesty's Subjects and those of Foreign Powers; which, being seconded and put, and the House dividing thereon, there appeared, for the motion, nine; against it, twenty-seven:

For the Motion.

- Mr Doyle
- Mr Uniacke
- Mr Huntington
- Mr W H Roach
- Mr Shey
- Mr Barss
- Mr O'Brien
- Mr Budd
- Mr Kavanagh

Against the Motion.

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| Mr Blanchard | Mr E Dewolf | Mr G Smith |
| Mr Morse | Mr Lent | Mr Wilkins |
| Mr Homer | Mr Crow | Mr Dickson |
| Mr C Roche | Mr Rudolf | Mr Morton |
| Mr Bell | Mr B Dewolf | Mr Young |
| Mr Creighton | Mr Clements | Mr Dodd |
| Mr J R Dewolf | Mr Ozley | Mr Stewart |
| Mr Archibald | Mr Cochran | Mr Chipman |
| Mr Wier | Mr Delap | Mr Deblois |

So it passed in the Negative.

Mr. Deblois then moved, that the report from the Committee, as regards the said Bill to continue the Passengers Act, be not received by the House; which, being seconded and put, and the House dividing thereon, there appeared for the motion, ten; against it, twenty-five.

House in Committee on Bills

Report Bills, viz—
Passengers Bill

Kennetcook Mills Company Bill
Circuit Courts Bill

Petit Plaister Bill

Amendments to Petit Plaister Bill agreed to

Motion to re-commit Passenger Bill to introduce Foreigners, &c. therein negatived

Motion not to receive report on Passengers Bill negatived

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For the Motion.

Mr Deblois
Mr Doyle
Mr Uniacke
Mr W H Roach
Mr Shey
Mr Barss
Mr O'Brien
Mr Budd
Mr Bell
Mr Kavanagh

Against the Motion.

Mr Blanchard	Mr Lent	Mr Delap
Mr C Roche	Mr Crow	Mr G Smith
Mr Morse	Mr Rudolf	Mr Huntington
Mr Creighton	Mr B Dewolf	Mr Wilkins
Mr J R Dewolf	Mr Clements	Mr Dickson
Mr Archibald	Mr Oxley	Mr Young
Mr Wier	Mr Morton	Mr Stewart
Mr E Dewolf	Mr Dodd	
Mr Chipman	Mr Cochran	

So it passed in the Negative.

Ordered, That the Bills, reported without amendment, be engrossed.

Ordered, That the Bills, reported with the amendments, be engrossed.

Ordered, That the Bill to continue the Acts for the Inspection of Flour and Meal be referred to the Select Committee to whom was referred the Petition of W. A. Black & Son and others, relative to such inspection.

Flour Inspection
Bill referred to
Select Committee

Report from Com-
mittee of Confer-
ence on Fisheries
Bill that Council
will join in Address

Mr. Uniacke, from the Committee appointed yesterday to hold the last Conference with the Committee of the Council on the subject of the Fisheries Bill, reported that the Managers had been at the Conference; and that, upon such Conference, the Committee of the Council had informed them that the Council had agreed to join in an Address to His Majesty, on the subject of said Bill, as desired by this House, and that the Council had appointed a Committee to join a Committee of this House in preparing the same.

Letter from Dep.
Prov. Sec. With
papers, viz—

Mr. Speaker laid before the House a Letter received by him, from Mr. Deputy Secretary James, dated this day, transmitting, by command of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, several Papers, which Mr. Speaker also laid before the House, viz—

Account of Vessels
entered at Custom
House

No. 1. An Account of all Vessels which have entered at the Port and District of Halifax for the year ending 5th January, 1836.

(See Appendix, No. 26.)

Account of Vessels
cleared at Custom
House

No. 2. An Account of all Vessels which have cleared at the Port and District of Halifax, for the year ended 5th January, 1836.

(See Appendix, No. 27.)

Returns of Post Of-
fice receipts, &c.

No. 3. Returns of Receipts and Credits of the General Post Office of Nova Scotia, for the year ended 5th January, 1836.

(See Appendix, No. 28.)

Report of Sable
Island Commissioners
and Letter from
Light House Com-
missioners in New
Brunswick
Papers relative to
Lunenburg Road
Commissioners

No. 4. Report of Commissioners of Sable Island of Proceedings for 1835, with Letters of Commissioners of Light-Houses for New-Brunswick.

(See Appendix, No. 29.)

No. 5. Copies of Papers relative to appointment of Road Commissioners in the County of Lunenburg.

(See Appendix, No. 30.)

Report of New
Guysboro' Road

No. 6. M. Gladwin's Report of the state of the new Eastern road from Dartmouth towards Musquedoboit.

(See Appendix, No. 31.)

Report of Sable
River Bridge

No. 7. Letter of Thomas Johnston, reporting Sable River Bridge, in the County of Shelburne, carried away by Ice.

Petition from Cle-
ments for Member

No. 8. A Petition from Inhabitants in the Township of Clements, praying that they may be allowed a Representation in General Assembly.

Despatch from Lt.
Gov. of NewBrun-
swick as to Light
Houses on Scatarie
and St. Paul's

No. 9. A Despatch from His Excellency Sir Archibald Campbell, Lieutenant-Governor of New-Brunswick, with Copies of Resolutions of the House of Assembly of New-Brunswick, relative to the proposed Light-Houses on the Islands of Scatarie and St. Paul's.

(See Appendix, No. 32.)

Lunenburg Papers
referred to Com-
mittee of Inquiry

On motion, the Copies of Papers relative to the appointment of Road Commissioners in the County of Lunenburg, were read by the Clerk.

Ordered,

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Ordered, That the same be referred to the Committee of Inquiry into the expenditure of certain Monies during the past year on the Roads in said County of Lunenburg.

Ordered, That the said several other Papers do lie on the Table, to be perused by the Members of this House.

The Order of the Day for the House to resolve into a Committee on that part of His Excellency's Speech which relates to the Road Service, being read,

Resolved, That this House will, To-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Order of Day
Road Service postponed

Then the House adjourned until To-morrow, at twelve of the Clock.

Wednesday, 17th February, 1836.

PRAYERS.

An engrossed Bill to continue the Act relating to Passengers from Great Britain and Ireland, arriving in this Province, was read a third time.

Engrossed Bills
passed—Passengers
Act

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and that the title be, an Act to continue the Act relating to Passengers from Great-Britain and Ireland, arriving in this Province.

An engrossed Bill concerning the Barristers and Attornies practising in the Courts of this Province, was read a third time.

Concerning Barris-
ters. &c.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and that the title be, An Act concerning the Barristers and Attornies practising in the Courts of this Province.

An engrossed Bill concerning the Circuit Courts in this Province, was read a third time.

Circuit Courts

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and that the title be, An Act concerning the Circuit Courts in this Province.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bills to the Council and desire their concurrence.

Mr. O'Brien reported from the Select Committee on the Petition of William M. Nutt and James B. M. Nutt; and he read the report in his place, and afterwards delivered it in at the Clerk's Table, where it was again read.

Report on Petition
of W. & J. McNutt

(See Appendix, No. 33.)

Ordered, That the Report do lie on the Table.

A Petition of William Allen Chipman and others, was presented by Mr. Morton, and read, setting forth the injury likely to result to the Proprietors of Sedge Banks or Flats, from an opinion lately given by the Supreme Court, and praying that a Law may be passed to protect their rights therein; and thereupon,

Petition relating to
Flats, &c.

Mr. Morton moved, that the Petition be referred to a Select Committee, to prepare and bring in a Bill pursuant to the prayer thereof: which, being seconded,

Motion to refer it
to Select Committee

Mr. Johnston moved, by way of amendment to the question, that the Petition be printed, and the further consideration thereof be deferred until next Session; which, being seconded and put, and the House dividing thereon, there appeared for the amendment, seventeen; against it, fourteen. So it passed in the affirmative.

Amendment to
print and defer to
next Session carried

Mr. E. Dewolf, pursuant to leave given, presented a Bill for exempting Clergymen from paying Toll for passing Bridges, in certain cases, and the same was read a first time.

Bill to exempt Clergymen from paying
Toll passing Bridges

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time.

A Petition of Angus McLellan, of Lake Ainslie, in Cape-Breton, Deputy Post-Master, was presented by Mr. Uniacke, and read, praying reimbursement of Monies paid by him, for conveyance of the Mail, between the mouth of Mabou and Whycocomagh, for four years back.

Petition of A.
McLellan for al-
lowance for Courier
in Cape-Breton

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Petition against
proposed New
Guysborough Road

A Petition of John Cameron and others, was presented by Mr. Young, and read, praying that the proposed new line of Road from Dartmouth to Guysborough may not be opened.

Ordered, That the Petitions do lie on the Table.

Post Office returns
referred to Com-
mittee on Bill

The Returns of Receipts and Credits of the Post-Office for the last year, transmitted yesterday to this House, was read; and thereupon,

Ordered, That the said Return be referred to the Committee on the Post-Office Bill.

Sable Island papers
referred to Commit-
tee

The Report of the Commissioners of Sable Island, and Letter of Commissioners of Light-Houses in New-Brunswick, were read; and thereupon,

Ordered, That the said Report and Letter be referred to the Committee on the Light-House Act, to examine and report upon.

Sable River Bridge
papers
Motion to refer to
Committee of Sup-
ply negatived

The Papers sent yesterday to the House, relative to Sable River Bridge, were read; and thereupon,

Mr. C. Roche moved, that the said Papers be referred to the Committee of Supply: which, being seconded and put, and the House dividing thereon, there appeared, for the motion, thirteen; against it, fifteen.

For the Motion.

Mr G Smith	Mr Creighton
Mr Clements	Mr Bell
Mr Young	Mr Homer
Mr Bars	Mr Morse
Mr Wilkins	Mr C Roche
Mr Huntington	Mr Kavanagh
Mr Uniacke	

Against the Motion.

Mr B Dewolf	Mr Johnston
Mr Archibald	Mr Cochran
Mr Lovett	Mr Shey
Mr Delap	Mr Merton
Mr Dickson	Mr Stewart
Mr Lawson	Mr Wier
Mr W H Roach	Mr Doyle
Mr Oxley	

So it passed in the Negative.

Petition from Cle-
ments for member
referred to Commit-
tee of whole

The Petition of the Inhabitants of the Township of Clements, praying to be allowed a Representative in General Assembly, transmitted yesterday to this House by the Deputy Provincial Secretary, was read; and thereupon,

Ordered, That the said Petition be referred to the Committee of the whole House, on Bills, to be considered with the Bill to divide the County of Annapolis and to regulate the Representation thereof.

Papers from New
Brunswick relative
to Light Houses on
Scatarie and St.
Paul referred to
Committee

The Despatch from His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor of New-Brunswick, with the accompanying Resolutions of the House of Assembly of that Province, received yesterday by this House from the Deputy Provincial Secretary, were read; and thereupon,

Ordered, That the said Despatch and Resolutions be referred to the Committee to whom were referred the subject of the proposed Light-Houses on Scatarie and St. Paul's.

Report on Petition
for Draw in Avon
Bridge

Mr. Stewart reported from the Select Committee on the Petition of Jonathan M. Smith and others, relative to a Draw in the proposed Bridge over Avon River; and he read the report in his place, and afterwards delivered it in at the Clerk's Table, where it was again read.

(See Appendix, No. 34.)

On motion, *resolved,* that the report be received and adopted by this House.

Report on Grocer's
Petition

Mr. Doyle reported from the Committee on the Petition of Peter Morriscey and others, Grocers in Halifax, that they had examined the several Acts passed by the Legislature of the Province, and suggest the propriety of repealing all the Statutes recently passed, and of leaving the Act, passed in 1799, to its operation, with a few amendments.

Ordered, That Mr. Doyle have leave to bring in a Bill accordingly.

Order of Day Road
Service

The Order of the Day, for considering in Committee of the whole House that part of the Speech of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor which relates to the Road Service, being read,

The

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The House thereupon resolved itself into a Committee for that purpose.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair,

Mr. Rudolf took the Chair,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

Committee of
whole thereon

The Chairman reported from the Committee, that they had made some progress in the business referred to them; and had directed him to move for leave to sit again on the further consideration of the same subject, which the House agreed to.

Ordered, That this House do, To-morrow, again resolve itself into a Committee on the further consideration of the Road Service.

The Order of the Day for consideration of Ways and Means, in Committee of the whole House, being read,

Ways and Means
postponed

Ordered, That this House do, To-morrow, resolve itself into a Committee for that purpose.

Then the House adjourned until To-morrow, at twelve of the clock.

Thursday, 18th February, 1836.

PRAYERS.

A Bill relating to the Merchant Seamen of this Province; also,

A Bill to enable the Proprietors of a certain Meeting-House at West River, in Pictou, to sell the same, were read a second time.

Merchant Seamen's
Bill and
Pictou Meeting
House Bill read and
committed

Ordered, That the Bills be committed to a Committee of the whole House.

A Bill to exempt Clergymen from paying Toll for passing Bridges, in certain cases, was read a second time; and thereupon,

Mr. J. R. Dewolf moved, that the further consideration of the Bill be deferred until the next Session: which, being seconded and put, and the House dividing thereon, there appeared for the motion, twenty-three; against it, nine.

Bill to exempt Clergymen from paying Toll deferred till next Session

So it passed in the Affirmative.

Engrossed Bills passed, viz—
Noel associated
Plaster Bill

An engrossed Bill to Incorporate the Noel Associated Plaister and Mills Company, was read a third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and that the title be, An Act to Incorporate the Noel Associated Plaister and Mills Company.

An engrossed Bill to Incorporate the Annapolis County Steam-Boat Company, was read a third time.

Annapolis Steam
Boat Bill

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and that the title be, An Act to Incorporate the Annapolis Steam-Boat Company.

An engrossed Bill to Incorporate the Kennetcook Mills Company, was read a third time; and thereupon,

Kennetcook Mills
Company Bill

On motion of Mr. O'Brien, *resolved*, that the following Enacting Clause be added to the Bill by way of Rider, viz:

Rider added

And be it further enacted, That the said Company shall place and keep in any Mill Dams they shall construct and erect on the said River Kennetcook, a sufficient Sluice or Water-way, for the convenience of all His Majesty's Subjects, who may have Timber, Logs or Lumber to pass down the said River, without demanding, or being entitled to demand, any toll or charge for the passage of the same; and the same was added accordingly.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and that the title be, An Act to Incorporate the Kennetcook Mills Company.

Bill passed

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bills to the Council, and desire their concurrence.

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Cumberland Election Bill

Mr. Oxley, pursuant to leave given, presented a Bill concerning Elections in the County of Cumberland, and the same was read a first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time.

Petition from Clements concerning division of the County of Annapolis

A Petition of Benjamin Potter and others, Freeholders and Inhabitants of the Township of Clements, was presented by Mr. Lovett, and read, praying that upon the division of the County of Annapolis, the line of division may be a line drawn from Annapolis Gut to the West Point of Bear Island, from thence to the Mouth of the Grand Joggin, following up said Joggin to Hollinghead's Creek; thence to take and follow the line that divides the Township of Clements from the Township of Digby to the rear of said Townships, which line would not divide private property, and would leave the Township of Clements entire.

Petition from Annapolis praying that Bear River may be line of division

A Petition of Botsford Viets and others, Inhabitants of the Western part of the County of Annapolis, was presented by Mr. Budd, and read, praying that Bear River may be the line of division in dividing that County.

Petition from Annapolis praying that the decision of the House may be delayed upon the Bill to divide that County

A Petition of Peter Bonnett and others, Freeholders and Inhabitants of the County of Annapolis, was presented by Mr. Lovett, and read, setting forth disadvantages that would attend the division of the County of Annapolis, and praying that the decision of the House may not be made thereon until the general views and wishes of the Inhabitants of the County of Annapolis be known to this House.

Ordered, That the Petitions be referred to the Committee of the whole House, on Bills to be considered with the Bill to divide the County of Annapolis, and to regulate the Representation thereof.

Report on Petition of W. A. Black & Son and Bill for Inspection of Flour, &c.

Mr. Deblois reported from the Select Committee on the Petition of W. A. Black & Son, and the Bill to continue the Acts for the Inspection of Flour and Meal; that the Committee had considered the same, and had prepared some amendments to the Bill, which they recommend to the House to be adopted with the Bill; and he delivered the said amendments in at the Clerk's Table, where the same were read.

Ordered, That the Bill be re-committed to a Committee of the whole House, with the said amendments.

Report on Petition of Wm. Kidston

Mr. Deblois reported from the Select Committee upon the Petition of William Kidston; and thereupon presented to the House,

Bill to amend Halifax Commissioners Court Act

A Bill to amend the Act relating to the Court of Commissioners at Halifax, and the same was read a first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time.

Petition of Liverpool Bridge Company

A Petition of the President and Directors of the Liverpool Bridge Company, was presented by Mr. J. R. Dewolf, and read, praying aid to repair the Bridge; and thereupon,

Motion to be withdrawn negatived

Mr. Lawson moved that the said Petition be withdrawn by the Member who presented the same; which, being seconded and put, and the House dividing thereon, there appeared, for the motion, thirteen; against it, sixteen. So it passed in the negative.

Ordered, That the Petition do lie on the Table.

Bill to amend Act for Assessing County and District Rates as respects Halifax

Mr. Deblois, pursuant to leave given, presented a Bill to amend the Act to direct and ascertain the mode of assessing County and District Rates, and for other purposes, so far as respects the District of Halifax, and the same was read a first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time.

A Message from the Council, by Mr. Halliburton:

Mr. Speaker,

Council agree to Currency Bill with Amendments

The Council have agreed to the Bill, entitled, An Act to declare the value of certain Coins current in this Province, and to provide a legal Tender for the payment of debts, with amendments: to which amendments they desire the concurrence of this Honorable House.

And then the Messenger withdrew.

The

THURSDAY, 18th FEBRUARY, 1836.

The Order of the Day for further considering in Committee of the whole House, that part of His Excellency's Speech, &c. relating to the Road Service, being read,

Consideration of Road Service resumed in Committee

The House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole House, for that purpose.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair,

Mr. Rudolf took the Chair,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chairman reported from the Committee, that they had gone through the business referred to them, and had come to a Resolution thereupon, which they had directed him to report to the House; and he read the same in his place, and afterwards delivered it in at the Clerk's Table, where it was also read, and is as follows:—

Resolution reported

Upon considering that part of His Excellency's Speech which relates to the expenditure of Money upon Roads and Bridges, and his Message of the 4th of February inst. upon the same subject, and upon which he has been pleased to recommend to the House a change in the present system of such expenditure:

Resolution not to change system of Road expenditure

Resolved, That, having taken the same into their serious and deliberate consideration, this Committee are of opinion that, although the present system may be defective, as are all systems for the expenditure of public monies, yet, that it is, considering the small sum available for the Road Service, and the extent and number of roads to be kept in repair therewith, less liable to objection than any which has been submitted to the House or has occurred to this Committee.

Therefore resolved, That the Committee deem it inexpedient that any alteration should be made in the method of applying the Money to be granted for the Road Service in the present Session.

The said Resolution being again read,

Mr. Uniacke moved, by way of amendment, that all the words thereof, except the word "*Resolved*," should be left out of said Resolution, and the following substituted, that is to say—before the word "*Resolved*," the following Preamble:

Amendment moved and negatived

"*Whereas*, the system of sub-dividing Monies granted for the improvement of Roads and Bridges in this Province, has operated badly, and not insured to the public the advantages contemplated by its supporters; and it has become expedient to adopt some mode for a more judicious and systematic expenditure in future," and after the said word "*Resolved*," the words following, viz—"that all Sums of Money, appropriated for maintaining the main Post Roads, and Bridges thereon, shall be placed at the disposal of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, and be expended under his superintendance and direction, on some well advised system of tender and contract": which, being seconded and put, and the House dividing thereon, there appeared, for the amendment, twelve: against it, twenty-four.

Division

For the amendment.

Mr Uniacke
Mr Bell
Mr Dodd
Mr C Roche
Mr Kavanagh
Mr Lawson
Mr Wilkins
Mr Doyle
Mr Deblois
Mr Budd
Mr Morse
Mr Dickson

Against the amendment.

Mr Harris
Mr O'Brien
Mr B Dewolf
Mr Barss
Mr Wier
Mr Crow
Mr Lovett
Mr Creighton
Mr Archibald
Mr Lent
Mr Homer
Mr Huntington

Mr Delap
Mr J R Dewolf
Mr W H Roach
Mr Clements
Mr Oxley
Mr G Smith
Mr Cochran
Mr Stewart
Mr Shey
Mr Chipman
Mr Morton
Mr Rudolf

So it passed in the Negative.

Mr. Wilkins moved another amendment, to-wit: to leave out all the words of the Resolution, except the word "*Resolved*," and substitute the following, viz: before the word "*Resolved*," the words "*Whereas* the system of sub-dividing Monies, granted for the improvement of Roads and Bridges in this Province, has operated badly, and not insured to the public the advantages contemplated by its supporters, and it has become expedient to adopt some mode for a more judicious and systematic expenditure in future," and after the said word "*Resolved*," the words "that all Sums of Money appropriated for maintaining the main Post Roads and Bridges thereon, shall be placed at

2d amendment moved on resolution in relation to the Road and Bridge Service and negatived

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the disposal of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, and be expended under his superintendance and direction : which, being seconded and put, and the House dividing thereon, there appeared, for the amendment, twelve ; against it, twenty-four.

For the amendment.

Mr Uniacke	Mr Wilkins
Mr Bell	Mr Doyle
Mr Dodd	Mr Deblois
Mr C Roche	Mr Budd
Mr Kavanagh	Mr Morse
Mr Lawson	Mr Dickson

Against it.

Mr Harris	Mr Archibald	Mr Ozley
Mr O'Brien	Mr Lent	Mr G Smith
Mr B Dewolf	Mr Homer	Mr Cochran
Mr Barss	Mr Huntington	Mr Stewart
Mr Wier	Mr Delap	Mr Shey
Mr Crow	Mr J R Dewolf	Mr Chipman
Mr Lovett	Mr W H Roach	Mr Morton
Mr Creighton	Mr Clements	Mr Rudolf

So it passed in the negative.

Mr. Wilkins then moved a third amendment to the said Resolution reported from the Committee, viz:—to leave out all the words thereof, except the word “Resolved,” and in place of the words so left out to insert the following, viz : before the said word “Resolved,” the words “Whereas it is expedient, that, in reference to the mode of appointment of Commissioners for the expenditure of that portion of the Public Money for the Service of Roads and Bridges, which is annually appropriated to the service of the Great Roads throughout this Province, a different system should be adopted from that which at present prevails, in order to insure, upon the part of those Commissioners, a scientific and systematic mode of proceeding in the operation of Road making, and that those Roads, and the Bridges thereon, may not, at any season of the year, cease to be under the superintendance and direction of a Public Officer, whose duty it shall be to attend to the state of their repairs ; and after the said word “Resolved,” to insert the following, viz:—therefore, that it imports the interests of that branch of the public service, that those Commissioners, instead of being appointed annually, as at present, should remain in office for a certain series of years, but subject to removal from office for neglect or violation of duty : which, being seconded and put, and the House dividing thereon, there appeared, for the amendment, twelve ; against it, twenty-four.

For the amendment.

Mr Uniacke
Mr Bell
Mr Dodd
Mr C Roche
Mr Kavanagh
Mr Lawson
Mr Wilkins
Mr Doyle
Mr Deblois
Mr Budd
Mr Morse
Mr Dickson

Against the amendment.

Mr Harris	Mr Delap
Mr O'Brien	Mr J R Dewolf
Mr B Dewolf	Mr W H Roach
Mr Barss	Mr Clements
Mr Wier	Mr Ozley
Mr Crow	Mr G Smith
Mr Lovett	Mr Cochran
Mr Creighton	Mr Stewart
Mr Archibald	Mr Shey
Mr Lent	Mr Chipman
Mr Homer	Mr Morton
Mr Huntington	Mr Rudolf

So it passed in the Negative.

The original Resolution, reported from the Committee, being then again read and put, and the House dividing thereon, there appeared, for the Resolution, twenty-three ; against it, thirteen.

For the Resolution.

Mr Rudolf	Mr Clements	Mr Lovett
Mr Morton	Mr W H Roach	Mr Creighton
Mr Chipman	Mr J R Dewolf	Mr Crow
Mr Shey	Mr Delap	Mr Wier
Mr Stewart	Mr Huntington	Mr Barss
Mr Cochran	Mr Homer	Mr B Dewolf
Mr G Smith	Mr Lent	Mr O'Brien
Mr Ozley	Mr Archibald	

Against the Resolution.

Mr Harris	Mr Lawson
Mr Dickson	Mr Kavanagh
Mr Morse	Mr C Roche
Mr Budd	Mr Dodd
Mr Deblois	Mr Bell
Mr Doyle	Mr Uniacke
Mr Wilkins	

So it passed in the Affirmative.

The Order of the Day, for the House to resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House to consider of Ways and Means, being read,

Resolved, That this House will, To-morrow, resolve itself into such Committee.

Then the House adjourned until To-morrow, at twelve of the Clock.

Friday,

3d amendment
moved on same
subject and nega-
tived

Original Resolution
passed

Order of Day
Ways and Means
read and postponed
until to-morrow

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PRAYERS.

A Bill concerning Elections in the County of Cumberland ; also,
 A Bill to amend the Act relating to the Court of Commissioners at Halifax ; also,
 A Bill to amend the Act to direct and ascertain the mode of assessing County and District Rates, and for other purposes, as far as respects the District of Halifax, were severally read a second time.

Ordered, That the Bills be committed to a Committee of the whole House,

Mr. Archibald reported from the Select Committee on the Petition of John Dickson and others, Magistrates of the District of Colchester ; and thereupon presented to the House,

A Bill to provide for the sale of part of a certain road in Truro ; and the same was read a first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time.

A Petition of James N. Crane and others, Inhabitants of Horton, in King's County, was presented by Mr. Harris, and read, praying aid (in addition to their subscriptions) to improve and make alterations either upon the Shore or Mount Denson road, leading from the site of the proposed Avon Bridge to Lower Horton, that the same may be established as the main Post road.

Ordered, That the Petition be referred to Mr. Harris, Mr. Cochran, Mr. Wier, Mr. Shey and Mr. Morton, to examine and report thereon to this House.

The amendments sent yesterday to this House from the Council to the Bill, entitled, An Act to declare the value of certain Coins current in this Province, and to provide a legal Tender for the payment of debts, were read ; and thereupon,

On motion of Mr. Young, *resolved*, that the said amendments be not agreed to by this House.

Mr. Uniacke then moved, that a Conference, by Committee, be desired with His Majesty's Council on the subject of said Bill and Amendments ; which, being seconded and put, and the House dividing thereon, there appeared, for the motion, twelve ; against it twenty-two.

For the Motion.

Mr Harris
 Mr Wier
 Mr Cochran
 Mr Uniacke
 Mr Clements
 Mr Bell
 Mr Delap
 Mr Budd
 Mr Crow
 Mr Dodd
 Mr C Roche
 Mr Deblois

Against the Motion.

Mr Blanchard
 Mr Kavanagh
 Mr Archibald
 Mr J B Dewolf
 Mr Barsa
 Mr Rudolf
 Mr Creighton
 Mr Doyle
 Mr Huntington
 Mr Lent
 Mr W H Roach
 Mr G Smith
 Mr Wilkins
 Mr Lovett
 Mr Ozley
 Mr Chipman
 Mr Shey
 Mr Stewart
 Mr B Dewolf
 Mr Morton
 Mr Dickson
 Mr Young

So it passed in the Negative.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill and amendments back to the Council, and acquaint them that this House have not agreed to said amendments.

On motion of Mr. Doyle, *resolved*, that a Committee be appointed to search the Journals of the Council, and report to the House, the proceedings of the Council in regard to the Bills of this Session concerning the Currency.

Ordered, That Mr. Doyle, Mr. Young and Mr. Uniacke, be a Committee for the above purpose.

Mr. W. H. Roach reported from the Select Committee, appointed as regards the alleged alteration of the Provincial Horse Imperial ; and he read the report in his place, and afterwards delivered it in at the Clerk's Table, with certain papers therein referred to, and the said report and papers were read by the Clerk.

(See Appendix, No. 35.)

On

Bills read 2d time
 Cumberland Elections Bill
 Bill to amend Halifax Commissioners Court Act
 Bill to amend County Rates Act

Committee on Petition of Magistrates of Colchester

Report Bill to sell Road in Truro

Petition for aid to Lower Road from Windsor Ferry to Lower Horton

Referred to Select Committee

Amendments of Council to Currency Bill

Amendments not agreed to

Motion for Conference on Currency Bill and amendments negatived

Currency Bill and amendments sent back to Council

Committee appointed to search Journals on Currency Bill

Report from Committee on gelding of Imperial

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- Report received & adopted
On motion of Mr. W. H. Roach, *resolved*, that the said report be received and adopted by this House.
- Bill relating to County and District Rates
Mr. Cochran, pursuant to leave given, presented a Bill to amend the Act to direct and ascertain the mode of Assessing County and District Rates, and for other purposes, and the same was read a first time.
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time.
- Petition praying that Barristers may not be exempt from Militia Duty
A Petition of Dr. Wm. Kennedy and others, Inhabitants of Annapolis, was presented by Mr. W. H. Roach, and read, praying that Barristers and Attornies may not in future be exempted from Militia Duty.
Ordered, That the Petition do lie on the Table.
- Motion to search Journals of Council concerning Bill to abolish Chief Justice's Fees, &c.
On Motion of Mr. Chipman, *resolved*, that a Committee be appointed to examine the Journals of His Majesty's Council, in reference to their proceedings on the Bill, passed in this House, abolishing the fees of the Chief-Justice and Judges of the Supreme Court.
Ordered, That Mr. Chipman, Mr. Morton and Mr. Doyle, be a Committee for the above purpose.
- Bill to abolish Inferior Courts to be read 2d time on Tuesday
On motion of Mr. Oxley, *resolved*, that the Bill to abolish the Inferior Courts within this Province, and to repeal the Act to make further provision for the equal Administration of Justice in the Province of Nova-Scotia, be read a second time on Tuesday next.
- House in Committee of Supply
On motion, the House, *resolved* itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider of a Supply to be granted for the support of His Majesty's Government.
Mr. Speaker left the Chair,
Mr. Rudolf took the Chair,
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.
- Report Resolution
The Chairman reported from the Committee, that they had made some progress in the business to them referred, and had come to several Resolutions thereupon, one of which the Committee had directed him to report to the House; and he read the same in his place, and afterwards delivered it in at the Clerk's Table, where it was again read, and is follows:
Resolved, That it is the opinion of this Committee, that the sum of Ten Thousand Pounds should be granted for the service of Roads and Bridges for the present year.
The Chairman also acquainted the House, that he was directed by the Committee to move for leave to sit again on the consideration of a Supply: which the House agreed to.
The Resolution reported from the Committee was then again read, and upon the question put thereupon, was agreed to by the House.
Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Resolution to the Council, and desire their concurrence.
- £10,000 Road and Bridge Service
A Message from the Council, by Mr. Halliburton:
Mr. Speaker,
The Council have agreed to the Bill, entitled, An Act concerning the Circuit Courts in this Province, with amendments: to which amendments they desire the concurrence of this Honorable House.
The Council desire a Conference, by Committee, with a Committee of this Honorable House on the subject of the Bill, entitled, An Act to continue the Act relating to Passengers from Great-Britain and Ireland, arriving in this Province.
And then the Messenger withdrew.
- Resolution agreed to
On motion, *resolved*, that the Conference desired by the Council be agreed to by this House, and that the Clerk do acquaint the Council therewith.
Ordered, That Mr. Dodd, Mr. Uniacke and Mr. Chipman, do manage the Conference.
So they went to the Conference.
- Council agree to Circuit Bill with amendments
Desire Conference on Passenger Act
Agreed to

The

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The Order of the Day, for the House to resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House to consider of Ways and Means, for raising the Supply granted to His Majesty, being read,
The House accordingly resolved itself into such Committee.

House in Committee on Ways and Means

Mr. Speaker left the Chair,

Mr. Rudolf took the Chair,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chairman reported from the Committee, that they had made some progress in the business referred to them, and had directed him to move for leave to sit again on the consideration of the same subject, which the House agreed to.

Report progress

Ordered, That this House do again To-morrow resolve itself into a Committee on the further consideration of Ways and Means.

Mr. Doyle reported from the Committee appointed to seach the Journals of the Council, and to report their proceedings upon the Currency Bills of this Session; that the Committee had inspected the Journals of the Council, and had made Minutes of the proceedings of the Council in relation to such Bills; and he read the said Minutes in his place, and afterwards delivered them in at the Clerk's Table, where they were again read, and are as follow:

Report from Journals of Council in relation to Currency Bill

On the 27th January, Petition of John Albro and others presented, relative to the Currency.

On the 5th February, a Bill, entitled, An Act concerning the Currency of Nova-Scotia, was brought up and read a first time.

On the 8th February, a Petition of W. Pryor and others, relative to the Currency.

Same day the Bill was made the Order of the Day for Tuesday, the 9th, to be read a second time.

On the 9th, Bill was read a Second time, and disagreed to.

On the 15th, a Bill to declare the value of certain Coins current in this Province, and to provide a legal Tender for the payment of Debts, was brought up, and read a first time.

On the 16th, read a second time and amended, and the amendments ordered to be engrossed.

On the 18th February, the amendments were read and agreed to, and the Clerk was ordered to carry the Bill to the House of Assembly, and desire their concurrence.

Ordered, That the said Minutes of the Proceedings in Council, do lie on the Table.

Mr. Chipman, from the Select Committee appointed to inspect the Journals of the Council, in reference to their proceedings upon the Bill for abolishing the Fees of the Chief-Justice and Judges of the Supreme Court, reported, that the Committee had attended to that duty, and had taken Minutes from the Journals of the Council of their proceedings in regard to said Bill: and he read the said Minutes in his place, and afterwards delivered them in at the Clerk's Table, where they were again read, and are as follow:

Report from Journals of Council relative to abolishing of Chief Justices Fees, &c

On the 3d February, the Bill to abolish the Fees at present taken by the Chief-Justice and Judges of the Supreme Court throughout the Province, was received and read a first time.

On the 6th February, the said Bill was read a second time and postponed for Three Months—Mr. Cogswell dissenting.

Mr. Cogswell asked leave to enter a protest.

On Tuesday, the 9th, he entered his protest, when the consideration of it was deferred to a future day, when the Council should be more full.

On the 11th February, the consideration was resumed, and, in compliance with the wish of the Council, Mr. Cogswell withdrew his protest.

Ordered, That that the said Minutes do lie on the Table.

Then the House adjourned until To-morrow, at twelve of the clock.

SATURDAY, 20th FEBRUARY, 1836.

PRAYERS.

Report of Committee of Conference on Passengers Act

Mr. Dodd, from the Select Committee, who went yesterday to attend a Conference with a Committee of the Council, on the subject of the Bill to continue the Act relating to Passengers, reported that the Managers had been at the Conference, and stated the substance of the Conference to the House.

Amendments to Circuit Court Bill read

The Amendments sent down yesterday by the Council to the Bill, entitled, An Act concerning the Circuit Courts in this Province, were read a first time.

Ordered, That the said amendments be read a second time.

Bill relative to sale of Road in Truro, also County Rates Bill read 2d time

A Bill to provide for the sale of part of a certain Road in Truro; also, A Bill to amend the Act to direct and ascertain the mode of Assessing County and District Rates, and for other purposes, were severally read a second time.

Ordered, That the Bills be committed to a Committee of the whole House.

Bill to amend Act to extend to Falmouth Highway Act

Mr. Shey, pursuant to leave given, presented a Bill to amend the Act to extend to Falmouth the Act relating to Commissioners of Highways in Halifax, and certain other places, and the same was read a first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time.

A Message from the Council, by Mr. Halliburton :

Mr. Speaker,

Council agree to Passengers Act with amendments

The Council have agreed to the Bill, entitled, An Act to continue the Act relating to Passengers from Great Britain and Ireland, arriving in this Province, with certain amendments, to which amendments they desire the concurrence of this Honorable House.

And then the Messenger withdrew.

The said Amendments proposed by the Council, to the Bill to continue the Act relating to Passengers, were read, and thereupon,

House cannot consider said amendments

Resolved, That this House cannot consider the Amendments, as the same relate to taxation.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill and Amendments back to the Council and acquaint them with the above Resolution.

Motion to search Journals of Council relative to Bill for abolition of Oaths

On motion of Mr. Stewart, *resolved,* that a Committee be appointed to examine the Journals of the Council, and report to this House the proceedings of the Council in regard to the Bill, entitled, An Act to abolish certain Oaths heretofore administered to persons taking Office in this Province.

Committee

Ordered, That Mr. Stewart, Mr. Doyle and Mr. Morton, be a Committee for the above purpose.

Motion to search Journals of Council in regard to Bill to reduce expense of Law Suits

On motion of Mr. Archibald, *resolved,* that a Committee be appointed to search the Journals of the Council, in reference to the Bill, entitled, An Act to reduce the expense of Suits at Law on Judgments by Confession, and report to this House the proceedings had in Council thereon.

Committee

Ordered, That Mr. Stewart, Mr. Doyle and Mr. Archibald, be a Committee for the above purpose.

Bill authorising the Assessing Pews of Meeting House at Shubenacadie

Mr. G. Smith, pursuant to leave given on a former day, presented a Bill to authorise the Congregation of a certain Meeting House at Shubenacadie, to raise money from the Pews of the said Meeting House, for the repairing and ornamenting thereof, and the same was read a first time.

Bill relating to Wills, Legacies, &c

Mr. J. R. Dewolf, pursuant to leave given, presented a Bill in further amendment of an Act relating to Wills, Legacies and Executors, and for the settlement and distribution of the Estates of Intestates, and the same was read a first time.

Ordered, That the Bills be read a second time.

Petition from Musquedoboit relative to the division of

Ordered, That the Petition of H. A. Gladwin and others, of Musquedoboit, relative to the division and representation of the County of Halifax, presented to the House, on the

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the 15th February inst. be referred to Mr. Uniacke, Mr. Morse, Mr. Creighton, Mr. Huntington and Mr. Dickson, to examine and report thereon to this House.

Halifax County referred to Select Committee

On motion of Mr. Uniacke, *resolved*, that a Committee be appointed to examine the several Laws applicable to Firewards, and the prevention of Fires in Halifax, and to report on the revising and consolidation of such Laws, by Bill or otherwise.

Committee to examine Laws in regard to Fires

Ordered, That Mr. Uniacke, Mr. Deblois, Mr. Bell, Mr. Lawson, Mr. Doyle, Mr. W. H. Roach, and Mr. Young, be a Committee for that purpose.

Mr. Stewart, from the Committee to whom was referred the Bill to continue the Act for the more easy Redemption and Foreclosure of Mortgages, reported that the Committee had considered the subject to them referred, and had prepared some amendments to the said Bill, which they recommend to the House to adopt with the Bill; and he delivered the said amendments, with the Bill, in at the Clerk's Table, where they were read.

Report amendment to Bill for Foreclosure of Mortgages, &c

Ordered, That the Bill be re-committed to a Committee of the whole House, with the amendments.

Bill committed with amendments

A Petition of E. Cunard and others, Merchants, and other Inhabitants of Halifax, was presented by Mr. Bell, and read, praying that the grants for keeping up the Western and Eastern Lines of Stage Coaches, conveying the Mails, may be continued.

Petition from Halifax for continuance of grants to Stage Coaches

Ordered, That the Petition do lie on the Table.

The Order of the Day being read, for the House to resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, on the further consideration of Ways and Means, the House resolved itself into such Committee.

Order of Day Ways and Means Committee of whole thereon

Mr. Speaker left the Chair,

Mr. Rudolf took the Chair,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chairman reported from the Committee, that they had made some progress in the business to them referred, and had come to a Resolution thereupon, which they had directed him to report to the House.

Ordered, That the Report be received To-morrow.

Report to be received to-morrow

The Chairman also acquainted the House, that he was directed by the Committee to move for leave to sit again on the consideration of Ways and Means: to which the House agreed.

Then the House adjourned until Monday, at twelve of the Clock.

Monday, 22d February, 1836.

PRAVERS.

Mr. Speaker communicated to the House a Letter received by him from the Clerk of the House of Assembly of Lower Canada, dated 6th January, 1836, transmitting a Copy of the Post Office Bill, as passed by the Assembly of that Province, in conformity to an order of that House, made on the 30th ultimo, and therewith enclosed, and which Order Mr. Speaker laid before the House, and the same was read, and is as follows:

Letter and Resolution respecting Post Office transmitted from Lower Canada.

HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY,

SATURDAY, 30th JANUARY, 1836.

Resolved, That the Clerk of this House do transmit to the Speakers of the respective Assemblies of the Provinces of Upper Canada, Nova-Scotia, New-Brunswick, Prince

Resolution

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Prince Edward Island, and Newfoundland, Copies of the Bill to establish a Post-Office in this Province, and to provide for the future management of the same, as it passed this House.

(Attest.)

W. B. LINDSAY, Cl'k Assy.

Ordered. That the Letter and Copy of Resolution do lie on the Table.

Copy of Bill

Mr. Speaker also presented a Copy of said Bill mentioned in said Resolution, and received therewith.

referred to Post Office Committee

Ordered. That the said Copy of Bill be referred to the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill of last Session for regulating the Post-Office in Nova-Scotia.

Falmouth Highway Act

A Bill to amend the Act to extend to Falmouth the Act relating to Commissioners of Highways in Halifax, and certain other places.

Shubenacadie Pew assessment Act

A Bill to authorise the Congregation of a certain Meeting House at Shubenacadie, to raise Money from the Pews of said Meeting House, for the repairing and ornamenting thereof.

Ordered. That the Bills be read a second time.

Petition from Sydney respecting Schools

A Petition of the Rev. Colin P. Grant and others, residing on the Gulf Shore, in the Upper District of the County of Sydney, was presented by Mr. Dickson, and read, praying that, in considering the subject of Schools, provision may be made for a Gaelic School in that Settlement—a large number of the Inhabitants there speaking no other language.

Ordered. That the Petition be referred to the Committee on Schools.

Petition from Nictau and Wilmot in regard to Licence Law

A Petition of the Nictau and Wilmot Temperance Society, was presented by Mr. Johnston, and read, praying this House to take the present state of the Licence Law into due consideration, and to come to such conclusion as shall prohibit the traffic in Ardent Spirits altogether, or at least to rescind the Act of last year, and leave the power of granting Licences wholly with the Magistrates, whose business it is to watch over the morals and general welfare of Society.

Petition from Cumberland respecting Licence Law

A Petition of Charles Tupper, President, and Mathew Logan, Vice-President, of the Cumberland Temperance Society, was presented by Mr. Morse, and read, praying that an Act may be passed, making it hereafter necessary that all Licences to be granted for the sale of intoxicating Liquors of every description be first recommended by a Grand Jury.

Referred to Committee on Licences

Ordered. That the Petitions be referred to the Committee on Licences for Selling Spirituous Liquors.

Petition respecting the division of Sydney County

A Petition of Thomas Cutler, and others, Freeholders and Inhabitants of the Townships of Guysborough, Manchester and Wilmot, in the Lower District of the County of Sydney, was presented by Mr. Dickson, and read, praying that an Act may be passed during the present Session to divide the said County into two several and distinct Counties, and to authorise the Lower Section thereof to elect and send two County Members to this Honorable House.

Referred to Committee of whole House

Ordered. That the Petition be referred to the Committee of the whole House on Bills, to be considered with the Bill to divide the County of Sydney, and to regulate the Representation thereof.

Bill to amend Passengers Act

Mr. Dodd, pursuant to leave given, presented a Bill to continue and amend the Act relating to Passengers from Great-Britain and Ireland, and the same was read a first time.

Ordered. That the Bill be read a second time.

Petition for aid to Daniel Hingley to erect a Mill

A Petition of Daniel Hingley and others, Inhabitants of the Salmon River Settlement, on the Pictou road, was presented by Mr. Archibald, and read, praying aid to enable the said Daniel Hingley to erect a Mill for Manufacturing Wheat and Oats, near the new Bridge in that Settlement.

Ordered.

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Ordered, That the Petition be referred to the Committee to whom were referred the former Petitions for aid to Oat Mills.

Referred to Committee on Oat Mills

A Petition of Nicholas Beck and others, of Pictou; also, a Petition of William M. Butler and others, of Merigomish, were presented by Mr. Lawson, and read, severally praying that the grants to the Stage Coach establishments may not be continued.

Petitions relative to Stage Coaches

Ordered, That the said Petitions, together with the Petitions of Nathaniel Marsters and others, and of E. Cunard and others, relative to Stage Coaches, be referred to Mr. Wilkins, Mr. G. Smith, Mr. Dodd, Mr. Rudolf and Mr. B. Dewolf, to examine and report upon to this House.

Referred with former Petitions to a Select Committee

On motion, the Order of the Day for receiving the report from the Committee of Ways and Means, was read; and thereupon,

Report from Committee of Ways and Means

Mr. Rudolf, the Chairman of the Committee, reported the following Resolution:

Resolved, That it is the opinion of this Committee that, for the purpose of raising a Revenue for the support of His Majesty's Government, the respective Duties hereafter stated, and set in figures against the several Articles hereinafter enumerated, or charged with Duty, as non-enumerated, shall be imposed, levied and paid, as follows, viz:—

Resolution for raising Revenue by specified Duties

TABLE OF COLONIAL IMPOST DUTIES, AND EXEMPTIONS FROM DUTY.

ARTICLES.	COLONIAL IMPOST DUTIES.		
	On British Produce.	On Foreign Produce.	
	1st Column.	2d Column.	
Ale, in bottles	for every 100l of the value	£7 10 0	£7 10 0
Anchors and Grapnels	ditto	duty free	2 10 0
Apples, fresh or dried	per barrel	0 4 0	0 4 0
Bacon	per cwt.	0 6 0	duty free
Baggage and Apparel, worn and in use, and not made up and intended for sale		duty free	duty free
Barley, unground		duty free	duty free
Hulled or Pearl Barley	for every 100l of the value	7 10 0	7 10 0
Beans		duty free	duty free
Beef, salted of all sorts	per cwt.	0 0 9	duty free
Fresh, brought by Land or Inland Navigation,	per cwt.	duty free	0 9 0
Fresh, otherwise brought		duty free	0 9 0
Biscuit or Bread	per cwt.	0 0 9	0 1 8
Fine, called Crackers or Cakes	per cwt.	0 0 9	0 3 4
Books, prohibited to be imported into the United Kingdom		duty free	duty free
not so prohibited		duty free	duty free
Bullion, Gold or Silver		duty free	duty free
Burr Stones		duty free	duty free
Cable, of Hemp, or other vegetable substances	for every 100l of the value	duty free	2 10 0
and when exempt from Imperial Duty	ditto		15 0 0
of Iron	ditto	duty free	2 10 0
Candles of Wax or Spermacetti	ditto	7 10 0	7 10 0
Carriages, of Travellers, not for Merchandize, or intended to be sold		duty free	duty free
Cattle, viz: Asses and Mules		duty free	duty free
Horse, Mare, or Gelding	each	duty free	3 4 0
Neat Cattle, viz: Ox or other Neat Cattle,			
three years old or upwards	each	duty free	2 0 0
Cow and Cattle, under three old	each	duty free	1 0 0
Sheep	each	duty free	0 3 0
Hog	each	duty free	1 12 0
Chocolate or Cocea Paste	for every 100l of the value	5 0 0	10 0 0
Coal		duty free	duty free
Cocoa, used in the Manufacture of Chocolate	per cwt.	duty free	duty free
Coffee	per cwt.	0 9 4	0 9 4
Clocks, of all kinds	for every 100l of the value	5 0 0	20 0 0
All Wheels, Machinery and materials for manufacturing Clocks		5 0 0	20 0 0
Corkwood		duty free	duty free
Coin, Base or Counterfeit		Prohibited	Prohibited
Gold and Silver Coins, and British Copper Coin		duty free	duty free

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Table of Duties	ARTICLES.	COLONIAL IMPOST DUTIES.	
		On British Pro- duce.	On Foreign Produce.
		1st Column.	2d Column.
	Copper, viz: Copper Ore, or in Pigs or Bricks	STERLING. duty free	STERLING. duty free
	In plates, sheets, bars or bolts, for ship building, every 100 <i>l</i> value	duty free	£2 10 0
	Wrought or cast for machinery, pure, or with other metal		
	for every 100 <i>l</i> of the value	£2 10 0	2 10 0
	Old or worn, or fit only to be remanufactured	duty free	duty free
	Corn, viz: Wheat, Rye, Indian Corn, and Buck Wheat, unground	duty free	duty free
	Wheat Flour	duty free	duty free
	Barley Meal, Rye Meal, Oat Meal	duty free	duty free
	Indian Meal, Buckwheat Meal	duty free	duty free
	Peas, Beans and Calavances	duty free	duty free
	Cordage, tarred or untarred	duty free	2 10 0
	for every 100 <i>l</i> of the value		
	Dog Stones	duty free	duty free
	Fish, viz: Fresh	duty free	duty free
	Salted, dried or pickled	duty free	5 0 0
	for every 100 <i>l</i> of the value		
	Fish Hooks	duty free	duty free
	Fish Oil, viz: Train Oil, Spermacetti Oil, Head Matter, Blubber, Fins and Skins, the produce of Fish or Creatures living in the Sea, taken or caught by the crews of British ships.	duty free	duty free
	Not taken or caught by British Subjects or the crews of British Ships, or imported otherwise than from the United Kingdom, or a British Possession	duty free	5 0 0
	for every 100 <i>l</i> of the value		
	Flax	duty free	duty free
	Fruit, fresh, not otherwise charged with duty	duty free	duty free
	Hay and Straw	duty free	20 0 0
	for every 100 <i>l</i> of the value	5 0 0	
	Hemp	duty free	duty free
	Hides or pieces of hides, raw, not tanned, curried or dressed	duty free	duty free
	Horns	duty free	duty free
	Iron, viz: in bars or bolts, unwrought or pig Iron	duty free	duty free
	Ores of Iron of all kinds	duty free	duty free
	Castings for Machinery for Mills, for Steam Engines, and for other pur- poses, and cast or unwrought pipes or tubes	duty free	duty free
	Lentils	duty free	duty free
	Lime and Limestone	duty free	duty free
	Lines, for the Fisheries, of all kinds	duty free	duty free
	Maps and Charts	duty free	duty free
	Machinery or parts of Machinery for Steam Engines or Carding Machines or Agricultural purposes	duty free	2 10 0
	for every 100 <i>l</i> of the value		
	Meat, fresh	duty free	10 0 0
	for every 100 <i>l</i> of the value		
	Molasses	duty free	duty free
	Nets: Fishing Nets and Seines of all kinds	duty free	duty free
	Oats, unground	duty free	10 0 0
	for every 100 <i>l</i> of the value		
	Oakum	duty free	2 10 0
	for every 100 <i>l</i> of the value		
	Onions	0 2 6	0 2 6
	per cwt.		
	Ores, of all kinds	duty free	duty free
	Paintings	duty free	duty free
	Pease, fresh or dried	0 4 0	0 4 0
	per barrel		
	Pitch	duty free	duty free
	Plate, of Gold or Silver, old and fit only to be remanufactured	duty free	duty free
	Plants, Shrubs and Trees	duty free	duty free
	Pork, salted, of all sorts	0 1 3	duty free
	per cwt.		
	Fresh, brought by Land or Inland Navigation or otherwise	duty free	0 9 0
	the cwt.		
	Porter, in Bottles	7 10 0	7 10 0
	for every 100 <i>l</i> of the value		
	Poultry, of all sorts, dead	duty free	10 0 0
	for every 100 <i>l</i> of the value		
	Rags, viz: old rags, old rope, junk, and old fishing nets	duty free	duty free
	Rice, unground	duty free	duty free
	Rosin	duty free	duty free
	Sails or Rigging, saved from Vessels wrecked on the Coasts of the Province	duty free	duty free
	Sail Cloth of all kinds, (Canvas included,) for every 100 <i>l</i> of the value	duty free	2 10 0
	Salt	duty free	duty free
	Seeds of all kinds	duty free	duty free
	Skins, Furs, Pelts or Tails, undressed	duty free	duty free
	Spirits, viz:—Brandy, Gin, or other Spirituous Liquors, (save and except Rum or Spirits distilled from Molasses, Grain or Fruit,) which shall be by any way or method whatsoever, manufactured, compound- ed or extracted, distilled or made, within this Province, the gal.	0 1 4	

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	On British Produce.	On Foreign Produce.
	1st Column.	2d Column.
	STERLING.	STERLING.
Spirits; Rum or Spirits distilled in this Province from Molasses, Grain or Fruit the gallon.	£0 0 9	
Spirits and Whiskey, the manufacture of the United Kingdom, the gal.	0 1 4	
Brandy, Whiskey, Geneva, Cordials, and other Spirits, except Rum, the gallon.	0 1 4	£0 1 4
Rum the gallon.	0 1 3	0 1 3
Shrub or Santee the gallon.	0 0 10	0 0 10
Stone unmanufactured, not otherwise charged with duty	duty free	duty free
Sugar, viz:—of the Maple	duty free	duty free
Refined per cwt.	0 8 0	0 8 0
Brown or Muscovado, not refined the cwt.	0 2 0	0 2 0
Tallow for every 100l of the value.	2 10 0	2 10 0
Tar	duty free	duty free
Tea of all kinds for every 100l of the value	10 0 0	10 0 0
Twines and Lines used in the Fisheries	duty free	duty free
Tobacco: manufactured, (except Snuff and Segars,) for every lb.	0 0 0½	0 0 0½
Segars and Snuff for every 100l of the value	7 10 0	7 10 0
Unmanufactured	2 10 0	duty free
Tongues of Cattle dried, unpickled	0 0 9	duty free
Tow	duty free	duty free
Turpentine	duty free	duty free
Vegetables, fresh	duty free	15 0 0
Whale, Fin or Bone, taken or caught by Crews of British Ships	duty free	duty free
Wine, viz:—Hock, Constantia, Malmsey or Tokay, the gallon	0 2 6	0 2 6
Champagne, Burgundy or Hermitage, the gallon	0 2 3	0 2 3
Claret, called Lafitt, Latour, Margaux or Hautbrian, the gallon	0 2 1	0 2 1
Madeira and Port the gallon	0 1 11	0 1 1
Sherry Wine, of which first cost is £20 per pipe, or upwards, the gallon	0 1 8	0 1 2
Other Claret Wines, Barsac, Sauterne, Vin de Grave, Moselle and other French Wines, and Lisbon Wines, and German Wines the gallon.	0 1 6	0 1 6
All other Sherry Wines, Teneriffe, Marsala, Sicilian, Malaga, Fayal, and all other Wines the gallon.	0 1 3	0 1 3
All Wines, the produce of the Cape of Good Hope, (except Constantia,) the gallon.	0 1 0	0 1 0
Wood, viz:—Masts, Spars, Boards, Plank, Deals, Staves, Heading, Shingles, Clapboards, Timber, Laths, Hoops, and Wood of all sorts, Lumber, the produce of, and imported from, any British Possession, the West Coast of Africa, Wood and Lumber otherwise imported, Cabinet-Maker's Wood, Hard Wood	duty free	duty free
Manufactures of, viz:—Chairs, Tables, and other Household Furniture and Utensils, Carriages of all sorts, Carts, Waggons, Cabinet-Maker's Work, Carpenter's Work, and Wheelwright's Work of all kinds, not being for Agricultural purposes for every 100l of the value	5 0 0	15 0 0
Agricultural Implements and Machinery	2 10 0	2 10 0
All other Goods, Wares and Merchandize, not otherwise charged with duty, and not herein declared to be free of duty for every 100l of the value	5 0 0	5 0 0

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And thereupon, Mr. Chipman moved, that so much of the report as relates to the Duty on the Importation of Foreign Flour be recommitted, for the purpose of leaving the Duty thereon the same as last year, unless the Imperial Parliament shall pass an Act, whereby the Duty at present imposed and payable at the Customs House on Flour imported from the United States, shall be repealed; which, being seconded and put, and the House dividing thereon, there appeared, for the motion, sixteen; against it, twenty-one.

Motion for the rev-
coive exemption of
Flour from being
negotiated

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For the Motion.

Mr Dickson	Mr W H Roach
Mr Chipman	Mr Oxley
Mr Lovett	Mr Deblois
Mr E Dewolf	Mr Stewart
Mr Morton	Mr Bell
Mr Wier	Mr Archibald
Mr Shey	Mr Harris
Mr G Smith	Mr Morse

Against the Motion.

Mr Kavanagh	Mr Delap
Mr Crow	Mr Wilkins
Mr Huntington	Mr Johnston
Mr J R Dewolf	Mr Budd
Mr C Roche	Mr Rudolf
Mr Creighton	Mr B Dewolf
Mr O'Brien	Mr Young
Mr Lent	Mr Lawson
Mr Clements	Mr Doyle
Mr Dodd	
Mr Barss	

So it passed in the negative.

Motion not to receive exemption of Beef and Pork from Duty negatived

Mr. Chipman then moved, that whereas by the Imperial Act, Beef and Pork salted when imported from Foreign Countries, pay a Duty of Twelve Shillings Sterling per cwt. and, in consequence thereof, is exempt from Duty under the Table of Duties.

Resolved therefore, That so much of the report as relates to the Duties on Beef and Pork be recommitted, for the purpose, that whenever said Beef and Pork shall be exempted from said Imperial Duties, then it shall be liable to a Duty of Twelve Shillings per cwt. Provincial Duty; which, being seconded and put, and the House dividing thereon, there appeared, for the motion, eighteen; against it nineteen.

For the Motion.

Mr Dickson	Mr Oxley
Mr Chipman	Mr Deblois
Mr Lovett	Mr Stewart
Mr E Dewolf	Mr Bell
Mr Morton	Mr Archibald
Mr Wier	Mr Harris
Mr Shey	Mr Morse
Mr G Smith	Mr Lawson
Mr W H Roach	Mr Crow

Against the Motion.

Mr Kavanagh	Mr Uniacke
Mr Huntington	Mr Delap
Mr J R Dewolf	Mr Wilkins
Mr C Roche	Mr Johnston
Mr Creighton	Mr Budd
Mr O'Brien	Mr Rudolf
Mr Lent	Mr B Dewolf
Mr Clements	Mr Young
Mr Dodd	Mr Doyle
Mr Barss	

So it passed in the Negative.

Motion not to receive exemption of Anchors and other articles of ship building from Duty negatived

Mr. Lawson then moved, that so much of the report as respects Anchors and Grapnels, Cables, Hemp, and Iron Bolts and Bar Iron, Cordage, Bolts and Bars of Copper and Canvas, be not received, but be re-committed for the purpose of imposing a Duty of 2 1-2 per cent. thereon; which, being seconded and put, and the House dividing thereon, there appeared, for the motion, eighteen; against it nineteen.

So it passed in the Negative.

Motion to refer Sugar and Molasses for higher Duty negatived

Mr. E. Dewolf moved, that so much of the report as relates to the Duty on Molasses and Brown Sugar, be not received, but be re-committed for the purpose of considering the expediency of imposing a further Duty on those articles; which, being seconded and put, and the House dividing thereon, there appeared, for the motion, seven; against it, twenty-seven.

So it passed in the Negative.

Resolution amended by exemption of Pot and Pearl Ashes from Duty

Mr. Deblois then moved, that the Resolution reported from the Committee be amended, by inserting in the Scale or Table of Duties therein Pot and Pearl Ashes, Duty free; which, being seconded and put, and the House dividing thereon, there appeared, for the motion, twenty; against it, fifteen.

So it passed in the Affirmative.

Motion to refer Tobacco Manufacture for higher Duty negatived

Mr. Doyle moved, that so much of the report as relates to the Duty on Tobacco, be re-committed, for the purpose of increasing the tax on Foreign Tobacco to one penny per pound; which, being seconded and put, and the House dividing thereon, there appeared, for the motion, eleven; against it, twenty.

So it passed in the Negative.

Resolution for Duties agreed to

The Resolution reported from the Committee, as amended, was then, upon the question put thereupon, agreed to by the House.

Committee to bring a Revenue Law

On motion of Mr. J. R. Dewolf, *resolved*, that a Committee be appointed to prepare and bring in a Revenue Bill in accordance with said Resolution.

Ordered, That Mr. Deblois, Mr. Stewart, Mr. Young, Mr. G. Smith and Mr. Uniacke, be a Committee for that purpose.

Mr.

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Mr. Morton reported from the Select Committee to whom the several Petitions for aid to Mills were referred, and he read the report in his place, and afterwards delivered it in at the Clerk's Table, where it was again read.

Report on Petitions for aid to Mills

(See Appendix, No. 36.)

Ordered, That the Report do lie on the Table.

Mr. Doyle, pursuant to leave given, presented a Bill to amend and repeal certain provisions in the Act concerning Cemeteries or Burial Grounds in the Town of Halifax, and the same was read a first time.

Bill to amend Cemetery Act

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time.

Then the House adjourned until To-morrow, at twelve of the clock.

Tuesday, 23d February, 1836.

PRAYERS.

Two Petitions of Merchants, Ship-owners and others, Inhabitants of the County of Hants, were presented by Mr. Cochran, and read, praying that the Act relating to Light-Houses, may be so amended as that Vessels from the Bay of Fundy, going beyond or to the southward of Mount Desert, may not pay an increased Light Duty as at present.

Petitions from Hants for decrease of Light Duties

Ordered, That the Petition be referred to the Committee on the Bill to continue the Act relating to Light-Houses.

Referred to Committee on Light Houses

A Petition of the Rev. James C. Cochran and others, was presented by Mr. Heckman, and read, praying that aid may be granted to the National School in the Town of Lunenburg.

Petition for aid to National School Lunenburg

Ordered, That the Petition be referred to the Committee on Schools.

Mr. Johnston reported from the Select Committee on the several Petitions relating to the Laws for Licensing Public Houses and Shops, for the sale of Spirituous Liquors; and he read the Report in his place, and afterwards delivered it in at the Clerk's Table, where it was again read.

Report on License Law, &c

(See Appendix, No. 37.)

On motion of Mr. G. Smith, resolved, that the report be referred to the Committee of the whole House on Ways and Means.

Referred to Committee of Ways and Means

A Petition of the Temperance Society of the West River of Pictou was presented by Mr. G. Smith, and read, praying that an additional Duty may be imposed on all Spirituous Liquors imported; that Magistrates may be prohibited from trafficking in Ardent Spirits; that the 4th and 5th Sections of the License Act of the last Session may be repealed; and provision made for the more easy conviction of offenders against the License Laws; and that a further tax may be imposed on the vending of Liquors, to be applied to the support of the Poor in the several and respective Townships.

Petition from Pictou relative to Licence Law

Ordered, That the Petition do lie on the Table.

A Petition of the Presbyterian Congregation of Onslow; also, a Petition of the Congregation of the West River, Pictou, under the Pastoral charge of the Rev. James Ross, were presented by Mr. G. Smith, and read, praying that measures may be taken for restoring the efficiency of the Pictou Academy, which has suffered by the remodeling thereof by the last Act of the General Assembly in relation thereto.

Petitions of Presbyterian Congregations in Onslow and Pictou respecting Pictou Academy

Ordered, That the Petitions be referred to the School Committee, to whom were referred the former Petitions relative to the Pictou Academy.

Referred to Committee who are to consider the former Petitions

Mr. Delap reported from the Select Committee, to whom were referred the Petitions relative

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Report of Committee relative to taxing Wilderness Lands
Referred to Committee of Ways and Means

relative to the taxing Wilderness Lands; and he read the Report in his place, and afterwards delivered it in at the Clerk's Table, where it was again read.

(See Appendix, No. 38.)

On motion of Mr. Stewart, *resolved*, that the Report be referred to the Committee of the whole House, on the consideration of Ways and Means,

Resolution relating to Salary of Collector of Colonial Duties

On motion of Mr. G. Smith, *resolved*, that it be referred to a Committee to enquire and ascertain what sum has been retained by, or paid to, the Collector of Colonial Im-post Duties at the Port of Halifax, as and for his salary or Commissions, as such Collector, during the two last years, and to report thereon to this House.

Referred to Committee upon Public Accounts

Ordered, That the Committee of this House, who reported upon the Public Accounts, be a Committee for the above purpose.

Resolution as to combining Offices of Treasurer and Collector

On motion of Mr. Stewart, *resolved*, that the same Committee enquire and report as to the expediency and practicability of continuing the present Offices of Provincial Treasurer, and Collector of Colonial Duties for the Port of Halifax, with leave to report by Bill or otherwise.

Passengers Bill, &

A Bill to continue and amend the Act relating to Passengers from Great Britain; also,

Bill to amend Cemetery Act read 2d time

A Bill to amend and repeal certain provisions in the Act concerning Cemeteries or Burial Grounds in the Town of Halifax, were severally read a second time.

Ordered, That the Bills be referred to a Committee of the whole House.

Council desire Conference on money granted for Road Service

A Message from the Council, by Mr. Halliburton :

Mr. Speaker,

The Council desire a Conference by Committee, with a Committee of this Honorable House, on the subject of the Resolution for granting £10,000 for the service of Roads and Bridges for the present year.

And then the Messenger withdrew.

Agreed to

On motion of Mr. G. Smith, *resolved*, that the Conference desired by the Council be agreed to by this House, and that the Clerk do acquaint the Council therewith.

Ordered, That Mr. G. Smith, Mr. Young and Mr. Stewart, do manage the Conference.

Report from Conference

So they went to the Conference,

And being returned, Mr. G. Smith reported that the Managers had been at the Conference, and stated the substance of the Conference to the House.

Council agree to Barristers Bill with amendments

A Message from the Council, by Mr. Halliburton :

Mr. Speaker,

The Council have agreed to the Bill, entitled, An Act concerning Barristers and Attornies practising in the Courts of this Province, with sundry amendments, to which amendments they desire the concurrence of this Honorable House.

And then the Messenger withdrew.

Motion for a Committee to draw Address to His Majesty respecting Judges Fees

Mr. Morton moved, that the House do come to a Resolution as followeth, viz:—

Whereas, during the last and present Session, two Bills have passed this House for the abolition of the Fees taken by the Chief-Justice and Judges of the Supreme Court of this Province, and have been sent to His Majesty's Council for their concurrence, and said Bills have not been returned to this House by His Majesty's Council, agreed to, or otherwise, neither have they asked a Conference or sent any Message to this House upon the subject; *And whereas*, this House consider the taking Fees improper and unconstitutional, that are not sanctioned by some British or Colonial Statute, and as they are obnoxious and distressing to the Inhabitants of the Province, as set forth in their several Petitions to this House upon the subject: *Resolved therefore*, that a Committee be appointed to draw up an Address to His Majesty, praying for the abolition of the

Fees

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Fees demanded and taken by said Judges, and that in future, the Inhabitants of this His Majesty's Province of Nova-Scotia may be subject to no other or greater Fees than are sanctioned by the Laws or Statutes of said Province : which, being seconded,

Mr. Stewart moved, as an amendment of said Resolution, to leave out all the words thereof except the word "Resolved," and instead of the words so left out to substitute the following after the said word "Resolved," viz :—

Amendment to enquire into legality of said Fees negatived

"That a Committee be appointed to enquire into the legality of the Fees taken by the Chief-Justice, and to report thereon to this House, with power to send for persons and papers" : which, being seconded and put, and the House dividing thereon, there appeared, for the amendment, seventeen ; against it, twenty-three :

For the amendment.

Mr Stewart	Mr Deblois
Mr Dodd	Mr Johnston
Mr O'Brien	Mr Harris
Mr Lawson	Mr Morse
Mr Dickson	Mr J R Dewolf
Mr Clements	Mr Budd
Mr Bars	Mr Creighton
Mr Uniacke	Mr Kavanagh
Mr Wilkins	

Against the amendment.

Mr Oxley	Mr Heckman
Mr C Roche	Mr Chipman
Mr Crow	Mr B Dewolf
Mr Wier	Mr Shey
Mr E Dewolf	Mr Rudolf
Mr Lent	Mr Young
Mr Delap	Mr G Smith
Mr Bell	Mr Morton
Mr Lovett	Mr Doyle
Mr Cochran	Mr Blanchard
Mr W H Roach	Mr Huntington
Mr Archibald	

So it passed in the Negative.

Mr. Uniacke then moved, as an amendment to said proposed Resolution, to leave out all the words thereof except the words "Resolved," and in place of the words so left out to substitute the following after the said word "Resolved," viz :—

Another amendment moved to establish the amount of fees to be taken. &c. negatived

"That it is the opinion of this House that, in future, there shall be paid on all causes brought in the Supreme Court, the following Fees, that is to say : on every sub-summary Suit, where the whole dealing or cause of Action shall not exceed Ten Pounds, a Fee of and in every Summary Suit for any cause of Action between Ten and Twenty Pounds, a Fee of

on every Declaration Suit, where there shall be no appearance, or wherein Judgment shall be entered after appearance by confession or default, a Fee of and in any Declaration Suit where any argument shall be had on points reserved at the Trial of such Suit or after the Trial thereof, a Fee of

which said Fees shall be paid to, and shall be received by, the Prothonotary, and by him paid into the Treasury, and form a Fund, from and out of which there shall be paid and allowed annually to the present Chief-Justice and to each of the present Assistant Justices provided, the said Fund

be sufficient for that purpose, but if the said sum shall be insufficient for such payment then a rateable deduction shall be made of and from the said several sums so payable as aforesaid in lieu of all Fees except Travelling Charges and the Fee on Affidavits" : which, being seconded and put, and the House dividing thereon, there appeared, for the motion, thirteen ; against it, twenty-seven.

So it passed in the Negative.

The main question being then put, and the House dividing thereon, there appeared for the original Resolution, twenty-four ; against it, sixteen :

Original Resolution passed

For the Resolution.

Mr Blanchard	Mr Heckman
Mr Chipman	Mr Cochran
Mr Clements	Mr Lovett
Mr Morton	Mr Bell
Mr Huntington	Mr Young
Mr Doyle	Mr Delap
Mr G Smith	Mr Oxley
Mr B Dewolf	Mr Crow
Mr Rudolf	Mr Lent
Mr Shey	Mr C Roche
Mr W H Roach	Mr E Dewolf
Mr Archibald	Mr Wier

Against the Resolution.

Mr Kavanagh	Mr Uniacke
Mr Harris	Mr Morse
Mr Creighton	Mr Bars
Mr J R Dewolf	Mr Lawson
Mr Budd	Mr O'Brien
Mr Wilkins	Mr Dodd
Mr Johnston	Mr Dickson
Mr Deblois	Mr Stewart

So it passed in the Affirmative.

Ordered,

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Committee to prepare Address

Ordered, That Mr. Doyle, Mr. Young, Mr. Blanchard, Mr. Morton and Mr. G. Smith, be a Committee to prepare an Address to His Majesty, pursuant to said Resolution.

A Message from the Council, by Mr. Halliburton ;
Mr. Speaker,

Council desire Conference on Currency Bill

The Council desire a Conference by Committee, with a Committee of this Honorable House, on the subject of the Bill now before the House, entitled, An Act to declare the value of certain Coins current in this Province, and to provide a legal tender for the payment of Debts.

And then the Messenger withdrew.

Report of Minutes from Journals of Council in reference to Bill to reduce the expense Judgments, by Confession, &c.

Mr. Stewart reported from the Select Committee appointed to search the Journals of the Council in reference to the Bill, entitled, An Act to reduce the expense of Suits at Law on Judgments by Confession, that the Committee had performed the duty assigned to them, and had made Minutes from the Journals of the Council in relation to the subject of the search ; and he read the said Minutes in his place, and afterwards delivered them in at the Clerk's Table, where they were again read and are as follow :—

“ Legislative Council, 1st February, 1836.

Present—the Hon. Chief-Justice,	§	Samuel Cunard,
T. N. Jeffery,	§	Henry H. Cogswell,
Enos Collins,	§	James Tobin,
S. B. Robie,	§	Joseph Allison.

A Bill, entitled, An Act to reduce the expense of Suits at Law on Judgments by Confession.

The said Bill was read a first time.

Friday, 12th February, 1836.

Ut supra—H. N. Binney, Charles R. Prescott, Peter M'Nab.

A Bill, entitled, An Act to reduce the expense of Suits at Law on Judgments by Confession, was read a second time, and the further consideration of the Bill was deferred till Monday next.

Monday, 15th February, 1836.

The Chief-Justice,	§	C. R. Prescott,
Lord Bishop,	§	S. Cunard,
T. N. Jeffery,	§	H. H. Cogswell,
H. N. Binney,	§	James Tobin,
Enos Collins,	§	Joseph Allison.
S. B. Robie,	§	

On the Order of the Day being read,

Resolved, That the consideration of the Bill, entitled, An Act to reduce, &c. on Judgments by Confession, be deferred till To-morrow.

Tuesday, 16th.

The Chief-Justice,	§	S. Cunard,
T. N. Jeffery,	§	H. H. Cogswell,
H. N. Binney,	§	P. M'Nab,
Enos Collins,	§	James Tobin,
S. B. Robie,	§	Joseph Allison.
C. R. Prescott,	§	

On the Order of the Day being read,

Resolved, That the consideration of the Bill, entitled, &c. be postponed until further Order.

Ordered, That that the said Minutes do lie on the Table.

Mr.

TUESDAY and WEDNESDAY, 23d and 24th FEBRUARY, 1836.

Mr. Stewart, also from the Select Committee appointed to search the Journals of the Council in reference to the Bill, entitled, An Act to abolish certain Oaths heretofore administered to Persons taking Office in this Province, reported that the Committee had attended to that duty, and had made Minutes from the Journals of the Council in relation to their proceedings upon that matter; and he read the same to the House, and afterwards delivered them in at the Clerk's Table, where they were again read, and are as follow, viz:

Report from Journals of Council on Bill for abolishing certain Oaths

Legislative Council, 9th February, 1836.

The Chief-Justice,	§	S. Cunard,
T. N. Jeffery,	§	H. H. Cogswell,
H. N. Binney,	§	P. M'Nab,
E. Collins,	§	James Tobin,
S. B. Robie.	§	Joseph Allison,

A Bill, entitled, An Act to abolish certain Oaths heretofore administered to Persons taking office in this Province.

The said Bills were read a first time.

Legislative Council, 15th February, 1836.

The Honble.—The Chief Justice,	§	C. R. Prescott,
Lord Bishop,	§	S. Cunard,
T. N. Jeffery,	§	H. H. Cogswell,
H. N. Binney,	§	J. Tobin,
Enos Collins	§	J. Allison.
S. B. Robie,	§	

A Bill, entitled, An Act, &c. was read a second time—deferred three months.

Ordered, That the Minutes do lie on the Table.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of the Bill to abolish the Inferior Courts within this Province, and to repeal the Act to make further provision for the equal administration of Justice in the Province of Nova-Scotia, being read,

Order of Day, Inferior Court Bill read and deferred until to-morrow

Ordered, That the said Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

Then the House adjourned until To-morrow, at twelve of the Clock.

Wednesday, 24th February, 1836.

PRAYERS.

On motion of Mr. Young, *resolved,* that the Conference desired yesterday by the Council, on the Bill to declare the value of certain Coins, &c. be agreed to by this House.

Conference on Currency Bill agreed to

Ordered, That the Clerk do acquaint the Council therewith.

Ordered, That Mr. Young, Mr. Johnston, Mr. Stewart, Mr. G. Smith, and Mr. Deblois, do manage the Conference.

Committee of Conference report thereon

So they went to the Conference.

And being returned, Mr. Young reported that the Managers had been at the Conference and stated the substance of the Conference to the House.

Mr. Dodd, pursuant to leave given, presented a Bill to Incorporate the General Mining Association, and the same was read a first time.

Bill to Incorporate a Mining Association

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time.

Mr. Uniacke, pursuant to leave given, presented a Bill for repealing various Acts of the General Assembly of this Province, and for consolidating and amending the Laws relative to Larceny, and other offences connected therewith.

Bill to consolidate Larceny Acts

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the same Committee to whom was referred the Bill for consolidating and amending the Statutes relative to offences against the person.

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Petition of Owners of the Vessel Sarah Ann for return of part of money paid to release that Vessel

A Petition of Robert Greeno, William Bennett and John Allison, of Newport, in the County of Hants, Mariners, was, upon leave given, presented by Mr. B. Dewolf, and read, setting forth their being Owners of the Schooner Sarah Ann, engaged in the Plaster Trade between Newport in this Province, and Eastport, in the United States, that said Vessel, on her return Voyage, in August last, was detained by H. M. S. Dispatch, for having four barrels of Flour on board, and was sent to Windsor with several other Vessels under similar circumstances; that all the Vessels were released by order of the Commissioners of the Revenue upon payment of Twenty-five Pounds each by every Owner and part Owner thereof, in consequence of which, Petitioners had to pay Seventy-five Pounds—whereas, in cases where there was but one Owner of a Vessel only, Twenty-five Pounds was paid to procure the release of such Vessel; and praying a return of the sum of Fifty Pounds, so as to place Petitioners on an equality with sole Owners.

Petition from Newport to the same effect

A Petition of William Duncan and Robert Greeno, of Newport aforesaid, Mariners, was also, upon leave given, presented by Mr. B. Dewolf, and read, setting forth their being Owners of the Schooner Sarah, engaged in the same Trade, and detained under circumstances similar to those set forth in the foregoing Petition, and praying to have a return of Twenty-five Pounds, they having been compelled to pay by order of the Commissioners of the Revenue Fifty Pounds, when Vessels owned each by one person were released upon payment of Twenty-five Pounds only, by the Sole Owner.

Referred to a Select Committee to report upon

Ordered, That the two foregoing Petitions be referred to Mr. B. Dewolf, Mr. Cochran, Mr. Stewart, Mr. O'Brien and Mr. Bell, to examine and report upon the merits thereof to this House.

Petition from County of Sydney for aid to Guysborough road

A Petition of Thomas Cutler and others, of Guysborough, Manchester, Wilmot and Melford, in the County of Sydney; also, a Petition of Charles Archibald and others, of St. Mary's, in the same County, were presented by Mr. Young, and read, setting forth the advantages that would be derived to the whole Eastern Section of the Province, by the improvement and completion of the Southern road from Cape-Breton and Guysborough through St. Mary's and Musquedoboit, and praying that aid may be granted for the immediate improvement, and ultimate completion of said road; and thereupon,

Motion to refer to Committee to report upon carried

Mr. Young moved, that the two foregoing Petitions, together with the Petition of J. and M. Tobin and others, presented to this House on the 27th January last, be referred to a Select Committee to examine and report upon to this House: which, being seconded and put, and the House dividing thereon, there appeared, for the motion, twenty-five; against it, thirteen. So it passed in the affirmative.

Committee

Ordered, That Mr. Young, Mr. Dodd, Mr. Deblois, Mr. Bell and Mr. Wilkins, be a Committee for the above purpose.

Report of Address to His Majesty on the Fisheries, &c.

Mr. Uniacke, from the joint Committee of the Council and this House, reported an Address to His Majesty, which the Committee had prepared and concurred in, in regard to the encroachments upon the Fisheries, &c.; and he read the same in his place, and afterwards delivered it in at the Clerk's Table, where it was again read, and is as follows:

TO THE KING'S MOST EXCELLENT MAJESTY,

The Joint Address of Your Majesty's Council and House of Assembly for the Province of Nova-Scotia, now in General Assembly convened.

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR MAJESTY—

WE, Your Majesty's Council and House of Assembly, of this Your Majesty's loyal Province of Nova-Scotia, now convened in General Assembly, beg leave most respectfully to submit to the consideration of Your Majesty's Government, the great importance of preserving, unimpaired, the Rights and Privileges belonging to Your Majesty's subjects engaged in the Fisheries upon the Coasts of this Province; and also, to prevent Foreigners from interfering or participating

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participating in such Rights and Privileges. That, by the Statute of the Imperial Parliament, passed in the 59th year of the Reign of our late Most Gracious Sovereign George the Third, power was given to His Majesty, by and with the advice of His Privy Council, by any order or orders in Council to be from to time made for that purpose, to make such Regulations and give such Directions, as may be necessary to prevent Fishermen of the United States from taking, drying or curing Fish, in the Bays or Harbors of His Majesty's Dominions in America, or in any other manner whatever abusing the privileges by the Treaty and Act of the Imperial Parliament reserved to them.

THAT, as no such Order in Council has passed, it may be presumed that it may be extremely difficult for Your Majesty's Council to submit such Order for Your Majesty's consideration, as may be best adapted to meet the exigencies of the case in all Your Majesty's Dominions in America. That Your Majesty's subjects in this Province have experienced great inconvenience and loss in this branch of Industry, by Foreign interference—and the Province is injuriously affected by the Illicit Trade carried on by Vessels ostensibly engaged in the Fisheries, who hover on the Coast, and, in many cases, combine Trade with the Fishery—A traffic, prejudicial alike to the Revenue—the importation of British Manufactures—the honest Trader, and the political and moral sentiments, habits and manners, of the people.

To prevent the continuance and extension of such evils, the Legislature of this Your Majesty's loyal Province of Nova-Scotia have embodied in an Act such Regulations and Restrictions as they conceive will most effectually prevent such interference in the Fishery, and the Illicit Trade connected with it,—and, thereby secure the Rights and Privileges recognised by the Treaty, and intended to be guarded by the Statute. This course has become the more necessary, as the Act of the Imperial Parliament contemplates the further Regulations of the Fisheries by some such means, of which all persons concerned will be bound to take notice. Many of the irregularities complained of may have taken place from the want of such Regulations. There is no intention of intimating that the Government of the United States approves of, or sanctions, any interference with a branch of the Fishery which they have expressly relinquished.

WE, therefore, most earnestly and respectfully pray that Your Majesty will be pleased to give Your Royal Assent to the said Act; and, by an Order of Your Majesty, in Council, declare the said Act to contain the Rules, Regulations and Restrictions, respecting the Fisheries for the Coasts, Bays, Creeks and Harbors, of Nova-Scotia.

Resolved, That the said Address be received and adopted by this House.

Resolved, That the Council be desired to join by Committee, with the Committee of this House, who reported the foregoing Address, in preparing and presenting to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor an Address, praying him to forward the foregoing Address to His Majesty, with his favourable recommendation of the prayer thereof.

Ordered, That the Clerk do acquaint the Council with the above Resolution.

Mr. Wilkins, from the Select Committee, to whom were referred on Monday last several Petitions relative to Stage Coach Communication, reported thereon, and he read the Report in his place, and afterwards delivered it in at Clerk's Table, where it was again read.

Address adopted and Resolution for Address to His Excellency praying him to forward said Address to His Majesty, &c.

Report on Stage Coaches

(See Appendix, No. 39.)

And thereupon, Mr. B. Dewolf moved, that the Report be not received by the House, which, being seconded and put, and the House dividing thereon, there appeared, for the motion, eighteen, against it, eighteen.

Motion not to receive report carried

So Mr. Speaker gave his casting vote for the motion, and it passed in the Affirmative.

Mr. Uniacke reported from the Select Committee, appointed on the 3d inst. to wait upon His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor with a Copy of Report and the Resolution of this House, relative to the Halifax County Division Act, and the Petition of certain Inhabitants of the County of Annapolis against the same; that the Committee had performed that duty, and that His Excellency was pleased to say, that he would communicate the same to His Majesty's Government.

Report on Halifax County division Act, &c.

Mr. G. Smith, from the Select Committee on the several Petitions of the General Mining Association and others, relative to deepening the Navigation of the East River of Pictou, reported thereon, by presenting to the House,

Report and Bill presented to improve the Navigation of the East River of Pictou

A Bill for improving the Navigation of the East River of Pictou, and the same was read a first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time.

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Report relative to St Paul and Scatarie Light Houses adopted and Committee to wait upon the Governor with a Copy thereof, &c

On motion the report of the Select Committee relative to the proposed Light Houses on the Islands of Scatarie and St. Paul, was read, and thereupon,

On motion of Mr. Uniacke, *resolved*, that the said Report be adopted by this House.

Ordered, That the same Committee who made the Report to this House do wait upon His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor with a Copy of said Report, and the Resolution of this House thereon, and respectfully request His Excellency to forward the same to the Governments of Lower Canada and New Brunswick, respectively.

Petition from Upper Musquedoboit relating to Licenses

A Petition of W. Annand and others, Inhabitants of Upper Musquedoboit, was presented by Mr. Lawson, and read, praying that the sole power of granting Licenses for the sale of Spirituous Liquors may be restored to the Justices of Sessions and Grand Juries, and that the prices of such Licenses may be enhanced.

Ordered, That the Petition do lie on the Table.

Petition from St. Mary's relative to dividing Sydney County

A Petition of Charles Archibald and others, of St. Mary's, was presented by Mr. Young, and read, praying that an Act may be passed to divide the County of Sydney into two Counties, and to allow the Lower Section thereof two or more Representatives in General Assembly.

Ordered, That the Petition be referred to the Committee of the whole House on Bills, to be considered with the Bill to divide the County of Sydney, and to regulate the Representation thereof.

Report upon Merchants Property Protection Bill

Mr. Johnston reported from the Select Committee, to whom were referred the amendments proposed by the Council to the Bill, entitled, An Act for the better protection of the Property of Merchants and others, who may hereafter enter into Contracts or Agreements, relative to Goods, Wares or Merchandise, entrusted to Factors or Agents—that the Committee had examined and considered said amendments, and recommend that the House do agree to the same; and thereupon,

The said amendments were read a second time.

Resolved, That this House do agree to the said amendments; and

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the said Bill and amendments back to the Council, and acquaint them that this House have agreed to the amendments.

Bill concerning certain Oaths

Mr. Stewart, pursuant to leave given yesterday, presented, A Bill to render unnecessary the taking of certain Oaths heretofore administered to Persons taking Office in this Province, and the same was read a first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time.

House in Committee on Bills

On motion, the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole House on the further consideration of the several Bills which stood committed.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair,

Mr. Lovett took the Chair,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

Report Flour Inspection Bill & Court of Commissioners C. B. And Bill to authorise the erection of Dams, &c. on Moose River

The Chairman reported from the Committee, that they had gone through the Bill to continue the Acts relating to the Inspection of Flour and Meal; also, the Bill to establish Courts of Commissioners in the Island of Cape-Breton, and had made amendments to the said Bills respectively, which they had directed him to report to the House with the Bills; and that they had also gone through the Bill to authorise certain Persons therein named to erect dams, abutments and piers, across the mouth of Moose River, and to grant the right of Tide-way thereto and therein, and had directed him to report the said Bill to the House without any amendment, and he afterwards delivered the Bill, with the amendments, in at the Clerk's Table.

The Chairman also acquainted the House, that he was directed by the Committee to move for leave to sit again on the consideration of the several Bills which stood committed: which the House agreed to.

The said amendments reported from the Committee to the said Bills respectively, were

Amendments agreed to

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were severally read a first and second time, and, upon the question put thereupon, were agreed to by the House.

Ordered, That the Bills, with the amendments, be engrossed.

Ordered, That the Bill reported without amendment be engrossed.

A Message from the Council, by Mr. Halliburton :

Mr. Speaker,

The Council have agreed to the Bill, entitled, An Act to Incorporate the Annapolis County Steam Boat Company, with amendments; to which amendments they desire the concurrence of this Honorable House.

And then the Messenger withdrew.

The Order of the Day, for the second reading of the Bill to abolish the Inferior Courts within this Province, and to repeal the Act to make further provision for the equal Administration of Justice in the Province of Nova-Scotia, being read,

Ordered, That the said Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

Then the House adjourned until To-morrow, at twelve of the clock.

Council agree to Annapolis Steam Boat Company's Bill with amendments

Order of Day, Inferior Courts postponed until to-morrow

Thursday, 25th February, 1836.

PRAYERS.

Ordered, That Mr. Wilkins have leave of absence from this House on Monday and Tuesday next, to return home on urgent private business.

Leave of Absence to Mr Wilkins

An engrossed Bill to continue the Acts for the Inspection of Flour and Meal, was read a third time.

Engrossed Flour Inspection Bill passed

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and that the title be, An Act to amend and continue the Acts for the Inspection of Flour and Meal.

An engrossed Bill to authorise certain Persons therein named to erect dams, abutments and piers, across the mouth of Moose River, and to grant the right of Tide-way therein and thereto, was read a third time.

Engrossed Bill to authorise the erection of dams, &c. on Moose River passed

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and that the title be, An Act to authorise certain persons therein named, to erect dams, abutments and piers, across the mouth of Moose River, and to grant the right of Tide-way therein and thereto.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bills to the Council, and desire their concurrence.

Bills sent to Council

An engrossed Bill from the Council, entitled, An Act to provide for the preservation of the peace, in the Townships and Settlements wherein no Justice of the Peace resides, was read a first time.

Bill from Council for preservation of the Peace read first time

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time.

The amendments proposed by the Council to the Bill, entitled, An Act concerning the Barristers and Attornies practising in the Courts of this Province, were read; and thereupon,

Amendments to Barristers Bill not to be considered

Resolved, That this House cannot consider the said amendments, as the Act thereby revived contains pains and penalties, and regulates fees.

On motion of Mr. Stewart, *resolved*, that a Conference be desired, by Committee, with the Council, on the subject of said Bill.

Conference desired thereon

Ordered, That the Clerk do request the same.

The amendments proposed by the Council to the Bill, entitled, An Act to Incorporate the Annapolis Steam Boat Company, were read a first time.

Amendments to Annapolis Steam Boat Company read

Ordered, That the said amendments be read a second time.

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Bills read second time, viz—
 Bill to incorporate Mining Association, and
 Bill to improve Navigation of East River Pictou, and
 Oaths of Office Bill committed
 Letter from Depy. Secy. with extracts from Royal Instructions

A Bill to Incorporate the General Mining Association.

A Bill for improving the Navigation of the East River of Pictou; also

A Bill to render unnecessary the taking of certain Oaths heretofore administered to Persons taking Office in this Province, were severally read a second time.

Ordered, That the Bills be committed to a Committee of the whole House.

Mr. Speaker laid before the House, a letter received by him from the Deputy-Provincial Secretary, dated yesterday, transmitting by command of His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor, in accordance with the request of this House, certain extracts from the King's Royal instructions; and which Mr. Speaker also presented to the House.

(See Appendix, No. 40.)

Ordered, That the said Letter and Extracts do lie on the Table, to be perused by the Members of this House.

Report on Petition of the overseers of Egerton in Pictou

Mr. O'Brien reported from the Select Committee, on the Petition of the Overseers of the Poor for the Township of Egerton, in the District of Pictou; and he read the Report in his place, and afterwards delivered it in at the Clerk's Table, where it was again read.

(See Appendix, No. 41.)

Ordered, That the Report do lie on the Table.

Motion for Conference with H. M. Council on Currency Bill

Mr. Young moved, that a further Conference be desired with a Committee of His Majesty's Council, on the subject of the Bill, entitled, An Act to declare the value of certain Coins current in this Province, and to provide a legal tender for the payment of Debts; and that the Committee of this House state to the Committee of His Majesty's Council, that the causes adverted to by His Majesty's Council, of the deranged state of the Currency, had not escaped the notice of the House, in their deliberations on this important subject, and that it had accordingly proposed two measures to restore a sound Currency—that the House has only to regret that the modification which His Majesty's Council has now suggested, as to the indefinite period of satisfying all past Debts and Contracts, by the payment of the Doubloon at the rate of Four Pounds, touches not the main points of difference; and that, should the Council persist in adhering to their amendments to the said Bill, the evils now existing will, the House fears, not only continue, but increase: which motion being seconded,

Motion for order of Day negatived

Mr. Oxley moved, that the Order of the Day, be now read: which, being seconded and put, and the House dividing thereon, there appeared, for the motion, fifteen; against it, twenty-two.

So it passed in the Negative.

Amendment to motion for Conference on Currency Bill

Mr. Johnston then moved, by way of amendment to the question first proposed, to leave out all the words thereof except the words "that a further Conference be desired" and to insert in the place thereof the words following, to stand part of the question, to wit: with His Majesty's Council on the subject of the Bill to declare the value of certain Coins current in this Province, and to provide a legal tender for the payment of Debts; and that the Committee of this House be instructed to state to the Committee of His Majesty's Council, that this House considers it highly necessary that the Currency of this Province should be permanently fixed, and with this view passed a Bill to introduce Sterling Money as the Money of Account of this Province, and after its rejection by His Majesty's Council, passed the Bill now before His Majesty's Council, to fix the value of the Doubloon and Sovereign in the existing Currency of this Province, and in doing so, this House fixed the standard of value in Gold, based on the Doubloon at £4; that although prior to 1819 the Dollar at 5s. was the basis of the Currency of this Province, yet, in that year, from the improvident alteration made in the Currency, by valuing the Doubloon at £4, the Currency of this Province became no longer regulated by the value of the Dollar at 5s. but by the Doubloon at £4; and which Coin, so valued, has, from that time in practice been the standard of value, and by which all other Coins

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Coins, intended to have a fixed nominal value and to form part of the circulation ought to be rated; that, although an improper valuation of Coins, in respect to their value in relation to each other requires to be rectified that all may circulate, no good can ever arise from raising or depressing the nominal value of *all* the Coins in circulation; but, much evil and injury, by disturbing the nominal value of Property—violating Contracts, involving the payment of Money, and doing injustice to either Debtor or Creditor.—To avoid these evils this House did not wish again to make a change in the existing Currency, but to settle the Currency as it had existed since 1819, and by a permanent Law to prevent future changes, and this House considers that this end will be attained by the Doubloon being permanently fixed at £4.

That this House is sensible that by the Bill now before His Majesty's Council, the Sovereign with reference to the Doubloon is rather over-rated, yet the House believed that the difference was not so great as to prevent the circulation of both Coins, and that in practice the Sovereign would not be introduced to the exclusion of the Doubloon. According to the valuation given in the Law of the United States of 1834, of the Sovereign and the Doubloon, the Sovereign ought, in reference to the Doubloon at £4, to be valued at £1 4s. 10d. 3-4. ; that, the only other Coins whose value is fixed by the Bill of this House, are the British Silver Coins at 25s. to the pound Sterling, and although over-rated with reference to their intrinsic worth, yet, this apparent error is corrected by providing that they shall only be a legal tender to the extent of £5, thus adopting the policy of the British Legislature, that confines the tender in British Silver to 40s. ; and this House is of opinion that the Bill now before His Majesty's Council will in its tendency correct the excessive circulation of the British Silver Coins, since under the Law that lately expired those Coins were made a Legal Tender to the extent of £50.

Although the House admits that His Majesty's Council, in desiring to return to the old Halifax Currency, have endeavoured to prevent injustice being done to Debtors, yet, the House are of opinion that they may be exposed to exactions contrary to the spirit and meaning of the amendments proposed by His Majesty's Council, and that considerable difficulty would have arisen, and perhaps loss to the Province, if the large Funded and unfunded Debts were to be made payable in the Dollar at 5s. This House regrets the change that was made in the old Currency, and that it is desirable that our Currency should have been similar to that of the adjoining British Provinces—but this advantage is not of itself a sufficient reason to change an existing Currency; the Currency of Countries being different, never preventing Commercial intercourse, as the par of Exchange can always be readily ascertained in those Countries that have a Metallic Currency: which, being seconded and put, and the House dividing thereon, there appeared, for the motion, twelve; against it, twenty-three.

So it passed in the Negative.

The main question being then put, and the House dividing thereon, there appeared for the motion originally made, twenty-five; against it, ten.

Original resolution carried

So it passed in the Affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk do request said Conference accordingly.

A Message from the Council, by Mr. Halliburton:

Mr. Speaker,

The Council agree to the Conference desired by this Honorable House, on the subject of the Bill, entitled, An Act concerning Barristers and Attornies practising in the Courts of this Province; and the Committee of the Council are ready to meet the Committee of this Honorable House.

Council agree to Conference on Barristers Bill

And then the Messenger withdrew.

Ordered, That Mr. Stewart, Mr. Doyle, Mr. Dickson, Mr. Uniacke and Mr. Dodd, be a Committee to manage said Conference.

Committee of Conference and

So they went to the Conference.

And being returned, Mr. Stewart reported that the Managers had been at the Conference, and stated the substance of the Conference to the House.

Ordered, Report thereon

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Barristers Bill sent
back to Council

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry back to the Council the Bill, entitled, An Act concerning Barristers and Attornies practising in the Courts of this Province, with the amendments proposed by the Council thereto, and acquaint the Council with the Resolution of this House in regard to said amendments.

A Message from the Council, by Mr. Halliburton :

Mr. Speaker,

Council agree to
further Conference
on Currency Bill

The Council agree to the further Conference desired by this Honorable House, on the subject of the Bill now before the Council, entitled, An Act to declare the value of certain Coins current in this Province, and to provide a legal tender for the payment of Debts; and the Committee of the Council are ready to meet the Committee of this House.

And then the Messenger withdrew.

Committee of Con-
ference

Ordered, That Mr. Young, Mr. Stewart, Mr. G. Smith, Mr. Morton and Mr. Huntington, do manage the said Conference.

So they went to the Conference.

Report of Confer-
ence

And being returned, Mr. Stewart reported, that the Managers had been at the Conference, and had complied with the instructions given them by this House.

A Message from the Council, by Mr. Halliburton :

Mr. Speaker,

Council agree to
Noel Mills Compa-
ny Bill and to
Kennetcook Mills
Company Bill with
amendments

The Council have agreed to the Bill, entitled, An Act to Incorporate the Noel Associated Plaister and Mills Company; and to the Bill, entitled, An Act to Incorporate the Kennetcook Mills Company, with amendments to the said Bills respectively, to which amendments they desire the concurrence of this Honorable House.

And then the Messenger withdrew.

Order of Day
Second reading of
Bill to abolish In-
ferior Courts

On motion, the Order of the Day for the second reading of the Bill to abolish the Inferior Courts within this Province, and to repeal the Act to make further provision for the equal Administration of Justice in the Province of Nova-Scotia, was read; and thereupon,

Bill read

Ordered, That the said Bill be now read a second time; and the same was read a second time accordingly.

Bill deferred three
months

Mr. J. R. Dewolf then moved, that the further consideration of the Bill be deferred until this day three months: which, being seconded and put, and the House dividing thereon, there appeared, for the motion, eighteen; against it, fifteen.

For the Motion.

Mr Chipman	Mr Johnston
Mr Morton	Mr Dodd
Mr Doyle	Mr Deblois
Mr Uniacke	Mr J R Dewolf
Mr Wilkins	Mr Harris
Mr B Dewolf	Mr Rudolf
Mr Shey	Mr Dickson
Mr Heckman	Mr Budd
Mr Cochran	Mr Morse
Mr Barss	

Against the Motion.

Mr Wier	Mr Huntington
Mr Bell	Mr Lent
Mr O'Brien	Mr Young
Mr Oxley	Mr Stewart
Mr Archibald	Mr Lovett
Mr Creighton	
Mr Delap	
Mr Clements	
Mr W H Roach	
Mr G Smith	

So it passed in the Affirmative.

Report from Com-
mittee to wait on
Gov. with proceed-
ings relative to
Light Houses on St.
Paul and Scatarie

Mr. Uniacke reported from the Committee, appointed to wait upon His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, with the Report and Resolution of this House, in regard to the proposed erection of Light-Houses on the Islands of Scatarie and St. Paul, that the Committee had performed the duty assigned to them, and that His Excellency was pleased to say to the Committee, that, in compliance with the request of the House, he would forward the said Report and Resolution to the respective Governments of Lower Canada and New-Brunswick, without delay.

Then the House adjourned until To-morrow, at twelve of the Clock.

Friday,

FRIDAY, 26th FEBRUARY, 1836.

PRAYERS.

Mr. Wier, pursuant to leave given, presented a Bill to enable the Congregation of the Meeting House at Masstown, in Londonderry, to raise Money from the Pews of said Meeting House for the repairing and ornamenting thereof, and the same was read a first time.

Bill presented to raise Money from Pews of Meeting-House at Londonderry

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time.

A Petition of the General Mining Association and others was presented by Mr. Dodd, and read, praying aid towards building a Bridge over Ball's Creek, on the great road leading from the Town of Sydr ey, in the Island of Cape-Breton, by way of the North-West Arm, the Sydney Mines, the Bras d'Or and Baddeck, to the principal Settlements on the Gulf Shore of the Island.

Petition for aid for a Bridge over Ball's Creek in C. B.

Ordered, That the Petition do lie on the Table.

A Petition of the Onslow Central Temperance Society was presented by Mr. Crow, and read, praying that the duty on the importation of Spirituous Liquors and upon Licences for the sale thereof, may be increased, and that a change may be made in the Law as regards the selection of Grand Jurors, so that in future they may be nominated by a Committee of Magistrates, appointed by the Sessions, the Juries to be ballotted in open Court, from boxes in custody of the Clerk of the Court, the Sheriff to keep the Keys thereof.

Petition from Onslow with respect to License and Grand Jury Laws

Ordered, That the Petition be referred to Mr. Blanchard, Mr. Crow, Mr. Dickson, Mr. Archibald and Mr. O'Brien, to examine and report thereon.

Referred to Select Committee

A Petition of the Revd. Thomas S. Crow and others, Inhabitants of the Eastern District of the County of Hants, was presented by Mr. O'Brien and read, praying that the alteration made last Session in the Laws relating to Licenses for vending Liquors may be repealed, and that the importation of Ardent Spirits may be prohibited, or such a heavy duty placed thereon as will have a tendency to lessen the bad effects produced by its free circulation.

Petition from Hants relating to Licenses

Ordered, That that the Petition do lie on the Table.

Mr. G. Smith reported from the Select Committee, on the several Petitions for aids to Arisaig Pier, and Breakwaters at St. Mary's Bay, and Marshall's Cove at Wilmot, in the County of Annapolis; and he read the report in his place, and afterwards delivered it in at the Clerk's Table, where it was again read.

Report relative to Arisaig Pier and Breakwater at St. Mary's & in Wilmot.

(See Appendix, No. 42.)

Ordered, That the Report do lie on the Table.

The amendments proposed by the Council to the Bill, entitled, An Act to Incorporate the Annapolis County Steam Boat Company, were read a second time.

Amendments to Annapolis Steam Boat Company's Bill agreed to

On motion of Mr. Lovett, *resolved,* that the said amendments be agreed to by this House.

The amendments proposed by the Council to the Bill, entitled, An Act to Incorporate the Noel Associated Plaister and Mills Company, were read a first and second time.

Amendments to Noel Mills Company Bill agreed to

On motion of Mr. O'Brien, *resolved,* that this House do agree to the said amendments.

The amendments proposed by the Council to the Bill, entitled, An Act to Incorporate the Kennetcook Mills Company, were read a first and second time.

Amendments to Kennetcook Mills Company Bill agreed to

On motion of Mr. O'Brien, *resolved,* that this House do agree to the said amendments.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the said several Bills and amendments back to the Council, and acquaint them that this House have agreed to the said several amendments respectively.

Mr. Young reported from the Select Committee, on the Petition of Jonathan Archibald; and he read the Report in his place, and afterwards delivered it in at the Clerk's Table, where it was again read.

Report on Petition of Jonathan Archibald

(See Appendix, No. 43.)

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Motion to refer report to Committee of Supply negatived

Mr. O'Brien moved, that the report be referred to the Committee of Supply : which, being seconded and put, and the House dividing thereon, there appeared, for the motion, twelve ; against it, sixteen. So it passed in the negative.

Ordered, That the Report and Petition do lie on the Table.

Report on Petition of Wm. Duncan and R. Greeno

Mr. B. Dewolf reported from the Select Committee, on the Petition of William Duncan and Robert Greeno ; and he read the report in his place, and afterwards delivered it in at the Clerk's Table, where it was again read.

(*See Appendix, No. 44.*)

Adopted

Resolved, That the Report be received and adopted by the House.

Report on Petition of R. Greeno John Allison and W. Bennett

Mr. B. Dewolf also reported from the same Committee on the Petition of Robert Greeno, John Allison, and William Bennett ; and he read the report in his place, and afterwards delivered it in at the Clerk's Table, where it was again read.

(*See Appendix, No. 45.*)

Ordered, That the Report do lie on the Table.

Report in part on Schools

Mr. Young reported in part from the Select Committee, on the subject of Schools ; and he read the report in his place, and afterwards delivered it in at the Clerk's Table, where it was again read.

(*See Appendix, No. 46.*)

400 copies to be printed

Ordered, That the report do lie on the Table, and that Four hundred copies thereof be printed for the use of Members.

Bill for encouragement of Schools referred to same Committee

Ordered, That the Bill to continue the Act for the encouragement of Schools, reported from the Committee on the expiring Laws, be referred to the above mentioned Committee on Schools, to prepare amendments thereto conformably to the recommendation in the report of the Committee made as above.

Report and Bill presented relative to the levying of Executions, &c.

Mr. Creighton reported from the Select Committee appointed to revise the Laws respecting the levying of Executions ; and thereupon, presented

A Bill for making Lands and Tenements liable to Debts, and to repeal the Acts now in force, and the same was read a first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time.

Motion to refer extracts of Royal Instructions to Committee on Judges Fees, &c

On motion, the Extracts from the Royal Instructions received yesterday by this House, were read ; and thereupon,

Mr. Doyle moved, that the same be referred to the Committee appointed to prepare an Address to His Majesty on the subject of the Fees taken by the Chief-Justice and Judges of the Supreme Court : which, being seconded,

Amendment that the House go into Committee on Bills carried

Mr. Uniacke, by way of amendment to the question, moved, that the House do now resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, on the further consideration of the several Bills which stood committed : which, being seconded and put, and the House dividing thereon, there appeared, for the latter motion, twenty-one ; against it, ten. So it passed in the affirmative.

House in Committee on Bills

The House accordingly resolved itself into such Committee.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair,

Mr. Lovett took the Chair,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

Report Cemetery Bill

The Chairman reported from the Committee, that they had gone through the Bill to amend and repeal certain provisions in the Act concerning Cemeteries or Burial Grounds in the Town of Halifax ; the Bill to render unnecessary the taking of certain Oaths heretofore administered to Persons taking Office in this Province ; and the Bill to amend the Act to extend to Falmouth the Act relating to the Commissioners of Highways, and had directed him to report the said Bills to the House, severally, without amendment ; that the Committee had also gone through the Bill to Incorporate the

Oath Bill and

Falmouth Commissioners Highway Bill, also Bill to

General

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General Mining Association; and the Bill for improving the Navigation of the East River of Pictou, and had made amendments to the said Bills respectively, which they had directed him to report to the House, with the said two last mentioned Bills, and he afterwards delivered the Bills with the amendments in at the Clerk's Table.

The Chairman also acquainted the House, that he was directed by the Committee to move for leave to sit again on the consideration of the several Bills which stood committed: which the House agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bills with the amendments be engrossed.

Ordered, That the Bills, reported without amendments, be engrossed.

A Message from the Council, by Mr. Halliburton:

Mr. Speaker,

The Council adhere to their amendments to the Bill, entitled, An Act to declare the value of certain Coins current in this Province, and to provide a legal tender for the payment of Debts.

The Council have agreed to the Bill, entitled, An Act to authorize certain Persons therein named to erect Dams, Abutments and Piers, across the mouth of Moose River, and to grant the right of Tide-way thereto and therein, without any amendment.

And then the Messenger withdrew.

Mr. Stewart, pursuant to leave given, presented a Bill to abolish one of the Sittings of the Inferior Court of Common Pleas and General Sessions of the Peace for the County of Cumberland, and the same was read a first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time.

Ordered, That Mr. Stewart have leave to bring in a Bill to postpone to a later period of the year the Sitting of the Supreme Court in the County of Cumberland,

On motion of Mr. W. H. Roach, *resolved,* that the House do, to-morrow, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, on the consideration of the Bill to divide the County of Annapolis, and to regulate the Representation thereof.

Then the House adjourned until To-morrow, at twelve of the clock.

Saturday, 27th February, 1836.

PRAYERS.

An engrossed Bill to amend the Act to extend to Falmouth, the Act relating to Commissioners of Highways, was read a third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and that the title be, An Act to amend the Act to extend to Falmouth, the Act relating to Commissioners of Highways.

An engrossed Bill to amend and repeal certain provisions in the Act concerning Cemeteries or Burial Grounds in the Town of Halifax, was read a third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and that the title be, An Act to amend and repeal certain provisions in the Act concerning Cemeteries or Burial Grounds in the Town of Halifax.

An engrossed Bill to render unnecessary the taking of certain Oaths heretofore administered to Persons taking Office in this Province, was read a third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and that the title be, An Act to render unnecessary the taking of any other Oaths than the Oath of Allegiance, and the Oath of Office, as a qualification for Office in this Province.

An engrossed Bill to Incorporate the General Mining Association, was read a third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and that the title be, An Act to Incorporate the General Mining Association.

Incorporate General Mining Association and Bill for improving the East River of Pictou with amendments

Council adhere to their amendments to Currency Bill

Agree to Bill to authorize the erection of Dams, &c across Moose River

Bill to abolish one sitting of Inferior Court in Cumberland

Annapolis County Division Bill Order of the Day

Bills passed, viz—
Falmouth Commissioners of Highways

Halifax Cemetery

Bill to do away with Oath

Bill to Incorporate Mining Association

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Bill to improve the Navigation of East River Pictou Providing clause added to the Bill by way of rider

An engrossed Bill for improving the Navigation of the East River of Pictou, was read a third time; and thereupon,

Mr. G. Smith moved, that the following providing and enacting clause be added to the Bill by way of rider, viz:—

And provided also, and be it further enacted, That it shall be incumbent on the said Company to keep open and leave free and unobstructed a sufficient passage and waterway for all boats, rafts of timber and lumber, requiring to pass up and down the said River without any charge or demand for toll or pass money; and also, a sufficient free, clear and open passage, through which the fish may pass up and down the said River, so that as little injury as possible may be done to the fishery in the said River, by the operations herein before authorized; which, being seconded and put, was agreed to by the House—and the same was added to the Bill accordingly.

Bill passed

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and that the title be, An Act for improving the Navigation of the East River of Pictou.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bills to the Council, and desire their concurrence.

Report on Petition for Dike at Chezet-cook

Mr. Young reported from the Select Committee, on the Petition of Paul Lapier and others, for aid in the erection of a Dike or Embankment to enclose Marsh Land at Chezet-cook; and he read the report in his place, and afterwards delivered it in at the Clerk's Table, where it was again read.

(See Appendix, No. 47.)

Ordered, That the Report and Petition do lie on the Table.

House in Committee of Ways and Means

On motion, the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole House, on the further consideration of Ways and Means.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair,

Mr. Rudolf took the Chair,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

Report four Resolutions respecting Licenses

The Chairman reported from the Committee, that they had come to four resolutions, which they had directed him to report to the House; and he read the same in his place, and afterwards delivered them in at the Clerk's Table, where they were again read, and are as follow, viz:

Licenses out of Halifax

1st. *Resolved,* That it is the opinion of this Committee, that the scale of Duties to be paid on Licenses (except in the Town of Halifax) for the sale of Spirituous Liquors in Taverns, Public Houses or Shops, be the same as last year.

2d. *Resolved,* That it be recommended to the House, that the Act of 4th, Wm. IV. Cap. 3, entitled, An Act for granting Duties on Licenses for the sale of Spirituous Liquors in Taverns, Public Houses or Shops, and for other purposes, be adopted this year, except the 8th Section, giving power to grant free Licenses, such Licenses not to be granted unless on the recommendation of the Grand Jury.

Licenses in Halifax

3d. *Resolved,* That it is the opinion of this Committee, that the duty on Licensed Houses in the Town of Halifax, should be reduced.

4th. *Resolved,* That it be recommended to the House, that the duty on such Licenses, in the Town of Halifax, be fixed at Seven Pounds Ten Shillings each.

The Chairman also acquainted the House, that he was directed by the Committee to move for leave to sit again on the consideration of Ways and Means; which, the House agreed to.

The said Resolutions were again read: and thereupon,

Motion not to receive first resolution negatived

Mr. Delap moved that the first Resolution be not received by the House: which, being seconded and put, and the House dividing thereon, there appeared, for the motion, eleven; against it, twenty-three. So it passed in the negative.

Said Resolutions agreed to

The said several Resolutions were then, upon the question severally put thereupon, agreed to by the House.

The

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The Order of the Day, for the House to resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, on the consideration of the Bill to divide the County of Annapolis, and to regulate the Representation thereof, being read,

Order of Day
Annapolis County
Division Bill read
and postponed

Ordered, That this House do, on Monday next, resolve itself into a Committee for that purpose.

Then the House adjourned until Monday next, at twelve of the Clock.

Monday, 29th February, 1836.

PRAVERS.

Ordered, That this House will, on Friday next, proceed to the consideration of the Private Petitions now before the House.

Private Petitions
Order of Day for
Friday

A Bill to enable the Congregation of the Meeting House at Masstown, in Londonderry, to raise Money from the Pews of the said Meeting-House for the repairing and ornamenting thereof; also,

Masstown Meeting
House Bill; also.

A Bill for making Lands and Tenements liable to Debts, and to repeal the Acts now in force, were severally read a second time.

Bill for making
Lands, &c. liable
for Debts

Ordered, That the Bills be committed to a Committee of the whole House.

Committed

A Petition of David Rogers, Vice-President, and John Richards, Secretary, in behalf of the Pugwash Temperance Society, was presented by Mr. Oxley, and read, praying that the Duty on Intoxicating Drinks, and on Licenses for the Sale thereof, may be increased.

Petition from Pug-
wash relative to
Licenses, &c.

Ordered, That that the Petition do lie on the Table.

On motion of Mr. Dodd, *resolved,* that a further Conference be desired by Committee, with a Committee of His Majesty's Council, on the subject of the Vote of £10,000 for the service of Roads and Bridges, and the Committee of this House be instructed to state to the Committee of His Majesty's Council, that, in voting the sum of £10,000 for Roads and Bridges, this House deemed the amount very inadequate for that important service, but having a due regard to the means at their disposal and the situation of the Province, did not consider it prudent to exceed that sum.

Conference desired
with H. M. Council
on subject of Road
Vote

Ordered, That the Clerk do request said Conference.

Ordered, That Mr. Stewart have leave to bring in a Bill for the appointment of Commissioners on the part of this Province to ascertain the boundary line of division between the Province of New-Brunswick and this Province.

Leave to bring in
Bill to appoint
Commissioners to
ascertain the bound-
ary line between
N. B. and this
Province

Mr. Huntington reported from the Select Committee, on the respective Petitions of Hector McNeil and Michael McNeil, praying relief in regard to seizures of property made in the County of Cape-Breton; and he read the report in his place, and afterwards delivered it in at the Clerk's Table, where it was again read.

Report on Petitions
of H. McNeil and
M. McNeil

(See Appendix, No. 48.)

Ordered, That the Report do lie on the Table.

A Message from the Council, by Mr. Halliburton:

Mr. Speaker,

The Council agree to the further Conference desired by this Honorable House, on the subject of the Resolution for granting £10,000 for the service of Roads and Bridges, and the Committee of the Council are ready to meet the Committee of this House.

Council agree to
Conference on the
subject of the Road
Vote

And then the Messenger withdrew.

Ordered, That the same Committee who managed the last Conference on that subject do manage this Conference.

Committee of Con-
ference and Report
thereof

So they went to the Conference,

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And being returned, Mr. G. Smith reported that the Managers had been at the Conference, and had complied with the instructions given them by the House.

A Message from the Council, by Mr. Halliburton:

Mr. Speaker,

The Council have agreed to the Resolution of this Honorable House, for granting the sum of £10,000 for the service of Roads and Bridges.

The Council have appointed Mr. Cogswell, Mr. Tobin and Mr. Allison, a Committee for the purpose of joining a Committee of this Honorable House, in preparing an Address to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, praying His Excellency to forward the joint Address of the Council and House of Assembly to His Majesty, on the subject of the Bill, entitled, "An Act relating to the Fisheries and for the prevention of Illicit Trade in the Province of Nova-Scotia and the Coasts and Harbors thereof," together with His Excellency's favorable recommendation thereof, as desired by this Honorable House.

And then the Messenger withdrew.

The Order of the Day being read, the House resolved itself into a Committee on Bills, for the purpose of considering the Bill to divide the County of Annapolis, and to regulate the Representation thereof.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair,

Mr. Rudolf took the Chair,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chairman reported from the Committee, that they had gone through the said Bill, and had made some amendments thereto, which they had directed him to report to the House, and he delivered the said Bill and amendments in at the Clerk's Table.

The Chairman also acquainted the House, that he was directed by the Committee to move for leave to sit again on the consideration of Bills committed: which the House agreed to.

The said amendments were read throughout a first and second time; and thereupon, Mr. Delap moved, that the amendment, striking out of the third clause the proposed addition of a Member in General Assembly for the Township of Clare, be not received by the House, but that the Bill and amendments be re-committed for the purpose of again considering said clause; which, being seconded and put, and the House dividing thereon, there appeared, for the motion, eleven; against it, twenty-three:

For the Motion.

Mr Dickson
Mr Lovett
Mr Delap
Mr Johnston
Mr Young
Mr W H Roach
Mr Clements
Mr Budd
Mr Huntington
Mr Harris
Mr Kavanagh

Against the Motion.

Mr Bars	Mr Uniacke
Mr Creighton	Mr Shey
Mr Wier	Mr Dodd
Mr Oxley	Mr Cochran
Mr Archibald	Mr Morton
Mr Crow	Mr Chipman
Mr Heckman	Mr Doyle
Mr J R Dewolf	Mr Stewart
Mr O'Brien	Mr Rudolf
Mr B Dewolf	Mr G Smith
Mr E Dewolf	Mr Bell
Mr Deblois	

So it passed in the Negative.

Mr. W. H. Roach then moved, that the further consideration of the Bill be deferred to this day three months: which, being seconded and put, and the House dividing thereon, there appeared, for the motion, thirteen; against it, twenty-one:

Council agree to grant of £10,000 for Roads & Bridges

Council have appointed Committee to join in Address to His Excellency with regard to the Fisheries and Bill

House in Committee on Annapolis County division Bill

Report Bill with amendments

Motion not to receive amendment striking out Clare negatived

Motion to defer Bill three months negatived

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For the Motion.

Mr Dickson
Mr Stewart
Mr Delap
Mr Johnston
Mr W H Roach
Mr Cochran
Mr Clements

Mr Budd
Mr Huntington
Mr Ozley
Mr Crow
Mr Heckman
Mr Bell

Against the Motion.

Mr Barss
Mr Creighton
Mr Wier
Mr Harris
Mr Archibald
Mr Kavanagh
Mr O'Brien
Mr B Dewolf
Mr J R Dewolf
Mr E Dewolf
Mr Deblois

Mr Uniacke
Mr Shey
Mr Dodd
Mr Young
Mr Morton
Mr Chipman
Mr Doyle
Mr Lovell
Mr Rudolf
Mr G Smith

So it passed in the Negative.

The said several amendments were then, upon the question respectively put thereon, agreed to by the House.

Ordered, That the Bill with the amendments be engrossed.

On motion the Resolution of this House, passed on the 25th Feb. 1833, authorising the Agent of the Province to procure and transmit for the use of this House the Acts of Parliament, &c. was read; and thereupon,

Order of 1833 for procuring Statutes, &c. read

Ordered, That Mr. Speaker (there being now no Agent of this Province in London) be authorised and requested to procure, for the use of this House, the Acts of Parliament and Journals of the House of Commons respectively, for the year 1834 and subsequent years, and such Parliamentary Reports and Papers as he may consider expedient, and that this House will provide for the reasonable expense thereof, not exceeding £15 sterling per annum.

Order for Speaker to procure Acts and Journals from England

Then the House adjourned until To-morrow, at twelve of the clock.

Tuesday, 1st March, 1836.

PRAYERS.

A Petition of John Fox and others, of Horton, belonging to a Temperance Society, was presented by Mr. E. Dewolf, and read, praying that the power of granting Licenses for selling Liquors may be confined to Grand Juries, and that the duties may be increased on the importation of Ardent Spirits, and on Licenses for the sale thereof.

Petition from Horton relative to Licenses

Ordered, That the Petition do lie on the Table.

Mr. G. Smith moved, that a Committee be appointed, consisting of a Member from each County and District, to prepare and bring in a Scale of division of the sum of £10,000 granted for the service of Roads and Bridges; which, being seconded,

Motion for a Committee to bring in a Scale of division of Road Money Amendment apportioning the Road Money carried

Mr. Huntington moved, by way of amendment to the question, that the sum of £10,000 granted for the service of Roads and Bridges throughout the Province be applied as follows:—

For the County of Cape-Breton	£1250	0	0
“ District of Halifax	957	0	0
“ “ of Colchester	750	0	0
“ “ of Pictou	813	0	0
“ County of Sydney	823	0	0
“ “ of Cumberland	696	0	0
“ “ of Hants	797	0	0
“ “ of King’s	797	0	0
“ “ of Annapolis	831	0	0
“ “ of Shelburne	829	0	0
“ “ of Queen’s	695	0	0
“ “ of Lunenburg	762	0	0

£10,000 0 0

which,

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which, being seconded and put, and the House dividing thereon, there appeared, for the for the amendment, twenty-one ; against it, fourteen.

For the amendment.

Mr Stewart	Mr Heckman	Mr Oxley
Mr Cochran	Mr Huntington	Mr E Dewolf
Mr Chipman	Mr Clements	Mr Creighton
Mr Morton	Mr W H Roach	Mr C Roche
Mr Shey	Mr Barss	Mr Wier
Mr Rudolf	Mr Lovell	Mr Archibald
Mr Delap	Mr B Dewolf	Mr J R Dewolf

Against the amendment.

Mr Kavanagh	Mr Uniacke
Mr Dickson	Mr Deblois
Mr Budd	Mr Bell
Mr Johnston	Mr G Smith
Mr O'Brien	Mr Lawson
Mr Crow	Mr Dodd
Mr Morse	Mr Doyle

So it passed in the Affirmative.

Mr. Uniacke moved, that the House do come to a Resolution as followeth, viz :—

Resolved, That one moiety of the whole sum, as respectively apportioned by the foregoing division of the Road Money, be expended on the Main Post Roads and Bridges, or such parts thereof as may most require repair, to be hereafter determined by a Select Committee to be appointed by this House, and, in reference to the Estimates procured by His Excellency, now on the Table, to be expended by one or more Supervisors to be appointed on each Road, under the System of Tender or Contract: which, being seconded,

Mr. O'Brien moved, by way of amendment to the proposed Resolution, to leave out thereof, the word "Post;" which, being seconded and put, was agreed to by the House.

Mr. Stewart then moved, as a further amendment to said Resolution, to leave out all the remaining words thereof, except the word "Resolved," and in place of the words so left out to substitute the following, after the said word "Resolved," viz:

That the General Scale of division of Road Money adopted by this House be referred to the several Members from the respective Counties and Districts, to prepare and report to this House Scales of Sub-division of the said several sums allotted to the Counties and Districts respectively, and that the Surveys and Plans submitted to this House by His Excellency be referred to the said several Members for their consideration, in their Sub-division of the sums allotted by the said General Scale of division to the different Counties and Districts, and that the Members thereof apply in such Sub-division, at least, one half of the sums severally allotted to the said Counties and Districts to the Main Roads: which, being seconded and put, was agreed to by the House.

Ordered, That the several ordinary Petitions laid upon the Table this Session, for aid to Roads and Bridges, be referred to the several Members from Counties and Districts, who are to bring in Scales of Sub-division under the foregoing Resolution.

For a list of such Petitions,

(See Appendix, No. 49.)

Ordered, That the said several Scales of Sub-division of the Road Money, be reported to the House on Saturday morning next.

Mr. Dodd moved, that the House do come to a Resolution as followeth, viz:

Resolved, That the sum of Three per Cent. be deducted from the several sums of Road Money apportioned to the several Counties and Districts, and be appropriated towards building a Bridge over Ball's Creek, in the North Eastern District of the County of Cape-Breton: which, being seconded and put, and the House dividing thereon, there appeared, for the motion, fifteen; against it, seventeen.

So it passed in the Negative.

Mr. Uniacke moved, that the House do come to a Resolution as followeth, viz :

Whereas, a large sum of Money was expended in the Province of Nova-Scotia, before the annexation of the Island of Cape-Breton thereto, and there is no Fund from which to advance a sum competent to render the Roads passable for Wheel Carriages in said Island, whereby the advancement of that interesting part of the Province is retarded; *And whereas*, in future, all Money for Roads must be borrowed, and the system is unjust,

Motion for a moiety to be expended on the Main Post Roads, &c.

Amendment to leave out the word Post agreed to

Another amendment to refer the general Scale to the Members half to be applied on Main Roads carried

Petitions on Table for aid to Roads, &c. referred to the Members who are to bring in sub-division Scales

Scales of sub-division to be reported on Saturday next

Motion for 3 per cent. to be deducted from Road Money to build Bridge over Ball's Creek in C. B. negatived

Motion that each County receive for Road Money not beyond amount of duties paid by such County

just, which compels the Inhabitants of each County to pay duties into the Treasury, without guaranteeing a rateable participation of the same, for Roads and Bridges.

Resolved, That in future, no Money shall be drawn from the General Funds of the Province, to be expended on Roads and Bridges in any County, beyond the amount of Duties or rates paid into the Treasury of the Province by such County: which, being seconded and put, and the House dividing thereon, there appeared, for the motion eleven; against it, twenty-four.

For the Motion.

Mr Rudolf
Mr Lawson
Mr Huntington
Mr Deblois
Mr Bell
Mr Uniacke
Mr Dodd
Mr Creighton
Mr Kavanagh
Mr J R Dewolf
Mr Heckman

Against the Motion.

Mr C Roche
Mr B Dewolf
Mr Lent
Mr Budd
Mr Harris
Mr Wier
Mr Archibald
Mr Johnston
Mr Lovett
Mr O'Brien
Mr Crow
Mr Stewart
Mr Oxley
Mr Barss
Mr E Dewolf
Mr W H Roach
Mr Delap
Mr Cochran
Mr Clements
Mr G Smith
Mr Morton
Mr Shey
Mr Chipman
Mr Dickson

So it passed in the Negative.

A Petition of Francis Parker and others was presented by Mr. O'Brien, and read, praying aid, (in addition to their Subscriptions,) to open and improve a direct Road from Petite, in the County of Hants, to the Scotch Village in Newport, by the way of Cockmagun.

Pet. for aid to open a road from Petite to the Scotch Village in Newport

Ordered, That the Petition do lie on the Table.

An engrossed Bill to divide the County of Annapolis, and to regulate the Representation thereof, was read a third time; and thereupon,

Annapolis County division Bill read &

Mr. Lovett moved, that after the words "Annapolis and Granville, each one Member," in the third clause of the Bill, the following words be inserted, "and the Township of Wilmot, one Member:" which, being seconded and put, and the House dividing thereon, there appeared, for the motion, nine; against it, twenty-six.

Motion to give Wilmot one Member, negatived

For the Motion.

Mr Chipman
Mr Lovett
Mr Morton
Mr Johnston
Mr W H Roach
Mr Cochran
Mr J R Dewolf
Mr Delap
Mr E Dewolf

Against the Motion.

Mr Creighton
Mr C Roche
Mr Kavanagh
Mr Lent
Mr Budd
Mr Harris
Mr Wier
Mr Heckman
Mr Archibald
Mr Oxley
Mr B Dewolf
Mr Bell
Mr Stewart
Mr Uniacke
Mr Crow
Mr Dodd
Mr Barss
Mr Morse
Mr O'Brien
Mr Huntington
Mr Clements
Mr Rudolf
Mr G Smith
Mr Shey
Mr Deblois
Mr Dickson

So it passed in the Negative.

Mr. W. H. Roach then moved, that after the words "Digby one Member" in the third clause of the Bill, the words following should be inserted, viz: "and for the Township of Clare one Member"; which, being seconded and put, and the House dividing thereon, there appeared, for the motion, thirteen; against it, twenty-two.

Motion to give Clare one Member negatived

For the Motion.

Mr Chipman
Mr Lovett
Mr Dickson
Mr Morton
Mr Johnston
Mr W H Roach
Mr Huntington
Mr Delap

Against the Motion.

Mr Archibald
Mr Lent
Mr Budd
Mr Kavanagh
Mr E Dewolf
Mr C Roche
Mr Creighton
Mr Harris
Mr Heckman
Mr Oxley
Mr B Dewolf
Mr Bell
Mr Crow
Mr Dodd
Mr Barss
Mr Morse
Mr O'Brien
Mr J R Dewolf
Mr Cochran
Mr Uniacke
Mr Clements
Mr Rudolf
Mr G Smith
Mr Shey
Mr Stewart
Mr Deblois

So it passed in the Negative.

Mr. W. H. Roach then moved, that the further consideration of the Bill, be deferred to this day three months; which, being seconded and put, and the House dividing thereon, there appeared, for the motion, thirteen; against it, twenty-two.

Motion to defer Bill for three months, negatived

So it passed in the Negative.

Did

Resolved,

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Bill passed

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and that the title be, An Act to divide the County of Annapolis, and to regulate the Representation thereof.

Engrossed Bill for Court of Comrs. C. B. passed

An engrossed Bill to establish Courts of Commissioners in the Island of Cape-Breton, was read a third time.

Bills sent to Council

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and that the title be, An Act to establish Courts of Commissioners in the Island of Cape-Breton.

Bill to alter the Sitting of Sepr. Court in Cumberland

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bills to the Council and desire their concurrence.

Mr. Stewart, pursuant to leave given, presented a Bill for altering the time of holding the September Term of the Supreme Court in the County of Cumberland; and the same was read a first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time.

A Message from the Council, by Mr. Halliburton :

Mr. Speaker,

Council agree to the following Bills, viz:

The Council have agreed to the following Bills as amended, viz:—

A Bill, entitled, An Act for the better protection of the Property of Merchants and others, who may hereafter enter into Contracts or Agreements, in relation to Goods, Wares or Merchandize, entrusted to Factors or Agents.

A Bill, entitled, An Act to Incorporate the Noel Associated Plaister and Mills Company.

Noel Associated Plaister Company

A Bill, entitled, An Act to Incorporate the Kennetcook Mills Company; and,

Kennetcook Mills Company

A Bill, entitled, An Act to Incorporate the Annapolis County Steam Boat Company. And then the Messenger withdrew.

Annapolis Steam-Boat Company

House in Committee on Bills

On motion, the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole House, on the further consideration of the several Bills which stood committed.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair,

Mr. Lovett took the Chair,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

Report the following Bills, viz:

The Chairman reported from the Committee that they had gone through several Bills, viz:—The Bill to enable the Proprietors of a certain Meeting House at West River, in Pictou, to sell the same; the Bill to amend the Act relating to the Court of Commissioners at Halifax; the Bill to amend the Act to direct and ascertain the mode of Assessing County and District Rates, and for other purposes, as far as respects the District of Halifax; the Bill to provide for the sale of a part of a certain Road in Truro; the Bill to amend the Act to direct and ascertain the mode of Assessing County and District Rates, and for other purposes; and the Bill to continue and amend the Act relating to Passengers from Great-Britain and Ireland; and that the Committee had directed him to report the said several Bills to the House without any amendment, and he afterwards delivered the Bills in at the Clerk's Table.

West River Meeting-House

Court of Comrs. Halifax

Halifax Assessment

To provide for sale of Road in Truro

Assessment

Passengers

The Chairman also acquainted the House, that he was directed by the Committee to move for leave to sit again on the consideration of Bills committed: which the House agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bills reported be engrossed.

No Bill to be introduced after Monday next, without leave

Ordered, That no Bill be brought in after Monday next, the 7th March, inst. unless by the special leave of the House.

Then the House adjourned until To-morrow, at twelve of the clock.

Wednesday, 2d March, 1836.

Motion to reconsider the duties on Flour Beef and Pork

PRAYERS.

Mr. Chipman moved, that the House resolve itself into a Committee of Ways and Means,

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Means, for the purpose of considering whether the Colonial Duty on Flour should not be continued as at present, until the Imperial Duty shall be repealed; and also, whether the Colonial Duties on Beef and Pork shall not be continued, as heretofore, and also, remain and be in force, in case of the repeal of the Imperial Duties thereon: which, being seconded,

Mr. O'Brien moved, by way of amendment to the question, to leave out all the words thereof, after the word "purpose," and, in place of the words so left out, to insert the following words, to stand part of the question, viz:—"of imposing a Duty on Beef and Pork, similar to the Duties of last year:" which, being seconded and put, and the House dividing thereon, there appeared, for the amendment, ten; against it, twenty-four:

For the amendment.

Mr B Dewolf
Mr Cochran
Mr Stewart
Mr Crow
Mr Lovett
Mr Johnston
Mr Blanchard
Mr Delap
Mr Creighton
Mr O'Brien

Against the amendment.

Mr Kwanagh	Mr Lent
Mr C Roche	Mr Budd
Mr Harris	Mr Barss
Mr Morse	Mr Shey
Mr W H Roach	Mr G Smith
Mr Deblois	Mr Archibald
Mr Bell	Mr Lawson
Mr Oxley	Mr Wier
Mr E Dewolf	Mr Chipman
Mr Dodd	Mr Rudolf
Mr Uniacke	Mr Dickson
Mr Huntington	Mr Morton

Amendment to reconsider only the duties on Beef and Pork, negatived

So it passed in the Negative.

The main question being then put, and the House dividing thereon, there appeared, for the motion, twenty-one; against it, thirteen:

Original Resolution carried

For the Motion.

Mr Dickson	Mr Crow
Mr Chipman	Mr Lovett
Mr Morton	Mr Oxley
Mr Wier	Mr E Dewolf
Mr Lawson	Mr Bell
Mr Archibald	Mr W H Roach
Mr B Dewolf	Mr Deblois
Mr G Smith	Mr O'Brien
Mr Cochran	Mr Morse
Mr Shey	Mr Harris
Mr Stewart	

Against the Motion.

Mr Kavanagh
Mr C Roche
Mr Creighton
Mr Delap
Mr Blanchard
Mr Johnston
Mr Dodd
Mr Uniacke
Mr Huntington
Mr Lent
Mr Budd
Mr Barss
Mr Rudolf

So it passed in the Affirmative.

And accordingly, the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole House, on the further consideration of Ways and Means.

House in Committee of Ways and Means

Mr. Speaker left the Chair,

Mr. Rudolf took the Chair,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chairman reported from the Committee that they had come to two Resolutions, which they had directed him to report to the House, and he read the same in his place, and afterwards delivered them in at the Clerk's Table, where they were again read, and are as follow:

Report two Resolutions

1st. *Whereas*, the Secretary of the Colonies has intimated to this Legislature that it is the intention of His Majesty's Government to recommend Parliament to withdraw all Duties on Flour imported into this Province, *Resolved*, that it is not expedient to impose any Colonial Duty on that article.

1st Resolution not to impose any duty on Flour

2d. *Resolved*, That it is the opinion of this Committee, that the Duties on Salted Beef and Pork should remain the same as last year, or in case the Imperial Duties thereon should be repealed, an equal amount of Colonial Duties should remain and continue thereon.

2d duty on Beef and Pork to remain as last year

The usual question was then put upon the first Resolution, that the House do agree thereto, upon which, the House dividing, there appeared, for agreeing to the Resolution, twenty; against it, sixteen:

1st Resolution agreed to by this House

For

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For the Resolution.

Mr Stewart	Mr Lent
Mr Doyle	Mr Clements
Mr Rudolf	Mr Budd
Mr Barss	Mr Huntington
Mr O'Brien	Mr Delap
Mr Cochran	Mr B Dewolf
Mr Heckman	Mr Creighton
Mr Dodd	Mr Blanchard
Mr Uniacke	Mr C Roche
Mr W H Roach	Mr Kavanagh

Against the Resolution.

Mr Harris	Mr Lovett
Mr Crow	Mr E Dewolf
Mr Morse	Mr Archibald
Mr Lawson	Mr Dickson
Mr Wier	Mr Shey
Mr Bell	Mr G Smith
Mr Deblois	Mr Morton
Mr Oxley	Mr Chipman

So it passed in the Affirmative.

Mr. Uniacke then moved, that so much of the second Resolution as relates to the Duty on Salted Pork, be not received by the House; which, being seconded and put, and the House dividing thereon, there appeared, for the motion, thirteen; against it, twenty-three:

For the Motion.

Mr Doyle
Mr Rudolf
Mr Barss
Mr Heckman
Mr Dodd
Mr Uniacke
Mr Lent
Mr Clements
Mr Budd
Mr Huntington
Mr Deblois
Mr C Roche
Mr Kavanagh

Against the Motion.

Mr O'Brien	Mr Oxley
Mr Harris	Mr Lovett
Mr Blanchard	Mr E Dewolf
Mr Johnston	Mr Cochran
Mr Crow	Mr Archibald
Mr Morse	Mr Dickson
Mr Lawson	Mr Shey
Mr B Dewolf	Mr G Smith
Mr Wier	Mr Morton
Mr Bell	Mr Stewart
Mr Delap	Mr Chipman
Mr W H Roach	

So it passed in the Negative.

The said second Resolution was then, upon the question put thereupon, agreed to by the House.

Ordered, That the said second Resolution be referred to the Committee appointed to bring in the Revenue Bill of Colonial Impost Duties.

Mr. Doyle reported from the Select Committee on the Petition of Thomas Miller; and he read the Report in his place, and afterwards delivered it in at the Clerk's Table, where it was again read.

(See Appendix, No. 50.)

Ordered, That the Report do lie on the Table.

Mr. Stewart, pursuant to leave given, presented a Bill for the better regulation of Barristers, Advocates, Attornies, Solicitors and Proctors, practising in the Courts of this Province; and the same was read a first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time.

An engrossed Bill to enable the Proprietors of a certain Meeting-House at the West River, in Pictou, to sell the same, was read a third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and that the title be, An Act to enable the Proprietors of a certain Meeting-House at West River, in Pictou, to sell the same.

An engrossed Bill to amend the Act relating to the Court of Commissioners at Halifax, was read a third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and that the title be, An Act to amend the Act relating to the Court of Commissioners at Halifax.

An engrossed Bill to amend the Act to direct and ascertain the mode of Assessing County and District Rates, and for other purposes, as far as respects the District of Halifax, was read a third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and that the title be, An Act to amend the Act to direct and ascertain the mode of Assessing County and District Rates, and for other purposes, as far as respects the District of Halifax.

An engrossed Bill to provide for the sale of part of a certain Road in Truro, was read a third time,

Resolved,

Motion not to receive part of 2d Resolution relative to duty on Pork, negatived

2d Resolution agreed to and referred to Committee who are to bring in Revenue Bill

Report on the Pet. of Thos. Miller

Bill relating to Barristers, &c.

Engrossed Bills passed, viz—
To allow sale of Meeting-house in Pictou

Court of Comrs. at Halifax

Halifax Assessment

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Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and that the title be, An Act to provide for the sale of part of a certain Road in Truro.

An engrossed Bill to amend the Act to direct and ascertain the mode of Assessing County and District Rates, and for other purposes, was read a third time. Bill to amend Assessment Act

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and that the title be, An Act to amend the Act to direct and ascertain the mode of Assessing County and District Rates, and for other purposes.

An engrossed Bill to continue and amend the Act relating to Passengers from Great-Britain and Ireland, was read a third time. Passengers Bill

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and that the title be, An Act to continue and amend the Act relating to Passengers from Great-Britain and Ireland.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bills to the Council, and desire their concurrence. Bills sent to Council

A Message from the Council, by Mr. Halliburton:

Mr. Speaker,

The Council have agreed to the Bill, entitled, An Act to Incorporate the General Mining Association; and to the Bill, entitled, An Act to improve the Navigation of the East River of Pictou; with an amendment to each Bill respectively. Council agree to Mining Association Bill with amendments

And then the Messenger withdrew.

The amendment proposed by the Council to the Bill, entitled, An Act to Incorporate the General Mining Association, was read throughout a first and second time. Amendment agreed to and

On motion, *resolved*, that the House do agree to the said amendment.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill and amendment back to the Council, and acquaint them that this House have agreed to the amendment. Bill and amendments sent to Council

The amendment proposed by the Council to the Bill, entitled, An Act to improve the Navigation of the East River of Pictou, was read; and thereupon, The House cannot consider amendments to East River Pictou Bill

Resolved, That this House cannot consider the said amendment, as it relates to a clause in the Bill imposing a Tax,

Mr. Lawson reported from the Committee of Public Accounts, of this House, appointed to enquire into the amount retained or received by the Collector of Colonial Duties at Halifax, as his Salary or Commissions; and he read the Report in his place, and afterwards delivered it in at the Clerk's Table, where it was again read. Report from Com. on Public Accounts

(See Appendix, No. 51.)

On motion of Mr. G. Smith, *resolved*, that the Report be received and adopted by this House.

Mr. W. H. Roach moved, that the House do come to a Resolution as followeth, viz: Motion for the expense of the Estimates of Roads submitted to the House by His Excellency to be paid out of Road Vote
Resolved, That the Expenses incurred by His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, in obtaining Estimates of the repairs and improvements of the Main Post Roads through the several Counties in the Province, be referred to a Committee, to examine and report upon the Expenses incurred in each County, in obtaining such Estimates, and that the said Expenses of each County, be provided for out of the sums allotted for the Road Service in each County, by its Members: which, being seconded,

Mr. Dickson moved an amendment thereof, as follows:—to leave out all the words of the Resolution, except the word “Resolved,” and in place of the words so left out, to substitute the following, viz:—“That it be referred to a Select Committee, to enquire into and audit the Expenses of the Plans, Estimates and Surveys of the state, and requisite alterations and repairs of the Main Post Road, obtained by His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, at the request of this House in the last Session, and sent to the House this Session by His Excellency, and to report upon such Expenses to this House, to enable this House to provide for payment thereof; which, being seconded and put, was agreed to by the House. Amendment for a Com. to examine and report upon the expense that the House may provide for the same

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Ordered,

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Select Com. thereon *Ordered*, That Mr. Dickson, Mr. Huntington and Mr. Uniacke, be a Committee for the purpose expressed in the amended Resolution.

Motion for £250 to be borrowed and expended on Road from Kennetcook Bridge to Petit negatived
Mr. O'Brien moved, that leave be given to bring in a Bill to sanction a Loan of £250 to improve the road from Kennetcook Bridge to Petit, in the County of Hants; the same to be repaid by annual instalments of £25, out of the monies that may from time to time be granted for the Road Service, until the full amount be paid; and in case no such appropriation is made, in that case the money to be raised by assessment on the County; which, being seconded and put, passed in the negative.

A Message from the Council, by Mr. Halliburton:

Mr. Speaker,

Council agree to Mining Association Bill as amended

The Council have agreed to the Bill, entitled, An Act to Incorporate the General Mining Association as amended.

And then the Messenger withdrew.

House in Com. on Bills

On motion, the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole House, on the further consideration of the several Bills which stood committed.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair,

Mr. Lovett took the Chair,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

Report Merchant Seamen's Bill

The Chairman reported from the Committee, that they had gone through the Bill relating to the Merchant Seamen of this Province, and had made some amendments thereto, which they had directed him to report to the House with the Bill; and he delivered the Bill and amendments in at the Clerk's Table.

The Chairman also acquainted the House, that he was directed by the Committee to move for leave to sit again on the consideration of Bills committed; which the House agreed to.

The said amendments were read throughout a first and second time, and, upon the question put thereupon, were agreed to by the House.

Ordered, That the Bill with the amendments be engrossed.

Then the House adjourned until To-morrow, at twelve of the Clock.

Thursday, 3d March, 1836.

PRAYERS.

Bill concerning East River, Pictou, sent back to Council

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry back to the Council the Bill, entitled, An Act to improve the Navigation of the East River of Pictou, with the amendment proposed by the Council thereto, and acquaint the Council with the Resolution of this House, passed yesterday, in regard to said amendment.

Com. to conduct the Funeral of the late John Homer, Esq.

On motion of Mr. Uniacke, *resolved*, that a Committee be appointed to manage and conduct the Funeral of the late John Homer, Esq. the Member for the Township of Barrington, and that this House will attend the same, at such time as the said Committee shall appoint, and will provide for the necessary Expense thereof; and that the Clerk do include the same in the contingent Expenses of the House.

Ordered, That Mr. Huntington, Mr. Lent, Mr. C. Roche, Mr. Clements and Mr. O'Brien, be a Committee for the above purpose.

Pet. of the Digby Temperance Society

A Petition of William L. Bent, President, and Botsford Viets, Corresponding Secretary of the Digby Temperance Society, was presented by Mr. W. H. Roach, and read, praying that the fourth Clause of the Act, Wm. 4, Chap. 19, may be repealed.

Ordered, That that the Petition do lie on the Table.

House in Com. on Bills

On motion, the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole House, on the further consideration of the several Bills which stood committed. Mr.

THURSDAY, 3d MARCH, 1836.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair,
Mr. Lovett took the Chair,
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair,

The Chairman reported from the Committee, that they had gone through the Bill to continue the Act concerning the Terms of the Supreme Court at Halifax; the Bill concerning Elections in the County of Cumberland; the Bill to authorize the Congregation of a certain Meeting-House at Shubenacadie, to raise Money from the Pews of the said Meeting-House, for the repairing and ornamenting thereof; and the Bill to enable the Congregation of the Meeting-House at Mass Town, in Londonderry, to raise Money from the Pews of the said Meeting-House, for the repairing and ornamenting thereof; and had directed him to report the said Bills to the House, severally, without any amendment. That the Committee had also gone through the Bill for making Lands and Tenements liable to Debts, and to repeal the Acts now in force, and had made several amendments thereto, which they had directed him to report to the House with the Bills, and he afterwards delivered the Bills and amendments, in at the Clerk's Table.

The Chairman also acquainted the House that he was directed by the Committee to move for leave to sit again on the consideration of Bills committed: which the House agreed to.

The said amendments reported from the Committee to the last mentioned Bill, were read throughout a first and second time, and, upon the question put thereupon, were agreed to by the House.

Ordered, That the Bill with the amendments be engrossed.

Ordered, That the Bills reported without amendments be engrossed.

Mr. Deblois reported from the Select Committee on the Revenue Laws; and thereupon presented to the House,

A Bill for granting Colonial Duties of Impost for the support of His Majesty's Government within this Province, and for promoting the Agriculture, Commerce and Fisheries thereof.

A Bill to continue and amend the Act for regulating the Importation of Goods, and the said Bills were read a first time.

Resolved, That the said Bills be read a second time.

Mr. Stewart reported from the Select Committee, appointed to enquire into the expenditure of certain Monies for the service of Roads in the County of Lunenburg for the past year; and he read the Report in his place, and afterwards delivered it in at the Clerk's Table, where it was again read.

(See Appendix, No. 52.)

On motion of Mr. Creighton, *resolved*, that the Report be received and adopted by the House.

Mr. Uniacke reported from the Select Committee, on the Light-Houses Act, and the several Petitions relating to Light-Houses, and in regard to the duties for the support of Light-Houses; and he read the Report in his place, and afterwards delivered it in at the Clerk's Table, where it was again read.

(See Appendix, No. 43.)

Ordered, That the Report do lie on the Table.

A Petition of Harris Hatch and others, Acting Committee for the St. Andrew's, and Quebec Rail Road Association, was presented by Mr. Stewart, and read, praying the countenance of this House towards the construction of a Rail Road between Canada and New-Brunswick, the route having been explored and found practicable.

Ordered, That the Petition do lie on the Table.

A Petition of Daniel Wier and others, Members of the Lower Horton Temperance Society, was presented by Mr. Chipman, and read; also, a Petition of William Nicholls and others, Inhabitants of the Township of Clements, was presented by Mr. Johnston, and read, severally praying an alteration in the Law relating to Licenses for selling

Report the following Bills, viz:
Sup. Court, Halifax
Cumberland Elections
Shubenacadie Meeting-House
Londonderry Meeting-House

Also, a Bill for making Laws, &c. liable for debts with amendments

Bill reported with amendments agreed to

Report on Revenue Laws and Bill presented

Bill relating to Importation of Goods

Report of Road Money expended in Lunenburg by G. Miller

Report on Light-House Act, & Pet. relating thereto

Pet. of the Com. of the St. Andrew's & Quebec Rail Road Association

Pet. from Horton & Clements respectively, praying a change in the License Law

Spirituos

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Spirituous Liquors, so that the power of granting such Licenses may be more guarded and restricted.

Ordered, That the Petitions do lie on the Table.

Mr. Doyle moved, that the House do come to a Resolution as followeth, viz:

Resolution for Order of Day on Monday next to consider composition of Executive and Legislative Councils and to consider of Reform thereon

Resolved, That that this House will, on Monday, the 7th day of March, Instant, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, for the purpose of taking into consideration the composition of the Legislative and Executive Councils of this Province, and of considering whether it would not be expedient to pray for a reform of the said Councils, and what would be the best means of effecting the same; which, being seconded and put, and the House dividing thereon, there appeared, for the motion, twenty-one; against it, fifteen.

For the Motion.

Mr Lawson	Mr Morton
Mr Doyle	Mr Delap
Mr E Dewolf	Mr Ozley
Mr G Smith	Mr Stewart
Mr Chipman	Mr Lent
Mr O'Brien	Mr Dodd
Mr Dickson	Mr Archibald
Mr Lovett	Mr Kavanagh
Mr Jobaston	Mr Wilkins
Mr Uniacke	Mr Blanchard
Mr B Dewolf	

Against the Motion.

Mr Creighton	Mr Barss
Mr C Roche	Mr Heckman
Mr Budd	Mr W H Roach
Mr Rudolf	Mr Harris
Mr Cochran	
Mr Crow	
Mr Wier	
Mr Morse	
Mr Bell	
Mr Deblois	
Mr Shey	

So it passed in the Affirmative.

Bill in regard to East River, Pictou

Mr. Uniacke, pursuant to leave given, presented a Bill for deepening the East River of Pictou, and the same was read a first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time.

Then the House adjourned until To-morrow, at twelve of the Clock.

Friday, 4th March, 1836.

PRAYERS.

Letter from the President of H. M. Council relative to the Funeral of the late Mr. Homer

Mr. Speaker laid before the House, a Letter received by him from the Honorable the President of His Majesty's Council, dated yesterday, transmitting an enclosed Resolution of the Council, and requesting to be informed when the Funeral of the late Mr. Homer, will take place. The said Resolution of the Council was read, and is as follows:

In Council, 3d March, 1836.

Resolution enclosed in said Letter

Resolved unanimously, That this House will attend the Funeral of the late John Homer, Esquire, late the Representative of the Town of Barrington, in General Assembly, and that the President of this House, be requested to communicate the foregoing Resolution to the Speaker of the House of Assembly.

Mr. Speaker to communicate the time at which the Funeral will take place

Ordered, That the said Letter and Resolution do lie on the Table, and that Mr. Speaker be requested to communicate to the Honorable the President of His Majesty's Council, that the Funeral of the late Mr. Homer, will take place to-morrow, at two of the Clock.

Report of Addresses on the subject of the Foreign Trade

Mr. Stewart, from the Committee appointed on the 12th February last, to prepare Addresses to His Majesty, to the Houses of Lords and Commons, and to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, on the subject of the Foreign Trade of the Province, and matters connected therewith, presented the said several Addresses as prepared by the Committee, and the same were read respectively.

Ordered, That the said Addresses do lie on the Table, for further consideration.

Bill to reduce Expenses of Law Suits

Mr. W. H. Roach, pursuant to leave given, presented a Bill for reducing the Expenses of Suits at Law, in certain cases, and the same was read a first time. *Ordered*,

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time.

Mr. Creighton reported from the Select Committee, upon the Petition of Joseph Dimock; and he read the Report in his place, and afterwards delivered it in at the Clerk's Table, where it was again read.

Report on Petition of J. Dimock

(See Appendix, No. 54.)

Ordered, That the Report do lie on the Table.

Mr. Stewart moved, that the House do come to a Resolution as followeth, viz:—

Motion for change of appropriation of £750 granted in 1832 for road round Bedford Basin

Resolved, That the sum of £750 appropriated in 1832, for a Road round Bedford Bason, be applied as follows, that is to say:—£500 upon the Road between Key's and Gay's River; and £250 to assist in finishing the New Main Road through Brookfield, in Truro, towards Halifax: which, being seconded,

Mr. Deblois moved as an amendment, to add at the end thereof the words "to be expended by Tender and Contract," which, being seconded and put, and the House dividing thereon, there appeared, for the motion, sixteen; against it, seventeen. So it passed in the negative.

Amendment that the same be expended by Tender and Contract negatived

Mr. B. Dewolf then moved another amendment to the question, to-wit: to leave out all the words of the proposed Resolution, except the word "Resolved," and before the said word "Resolved," to substitute the words following, viz: Whereas, the sum of £750 granted by the Legislature in April, 1832, to assist the Inhabitants of Halifax in completing a road round Bedford Basin, has not been expended therefor," and after the said word "Resolved," to substitute the following, viz: "The said sum be applied to gravel and improve the road from Halifax to Hants County line, or to effect the alteration of the road to avoid the hills near Fenerty's on the same line of road, agreeably to a plan submitted to this House at a former Session; the choice to be at the option of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, and to be expended under his special direction: which, being seconded and put, passed in the negative.

Another amendm't for the said Money to be expended on the Road from Halifax to Hants' County negatived

The resolution originally moved, being then put, the House divided thereon, and there appeared, for the motion, sixteen; against it, seventeen. So it passed in the negative.

Original Resolution negatived

On motion of Mr. Stewart, *resolved*, that a Committee be appointed to search the Journals of the Council in relation to the Bill, entitled, An Act to render unnecessary the taking of any other Oaths than the Oath of Allegiance and the Oath of Office, as a qualification for Office in this Province, and to report to this House the proceedings had in the Council thereon.

Motion to search Journals of Council in regard to Oath Bill

Ordered, That Mr. Stewart, Mr. Doyle and Mr. Chipman, be a Committee for the above purpose.

An engrossed Bill to continue the Act concerning the Terms of the Supreme Court at Halifax, was read a third time.

Engrossed Bills passed, viz: Concerning Terms of Supreme Court Halifax

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and that the title be, An Act concerning the Terms of the Supreme Court at Halifax.

An engrossed Bill to authorise the Congregation of a certain Meeting-House at Shubenacadie, to raise Money from the Pews of the said Meeting-House, for the repairing and ornamenting thereof, was read a third time.

Shubenacadie Meeting-House

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and that the title be, An Act to authorise the Congregation of a certain Meeting-House at Shubenacadie to raise Money from the Pews of the said Meeting-House, for the repairing and ornamenting thereof.

An engrossed Bill to enable the Congregation of the Meeting-House at Mass Town, in Londonderry, to raise Money from the Pews of the said Meeting-House, for the repairing and ornamenting thereof, was read a third time.

Masstown Meetings House

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and that the title be, An Act to enable the Congregation of the Meeting-House at Mass Town, in Londonderry, to raise Money from the Pews of the said Meeting-House, for the repairing and ornamenting thereof.

An engrossed Bill concering Elections in the County of Cumberland, was read a third time.

Elections Cumberland

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Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and that the title be, An Act concerning Elections in the County of Cumberland.

Merchant Seamen An engrossed Bill relating to the Merchant Seamen of this Province, was read a third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and that the title be, An Act relating to the Merchant Seamen of this Province.

Bill for making Lands, &c. liable for Debts

An engrossed Bill for making Lands and Tenements liable to Debts, and to repeal the Acts now in force was read a third time; and thereupon,

Two clauses added and Bill passed

On motion of Mr. Stewart, *resolved*, that the following clauses be added to the Bill by way of rider, viz:—

And be it further enacted, That the Sheriff or other Officer, who shall make any levy upon any Lands, Tenements or Hereditaments, under this Act, shall forthwith give notice in writing to the Defendant or Defendants, if he or they are within the County wherein the Lands, Tenements or Hereditaments lie, that he hath made such levy, and requiring the said Defendant or Defendants to specify what portion of his Lands, Tenements or Hereditaments, he desires to be sold, under the Execution or Executions, and apprising the said Defendant or Defendants, that, unless he or they shall so specify within the time limited by this Act, that the said Lands, Tenements or Hereditaments, will be sold under the provisions of this Act.

And be it further enacted, That the said Sheriff or other Officer, after deducting from the monies arising from any such sale, his own fees on the Execution under which he may have made such sale, shall pay to the Plaintiff or Plaintiffs the amount of the Execution, under which the said sale shall have been made, and if any residue shall then remain of the said monies, such residue shall be held by such Sheriff, to be paid over to the person or persons legally entitled to such residue, as the Court, from whom such Execution may have been issued, shall order and direct; which said clauses having been accordingly added to the Bill.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and that the title be, An Act for making Lands and Tenements liable for Debts, and to repeal the Acts now in force.

Bills ordered to be sent to Council

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the several Bills to the Council, and desire their concurrence.

A Message from the Council, by Mr. Halliburton:

Mr. Speaker,

Council desire Conference on Flour Inspection Bill

The Council desire a Conference by Committee, with a Committee of this Honorable House, on the subject of the Bill, entitled, An Act to amend and continue the Acts for the Inspection of Flour and Meal,

And then the Messenger withdrew.

Conference agreed to

On motion, *resolved*, that this House do agree to the said Conference.

Ordered, That Mr. Bell, Mr. Deblois and Mr. W. H. Roach, do manage the Conference.

So they went to the Conference; and being returned,

Report therefrom

Mr. Bell reported, that the Managers had been at the Conference, and stated the substance of the Conference to the House.

Report on Petition of Lessees of Lots on Halifax Common

Mr. Bell reported from the Select Committee, on the Petition of Rufus Fairbanks and others, Lessees of Lots on the Common of Halifax; and he read the report in his place, and afterwards delivered it in at the Clerk's Table, where it was again read.

(See Appendix, No. 55.)

Resolved, that the Report be received and adopted by this House.

Report adopted Order of Day on Private Petitions read and postponed till Monday Bills read 2d time viz:

The Order of the Day, for considering Private Petitions, being read,

Resolved, That this House will proceed to the consideration of private Petitions on Monday next.

Deepening East River of Pictou

A Bill for deepening the East River of Pictou.

A

FRIDAY and SATURDAY, 4th and 5th MARCH, 1836.

A Bill for the better regulation of Barristers, Advocates, Attornies, Solicitors and Proctors, practising in the Courts of this Province.

Barristers, &c.

A Bill for granting Colonial Duties of Impost for the support of His Majesty's Government, and for promoting the Agriculture, Commerce and Fisheries thereof; and

Colonial Duties of Impost, &c.

A Bill to continue and amend the Act for regulating the Importation of Goods, were severally read a second time.

For regulating the Importation of Goods

Ordered, That the Bills be committed to a Committee of the whole House.

Said Bills committed

A Petition of James Douglas and others, residing near the mouth of the River Shubenacadie, was presented by Mr. B. Dewolf, and read, praying that the grant formerly given in aid of running a Ferry Boat between Douglas and Londonderry may be renewed and continued, the present Ferryman, Isaiah Smith, having provided a very superior Boat.

Petition for aid to Ferry Boat to ply between Douglas and Londonderry

Ordered, That the Petition do lie on the Table.

A Bill to abolish one of the Sittings of the Inferior Court of Common Pleas and General Sessions of the Peace for the County of Cumberland, was read a second time.

Cumberland Inferior Court Bill read 2d time

Then the House adjourned until To-morrow, at twelve of the Clock.

Saturday, 5th March, 1836.

PRAYERS.

Mr. Stewart reported from the Committee appointed to search the Journals of the Council in reference to the Bill, entitled, An Act to render unnecessary the taking of any other Oaths than the Oath of Allegiance and the Oath of Office, as a qualification for Office in this Province; that the Committee had made such search, and had taken from the Journals of the Council, an extract of their proceedings upon said Bill, and he read the said extract in his place, and afterwards delivered it in at the Clerk's Table, where it was again read, and is follows, viz:—

Extract from Journals of Council in reference to Oath Bill

“Legislative Council, Saturday, 27th Feby. 1836.

The House met pursuant to Adjournment.

PRAYERS.

PRESENT—

The Honorable	The Chief Justice	§	Charles R. Prescott
	The Lord Bishop	§	Samuel Cunard
	T. N. Jeffery	§	H. H. Cogswell
	H. N. Binney	§	Peter McNab
	Enos Collins	§	James Tobin
	S. B. Robie	§	Joseph Allison

A Bill, entitled, An Act to render unnecessary the taking of any other Oaths than the Oath of Allegiance and the Oath of Office, as a qualification for Office in this Province.

The said Bill was read a first time.”

Ordered, That the said Extract do lie on the Table.

The Order of the Day for reporting the several Scales of Division of Monies for the Road Service, being read.

Resolved, That the Scales of Division be reported to this House on Monday next.

Order of Day Scales of Division of Road Monies postponed till Monday

The Order for attending the Funeral of the late John Homer, Esq. late Member for Barrington, being read,

Order for attending the Funeral of the late J. Homer, Esq.

The House adjourned (for the purpose of attending said Funeral) until Monday next, at Twelve of the clock.

Monday,

MONDAY, 7th MARCH, 1836.

PRAYERS.

Resolution to request His Excellency to appoint J W Homer to be Sub-Collector for the Port of Barrington

On motion of Mr. Stewart, *resolved unanimously*, that a Committee be appointed to wait upon His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, and request that he will be graciously pleased to appoint provisionally, to the the vacancy occasioned by the superannuation of Joseph Homer, Sub-Collector of the Port of Barrington, the Father of John Homer, Esquire, the Member for the said Township, lately deceased, John W. Homer, the son of the said John Homer, and that His Excellency will be graciously pleased to forward this Resolution to His Majesty's Government, with His Excellency's favorable recommendation of the said John W. Homer for the said appointment, he having for several years ably and faithfully performed the duties of the said Office, on behalf of his Grandfather, (whose age and infirmities prevented him from doing so;) with the entire approbation of the Honorable the Collector and the other principal Officers of the Customs of this Province.

Ordered, That Mr. Huntington, Mr. Lent, Mr. C. Roche and Mr. Clements, be a Committee for the above purpose.

House in Committee on Bills

On motion, the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole House, on the further consideration of the several Bills which stood committed.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair,

Mr. Lovett took the Chair,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

Report Bill for deepening the East River of Pictou

The Chairman reported from the Committee, that they had gone through the Bill for deepening the East River of Pictou, and had directed him to report the said Bill to the House without any amendment; and he delivered the Bill in at the Clerk's Table.

The Chairman also acquainted the House, that he was directed by the Committee to move for leave to sit again on the consideration of the several Bills committed: which the House agreed to.

Ordered, That the said Bill be engrossed.

Order of Day, subdivision of Road Monies postponed until to-morrow

The Order of the Day, respecting the several Scales of the Sub-division of Monies for the Road Service, being read,

Resolved, That the same be reported to-morrow.

Petition of M. Maddock for remuneration for loss of a Horse

A Petition of Matthew Maddock, a Courier of the Mail in Cape-Breton, was presented by Mr. Dodd, and read, praying remuneration for the loss of a Horse, by breaking through the Ice, while conveying the Mail across a River; and thereupon,

Mr. Dodd moved, that a Committee be appointed upon the Post-Office Accounts and Disbursements of the last year, and that this Petition, with all other Petitions on matters connected with that Department in this Province, be referred to the said Committee, to examine and report thereon; which, being seconded,

Mr. Cochran moved, by way of amendment to the question, that Mr. Dodd have leave to withdraw the Petition; which, being seconded and put, passed in the Negative.

The main question being then put, was agreed to by the House.

Ordered, That Mr. Dickson, Mr. Dodd, Mr. B. Dewolf, Mr. Uniacke, Mr. O'Brien, Mr. W. H. Roach and Mr. Chipman, be a Committee for the above purpose.

Committee to inspect Post-Office Accounts and the above, with other Petitions, to be referred to them
Amendment that the Petition of M. Maddock be withdrawn negatived
Main question carried and Select Committee appointed

Mr. Deblois reported from the Committee on the Revenue Bills; and thereupon presented to the House several Bills which were respectively read a first time, viz:—

A Bill to continue the several Acts for the prevention of Smuggling.

A Bill to continue the Act for the general regulation of the Colonial Duties.

A Bill to continue the Act for the Warehousing of Goods, and in amendment thereof.

A Bill to continue and amend the Act concerning Goods exported and for granting

Drawbacks.

A Bill to continue the Acts for granting a Drawback of the Duties on Brown or Raw Sugar used in the manufacture of Refined Sugars within the Province, and for regulating the mode of obtaining the same.

A

Revenue Bills reported, viz:
For prevention of Smuggling
Colonial Duties Regulation
Warehousing of Goods
Granting drawbacks

Drawback on Sugar

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A Bill to continue the Act to encourage the manufacture of Chocolate in this Province by granting a Bounty thereon. Chocolate Manufacture

A Bill to continue the Act to encourage the manufacture of Tobacco in this Province by granting a Bounty thereon. Tobacco Manufacture

Ordered, That the said several Bills be read a second time.

A Message from the Council, by Mr. Halliburton :

Mr. Speaker,

The Council have agreed to the Bill, entitled, An Act to amend and ascertain the mode of assessing County and District Rates, and for other purposes ; and to the Bill, entitled, An Act to continue and amend the Act relating to Passengers from Great Britain and Ireland, severally without any amendment. Council agree to Assessment Bill, also Passengers Bill

And then the Messenger withdrew.

On motion, the Report of the Select Committee appointed to enquire into the expenditure of certain Monies appropriated for the service of Roads and Bridges in the County of Lunenburg in the past year, was read ; and thereupon, Report on expenditure of Monies in Lunenburg read, &c. Two Resolutions moved thereupon

Mr. Creighton moved, that the House do come to the Resolutions following, viz :—

Resolved, That this House are of opinion, that Garret Miller, Esq. has not expended the sum of seven Pounds mentioned in the said Report, within the limits of his Commission, and has also expended such portions of the grant of £25 mentioned in the said Report, as was not applied in repair of the Bridges, after the time prescribed by Law, and has therefore incurred the censure of this House. Resolution as to mis-application of Monies

Resolved, That the said Garret Miller, Esquire, be forthwith brought to the Bar of this House, and be there censured by the Speaker for such his application and expenditure. Resolution that Mr. Miller be brought to the Bar and censured

The first Resolution being read,

Mr. Uniacke moved, by way of amendment thereof, to leave out all the words of said Resolution except the word "Resolved," and in place of the words so left out to substitute the following, viz : "That the said Report be referred back to the same Committee, to report further and more accurately upon the matters therein referred to ; and particularly as to the efficiency of the Bonds given by Mr. Miller, for expenditure of Road Money" : which, being seconded and put, passed in the negative. Amendment moved to first Resolution to refer report back to Committee negatived

Mr. Deblois then moved another amendment of said Resolution, viz : to leave out all the words thereof except the word "Resolved," and in place of the words so left out to substitute the following, viz : "that a Select Committee be appointed to wait upon His Excellency with the Report of the Committee appointed to investigate the conduct of Garret Miller, Esquire, a Road Commissioner, and respectfully request His Excellency to direct the Crown Officers to enquire into the expediency of prosecuting the Bonds given by Mr. Miller for the proper expenditure of the Money" : which, being seconded and put, and the House dividing thereon, there appeared, for the motion ten ; against it, twenty-one. Other amendments to request Bonds of Mr. Miller to be prosecuted negatived

So it passed in the Negative.

Mr. Stewart then moved another amendment to said Resolution, to leave out all the words thereof except the word "Resolved," and in place of the words so left out to substitute the following, viz : "That a Select Committee be appointed to wait on His Excellency with the Report of the Committee appointed to investigate the conduct of Garret Miller, Esquire, a Road Commissioner, and respectfully request His Excellency to direct the Crown Officers to prosecute the Bonds given by Mr. Miller, in the County of Lunenburg" : which, being seconded and put, and the House dividing thereon, there appeared, for the motion, fourteen ; against it, sixteen.

So it passed in the Negative.

Mr. Johnston then moved, as another amendment of said Resolution, to leave out all the words thereof except the word "Resolved," and in place of the words so left out

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to substitute the following, viz: "That a Select Committee be appointed to wait on His Excellency with the Report of the Committee appointed to investigate the conduct of Garret Miller, Esquire, a Road Commissioner, and respectfully request His Excellency to direct the Crown Officers to prosecute the Bonds given by Mr. Miller"; which, being seconded and put, and the House dividing thereon, there appeared, for the amendment, fourteen; against it, seventeen.

So it passed in the Negative.

First original Resolution carried

The original Resolution first moved, was then put, and the House dividing thereon, there appeared, for the Resolution, sixteen; against it, fifteen:

For the Resolution.

Against the Resolution.

Mr Chipman
Mr Stewart
Mr Lawson
Mr Dickson
Mr Morton
Mr Huntington
Mr Archibald
Mr Delap

Mr Lent
Mr Crow
Mr O'Brien
Mr Lovett
Mr Wier
Mr J R Dewolf
Mr E Dewolf
Mr Kavanagh

Mr Harris
Mr Budd
Mr Delap
Mr Cochran
Mr Johnston
Mr Wilkins
Mr Bell

Mr Doyle
Mr Uniacke
Mr Shey
Mr Deblois
Mr B Dewolf
Mr W H Roach
Mr G Smith

So it passed in the Affirmative.

Second Resolution originally moved put and negatived

The second Resolution originally moved, was then seconded and put, the House dividing thereon, there appeared, for the Resolution, six; against it, twenty-five:

For the Resolution.

Against the Resolution.

Mr Lawson
Mr Morton
Mr Huntington
Mr Lent
Mr O'Brien
Mr Kavanagh

Mr E Dewolf
Mr J R Dewolf
Mr Harris
Mr Wier
Mr Archibald
Mr Lovett
Mr Crow
Mr Barss
Mr Budd

Mr Delap
Mr W H Roach
Mr G Smith
Mr Stewart
Mr Cochran
Mr Oxley
Mr Johnston
Mr Wilkins

Mr Bell
Mr Doyle
Mr Uniacke
Mr Shey
Mr Deblois
Mr B Dewolf
Mr Dickson
Mr Chipman

So it passed in the Negative.

Motion that the time limited for bringing in Bills be extended negatived

It was moved, that the time limited to this day for bringing in Bills be extended until Monday next, the fourteenth inst.: which, being seconded and put, and the House dividing thereon, there appeared, for the motion, twelve; against it, fifteen.

So it passed in the Negative.

Motion for leave to bring in the following Bills, viz: Sabbath observance Vagrant

Mr. Bell moved for leave to bring in the several Bills following, viz:

A Bill for the better observance of the Sabbath.

A Bill for more effectually suppressing Street begging, and for disposing of Vagrants and idle Children, Drunkards, and other disorderly Persons.

Punishment of Crimes

A Bill for the more effectual punishment of certain Crimes, Misdemeanors, and lesser Offences therein mentioned.

Banishment of Criminals

A Bill to authorise the inflicting punishment of banishment from the Province, upon Criminal Offenders, in certain cases.

Halifax Streets

A Bill to prevent the obstructing and incumbering the Streets of Halifax, and for other purposes.

Timber and Lumber

A Bill to amend an Act, entitled, An Act to regulate the Survey of Timber and Lumber, and to repeal certain Acts now in force; and,

Bridewell and House of Industry

A Bill to provide for the better establishment and regulation of a Bridewell for the punishment of Criminals, and for the establishment and regulation of a House of Industry.

Leave given to bring in said Bills

Which motion being seconded and put, and the House dividing thereon, there appeared, for the motion, seventeen; against it, ten.

So it passed in the Affirmative.

Leave given for Bill to incorporate a Cloth manufacturing Company

Mr. Morton moved for leave to bring in a Bill to Incorporate a Company for the Manufacture of Cloth; which, being seconded and put, and the House dividing thereon, there appeared, for the motion, nineteen; against it, nine.

So it passed in the Affirmative.

Mr.

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Mr. Morton also moved for leave to bring in a Bill to settle the Boundary Line of the Township of Cornwallis; which, being seconded and put, passed in the Negative.

Motion to bring Bill to settle the bounds of Cornwallis negatived

Mr. Deblois, pursuant to leave given, presented a Bill to provide for the payment and security of Debts, incurred in the purchase of Real Estate, and the erection of Buildings for the use of the Town of Halifax, and the same was read a first time.

Bill for security of Debts, &c.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time.

Ordered, That Mr. O'Brien have leave to bring in a Bill to substitute Declarations for Oaths in cases of Town Officers taking Office.

Bill to substitute declarations for oaths

Ordered, That Mr. E. Dewolf have leave to bring in a Bill to provide for Assessments on certain Diked Marsh Lands in Horton, called the Wickwire Dike.

Wickwire Dike Assessment Bill

On motion, the House proceeded to the consideration of the Bill, read yesterday a second time, to abolish one of the Sittings of the Inferior Court of Common Pleas and General Sessions of the Peace for the County of Cumberland; and thereupon,

Bill to abolish one sitting of Inferior Court in Cumberland

Mr. Uniacke moved, that the further consideration of the Bill be deferred to this day three months; which, being seconded and put, and the House dividing thereon, there appeared, for the motion, seventeen; against it, eighteen:

Motion to defer Bill 3 months negatived

For the Motion.

Against the Motion.

- Mr G Smith
- Mr Shey
- Mr Wilkins
- Mr Uniacke
- Mr Johnston
- Mr Harris
- Mr Cochran
- Mr Morse
- Mr Deblois
- Mr Bell
- Mr C Roche
- Mr Budd
- Mr Doyle
- Mr Dickson
- Mr J R Dewolf
- Mr Crow
- Mr Kavanagh

- Mr B Dewolf
- Mr Lent
- Mr Delap
- Mr Archibald
- Mr Creighton
- Mr Lovett
- Mr O'Brien
- Mr Barss
- Mr Huntington
- Mr Rudolf
- Mr Dodd
- Mr Wier
- Mr Heckman
- Mr W H Roach
- Mr Oxley
- Mr Stewart
- Mr Morton
- Mr Chipman

So it passed in the Negative.

Ordered, That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House.

A Bill for altering the time of holding the September Term of the Supreme Court in the County of Cumberland, was read a second time.

Bill for altering the Sept. Term Cumberland

Ordered, That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House.

A Message from the Council, by Mr. Halliburton:

Mr. Speaker,

The Council have agreed to the Bill to enable the Proprietors of a certain Meeting House at West River, in Pictou, to sell the same; also, to the Bill to provide for the sale of part of a certain line of Road in Truro; and to the Bill to establish Courts of Commissioners in the Island of Cape-Breton, severally, without any amendment.

Council agree to West River Pictou Meeting-House Bill and Bill for Sale of part of a Road in Truro
Desire Conference on Halifax Rate Bill

The Council desire a Conference with this Honorable House, by Committee, on the subject of the Bill to amend the Act to direct and ascertain the mode of Assessing County and District Rates, and for other purposes, as far as respects the District of Halifax.

And then the Messenger withdrew.

On motion, resolved, that this House do agree to the Conference, desired by the Council on the last mentioned Bill, and that the Clerk do acquaint the Council therewith.

Conference agreed to

Ordered, That Mr. Deblois, Mr. Bell and Mr. Uniacke, do manage the Conference.

So they went to the Conference,

And being returned, Mr. Deblois reported that the Managers had been at the Conference, and he stated the substance of the Conference to the House.

Report thereof

Mr. Dodd reported from the Select Committee, on the Petition of Robert L. Gray; and he read the Report in his place, and afterwards delivered it in at the Clerk's Table, where it was again read.

Report on Petition of R. L. Gray referred to Supply

(See Appendix, No. 56.)

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On motion, *resolved*, that the Report and Petition be referred to the Committee of Supply.

Order of Day on Private Petitions postponed

The Order of the Day, for considering Private Petitions, being read,
Ordered, That Private Petitions be considered to-morrow.

Order of Day on composition of Councils postponed

The Order of the Day, for considering the Composition of His Majesty's Executive and Legislative Councils of this Province, in Committee of the whole House, being read.
Ordered, That the House will resolve itself into such Committee to-morrow.

Then the House adjourned until to-morrow, at twelve of the Clock.

Tuesday, 8th March, 1836.

PRAYERS.

Bill relating to the boundary line between Nova-Scotie and New-Brunswick
Bill relative to a Lock-up House at Cumberland

Mr. Stewart, pursuant to leave given on a former day, presented a Bill to authorise the Lieutenant-Governor to appoint Commissioners to run out the boundary line between Nova-Scotia and New-Brunswick, and the same was read a first time.

Mr. Stewart also, from the Select Committee on the Petition of H. G. Pineo and others, presented to the House a Bill to authorise the Grand Jury and the Court of Sessions of the County of Cumberland, to present and assess money for the erection of a Lock-up House in Pugwash in the said County, and the same was read a first time.

Ordered, That the Bills be read a second time.

Scales of Counties and Districts sub-division of Road Money

Pursuant to the Order of the Day for reporting the Scales of Sub-division of Monies for the service of Roads and Bridges, the several Members of the Counties and Districts throughout the Province, (with the exception of the County of Cape-Breton,) presented to the House the respective Scales of Sub-division of the several sums allotted to such Counties and Districts, and the same were read, and, upon the question severally put thereupon, were agreed to by the House.

(See Appendix, No. 57.)

Cape-Breton Road Money to be placed at the disposal of His Excellency

On motion of Mr. Uniacke, *resolved*, that the sum of One Thousand Two Hundred and Fifty Pounds, allotted for Roads and Bridges in the County of Cape-Breton, out of the sum of £10,000 granted for the service of Roads and Bridges the present year, be placed at the disposal of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, to be expended in that service in said County as heretofore.

Ordered to be sent to Council for Concurrence

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry to the Council the foregoing Resolution, together with the aforesaid several Scales of Sub-division of Road Money, and desire the concurrence of the Council to the same respectively.

Bill respecting Wills, &c.

Mr. Morse reported from the Select Committee, upon the Bill in further amendment of an Act relating to Wills, Legacies and Executors, and for the settlement and distribution of the Estates of Intestates, that the Committee had examined the Bill and approve thereof, and recommend it to the favorable consideration of the House; and thereupon,

Said Bill deferred 3 months

Mr. Uniacke moved, that the further consideration of the Bill, be deferred to this day three months; which, being seconded and put, and the House dividing thereon, there appeared, for the motion, twenty-six; against it, nine.

So it passed in the Affirmative.

Engrossed Bill for deepening the East River of Pictou passed

An engrossed Bill for deepening the East River of Pictou, was read a third time.
Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and that the title be, An Act for deepening the East River of Pictou.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Council, and desire their concurrence. On

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On motion, the House proceeded to consider the several Addresses reported to the House on the 4th inst. relative to the Foreign Trade of the Province; and thereupon, The Address to His Majesty was read, and is as follows:—

House consider Addresses reported on the 4th inst relative to Foreign Trade

TO THE KING'S MOST EXCELLENT MAJESTY.

THE HUMBLE ADDRESS OF THE HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY OF THE PROVINCE OF NOVA-SCOTIA, IN LEGISLATIVE SESSION CONVENEED.

Address to His Majesty

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR MAJESTY.—

THE House of Assembly again most humbly, yet earnestly, recall Your Majesty's attention to the subject of their several Addresses of the 29th March, 1834, and the 15th January, 1835.

The House of Assembly respectfully submit, that the remission of the Duty on Foreign Flour, altho' a measure in itself acceptable to this House, will not afford their Constituents the relief which they seek.

It will not open to Foreign Commerce the Ports which are now closed, nor will it diminish the burthensome expense of the Customs' Establishment, if the policy of Your Majesty's Government should require that these Ports should remain closed as at present.

As regards the additional expense of numerous Officers of the Customs, which, it is suggested, will become necessary, the House of Assembly humbly submit, that, upon no principle of justice, ought this consideration to induce Your Majesty to withhold from Your loyal People of Nova-Scotia the relief they so earnestly desire.

This is apparent from the reasons set forth in the before mentioned Addresses, to which the House humbly refer Your Majesty, and to which, as the House respectfully conceive, no sufficient consideration has ever yet been given.—The House of Assembly, therefore, humbly pray, that Your Majesty will take the prayer of their Constituents into Your gracious consideration, and grant them relief in the premises.

Mr. Uniacke moved, that the further consideration of the Address be deferred to this day three months; which, being seconded and put, and the House dividing thereon, there appeared, for the motion, ten; against it, twenty-seven:

Motion to defer the Address to His Majesty for 3 months negatived

For the Motion.

Mr Lawson
Mr Harris
Mr Uniacke
Mr Dodd
Mr Bell
Mr Deblois
Mr Morse
Mr Wier
Mr C Roche
Mr Kavanagh

Against the Motion.

Mr Dickson	Mr Budd	Mr Huntington
Mr J R Dewolf	Mr Crow	Mr Heckman
Mr Creighton	Mr Chipman	Mr Clements
Mr Delap	Mr Doyle	Mr Lovett
Mr Ozley	Mr Morton	Mr Shey
Mr Blanchard	Mr B Dewolf	Mr G Smith
Mr Archibald	Mr Johnston	Mr Stewart
Mr O'Brien	Mr Freeman	Mr Rudolf
Mr W H Roach	Mr Bars	Mr Wilkins

So it passed in the Negative.

Resolved, That the said Address be adopted by this House.

Address adopted

The Addresses to the Right Honorable the House of Lords and the Honorable the House of Commons, were then respectively read by the Clerk, and are as follow, viz:—

Respective Addresses to the Lords and Commons on Foreign Trade read

TO THE RIGHT HONORABLE

THE LORDS SPIRITUAL AND TEMPORAL, OF THE UNITED KINGDOM OF GREAT-BRITAIN AND IRELAND,

IN PARLIAMENT ASSEMBLED.

Address to the House of Lords

The Petition and Address of the House of Assembly of His Majesty's Province of Nova-Scotia, now in Legislative Session convened, at Halifax, in the said Province.

SHEWETH :

THAT the Inhabitants of this Province, have, for several years past, anxiously desired greater facilities for Trading with Foreign Countries, than they now enjoy, and as these can only be conferred upon them by the Imperial Legislature—The House of Assembly deeming the object sought by their Constituents to be of the deepest moment to their best interests—have resolved to apply to Parliament for relief.

That Your Honorable House may fully understand their wishes, and the claims to which, in justice, they deem themselves entitled to make upon the Parent State, the House of Assembly

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annex hereto Copies of Addresses to His Majesty on the 29th March, 1834, and the 15th January, 1835.

It is not the intention of the House to repeat the arguments and details to be found in these documents, but they cannot forbear urging, that while His Majesty's Government deem it proper not to adopt the scale of Salaries suggested by the House of Assembly, in their Address forwarded with their Act, making provision for the support of the Custom-House Establishment, of which Address, a Copy is also hereto annexed—upon no principle of justice ought the Province of Nova-Scotia to be required to make a further contribution to that support, as the condition on which the relief sought, is to be granted or withheld.

In reference to what are usually designated the Old Crown Duties, applied in addition to the very large Provincial Grant for such support, the House do not think it necessary to dwell upon the repugnance felt by their Constituents to the exaction of taxes from them, without their consent, expressed by themselves or their Representatives, because they feel the principle involved in it can never want powerful Advocates in Your Right Honorable House.

While the House of Assembly fully admit, Parliament may, in regulating the Trade of the Empire, impose Duties upon Foreign Productions imported into this Colony, they as explicitly deny that Parliament could ever impose such Duties for the purpose of Revenue, and distinctly, yet most respectfully assert the exclusive right of the Assembly of the Colony to appropriate the whole proceeds of such regulating Duties, as they think proper. In the Act for making provision for the support of the Customs' Establishment, assented to by His Majesty, it was formally "declared to be the inherent and undoubted right of the General Assembly of this Province to appropriate and dispose of all such Duties, Taxes and Impositions, as are raised or collected from the people thereof, and that the same cannot be applied or appropriated otherwise than as the General Assembly direct."

But the House also submit that the right of British Subjects, to give or withhold their own money, is inherent and unalienable, of which this House, as the Representatives of the people of this Province cannot, be divested.

The House of Assembly therefore respectfully solicit the attention Your Right Honorable House to this important subject—they request you to thoroughly investigate it, and to grant them such relief as justice entitles them to, and is consistent with the true interests of the Empire at large. They are persuaded that the equity and wisdom which characterize the British Parliament, will impel it willingly to concede this to His Majesty's Loyal Subjects, the Inhabitants of Nova-Scotia.

TO THE HONORABLE

THE HOUSE OF COMMONS OF THE UNITED KINGDOM OF GREAT-BRITAIN AND IRELAND

IN PARLIAMENT ASSEMBLED.

THE Petition and Address of the House of Assembly of His Majesty's Province of Nova-Scotia, now in Legislative Session convened, at Halifax, in the said Province,

SHewETH :

That the Inhabitants of this Province have, for several past, anxiously desired greater facilities for Trading with Foreign Countries than they now enjoy, and as these can only be conferred upon them by the Imperial Legislature, the House of Assembly, deeming the object sought by their Constituents, to be of the deepest moment to their best interests, have resolved to apply to Parliament for relief. That your Honorable House may fully understand their wishes, and the claims which, in justice, they deem themselves entitled to make upon the Parent State, the House of Assembly annex hereto Copies of Addresses forwarded to His Majesty on the 29th March, 1834, and the 15th January, 1835.

It is not the intention of the House to repeat the arguments and details to be found in these Documents, but they cannot forbear urging, that while His Majesty's Government think it proper not to adopt the Scale of Salaries suggested by the House of Assembly in their Address forwarded with their Act making provision for the support of the Custom-House Establishment, of which Address a Copy is also hereto annexed ; upon no principle of justice ought the Province of Nova-Scotia to be required to make any further contribution to that support, as the condition on which the relief sought is to be granted or withheld.

In addition to the very large Provincial Grant for such support, what are usually designated the old Crown Duties, are also applied thereto. The House do not think it necessary to dwell upon the repugnance felt by their Constituents to the exaction of Taxes from them, without their consent expressed by themselves or their Representatives, because they feel the principle involved in

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in it can never want powerful advocates in the House of Commons. While the House of Assembly fully admit, Parliament may, in regulating the Trade of the Empire, impose Duties upon Foreign Productions imported into this Colony, they as explicitly deny that Parliament could ever impose such Duties for the purposes of Revenue, and distinctly, yet most respectfully, assert the exclusive right of the Assembly of the Colony to appropriate the whole proceeds of such regulating Duties as they think proper. In the Act for making provision for the support of the Customs' Establishment, assented to by His Majesty, it was formally "declared to be the inherent and undoubted right of the General Assembly of this Province, to appropriate and dispose of all such Duties, Taxes or Impositions, as are raised or collected from the People thereof, and that the same cannot be applied or appropriated otherwise than as the General Assembly direct." But of this right, thus inherent, to give or withhold their own money, at their pleasure, the People of this Province have never been, and cannot be divested.

The House of Assembly, therefore, respectfully solicit the attention of Your Honorable House to this important subject—they request you to thoroughly investigate it, and to grant them such relief as justice entitles them to, and is consistent with the true interests of the Empire at large. They are persuaded that the equity and wisdom which characterizes the British Parliament will impel it willingly to concede this to His Majesty's Loyal Subjects, the Inhabitants of Nova-Scotia.

Mr. Uniacke moved, that the further consideration of the said Addresses, be deferred to this day three months; which, being seconded and put, and the House dividing thereon, there appeared, for the motion ten; against it, twenty-two:

Motion to defer Address 3 Months negatived

For the Motion.

Mr Morse
Mr Uniacke
Mr Lawson
Mr Johnston
Mr Deblois
Mr Bell
Mr Cochran
Mr Wier
Mr C Roche
Mr Kavanagh

Against the Motion.

Mr O'Brien
Mr Dickson
Mr J R Dewolf
Mr Blanchard
Mr Harris
Mr Archibald
Mr Lent
Mr Oxley
Mr Crow
Mr Wilkins
Mr Freeman
Mr Bars
Mr Huntington
Mr Heckman
Mr Lovett
Mr Shey
Mr G Smith
Mr Stewart
Mr Doyle
Mr Rudolf
Mr Chipman
Mr Morton

So it passed in the Negative.

Mr. Uniacke then moved, as amendments of the said Addresses, to insert therein, respectively; in the first paragraphs of said Addresses, between the words "past and anxiously," the words following, viz:—"carried the productions of this Country to Foreign Countries, and might bring back return cargoes to the Ports whence they sailed, if the Imperial Acts were modified, and have"; which, being seconded and put, and the House dividing thereon, there appeared, for the motion, twelve; against it, twenty.

Amendments moved to said Addresses & negatived

So it passed in the Negative.

Resolved, That the said Addresses be adopted by this House.

The Address to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, was then read by the Clerk, and is as follows;—

TO HIS EXCELLENCY MAJOR-GENERAL

SIR COLIN CAMPBELL,

Knight Commander of the Most Honorable Military Order of the

Bath, Lieutenant-Governor, and Commander in Chief,

in and over His Majesty's Province of Nova-Scotia, and its

Dependencies, &c. &c. &c.

THE HUMBLE ADDRESS OF THE HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY.

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY—

THE House of Assembly have prepared an Address to His Majesty, praying for an extension of Foreign Trade to various Ports in this Province, which the House respectfully request Your Excellency to forward to His Majesty, with Your Excellency's favourable recommendation thereof.

Resolved,

Address to Lieut. Gov. requesting him to forward the Address to His Majesty

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Resolved, That the Address be adopted by this House.

Committee who prepared Addresses to wait upon His Excellency in regard thereto

Ordered, That the same Committee who prepared said Address, be a Committee to wait upon His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor with the last mentioned Address to him, and the Address to His Majesty.

A Message from the Council, by Mr. Halliburton :

Mr. Speaker,

Conference desired by Council

The Council desire a Conference with this Honorable House, by Committee, on the subject of the Bills now before the Council, for raising monies for repairs of Meeting-Houses, by Assessment on Pews.

And then the Messenger withdrew.

Agreed to

On motion, *resolved*, that the said Conference be agreed to, and that the Clerk do acquaint the Council therewith.

Ordered, That Mr. G. Smith, Mr. Wier and Mr. Morton, do manage the Conference. So they went to the Conference,

Report thereon

And being returned, Mr. G. Smith reported, that the Managers had been at the Conference, and he stated the substance of the Conference to the House.

A Message from the Council, by Mr. Halliburton :

Mr. Speaker,

Council agree to Halifax Supreme Court and Halifax Rate Bills

The Council have agreed to the Bill, entitled, An Act to continue the Act concerning the Terms of the Supreme Court at Halifax; and to the Bill, entitled, An Act to amend the Act to direct and ascertain the mode of Assessing County and District Rates, and for other purposes, as far as respects the District of Halifax, severally, without any amendment.

Desire Conference on East River Pictou Bill

The Council desire a Conference, by Committee, with a Committee of the Honorable House, on the subject of the Bill for deepening the East River of Pictou.

And then the Messenger withdrew.

Conference agreed to and

On motion, *resolved*, that the said Conference be agreed to as desired by this Council, and that the Clerk do acquaint the Council therewith.

Ordered, That Mr. Uniacke, Mr. Dodd and Mr. G. Smith, do manage the Conference.

Report therefrom

So they went to the Conference.

And being returned, Mr. Uniacke reported, that the Managers had been at the Conference, and stated the substance of the Conference to the House.

A Message from the Council, by Mr. Halliburton :

Mr. Speaker,

Council agree to Flour Inspection Bill, also Cemetery Bill with an amendment

The Council have agreed to the Bill, entitled, An Act to amend and continue the Acts for the Inspection of Flour and Meal, without amendment.

The Council have agreed to the Bill, entitled, An Act to amend and repeal certain provisions in the Act concerning Cemeteries or Burial Grounds in the Town of Halifax, with an amendment, to which amendment, they desire the concurrence of this Honorable House.

And then the Messenger withdrew.

Message from the Lieut. Gov. by Mr. James respecting the Union of King's and Dalhousie Colleges

Mr. Deputy Secretary James acquainted the House, that he had a Message from His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, to this House, signed by His Excellency; and he delivered the said Message to the House, and the same was read by Mr. Speaker, all the Members being uncovered, and is as follows, viz:—

MESSAGE :

C. CAMPBELL.

The Lieutenant-Governor lays before the House of Assembly Copies of Despatches from the Right Honorable Sir George Murray, dated, Downing-Street, 31st August, 1829; from

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from Lord Goderich, dated, 30th January, 1832 ; from Mr. Stanley, dated, 35th November, 1833 ; and from Lord Glenelg, dated, 30th April, 1835, severally conveying the recommendations of His Majesty for an Union of King's and Dalhousie Colleges, whereby an efficient College may be established upon such liberal principles as will insure to all classes in this Province, desiring it, the means of more easily attaining the higher branches of Education.

The Lieutenant-Governor also submits Copies of certain Records of these Colleges with other Papers.

The Lieutenant-Governor will have great pleasure in furthering this desirable object, and he hopes that, by the united wisdom of the Legislature, the wishes of His Majesty, so frequently expressed, will be realized, thereby setting at rest a question which has led to much discussion and delay.

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Mr. Deputy-Secretary James also presented to the House, the several Copies of Despatches and other Papers referred to in said Message, and the same were read by the Clerk.

Copies of Despatches referred to in said Message

(See Appendix, No. 58.)

Ordered, That the said Message and other Papers do lie on the Table,

The Order of the Day for considering private Petitions, being read,

Ordered, That private Petitions be considered to-morrow.

Message and other Papers laid on the Table
Order of Day private Petitions postponed
Order of Day on Composition of H. M. Councils postponed

The Order of the Day being read, for the House to resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House on the composition of His Majesty's Executive and Legislative Councils.

Resolved, That this House will resolve itself into such Committee to-morrow.

Then the House adjourned until to-morrow, at twelve of the Clock.

Wednesday, 9th March, 1836.

PRAYERS.

Mr. Huntington reported from the Committee appointed to wait upon His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, to request the appointment, provisionally, of John W. Homer, as Collector of the Customs at Barrington, and His Excellency's favourable recommendation for his continuance in that situation ; that His Excellency, in answer to the application was pleased to say, that he would comply with the request of the House.

Report relative to the appointment of J. W. Homer as Sub-Collector at Barrington

A Petition of John Smith and others, of Falmouth, was presented by Mr. B. Dewolf, and read, praying that the Acts relating to the extension of the Halifax Highway Act to Falmouth may be repealed.

Pet. from Falmouth relating to Highway Act

Ordered, That that the Petition do lie on the Table.

Mr. B. Dewolf moved for leave to bring in a Bill to repeal the several Acts relating to Commissioners of Highways for the Township of Falmouth ; which, being seconded and put, and the House dividing thereon, there appeared, for the motion, seven ; against it, eighteen.

Motion to bring in a Bill to repeal the Falmouth Highway Acts negatived

So it passed in the Negative.

Mr. Johnston, pursuant to leave given, presented a Bill for granting Duties on Licenses for the sale of Spirituous Liquors, and the same was read a first and second time.

Ordered, That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House.

Bill relating to Licenses
License Bill committed

A Petition of the Rev. J. B. Murand and others, Inhabitants of Arichat, was presented by Mr. Doyle, and read, praying aid towards an Academy at that place.

Pet. from Arichat for aid to Academy

Ordered, That the Petition be referred to the Committee on Schools.

Mr. Morton, pursuant to leave given on a former day, presented a Bill to Incorporate the King's County Woollen Cloth Company, and the same was read a first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time.

Bill to Incorporate the King's County Woollen Cloth Company

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Bills read 2d time,
viz:—Smuggling
prevention
Colonial Duties
Warehousing of
Goods

Export Bill

Drawback of Duties
on Sugar

Chocolate Manufac-
ture

Tobacco Manufac-
ture

Said Bills commit-
ted

Light-House Bill
re-committed

Council agree to
East River Pictou
Bill

House in Committee
on Bills

Report the follow-
ing Bills, viz:—Colo-
nial Duties of Im-
post

Importation of
Goods
Smuggling preven-
tion
Colonial Duties
Warehousing Goods
Drawback

Drawback on Sugar

Chocolate Manufac-
ture
Tobacco Manufac-
ture

Light-House

Also, License Bill
with amendments

Amendments to Li-
cense Bill read

Motion made to re-
commit the same for
the purpose of ad-
ding another clause

A Bill to continue the several Acts for the prevention of Smuggling.

A Bill to continue the Act for the general regulation of the Colonial Duties.

A Bill to continue the Act for the Warehousing of Goods, and in amendment thereof.

A Bill to continue and amend the Act concerning Goods exported and for granting Drawbacks.

A Bill to continue the Acts for granting a Drawback of the Duties on Brown and Raw Sugar used in the Manufacture of Refined Sugars within the Province, and for regulating the mode of obtaining the same.

A Bill to continue the Act to encourage the Manufacture of Chocolate in this Province, by granting a bounty thereon; and,

A Bill to continue the Act to encourage the Manufacture of Tobacco in this Province, by granting a bounty thereon; were severally read a second time.

Ordered, That the Bills be committed to a Committee of the whole House.

Ordered, That the Bill to continue the Act for the support and regulation of Light-Houses, with the Report of the Select Committee thereon, be re-committed to a Committee of the whole House.

A Message from the Council, by Mr. Halliburton :

Mr. Speaker,

The Council have agreed to the Bill, entitled, An Act for deepening the East River of Pictou, without amendment.

And then the Messenger withdrew.

On motion, the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole House, on the further consideration of the several Bills which stood committed.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair,

Mr. Lovett took the Chair,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chairman reported from the Committee, that they had gone through the Bill for granting Colonial Duties of Impost for the support of His Majesty's Government, within this Province, and for promoting the Agriculture, Commerce and Fisheries thereof; the Bill to continue and amend the Act for regulating the Importation of Goods; the Bill to continue the several Acts for the prevention of Smuggling; the Bill to continue the Act for the general regulation of the Colonial Duties; the Bill to continue the Act for the Warehousing of Goods, and in amendment thereof; the Bill to continue and amend the Act concerning Goods exported and for granting Drawbacks; the Bill to continue the Acts for granting a Drawback of the Duties on Brown or Raw Sugar used in the manufacture of Refined Sugars within the Province; the Bill to continue the Act to encourage the manufacture of Chocolate in this Province, by granting a Bounty thereon; the Bill to continue the Act to encourage the manufacture of Tobacco in this Province, by granting a Bounty thereon; and the Bill to continue the Act for the support and regulation of Light-Houses, and had directed him to report the said Bills to the House severally without any amendment. That the Committee had also gone through the Bill for granting Duties on Licenses for the sale of Spirituous Liquors, &c. and had made two amendments thereto, which they had directed him to report to the House with the Bill, and he afterwards delivered the several Bills and the said amendments, in at the Clerk's Table.

The Chairman also acquainted the House, that he was directed by the Committee to move for leave to sit again on the consideration of the several Bills committed: which the House agreed to.

The amendments reported from the Committee to the Bill for granting Duties on Licenses for the Sale of Spirituous Liquors, &c. were read; and thereupon,

Mr. Archibald moved, that the said Bill and amendments be re-committed to the Committee of the whole House, for the purpose of considering of adding to said Bill the following Clause, viz:—

Provided

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Provided always, and be it further enacted, That nothing in this Act contained shall extend, or be construed to extend, to prevent any Person holding a Tavern License from selling any quantity of Spirits, Wine, or other Liquor, to any person whomsoever, whether the same is to be consumed in his House or elsewhere: which, being seconded and put, and the House dividing thereon, there appeared, for the motion, seventeen; against it, fourteen.

So it passed in the Affirmative.

Ordered, That the Bill reported without amendment be engrossed.

Mr. Speaker laid before the House a Letter received by him from Mr. Deputy-Secretary James, dated this day, transmitting, by Command of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, to be laid before this House, a statement of the disbursements of the Post-Office Department for the last year; also, an Account of Messrs. Howe & Son, for printing during the last year, and which Mr. Speaker also laid before the House, and the same were read by the Clerk.

Letter from Deputy Provincial Secretary with disbursements of the Post-Office, and Account of Messrs. Howe & Son, for Printing

Ordered, That the said Accounts be referred to the Committee appointed on Saturday last, on the Post-Office affairs, to examine and report upon to this House.

Mr. Speaker also laid before the House, a Letter received by him from Mr. Deputy-Secretary James, dated this day, transmitting, with reference to the Message of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, of yesterday's date, Copies of Papers, relative to the proposed Union of King's and Dalhousie Colleges, being certain additional Documents to be laid before the House; to-wit:

Letter from Deputy Provincial Secretary with Extracts relating to the Union of King's and Dalhousie Colleges laid before House

No. 1 An Extract from the Minutes of the Proceedings of the Governors of King's College, Windsor, at a Meeting held at the Government-House, in Halifax, on Monday, the 9th November, 1835.

2 An Extract from the Minutes of the Proceedings of the Governors of King's College, at their Meeting, held at the Government-House, in Halifax, on Thursday, the 28th January, 1836.

3 Memoranda respecting King's College at Windsor, in Nova-Scotia, collected and prepared for the purpose of making evident the leading object in suggesting and establishing that Institution, by one of the Alumni.

Which said several Papers Mr. Speaker accordingly laid before the House; and the Papers No. 1 and 2, were read by the Clerk.

(See Appendix, No. 59.)

Ordered, That the said Letter, and the several Papers sent therewith, do lie on the Table, to be perused by the Members of this House.

A Petition of John McMaster and others, Inhabitants on the Western side of the Harbour of Antigonish, was presented by Mr. Dickson, and read, praying that the right to a certain old Road, leading from Antigonish Village towards Morris Town, now rendered useless by a new Road, may be vested in the Proprietors of the adjoining Lands; and thereupon,

Pet. from Antigonish relative to an old road there

Mr Dickson moved for leave to bring in a Bill pursuant to the prayer of said Petition; which, being seconded and put, passed in the negative.

Motion to bring in a Bill thereon negtd.

A Petition of the Guysborough and Manchester Temperance Societies, was presented by Mr. Dickson, and read, praying that the power of granting Licenses for the vending of Ardent Spirits, may be confined to the Justices in Session and Grand Juries, and that the Justices of the Peace may not hold such Licenses.

Pet. from Guysboro' and Manchester concerning Licenses

Ordered, That the Petition do lie on the Table.

The Order of the Day, for considering private Petitions, being read,

Ordered, That private Petitions be considered to-morrow.

Order of Day on private Pet. postponed

The Order of the Day, for considering in Committee of the whole House the Composition of His Majesty's Executive and Legislative Councils being read,

Resolved, Order of Day on Composition of Councils postponed

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Resolved, That this House will resolve itself into a Committee for that purpose to-morrow.

Then the House adjourned until to-morrow, at twelve of the clock.

Thursday, 10th March, 1836.

PRAYERS,

Ordered, That Mr. Lovett have leave to bring in a Bill for the appointment of Trustees of the School Lands in the Township of Annapolis.

The Order of the Day for considering private Petitions, being read,

The House proceeded to the consideration of private Petitions.

The Petition of Sarah Irwin, and the Report of the Committee thereon, were read; and thereupon,

Mr. Bell moved, that the Petition and Report be referred to the Committee of Supply; which, being seconded and put, and the House dividing thereon, there appeared, for the motion, ten; against it, twenty-one.

So it passed in the Negative.

Ordered, That Mr. Bell have leave to withdraw the Petition.

The Petition of John F. Muncey, and the Report of the Select Committee thereon, were read; and thereupon,

Mr. Deblois moved, that the Report and Petition be referred to the Committee of Supply; which, being seconded and put, and the House dividing thereon, there appeared, for the motion, twenty-four; against it, twelve.

So it passed in the Affirmative

The Petition of the Halifax Steam Boat Company, and the Report of the Select Committee thereon, were read; and thereupon,

Mr. Bell moved, that the Report and Petition be referred to the Committee of Supply; which, being seconded and put, the House dividing thereon, there appeared, for the motion, twenty-eight; against it, twelve.

For the Motion,

Mr B Dewolf
Mr Shey
Mr Doyle
Mr Morton
Mr Lawson
Mr Dickson
Mr Lovett
Mr Clements
Mr G Smith
Mr Johnston

Mr Delap
Mr W H Roach
Mr Deblois
Mr Stewart
Mr Bell
Mr Wilkins
Mr E Dewolf
Mr Budd
Mr Blanchard

Mr Barss
Mr Dodd
Mr Freeman
Mr Harris
Mr Uniacke
Mr J R Dewolf
Mr Kavanagh
Mr C Roche
Mr Morse

Against the Motion.

Mr Archibald
Mr Huntington
Mr Creighton
Mr Crow
Mr Cochran
Mr O'Brien
Mr Oxley
Mr Lent
Mr Rudolf
Mr Heckman
Mr Wier
Mr Chipman

So it passed in the Affirmative.

The Petition of John Muncey and Henry Muncey, and the Report of the Select Committee thereon, were read.

On motion, *resolved*, that the same be referred to the Committee of Supply.

The Petition of the Overseers of the Poor for the Township of Egerton, and the Report of the Select Committee thereon, were read.

On motion, *resolved*, that the same be referred to the Committee of Supply.

The Petition of Robert Greeno, John Allison and William Bennett, and the Report thereon, were read; and thereupon,

Mr.

Leave to bring in Bill for appointing Trustees of School Lands in Annapolis

Order of Day private Pet. proceeded on

Pet. of Sarah Irwin withdrawn

Pet. of John F. Muncey referred to Com. of Supply

Pet. of Halifax Steam-Boat Company referred to Supply

Pet. of J. & H. Muncey referred to Committee of Supply

Pet. of Overseers of Egerton referred to Committee of Supply

Motion to refer report and Pet. of R. Greeno and others to Com. of Supply negatived

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Mr. B. Dewolf moved, that the Report and Petition be referred to the Committee of Supply; which, being seconded and put, and the House dividing thereon, there appeared, for the motion, thirteen; against it, twenty-four:

For the Motion.

Mr O'Brien
Mr Wier
Mr Dodd
Mr Delap
Mr Coehran
Mr Wilkins
Mr Bell
Mr B Dewolf
Mr E Dewolf
Mr Crow
Mr Lent
Mr Morse
Mr Harris

Against the Motion.

Mr Doyle	Mr Oxley
Mr C Roche	Mr W H Roach
Mr Kavanagh	Mr Johnston
Mr Uniacke	Mr Rudolf
Mr Archibald	Mr G Smith
Mr Huntington	Mr Heckman
Mr Freeman	Mr Shey
Mr Creighton	Mr Clements
Mr Bars	Mr Morton
Mr Deblois	Mr Chipman
Mr Blanchard	Mr Lovett
Mr Budd	Mr Lawson

So it passed in the Negative.

The several Petitions for aid to Arisaig Pier, and for Breakwaters on St. Mary's Bay, and at Marshall's Cove, in Wilmot, were read, with the Report of the Select Committee thereon.

Mr. Dickson moved, that the Petitions and Report be referred to the Committee of Supply; which, being seconded and put, and the House dividing thereon, there appeared, for the motion, fourteen; against it, twenty-three.

So it passed in the Negative.

Ordered, That the Petitions be withdrawn.

The Petition of Paul Lapier and others, was read, with the Report of the Select Committee thereon.

Mr. Lawson moved, that the Petition be referred to the Committee of Supply; which, being seconded,

Mr. Freeman moved, as an amendment to the question, that the Petition be withdrawn by Mr. Lawson; which, being seconded and put, was agreed to by the House.

The Petition of Jonathan Archibald, and the Report of the Select Committee thereon, were read; and thereupon,

Mr. Bell moved, that the Petition be referred to the Committee of Supply; which, being seconded and put, and the House dividing thereon, there appeared, for the motion, thirteen; against it, twenty-one.

So it passed in the Negative.

Ordered, That the Petition be withdrawn.

The Petition of James E. DeWolfe and others, and the Report of the Select Committee therein, were read, and thereupon,

Mr. Morton moved, that the Petition and Report be referred to the Committee of Supply; which, being seconded and put, and the House dividing thereon, there appeared, for the motion, thirteen; against it, twenty-two.

So it passed in the Negative.

Ordered, That the Petition do lie on the Table.

The Report on the Petitions for aid to Oat Mills, and other Mills, and the Petitions thereon, recommended for aid, were read; and thereupon,

Mr. Lovett moved, that the said Report and Petitions be referred to the Committee of Supply; which, being seconded and put, and the House dividing thereon, there appeared, for the motion, nineteen; against it, fifteen.

So it passed in the Affirmative.

The Petition of James Whitney was read.

On motion of Mr. W. H. Roach, *resolved*, that the Petition be referred to the Committee of Supply.

Motion to refer Report and Petition for aids to Arisaig Pier and Breakwaters in County of Annapolis to Com. of Supply, negatived

Motion to refer Pet. for Dike at Chezetcook to Com. of Supply

Amendment for the same to be withdrawn, agreed to

Pet. and Report of J. Archibald and others read
Motion to refer them to Com. of Supply, negatived

Pet. withdrawn

Pet. for aid to Cloth Manufactory at Kentville and Report thereon, read
Motion to refer them to Com. of Supply, negatived

Pet. to lie on Table

Report and Pet. for aid to Mills referred to Com. of Supply

Pet. of J. Whitney referred to Com. of Supply

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Petition for Bay Verte Packet withdrawn

The Petition of Jonathan Chappell was read.
On motion of Mr. Lovett, *resolved*, that the Petition be withdrawn.

Pet. of M. Gordon and J. Roach dismissed

The Petition of Michael Gordon and John Roach was read.
On motion of Mr. Archibald, *resolved*, that the Petition be dismissed.

Pet. for aid to La-Have Ferry referred to Com. of Supply

The Petition of John Pernette was read, and thereupon, Mr. Rudolf moved, that the Petition be referred to the Committee of Supply; which, being seconded and put, and the House dividing thereon, there appeared, for the motion, twenty-one; against it, ten.
So it passed in the Affirmative.

Motion to refer Pet. of J. C. Hume to Supply, negatived

The Petition of James C. Hume was read, and thereupon, Mr. Deblois moved, that the Petition be referred to the Committee of Supply; which, being seconded and put, and the House dividing thereon, there appeared, for the motion, twelve; against it, seventeen.
So it passed in the Negative.

Pet. to be withdrawn

Mr. Huntington moved, that the Petition be withdrawn; which, being seconded and put, and the House dividing thereon, there appeared, for the motion, eighteen; against it, thirteen.
So it passed in the Affirmative.

Pet. for the Infant School referred to Supply.

The Petition of the Committee of the Infant School Society was read.
On motion of Mr. Deblois, *resolved*, that the Petition be referred to the Committee of Supply.

Pet. for Bridge over Ball's Creek, in C. B. read

The Petition of the General Mining Association, and others, for aid in the erection of a Bridge over Ball's Creek, in Cape-Breton, was read; and thereupon, Mr. Dodd moved, that the Petition be referred to the Committee of Supply; which, being seconded and put, and the House dividing thereon, there appeared, for the motion, sixteen; against it, eighteen.

Motion to refer Pet. to Supply, negatived

So it passed in the Negative.

Motion to withdraw it, negatived

Mr. Lovett moved, that the Petition be withdrawn; which, being seconded and put, and the House dividing thereon, there appeared, for the motion, sixteen; against it, nineteen.

Said Pet. to remain on the Table

So it passed in the Negative.

Ordered, That the Petition do remain on the Table.

Pet. respecting the Fishery at Sackville referred to Com. to report upon

The Petition of Thomas Robinson and others, respecting the Fishery in Sackville River, was read; and thereupon,

On motion of Mr. Deblois, *resolved*, that the Petition be referred to a Select Committee, to examine and report upon to the House.

Ordered, That Mr. Deblois, Mr. Doyle and Mr. Bell, be a Committee for the foregoing purpose.

Pet. of Commrs. of Pools' Assylum referred to Com. to report upon

The Petition of the Commissioners of the Asylum for the Poor, in Halifax, was read; and thereupon,

Ordered, That the Petition be referred to Mr. Bell, Mr. Uniacke and Mr. Deblois, to examine and report thereon to the House by Bill or otherwise.

Pet. of Mechanics' Institute referred to Supply

The Petition of the President and Office Bearers of the Halifax Mechanics' Institute, was read; and thereupon,

Mr. Bell moved, that the Petition be referred to the Committee of Supply; which, being seconded and put, and the House dividing thereon, there appeared, for the motion, nineteen; against it, eight.

So it passed in the Affirmative.

Pet. for aid to Halifax Dispensary referred to Supply

The Petition of Drs. Sterling and Grigor, for aid to the Halifax Dispensary, was read; and thereupon,

On

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On motion *resolved*, that the Petition be referred to the Committee of Supply.

Ordered, That this House do, to-morrow, proceed further on the consideration of private Petitions.

Private Petitions made further Order of Day

The Order of the Day being read, for considering in Committee of the whole House the Composition of the Executive and Legislative Councils,

Ordered, That this House do, to-morrow, resolve itself into a Committee for that purpose.

Order of day on Composition of H. M. Councils postponed

Then the House adjourned until to-morrow, at twelve of the clock.

Friday, 11th March, 1836.

PRAYERS.

On motion, the Petition of Harris Hatch and others, the acting Committee of the St. Andrew's and Quebec Rail Road Association, was read and considered, and thereupon,

Pet. of the St. Andrews and Quebec Rail Road Association read, and Resolutions passed thereon

On motion of Mr. Stewart, *resolved*, that it is the opinion of this House, that a Rail Road between St. Andrews, in the Province of New-Brunswick, and the Province of Lower-Canada, as contemplated by the Petitioners, will promote the settlement of the Country, facilitate the intercourse between these Provinces and the United Kingdom, extend the interchange of commodities between the British Possessions, in America, and increase the demand for British Manufactures.

Resolved, That for the foregoing reasons, it is expedient to promote the views of the St. Andrews and Quebec Rail Road Association; and therefore, that a Committee be appointed to wait upon His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, and respectfully request that His Excellency will be pleased to transmit these Resolutions to the Secretary of State for the Colonies, as the opinion of this House, and recommend the subject to the favourable consideration of His Majesty's Government.

Ordered, That Mr. Stewart, Mr. G. Smith and Mr. Chipman, be a Committee for the above purpose.

A Petition of Luther Porter, and others, was presented by Mr. Morton, and read, praying an extension of the Post Communication through the Township of Cornwallis.

Pet. for Post Communication through Cornwallis Referred to Com. on Post-Office Accounts

Ordered, That the Petition be referred to the Committee on the Post-Office Accounts.

Mr. Dickson reported from the Committee, on the Petition of James Farrell; and he read the Report in his place, and afterwards delivered it in at the Clerk's Table, where it was again read.

Report on Pet. of J. Farrell

(See Appendix, No. 60.)

Ordered, That the Report and Petition do lie on the Table.

On motion of Mr. Creighton, *resolved*, that a Committee be appointed to wait upon His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, and respectfully request that His Excellency will be pleased to inform this House, by whose directions the Lantern on Cross Island Light-House was removed, during the last year, and that he will also be pleased to furnish this House with any correspondence that may have taken place with the Government relative thereto.

Resolution respecting the removal of Lantern on Cross Island Light-House

Ordered, That Mr. Creighton, Mr. Freeman and Mr. Heckman, be a Committee for the above purpose.

Mr. Chipman reported from the Select Committee, to whom was referred the Bill to continue the Act for the Summary Trial of Actions, and the Act in amendment thereof; and he read the Report in his place, and afterwards delivered it in at the Clerk's Table, where it was again read.

Report on Bill for Summary Trial of Actions

(See Appendix, No. 61.)

Ordered,

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Said Bill re-committed

Ordered, That the said Bill be re-committed to the Committee of the whole House, on Bills, with the Report.

Motion for leave to bring in a Bill in relation to Comrs. of Streets, negatived

Mr. Delap moved for leave to bring in a Bill relating to the Commissioners of Streets in and for the several Towns throughout the Province, in which such Commissioners are now by law appointed; which, being seconded and put, and the House dividing thereon, there appeared, for the motion, twelve; against it, twenty-four.

So it passed in the Negative.

Leave to bring in a Bill to amend Trespas Act

Mr. Harris moved for leave to bring in a Bill further to amend the Act relating to Trespasses; which, being seconded and put, and the House dividing thereon, there appeared, for the motion, twenty; against it, fourteen.

So it passed in the Affirmative.

Bill presented

And thereupon, Mr. Harris, pursuant to leave given, presented the said Bill, and the same was read a first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time.

Order of Day private Petitions consideration thereof

The Order of the Day, for the consideration of private Petitions, being read, The House proceeded to the further consideration of private Petitions.

Motion to refer Pet. of Wm. McLaughlin to Supply, negatived
Pet. withdrawn

The Petition of William McLaughlin, was read; and thereupon, Mr. Lawson moved, that the Petition be referred to the Committee of Supply; which, being seconded and put, passed in the negative.

Ordered, That the Petition be withdrawn.

Motion to refer Pet. for aid to clear out entrance to Lake Porter to Supply, negatived

The Petition of Henry Y. Mott and others, for aid to clear out the entrance into Lake Porter, was read.

Mr. Deblois moved, that the Petition be referred to the Committee of Supply; which, being seconded and put, passed in the negative.

Ordered, That the Petition be withdrawn.

Pet. withdrawn

Pet. of J. & T. Munro for aid to obtain grant of Land

A Petition of John Munro and Thomas Munro, for aid to obtain a grant of Land on the Road from Queen's County to Annapolis, through Dalhousie Settlement, was read; and thereupon,

Mr. J. R. Dewolf moved, that the Petition be referred to a Select Committee, to report upon; which, being seconded and put, and the House dividing thereon, there appeared, for the motion, twenty; against it, fifteen.

So it passed in the Affirmative

Ordered, That Mr. J. R. Dewolf, Mr. Barss and Mr. Morse, be a Committee for that purpose.

Referred to Com. to report upon

Pets. respecting Beacon on Wedge Island and Light-House Yarmouth referred to Supply

The Petition of Hugh McDonald and others, for aid to re-erect a Beacon on Wedge Island; and the Petition for aid in the erection of a Light-House at the entrance of Yarmouth Harbour, with the Report of the Select Committee thereon, were read.

On motion, *resolved,* that the said Petitions and Report, be referred to the Committee of Supply.

Pet. of Liverpool Bridge Company referred to Supply

The Petition of the President and Directors of the Liverpool Bridge Company, was read; and thereupon,

Mr. J. R. Dewolf moved, that the Petition be referred to the Committee of Supply; which, being seconded and put, and the House dividing thereon, there appeared, for the motion, twenty-one; against it, eleven.

So it passed in the Affirmative.

Pet. for aid to Ferry at Shubenacadie referred to Supply

The Petition of James Douglas and others, for aid to a Ferry at the Mouth of the Shubenacadie River, was read; and thereupon,

Mr. O'Brien moved, that the Petition be referred to the Committee of Supply; which, being seconded and put, and the House dividing thereon, there appeared, for the motion, eighteen; against it, thirteen.

So it passed in the Affirmative.

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- The Petition of Hector M'Neil and Michael M'Neil, was read with the report of the Select Committee thereon. Report upon Pet. of H. & M. McNail adopted
- On motion, *resolved*, That the said report be adopted by this House.
- The Petition of the Revd. Joseph Dimock, with the report of the Select Committee thereon, was read. Pet. of Rev. J. Dimock referred to Supply
- On motion, *resolved*, that the Petition and Report be referred to the Committee of Supply.
- The Petition of James Farrell, with the report of the Select Committee thereon, was read. Pet. of Jas. Farrell referred to Supply
- On motion of Mr. Dodd, *resolved*, that the Petition be referred to the Committee of Supply.
- The Petition of Dr. William Kennedy and others, was read. Pet. of Wm. Kennedy and others withdrawn
- Ordered*, That the Petition be withdrawn.
- The several Petitions of John M'Farlane; of Francis Stout; of William Sutherland and Ronald Ross; of Isaac O'Brien and of William Parker and others, respectively, praying Bounties on the Establishment of Oat Mills, were read; and thereupon, Pets. for Bounties on Oat Mills referred to Supply
- Resolved*, That the said Petitions be referred to the Committee of Supply.
- A Message from the Council, by Mr. Halliburton:
- Mr. Speaker,
- The Council have passed a Bill, entitled, An Act relating to Judgments entered up upon Warrants of Attorney to confess Judgments, and to secure an equal division of the Estates of Insolvent Merchants and Traders among their Creditors: to which Bills they desire the concurrence of this Honorable House. Council pass a Bill relating to Judgments by Confession, &c
- On motion, the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole House, on the further consideration of the several Bills which stood committed. House in Committee on Bills
- Mr. Speaker left the Chair,
- Mr. Lovett took the Chair,
- Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.
- The Chairman reported that they had gone through the Bill to abolish one of the Sittings of the Inferior Court of Common Pleas and General Sessions of the Peace for the County of Cumberland; the Bill for altering the time of holding the September Term of the Supreme Court in the County of Cumberland; the Bill to continue the Act to regulate the expenditure of Monies hereafter to be appropriated for the service of Roads and Bridges, and the Act in amendment thereof; the Bill to continue the Act for the Summary Trial of Actions, and the Act in amendment thereof; and the Bill to continue the Act concerning the Inferior Court of Common Pleas within this Province; and had directed him to report the said Bills to the House severally without any amendment; that they had also gone through the Bill for the better regulation of Barristers, Attornies, Solicitors and Proctors, practising in the Courts of this Province, and had made an amendment thereto, which they had directed him to report to the House with the Bill, and he afterwards delivered the several Bills with the amendment in at the Clerk's Table. Report Bills To abolish one sitting of Inferior Court Cumberland To alter the sitting of the Sept. Term Cumberland To regulate the expenditure of Road Money Summary Trial of Actions Inferior Courts
- Barristers Bill with amendment
- The Chairman also acquainted the House, that he was directed by the Committee to move for leave to sit again on the consideration of Bills committed: which the House agreed to.
- The said amendment reported from the Committee was read, and upon the question put thereupon, was agreed to by the House. Amendt. agreed to and Bills to be engrossed
- Ordered*, That the Bill with the amendments be engrossed.
- Ordered*, That the Bills reported without amendment be engrossed.

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A Message from the Council, by Mr. Halliburton :

Mr. Speaker,

Council agree to
Shubenacadie and
Masstown Meeting
House Bills

The Council have agreed to the Bill, entitled, An Act to authorise the Congregation of a certain Meeting-House at Shubenacadie to raise money from the Pews of the said Meeting-House, for the repairing and ornamenting thereof; and to a Bill, entitled, an Act to enable the Congregation of the Meeting-House at Masstown, in Londonderry, to raise money from the Pews of the said Meeting-House, for the repairing and ornamenting thereof, severally, without any amendment.

Council passed a
Bill relating to im-
prisonment for debt

The Council have passed a Bill, entitled, An Act relating to imprisonment for Debt : to which Bill they desire the concurrence of this Honorable House.

And then the Messenger withdrew.

Amdts. of Council
to Cemetery Bill
not agreed to

The amendment proposed by the Council to the Bill, entitled, An Act to amend and repeal certain provisions in the Act concerning Cemeteries or Burial Grounds in the Town of Halifax, was read a first and second time.

On motion of Mr. Deblois, *resolved*, that the said amendment be not agreed to.

Amdts. to be sent
back to Council not
agreed to

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill with the amendment back to the Council, and acquaint them that this House have not agreed to the said amendment.

Bill from Council
relative to Judg-
ments by Confessi-
on, &c referred to a
Select Committee

The engrossed Bill from the Council, entitled, An Act relating to Judgments entered up upon Warrants of Attorney to confess Judgments, and to secure an equal division of the Estates of Insolvent Merchants and Traders among their Creditors, was read a first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to Mr. Stewart, Mr. Uniacke, Mr. G. Smith, Mr. Deblois, and Mr. Barss, to examine and report thereon to this House.

Debt Imprisonment
Bill read first time

The engrossed Bill from the Council, entitled, An Act relating to imprisonment for Debt, was read a first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time.

Report on Assize of
Bread

Mr. C. Roche reported from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill to continue the Act to amend the Act to regulate the Assize of Bread; that the Committee had prepared amendments to the said Bill, which they recommend should be adopted; and he delivered the Bill and amendments in at the Clerk's Table, where the same were read.

Bill committed

Ordered, That the Bill be re-committed to a Committee of the whole House, with the amendments.

Offences against the
person, also
Larceny Bill report-
ed

Mr. Uniacke, from the Select Committee to whom were referred the Bill for consolidating and amending the Statutes relative to offences against the Person; and the Bill for repealing various Acts of the General Assembly of this Province, and for consolidating and amending the Laws relative to Larceny, and other offences connected therewith, reported that the Committee had examined said Bills, and approve of the provisions thereof; whereupon,

The said Bills were severally read a second time.

Bill committed

Ordered, That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House.

Bill for amending
the Law of Evi-
dence

Mr. Uniacke, pursuant to leave given, presented a Bill for amending the Law of Evidence in certain cases, and the same was read a first time.

Ordered, That the Bills be read a second time.

Resolution respect-
ing the removal of
the colored people
to Trinidad and
Demerara

On motion of Mr. Bell, *resolved*, that a Select Committee be appointed to wait on His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, and request him to direct the Magistrates to ascertain and report to him, whether the Colored People would be willing to be removed to Trinidad and Demerara, and if so, that His Excellency would be pleased to correspond with the Governors of those Colonies, relative to their removal and settlement in those places.

Ordered,

FRIDAY and SATURDAY, 11th and 12th MARCH, 1836.

Ordered, That Mr. Bell, Mr. Uniacke and Mr. Deblois, be a Committee for the above purpose.

The Order of the Day being read, for considering the Composition of the Executive and Legislative Councils in Committee of the whole House.

Order of Day on composition of Councils postponed

Ordered, That this House will resolve itself into such Committee, for that purpose, to-morrow.

Then the House adjourned until to-morrow, at twelve of the clock.

Saturday, 12th March, 1836.

PRAYERS.

Mr. Doyle, pursuant to leave given, presented a Bill to amend the Act for granting Duties on Licences for the sale of Spirituous Liquors, and for other purposes, to Persons resident in the Town of Halifax, and the same was read a first time.

Bill relative to Licences in the Town of Halifax

Mr. Blanchard, pursuant to leave given, presented a Bill to amend the Act to extend to New Glasgow, in the District of Pictou, the provisions of the Act relating to Commissioners of Highways in Halifax, and certain other places, and the same was read a first time.

Bill to extend to New Glasgow in Pictou the Highway Act

Mr. Blanchard, also pursuant to leave given, presented a Bill to enable the Freeholders of the Township of Pictou, to assess themselves for arrears of Poor Rates, and the same was read a first time.

Bill allowing the Inhabitants of Pictou to assess themselves for arrears of Poor Rates

Ordered, That the Bills be read a second time.

Mr. Uniacke moved that the House do come to a Resolution as followeth, viz :

Whereas, previous to the annexation of the Island of Cape-Breton to the Province of Nova-Scotia, the people were subject to no taxation, but, on the contrary, derived the benefit of all drawbacks in their Commercial intercourse with this Province, and enjoyed a large productive and increasing Casual Revenue, available for internal improvement—all of which have been lost by the union with Nova-Scotia. *And whereas*, the Roads of said Province, notwithstanding the sums annually expended thereon, remain in a deplorable state, and impassable for Wheel Carriages, whereby the settlement of the Island is retarded—the intercourse of the Inhabitants restricted, and the advancement of one of the most extensive, valuable, and interesting Counties of the Province delayed:

Motion relative to borrowing money to repair Roads in C. B. negatived

Be it therefore resolved, That it shall be lawful for His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor to borrow the sum of £3,000, to be expended on the Main Roads in the said Island, between Ship Harbor and the Town of Sydney, at the lowest rate of Interest he can obtain the same, and that this House will, by Law, provide for the redemption thereof, by appropriating the sum of £300 in each year, out of the annual Road Appropriations for the said County of Cape-Breton, together with the Interest on the balance of the Principal, until the whole is liquidated and paid, and in the event of there not being a sufficient grant of Road Money, then the Inhabitants of said County, to be assessed for that purpose; which, being seconded and put, and the House dividing thereon, there appeared, for the motion, fifteen; against it, twenty-four:

For the Motion.

Mr Wilkins
Mr Dickson
Mr Doyle
Mr Uniacke
Mr Young
Mr Budd
Mr W H Roach
Mr Dodd
Mr Deblois
Mr Huntington
Mr Clements
Mr Bell
Mr Morse
Mr C Roche
Mr Kavanagh

Against the Motion.

Mr Delap
Mr Archibald
Mr Harris
Mr Chipman
Mr Freeman
Mr Wier
Mr B Dewolf
Mr Blanchard
Mr Crow
Mr Coshran
Mr Lent
Mr Rudolf
Mr Banns
Mr Morton
Mr Creighton
Mr G. Smith
Mr Lovett
Mr Shey
Mr Heckman
Mr Johnston
Mr Lawson
Mr Stewart
Mr Ozley
Mr O'Brien

So it passed in the Negative.

Mr.

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Report on Pet. re-
specting the Fishery
at Sackville

Mr. Deblois reported from the Select Committee on the Petition of **Thomas Robinson** and others, respecting the Fishery in Sackville River; and he read the Report in his place, and afterwards delivered it in at the Clerk's Table, where it was again read.

(See Appendix, No. 62.)

Report adopted and
Pet. withdrawn

Resolved, That the Report be received and adopted by the House.

Ordered, That the said Petition be withdrawn, pursuant to said Report.

Engrossed Bills
passed, viz—

An engrossed Bill to continue the Act to regulate the Expenditure of Monies hereafter to be appropriated for the service of Roads and Bridges, and the Act in amendment thereof, was read a third time.

To regulate the ex-
penditure of Road
and Bridge Monies

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and that the title be, An Act to continue the Act to regulate the Expenditure of Monies, hereafter to be appropriated for the service of Roads and Bridges, and the Act in amendment thereof.

An engrossed Bill to continue the Act for the Summary Trial of Actions, and the Act in amendment thereof, was read a third time.

Summary Trial of
Actions

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and that the title be, An Act to continue the Act for the Summary Trial of Actions, and the Act in amendment thereof.

An engrossed Bill to continue the Act concerning the Inferior Courts of Common Pleas within this Province, was read a third time.

Inferior Courts

Resolved, That the Bill do pass and that the title be, An Act to continue the Act concerning the Inferior Courts of Common Pleas within this Province.

Bill relating to In-
ferior Court Cum-
berland

An engrossed Bill to abolish one of the Sittings of the Inferior Court of Common Pleas and General Sessions of the Peace for the County of Cumberland, was read a third time; and thereupon,

Motion to defer Bill
for three months
negatived

Mr. Morse moved that the further consideration of the Bill be deferred until this day three months: which, being seconded and put, and the House dividing thereon, there appeared, for the motion, seventeen; against it, twenty-three:

For the Motion.

Against the Motion.

Mr Wilkins
Mr Dickson
Mr Johnston
Mr Doyle
Mr Uniacke
Mr Shey
Mr Budd
Mr G Smith
Mr Cochran

Mr Deblois
Mr Morse
Mr Bell
Mr J R Dewolf
Mr Harris
Mr C Roche
Mr Kavanagh
Mr Crow

Mr Delap
Mr Archibald
Mr Clements
Mr Chipman
Mr Freeman
Mr Wier
Mr R Dewolf
Mr Blanchard

Mr Huntington
Mr Lent
Mr Rudolf
Mr O'Brien
Mr Barss
Mr Morton
Mr Creighton
Mr Dodg

Mr Young
Mr Lovett
Mr W H Roach
Mr Heckman
Mr Lawson
Mr Stewart
Mr Ozley

So it passed in the Negative,

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and that the title be, An Act to abolish one of the Sittings of the Inferior Court of Common Pleas and General Sessions of the Peace for the County of Cumberland.

Bill passed

Bill to alter the sit-
ting of Sept. Term
of Supreme Court
Cumberland

An engrossed Bill for altering the time of holding the September Term of the Supreme Court in the County of Cumberland, was read a third time.

Motion to defer Bill
for three months
negatived

Mr. Uniacke moved, that the further consideration of the Bill be deferred to this day three months; which, being seconded and put, and the House dividing thereon, there appeared, for the motion, sixteen; against it, twenty-four.

So it passed in the Negative.

Motion to add pre-
amble to said Bill
negatived

Mr. Doyle then moved, that the following Preamble be inserted in the Bill, previous to the enacting clause thereof, by way of Rider, viz:—

Whereas, the passage of the Bill to abolish one of the Sittings of the Inferior Court of Common Pleas, in the County of Cumberland, has a tendency to increase the Expenses of Law, by transferring the business to the Supreme Court, and to concentrate in the Town of Halifax much of the business which could more conveniently be done in the County; which, being seconded and put, and the House dividing thereon, there appeared, for the motion, ten; against it, thirty;

For

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For the Motion.

Mr Shey
Mr Dodd
Mr Uniacke
Mr Doyle
Mr Morse
Mr Crow
Mr Bell
Mr J R Dewolf
Mr C Roche
Mr Kavanagh

Against the Motion.

Mr Budd	Mr Cochran	Mr Lawson
Mr Harris	Mr B Dewolf	Mr G Smith
Mr Delap	Mr Wilkins	Mr Young
Mr Archibald	Mr Johnston	Mr Lovett
Mr Clements	Mr O'Brien	Mr W H Roach
Mr Chipman	Mr Deblois	Mr Heckman
Mr Freeman	Mr Lent	Mr Creighton
Mr Wier	Mr Rudolf	Mr Stewart
Mr Huntington	Mr Barss	Mr Osley
Mr Blanchard	Mr Morton	Mr Dickson

So it passed in the Negative.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and that the title be, An Act for altering the time of holding the September Term of the Supreme Court in the County of Cumberland.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the several foregoing Bills to the Council, and desire their concurrence.

A Petition of Richard Carter and others, was presented by Mr. Young, and read, praying that the Post Communication may be extended to Milford and Goose Harbor, in the County of Sydney.

Ordered, That the Petition be referred to the Committee on the Post-Office Accounts, and Petitions connected therewith.

A Message from His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor by Mr. Deputy-Secretary James :

Mr. Speaker,

His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor commands this House to attend His Excellency immediately in the Council Chamber.

Accordingly, Mr. Speaker with the House attended His Excellency in the Council Chamber ; and being returned,

Mr. Speaker reported that the House had attended His Excellency in the Council Chamber, and that His Excellency was pleased to give his Assent to the several Bills following, viz :—

A Bill, entitled, An Act to Incorporate the Kennetcook Mills Company.

A Bill, entitled, An Act to Incorporate the Annapolis County Steam Boat Company.

A Bill, entitled, An Act for securing to John Story and his Assigns the exclusive right in a certain Slip or Railway for the use of Vessels.

A Bill, entitled, An Act to enable the Congregation of the Meeting-House at Masstown, in Londonderry, to raise Money from the Pews of the said Meeting-House for the repairing and ornamenting thereof.

A Bill, entitled, An Act to authorise the Congregation of a certain Meeting-House at Shubenacadie to raise Money from the Pews of the said Meeting-House for the repairing and ornamenting thereof.

A Bill, entitled, An Act to continue the Act to regulate the Pilotage of Vessels at the Port of Sydney, in the Island of Cape-Breton.

A Bill, entitled, An Act to continue the Act to preserve the Harbor of Cape Forchu, in Yarmouth.

A Bill, entitled, An Act to continue the Act to prevent the spreading of Contagious Diseases and for the performance of Quarantine, and the Act in amendment thereof.

A Bill, entitled, An Act to continue the Act in further addition, to, and in amendment of, the Act for the choice of Town Officers and regulating of Townships, and the Act to alter and amend the same.

A Bill, entitled, An Act to continue the Act to lessen the expense of the proof of Written Documents in Actions depending in any of the Courts within this Province.

A Bill, entitled, An Act to continue the Act to encourage the importation of improved Breeds of Cattle into this Province.

A Bill, entitled, An Act to continue the Act to preserve and regulate the Navigation of the Harbor of Pugwash.

A Bill, entitled, An Act to continue the Act in amendment of an Act, made and passed in the first and second years of His Majesty's Reign, entitled, An Act to extend the Laws and Ordinances of the Province of Nova-Scotia to the Island of Cape-Breton.

A Bill, entitled, An Act to continue the Act to suspend the operation of several Acts of the General Assembly, passed to prevent Forestalling, Regrating and Monopolizing.

Bill passed

Said several Bills ordered to be sent to Council

Petition for extension of Post Communication through County of Sydney

Referred to Committee on Post-Office Accounts
Message from Lt. Gov.

Commands attendance of the House

House attend accordingly

Mr. Speaker reports the following Bills as assented to by His Excellency

Bills assented to

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A Bill, entitled, An Act to continue the Act, entitled, An Act in further addition to the Act relating to Wills, Legacies and Executors, and for the Settlement and Distribution of the Estates of Intestates.

A Bill, entitled, An Act to continue an Act in amendment of certain Acts relating to Wills, Legacies and Executors, and for the Settlement and Distribution of the Estates of Intestates.

A Bill, entitled, An Act to continue the Act to provide against the occurrence of Diseases from the bite of Animals.

A Bill, entitled, An Act to continue the Act to prevent Disorderly Riding and to regulate the Driving of Carriages on the Streets of Halifax or other Towns, or on the Public Roads of this Province, and for repealing certain Acts therein mentioned.

A Bill, entitled, An Act to continue the Act for the better preservation of the Property of the Inhabitants of the Town of Halifax by providing for a sufficient Watch at Night.

A Bill, entitled, An Act to continue the Acts to provide for the regulation and management of the Grammar School or Academy at Annapolis.

A Bill, entitled, An Act to amend the Act to Incorporate a Marine Insurance Company in Halifax.

A Bill, entitled, An Act to continue the Act in addition to the Act for regulating the Rates and Prices of Carriages.

A Bill, entitled, An Act relating to Executions issuing from the Supreme Court of this Province.

A Bill, entitled, An Act concerning Private Acts.

A Bill, entitled, An Act to continue the Act to amend the Act for establishing a Public School in the Town of Halifax.

A Bill, entitled, An Act to continue the Act to provide for the Accomodation and Billetting of His Majesty's Troops or of the Militia when on their March from one part of the Province to another, and also the Acts in amendment thereof.

A Bill, entitled, An Act to continue the Act in addition to, and in amendment of the Act to prevent Nuisances by Hedges, Wears and other Incumbrances, obstructing the passage of Fish in the Rivers in this Province.

A Bill, entitled, An Act to continue the Act to suspend the operation of the Acts to prevent Forestalling, Regrating and Monopolizing, of Cordwood, in the Town of Halifax.

A Bill, entitled, An Act to continue the Act to prevent damage to the Nets of Fishermen by Coasting Tessels.

A Bill, entitled, An Act to continue an Act relating to the Court of Commissioners at Halifax.

A Bill, entitled, An Act to Incorporate the Noel associated Plaister and Mills Company.

A Bill, entitled, An Act to render perpetual the Act to enable those interested in LaHave Common to make regulations for the management thereof.

A Bill, entitled, An Act to continue the Act to encourage the Seal Fisheries of this Province.

A Bill, entitled, An Act to authorise the Congregation of the Meeting-House at Chester to raise Money from the Pews of the said Meeting-House for the repairing and ornamenting thereof.

A Bill, entitled, An Act to authorise certain Persons therein named to erect Dams, Abutments and Piers, across the mouth of Moose River, and to grant the right of Tide-way thereto and therein.

A Bill, entitled, An Act to enable the Proprietors of a certain Meeting-House at West River in Pictou to sell the same.

A Bill, entitled, An Act for deepening the East River of Pictou.

A Bill, entitled, An Act to Incorporate the General Mining Association.

A Bill, entitled, An Act to continue and amend the Act relating to Passengers from Great-Britain and Ireland.

A Bill, entitled, An Act to amend the Act to direct and ascertain the mode of Assessing County and District Rates, and for other purposes, so far as respects the District of Halifax.

A Bill, entitled, An Act for the better protection of the Property of Merchants and others who may hereafter enter into Contracts or Agreements in relation to Goods, Wares and Merchandize, entrusted to Factors or Agents.

A Bill, entitled, An Act to provide for the sale of part of a certain line of Road in Truro.

A Bill, entitled, An Act to continue the Act concerning the Terms of the Supreme Court at Halifax.

A Bill, entitled, An Act to amend and continue the Act for the Inspection of Flour and Meal.

A Bill, entitled, An Act to Incorporate the Petit Plaister and Mills Company.

A Bill, entitled, An Act to regulate the Weighing of Beef.

A Bill, entitled, An Act to continue the Acts now in force relating to Trespasses.

A Bill, entitled, An Act to continue the Act to regulate the Pilotage of Vessels at the Port of Halifax.

A Bill, entitled, An Act to establish Courts of Commissioners in the Island of Cape-Breton.

A Bill, entitled, An Act relating to the Fisheries and for the prevention of Illicit Trade in the Province of Nova-Scotia and the Coasts and Harbors thereof.

A Bill, entitled, An Act to amend the Act to direct and ascertain the mode of assessing County and District Rates and for other purposes.

Ordered,

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Ordered, That Mr. Dodd have leave of absence from this House after Monday next, to return home upon urgent private business.

Leave of absence to Mr. Dodd

Mr. Uniacke, from the joint Committees of the Council and this House, appointed to prepare an Address to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, on the subject of the Act relating to the Fisheries, and the Address to His Majesty in relation thereto, reported, that the Committees had prepared an Address accordingly; and he read the same in his place, and afterwards delivered it in at the Clerk's Table, where it was again read, and is follows:—

Report of Address to His Excellency respecting the Fisheries

TO HIS EXCELLENCY MAJOR-GENERAL

SIR COLIN CAMPBELL,

Knight Commander of the Most Honorable Military Order of the Bath, Lieutenant-Governor, and Commander in Chief, in and over His Majesty's Province of Nova-Scotia, and its Dependencies, &c. &c. &c.

THE ADDRESS OF HIS MAJESTY'S COUNCIL AND HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY OF THE PROVINCE OF NOVA-SCOTIA, IN LEGISLATURE ASSEMBLED.

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY—

THE Provincial Legislature have passed an Act in the present Session, entitled, "An Act relating to the Fisheries, and for the prevention of Illicit Trade, in the Province of Nova-Scotia, and the Coasts and Harbors thereof," to which Your Excellency has been pleased to give Your Assent. That as this Act is of more than usual importance, as respects the rights and interests of His Majesty's Subjects, and the protection of the Laws and Trade of this Province, both branches of the Provincial Legislature, have united in an address to our Most Gracious Sovereign, praying that His Majesty will be most graciously pleased to give His Royal Assent to the said Act, and, by an order in Council, declare the same to contain the Rules, Regulations and Restrictions, under which the Fishery shall be conducted; and we respectfully request that Your Excellency will be pleased to transmit the said Act and Address, with Your Excellency's strongest recommendation for His Majesty's Royal Approbation.

Resolved, That the said Address be received and adopted by this House.

Ordered, That the Committee of this House who joined in preparing said Address, do join the Committee of the Council, to wait upon His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor with the said Address, and the Address to His Majesty therein referred to.

Address adopted & Committee who prepared it wait upon His Excellency with the same

Mr. Uniacke moved, that the Petition of the General Mining Association and others, for aid in the erection of a Bridge over Ball's Creek, in Cape-Breton, be referred to the Committee of Supply; which, being seconded and put, and the House dividing thereon, there appeared, for the motion, fifteen; against it, twenty.

Motion that Pet. for aid to Ball's Creek in C. B. be referred to Supply negatived

So it passed in the Negative.

The Bill to provide for the payment and security of Debts incurred in the purchase of Real Estate, and the erection of buildings for the use of the Town of Halifax, was read a third time; and thereupon,

Bill relating to security of Debts, &c.

Mr. Uniacke moved, that the further consideration of the Bill be deferred to this day three months: which being seconded,

Motion to defer said Bill 3 months

Mr. Deblois moved as an amendment to the question, that the Bill be referred to a Select Committee, to examine and report upon to this House; which, being seconded, and put, was agreed to by the House.

Amendment to refer the same to a Select Committee agreed to

Ordered, That Mr. Lawson, Mr. Bell, Mr. Uniacke, Mr. Johnston and Mr. Deblois, be a Committee for that purpose.

On motion, the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole House, on the further consideration of the several Bills which stood committed.

House in Committee on Bills

SATURDAY, 12th MARCH, 1836.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair,
Mr. Lovett took the Chair,
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

Report Bill for the
division of Sydney
County
And License Bill
with amendments

The Chairman reported from the Committee that they had gone through the Bill to divide the County of Sydney, and to regulate the Representation thereof, and had made an amendment thereto; and had also gone through the Bill for granting Duties on Licences for the sale of Spirituous Liquors, in Taverns, Public Houses and Shops, and for other purposes, and had made sundry amendments thereto, and that the Committee had directed him to report the said Bills and amendments to the House, and he delivered the same in at the Clerk's Table.

The Chairman also acquainted the House, that he was directed by the Committee to move for leave to sit again on the consideration of Bills committed: which the House agreed to.

The said amendments to the Bill for granting Duties on Licenses, &c. were read a first and second time; and thereupon,

Motion to re-com-
mit License Bill ne-
gated

Mr. Uniacke moved, that the Bill be re-committed, for the purpose of inserting a Clause, to render unnecessary the taking out of any License for the selling Beer, Cider and Perry; which, being seconded and put, and the House dividing thereon, there appeared, for the motion, eleven; against it, twenty-four:

For the Motion.

Mr Doyle
Mr Uniacke
Mr Dodd
Mr Huntington
Mr Bell
Mr B Dewolf
Mr Deblois
Mr O'Brien
Mr J R Dewolf
Mr Heckman
Mr Kavanagh

Against the Motion.

Mr Clements
Mr Crow
Mr C Roche
Mr Delap
Mr Lovett
Mr E Dewolf
Mr Lent
Mr Budd
Mr Barss
Mr Shey
Mr W H Roach
Mr Archibald
Mr Oxley
Mr Morton
Mr Cochran
Mr Johnston
Mr Creighton
Mr Young
Mr Dickson
Mr Rudolf
Mr Chipman
Mr Stewart
Mr G Smith
Mr Wier

Amendments agreed
to

So it passed in the Negative.

The said amendments were then, upon the question put thereupon, agreed to by the House.

Ordered, That the Bills with the amendments be engrossed.

Report relative to
Cross Island Light
House Lantern

Mr. Creighton reported from the Select Committee, appointed to wait upon His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, in reference to the removal of the Lantern from the Light-House on Cross Island, that His Excellency, in answer to the application of the Committee, was pleased to say, that he would direct the required information to be laid before the House.

Report relative to
the St. Andrew's
and Quebec Rail
Road Association

Mr. Stewart reported from the Select Committee, appointed to wait upon His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, with the Resolutions relative to the St. Andrews and Quebec Rail Road Association, that the Committee had performed that duty, and that His Excellency was pleased to say to the Committee, that he would have great pleasure in attending to the wish therein expressed by the House.

Further Report and
Bill presented upon
the subject of Schools

Mr. Young reported further from the Committee, to whom the subject of Schools, with the Bill to continue the School Act, was referred, and thereupon presented a Bill to continue and amend the Act for the encouragement of Schools, and the same was read a first time,

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time.

Report relative to
the removal of the
Colored People

Mr. Bell reported from the Select Committee, appointed to wait upon His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, relative to the Colored People, that the Committee communicated to His Excellency, the Resolution of the House upon that subject, and that His Excellency was pleased to say, in answer, that he would do all in his power to forward the views of the House as expressed in the Resolution.

The

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The Order of the Day, for considering the composition of His Majesty's Executive and Legislative Councils, in Committee of the whole House, being read,

Ordered, That this House resolve itself into a Committee for that purpose, on Monday next.

Order of Day Composition of Councils postponed

On motion of Mr. G. Smith, *resolved,* that this House will, on Monday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, on the further consideration of the Supply, granted to His Majesty.

Com. of Supply Order of Day for Monday

On motion of Mr. Young, *resolved,* that this House will, on Thursday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider the Message of His Excellency, and the other papers relative to King's and Dalhousie Colleges.

Union of King's & Dalhousie Colleges Order of Day for Thursday

Then the House adjourned until Monday next, at twelve of the clock.

Monday, 14th March, 1836.

PRAYERS.

Ordered, That Mr. Creighton have leave of absence from this House, to return home on urgent private business.

Leave of absence to Mr. Creighton

The following Bills were read a second time, viz:—

A Bill for reducing the expenses of Suits at Law in certain cases.

Bills read 2d time, viz:—Reducing Expenses of Suits at Law

A Bill to authorise the Lieutenant-Governor to appoint Commissioners to run out the boundary line between Nova-Scotia and New-Brunswick.

Relative to Boundary Line between Nova-Scotia and New-Brunswick

A Bill to authorise the Grand Jury and the Court of Sessions of the County of Cumberland, to present and assess money for the erection of a Lock-up House in Pugwash, in the said County.

Lock-up House in Cumberland

A Bill to incorporate the King's County Woollen Cloth Company.

King's County Woollen Cloth Company

A Bill further to amend the Act relating to Trespasses.

Trespass

A Bill for amending the Law of Evidence in certain cases.

Law of Evidence

A Bill to amend the Act for granting Duties on Licenses, for the sale of Spirituous Liquors, and for other purposes, to persons resident within the Town of Halifax.

Licenses in Halifax

A Bill to amend the Act to extend to New Glasgow, in the District of Pictou, the provisions of the Act relating to Commissioners of Highways in Halifax, and certain other places.

Amendment of New Glasgow Highway Act

A Bill to continue and amend the Act for the encouragement of Schools.

School Bill Said Bills committed

Ordered, That the Bills be committed to a Committee of the whole House.

A Bill to enable the Freeholders of the Township of Pictou to assess themselves for arrears of Poor Rates, was read a second time; and thereupon,

Pictou Poor Rates Bill

Mr. Dickson, pursuant to leave given, presented a Petition of John Arthur and others, of the Township of Pictou, and a Petition of Duncan Campbell and others, of Roger's Hill, Dalhousie Mountain, and West branch of River John, praying that said Bill may not pass into a Law; and said Petitions were read by the Clerk.

Petitions against it presented

Ordered, That the Bill and the Petitions be referred to the Committee of the whole House.

An engrossed Bill from the Council, relating to imprisonment for Debt, was read a second time.

Debt Imprisonment Bill read 2d time & committed

Ordered, That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House.

An engrossed Bill sent from the Council, entitled, An Act to provide for the preservation of the peace, in the Townships and Settlements wherein no Justice of the Peace resides, was read a second time.

Bill relating to preservation of the Peace

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Deferred 3 months

On motion of Mr. Archibald, *resolved*, that the further consideration of the Bill be deferred to this day three months.

Sydney Court division Bill
Clause added to said Bill

An engrossed Bill to divide the County of Sydney, and to regulate the Representation thereof, was read a third time; and thereupon,

On motion of Mr. Dickson, *resolved*, that the following enacting clause be added to the Bill by way of Rider, viz:—

And be it further enacted, That so soon as this Act shall come into operation, the Poll for the Election of Representatives to represent the said Counties of Sydney and Guysborough, in General Assembly, shall thereafter be opened and held at the places, and for the times hereinafter mentioned, that is to say:—For the said County of Sydney, the Poll to be opened at the Court-House in Dorchester, and there held for the space of six days, or until all the Freeholders present shall have been polled; and for the said County of Guysborough, the Poll to be opened at the Court-House, in Guysborough, and there held for the space of four days, or until all the Freeholders present shall have been polled, and thence removed to some convenient place in Sherbrooke Village in the said County, and there held for the space of four days or until all the Freeholders present shall have been polled, and that, in holding the said Polls, the Sheriff or other person holding the same for the said Counties respectively, shall, in all other respects, be guided and bound to act by, under, and in accordance with, the several Acts now in force for regulating Elections of Representatives to serve in General Assembly, in so far as the same shall or may apply to the said Counties of Sydney and Guysborough; and the same being added accordingly,

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and that the title be, An Act to divide the County of Sydney, and to regulate the Representation thereof.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Council and desire their concurrence.

Bill for division of Sydney County, passed and sent to Council

A Message from the Council, by Mr. Halliburton :

Mr. Speaker,

The Council do not adhere to the amendment proposed by them to the Bill, entitled, An Act to amend and repeal certain provisions in the Act concerning Cemeteries or Burial Grounds in the Town of Halifax, but agree to the Bill without any amendment.

The Council have agreed to the Bill, entitled, An Act relating to the Merchant Seamen of this Province, without any amendment.

And then the Messenger withdrew.

Order of Day on Composition of Councils postponed

Ordered, That the Orders of the Day be now read.

The Order of the Day, for the House to resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider the composition of the Executive and Legislative Councils, being read,

Ordered, That the House do, to-morrow, resolve itself into Committee, for that purpose.

Order of Day for Supply read House in Committee of Supply

The Order of the Day, for the House to resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider of the Supply granted to His Majesty, being read,

The House resolved itself into the Committee.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair,

Mr. Rudolf took the Chair,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

Several Resolutions reported

The Chairman reported from the Committee that they had made further progress in the business referred to them, and had come to several Resolutions thereupon, which they had directed him to report to the House.

The Chairman also acquainted the House, that he was directed by the Committee to move for leave to sit again on the consideration of a Supply; which the House agreed to.

Ordered, That the Report of the said Resolutions, together with the Report of the

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the Resolutions, passed in Committee of Supply on the nineteenth day of February last, and not then reported, be now received, and accordingly,

The Chairman reported from the Committee, the several Resolutions, which he read in his place, and afterwards delivered them in at the Clerk's Table, where they were again read, and are as follow, viz:—

Resolved, That it is the opinion of this Committee, that the sum of Two Hundred Pounds be granted and paid to the Speaker of the House of Assembly, in full for his Salary as Speaker during the present year.

Resolved, That it is the opinion of this Committee, that the sum of Two Hundred and Twenty-five Pounds be granted and paid to the Attorney-General, for his services for the present year.

Resolved, That it is the opinion of this Committee, that the sum of One Hundred Pounds be granted and paid to the Solicitor-General, for his services for the present year.

Resolved, That it is the opinion of this Committee, that the sum of Six Hundred Pounds be granted and paid to the Treasurer of the Province, for his salary, and as Comptroller and Auditor of Public Accounts, and in lieu of Office Rents, Clerks, and all other contingent expenses, for the present year.

Resolved, That it is the opinion of this Committee, that the sum of One Hundred Pounds be granted and paid to the Clerk of the Council, in General Assembly, and as Clerk of His Majesty's Council, for his services for the present year.

Resolved, That it is the opinion of this Committee, that the sum of Two Hundred Pounds be granted and paid to the Clerk of the House of Assembly, for his services for the present year.

Resolved, That it is the opinion of this Committee, that the sum of Thirty Pounds be granted and paid for defraying the Expenses of Council, in General Assembly, for the present year, to be paid on the Certificate of the President of the Council, and not otherwise.

Resolved, That it is the opinion of this Committee, that the sum of Twenty-five Pounds be granted and paid to the Venerable Archdeacon Willis, D.D. for his services as Chaplain to His Majesty's Council, during the present Session.

Resolved, That it is the opinion of this Committee, that the sum of Twenty-five Pounds be granted and paid to the Rev. Fitzgerald Uniacke, for his services as Chaplain to the House of Assembly, during the present Session.

Resolved, That it is the opinion of this Committee, that the sum of One Hundred Pounds be granted and paid to the Deputy-Clerk of the Council, for his services for the present Session.

Resolved, That it is the opinion of this Committee, that the sum of One Hundred Pounds be granted and paid to the Assistant-Clerk of the House of Assembly, for his services for the present Session.

Resolved, That it is the opinion of this Committee, that the sum of Forty Pounds be granted and paid to the Messenger of the Governor, Lieutenant-Governor, or Commander in Chief for the time being, and His Majesty's Council, as well in their Legislative Capacity as otherwise, for the present year.

Resolved, That it is the opinion of this Committee, that the sum of Fifty Pounds be granted and paid to Matthew Forrester, for his services as Sergeant at Arms to the House of Assembly, for the present Session.

Resolved, That it is the opinion of this Committee, that the sum of Thirty Pounds be granted and paid to Alexander Boyle, for his services as Assistant Sergeant at Arms to the House of Assembly, for the present Session.

Resolved, That it is the opinion of this Committee, that the sum of Thirty Pounds be granted and paid to John Gibbs, for his services as Messenger to the House of Assembly, during the present Session.

Resolved, That it is the opinion of this Committee, that the sum of Two Hundred and Thirty

Resolutions passed in Com. 19th Feb. ordered to be brought up Resolutions reported, viz:

200l Speaker

225l Attorney-General

100l Solicitor-General

600l Treasurer

100l Clerk of Council

200l Clerk of Assembly

30l Expenses of Council

25l Archdeacon Willis

25l Rev. F. Uniacke

100l Deputy-Clerk of Council

100l Assistant Clerk of Assembly

40l Messenger of Governor, &c.

50l Matthew Forrester

30l Alex. Boyle

30l Joh Gibbs

235l Guager and Weigher

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- Thirty-five pounds be granted and paid to the Guager and Weigher, for the Collector of Impost and Excise for the District of Halifax, for his services for the present year.
- Excise Waiters** *Resolved*, That it is the opinion of this Committee, that there be granted and paid on the Certificate of the Commissioners of the Revenue, at the rate of seven shillings and six pence per day, to such person or persons as shall be employed during the present year, by the Collector of Impost and Excise, for the District of Halifax, as extra Waiter or Waiters for the Port of Halifax, and Five Shillings per day to such extra Waiter or Waiters when unemployed, and at the rate of five shillings per day to temporary Waiters.
- 451 Revenue Clerk** *Resolved*, That it is the opinion of this Committee, that the sum of Forty five Pounds be granted and paid to the Clerk of the Commissioners of the Revenue, for his services for the present year.
- 201 Secretary of Province for wrn'ts** *Resolved* That it is the opinion of this Committee, that the sum of Twenty Pounds be granted and paid to the Secretary of the Province for Stationary, on account of Warrants, to be drawn on the Treasury for the present year.
- 2501 Lieut. Gov. Contingent Expenses** *Resolved*, That it is the opinion of this Committee, that the sum of Two Hundred and Fifty Pounds be granted and paid to defray such contingent expences as may arise during the present year, to be drawn by Warrant from the Governor, Lieutenant-Governor or Commander in Chief for the time being.
- 6001 Transient Poor** *Resolved*, That it is the opinion of this Committee, that the sum of Six Hundred Pounds be granted and paid for the support of the Transient Poor, for the present year, to be paid to the Commissioners of the Poor at Halifax.
- 501 Adjutant of Militia** *Resolved*, That it is the opinion of this Committee, that the sum of Fifty Pounds be granted and paid to the Adjutant-General of the Militia, in full for his services, and the payment of his Clerk, Stationary and Postage, for the present year.
- 3501 Howe & Son** *Resolved*, That it is the opinion of this Committee, that the sum of Three Hundred and Fifty Pounds be granted and paid to Messrs. John Howe & Son, Printers, for Printing for Government and the General Assembly, for the present year.
- 601 Keeper of Assembly** *Resolved*, That it is the opinion of this Committee, that the sum of Sixty Pounds be granted and paid to the Keeper of the Assembly House, Council Chamber and Law Library, for the present year.
- 401 Lawrence Kavanagh** *Resolved*, That is the opinion of this Committee, that the sum of Forty Pounds be granted to Lawrence Kavanagh, Esq. to be drawn by him from the Treasury, when it shall be certified by a Judge of the Supreme Court, that he has conveyed the Judge or Judges to the several Circuit Courts in Cape-Breton, during the present year.
- 1001 Indians** *Resolved*, That it is the opinion of this Committee, that the sum of One Hundred Pounds should be placed at the disposal of the Governor, Lieutenant-Governor or Commander in Chief for the time being, to be applied in such way as he may deem most proper for the relief of the Indians of this Province.
- 251 School Poor-House** *Resolved*, That it is the opinion of this Committee, that the sum of Twenty-five Pounds be granted and paid to the Commissioners of the Poor in Halifax, to defray the expense of continuing the School in the Poor House, for the present year, for the benefit of Orphans and Poor Children in that Establishment.
- Resolution not to continue grant to Inspecting Field Officer** *Resolved*, That it is the opinion of this Committee, that it is inexpedient to grant any further provision for the Inspecting Field Officers of Militia.
- Motion to re-commit the Resolution for granting 100l to Clerk of the Council, negatived** Mr. Doyle moved the following Resolution.
- Whereas*, the various duties which devolve on the Clerks of this House, and upon those of His Majesty's Council, as will be shewn by the fact of only four Bills having been prepared by the said Council, and One Hundred and upwards by this House, and the duties devolving upon the Clerks of this House, by questions arising upon controverted Elections, preparation and supervision of the printing Journals of Session, &c. are utterly disproportioned to the inferior amount of business to be performed by the Clerks of the Council. *And whereas*, anterior to the year 1830, no Assistant Clerk was ever appointed by His Majesty's Council, and then, during the absence of the present Clerk in England,

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England. *Resolved*, that the Resolution for granting £100 to the Clerk of the Council be re-committed, for the purpose of ascertaining whether the sum of £100 be not, in reference to the Duties of such Clerks, a full and ample remuneration; which, being seconded and put, and the House dividing thereon, there appeared, for the motion, sixteen; against it, twenty:

For the Motion.

Mr R Dewolf	Mr W H Roach
Mr Wier	Mr Delap
Mr Chipman	Mr Shey
Mr Cochran	Mr Oxley
Mr Doyle	Mr Huntington
Mr G Smith	Mr O'Brien
Mr Young	
Mr Morton	
Mr Archibald	
Mr Clements	

Against the Motion.

Mr C Roche	Mr Lent
Mr Kavanagh	Mr Creighton
Mr Rudolf	Mr J R Dewolf
Mr Freeman	Mr Heckman
Mr Crow	Mr Deblois
Mr Bell	Mr Johnston
Mr Barss	Mr Wilkins
Mr Uniacke	Mr Morse
Mr Lovett	Mr Dickson
Mr B Dewolf	Mr Lawson

So it passed in the Negative.

Mr. Creighton then moved, that the Resolution relative to the Inspecting Field Officers of Militia be not received by the House: which, being seconded and put, and the House dividing thereon, there appeared, for the motion, thirteen; against it, twenty-three:

Motion not to receive Resolution relating to Field Officers negatived

For the Motion.

Mr Lawson
Mr Dickson
Mr Morton
Mr Johnston
Mr Wilkins
Mr Heckman
Mr Deblois
Mr Creighton
Mr J R Dewolf
Mr C Roche
Mr Rudolf
Mr Uniacke
Mr Kavanagh

Against the Motion.

Mr B Dewolf	Mr Huntington
Mr Archibald	Mr W H Roach
Mr Delap	Mr Shey
Mr Freeman	Mr Clements
Mr Crow	Mr Young
Mr Bell	Mr Morse
Mr Barss	Mr Wier
Mr O'Brien	Mr Cochran
Mr Lovett	Mr Doyle
Mr E Dewolf	Mr G Smith
Mr Lent	
Mr Chipman	
Mr Oxley	

So it passed in the Negative.

The said several Resolutions were then, upon the question respectively put thereon, agreed to by the House.

Said several Resolutions agreed to

Then the House adjourned until To-morrow, at twelve of the clock.

Tuesday, 15th March, 1836.

PRAYERS.

Mr. Morse reported from the Select Committee on the Petition of George McKenzie and John Giddie, late Overseers of the Poor, for the Township of Pictou; and he read the Report in his place, and afterwards delivered it in at the Clerk's Table, where it was again read.

Report on Pet. of George McKenzie and John Giddie

(See Appendix, No. 63.)

On motion, *resolved*, that the Report and Petition be referred to the Committee of Supply.

Report & Pet. referred to Supply

On motion of Mr. Young, *resolved*, that a Committee be appointed to wait upon His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, and respectfully to request that His Excellency will be pleased to order the proper Officer to lay before this House the Order or Orders in Council, or other authority, by which the Fees of the Chief-Justice are levied and collected, by himself and the Puisne Judges in this Province.

Resolution respecting Judges' Fees

Ordered, That Mr. Young, Mr. G. Smith and Mr. Morton, be a Committee for the above purpose.

Nn

Mr,

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Resolution relative to the exporting of the Provincial Stud

Mr. Chipman moved that the House do come to a Resolution as followeth, viz: *Whereas*, the Provincial Stud, known by the names of Randolph, Stag and Cleaveland Bay, were imported into this Province, in the year 1827, for the purpose of improving the Breed of Horses, and, under Resolution of this House, sold to sundry Persons in the year 1831, under certain stipulations and restrictions; *And whereas*, said Stud have been kept a time sufficiently long for all the purposes required of them, and consequently of little benefit to the Province, and no profit to the owners, who are now desirous of exporting, severally, said Stud, out of the Province:

Resolved therefore, That permission be granted to the several owners of said Stud, namely, James Dennison, owner of Randolph, James Songster, owner of Stag, and Samuel Chipman, owner of Cleaveland Bay, to export and sell the same. *Provided nevertheless*, and upon condition, that they do apply the nett proceeds of the Sale thereof to the purchasing and importing into the Province another Stud of Seed Horses, either from Canada or the United States, for and on their own account: which, being seconded and put, was agreed to by the House.

Copy of the Grant of Land on which Dalhousie College Stand laid before the House

Mr. Speaker laid before the House a Copy of the Grant of Land on which the Dalhousie College stands in the Town of Halifax, transmitted to the House by Mr. Deputy Secretary James, in accordance with the request of the House and the command of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, and the same was read by the Clerk.

Ordered, That the Copy of Grant do lie on the Table.

Barristers Bill read and passed

An engrossed Bill for the better regulation of Barristers, Advocates, Attornies, Solicitors and Proctors, practising in the Courts of this Province, was read a third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and that the title be, An Act for the better regulation of Barristers, Advocates, Attornies, Solicitors and Proctors, practising in the Courts of this Province.

License Duty Bill read

An engrossed Bill for granting Duties on Licenses for the sale of Spirituous Liquors in Taverns, Public Houses or Shops, and for other purposes, was read a third time; and thereupon,

Amendment made to License Bill

Mr. Lovett moved, that the words "Shop or," be struck out of the ninth clause of the Bill: which, being seconded and put, and the House dividing thereon, there appeared, for the motion, nineteen; against it, thirteen:

For the Motion.

Mr Chipman	Mr Heckman
Mr Rudolf	Mr Huntington
Mr Blanchard	Mr Johnston
Mr Lawson	Mr Bell
Mr Doyle	Mr Barss
Mr Morton	Mr B Dewolf
Mr Young	Mr Deblois
Mr Archibald	Mr Crow
Mr G Smith	Mr Lovett
Mr Shey	

Against the Motion.

Mr Kavanagh	Mr W H Roach
Mr Delap	Mr Wier
Mr C Roche	Mr Freeman
Mr Harris	
Mr Ozley	
Mr O'Brien	
Mr Lent	
Mr Budd	
Mr Clements	
Mr Cochran	

So it passed in the Affirmative.

License Bill passed

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and that the title be, An Act for granting Duties on Licenses for the sale of Spirituous Liquors in Taverns, Public Houses or Shops, and for other purposes.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bills to the Council, and desire their concurrence.

Order of Day Composition of Councils deferred for a week

On motion of Mr. Doyle, the Order of the Day, for considering in Committee of the whole the composition of the Executive and Legislative Councils, was read; and thereupon,

Mr. Johnston moved, that the said consideration be postponed until this day week: which, being seconded and put, and the House dividing thereon; there appeared, for the motion, twenty-two; against it, thirteen. So it passed in the Affirmative. Mr.

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Mr. Uniacke moved, that the House do now resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, on the further consideration of the several Bills which stand committed: which, being seconded and put, and the House dividing thereon, there appeared, for the motion, eighteen; against it, seventeen.

So it passed in the Affirmative.

And accordingly, the House resolved itself into the Committee.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair,

Mr. Lovett took the Chair,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chairman reported from the Committee that they had gone through the Bill to amend the Act for granting Duties on Licenses for the sale of Spirituous Liquors, and for other purposes, to persons resident within the Town of Halifax, and had directed him to report the said Bill to the House, without any amendment; that the Committee had also gone through the Bill for consolidating and amending the Statutes, relative to Offences against the Person; the Bill to continue the Act for the more easy Redemption and Foreclosure of Mortgages; and the Bill to authorize the Lieutenant-Governor to appoint Commissioners to run out the Boundary Line between Nova-Scotia and New-Brunswick, and had made amendments to the said Bills respectively, which they had directed him to report to the House, with the Bills; and that the Committee had also considered the Bill for reducing the expenses of Suits at Law, in certain cases, and recommend to the House that the Bill be referred to a Select Committee, to examine and report upon to the House; and he afterwards delivered the several Bills with the amendments, in at the Clerk's Table.

The Chairman also acquainted the House that he was directed by the Committee to move for leave to sit again on the consideration of Bills committed; which the House agreed to.

The amendments reported from the Committee to the several Bills mentioned in that report, were read throughout a first and second time, and upon the question severally put thereon, were agreed to by the House.

Ordered, That the Bills with the amendments be engrossed.

Ordered, That the Bill reported without amendment be engrossed.

Ordered, That the Bill for reducing the Expenses of Suits at Law, in certain cases, be referred to Mr. Wilkins, Mr. W. H. Roach, Mr. Blanchard, Mr. Deblois and Mr Uniacke, to examine and report upon to this House.

Mr. Doyle, from the Select Committee appointed to prepare and report an Address to His Majesty on the subject of appointments to Offices in the Customs' Department and otherwise in this Province, presented to the House an Address, which had been prepared by the Committee; and he read the same in his place, and afterwards delivered it in at the Clerk's Table, where it was again read, and is follows:

THE KING'S MOST EXCELLENT MAJESTY.

THE HUMBLE ADDRESS OF THE HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY OF THE PROVINCE OF NOVA-SCOTIA, IN LEGISLATIVE SESSION CONVENED.

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR MAJESTY,

THE House of Assembly approach Your Majesty with unabated sentiments of affectionate attachment, and beg leave to assure Your Majesty that no one of your Dependencies surpasses this Your faithful Province of Nova-Scotia, in zealous devotion to Your Person and Throne:

The House of Assembly beg leave humbly to inform Your Majesty, that they have always evinced a readiness to concur with Your Majesty's wishes, in making what they have deemed an ample and compensatory provision for the various Public Functionaries of Your Majesty in this Province; and they would humbly submit that Your Majesty possesses not any subjects more disposed or capable of devoting themselves, with fidelity and zeal, to serve Your Majesty in those several Branches of the Public Government:—Thus impressed, the House of Assembly cannot abstain from expressing the regrets with which they find that Your Majesty's Subjects in this Province are studiously overlooked, in the selections to fill places, however inferior and subordinate, in the

Motion for Com. of whole on Bills

House in Com. on Bills

Report Halifax License Bill without amendment

Offences against the Person
Foreclosure of Mortgages
To establish Boundary Line between N. S. & N. B. with amendments
Cheap Law Bill referred to Select Committee

Said amendments agreed to

Committee on cheap Law Bill

Report of Address to His Majesty on the subject of the Customs' Department and Offices in this Province

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the department of Your Majesty's Customs, established in this Province, notwithstanding they so amply support the same.

The House of Assembly would suggest the necessarily discouraging influence which such a partial system of patronage must create, in repressing a spirit of improvement among the youth of the Province, and in extinguishing those sentiments to qualify themselves, by study and attention, for the offices of a public nature, which a knowledge of their being accessible always produces.

The House of Assembly have seen with pleasure a recent Instruction of Your Majesty to Your Lieutenant-Governor of Upper Canada, by which Your Majesty is graciously pleased to express Your commands that, for public employments, Natives and settled Inhabitants should be selected, with occasional exceptions, a proof, as is therein alleged, of Your Majesty's settled purpose to exercise Your Prerogative for no other end than that of the good of Your Colonial People. The House of Assembly humbly solicit an extension of the same gracious intentions to Your Subjects of this Province; and Your Majesty may feel assured that, among no other class of Your Subjects, can Your Majesty command the services of a People more devoted to those principles which sustain the power and the dignity of Your Throne.

On motion, *resolved*, that the Address be received and adopted by the House.

Ordered, That the Committee who prepared the Address be a Committee to wait upon His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor therewith, and that the Committee do respectfully request His Excellency to forward the same to His Majesty, with his favourable recommendation of the prayer thereof.

Committee who prepared Address to wait on Lieut. Gov. with the same

Mr. Lent, pursuant to leave given, presented a Bill to erect the County of Shelburne into two separate and distinct Counties, and to regulate the Representation thereof, and the same was read a first time.

Bill for division of Shelburne County

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time.

Mr. Young reported from the Select Committee appointed to wait upon His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, and request that any Orders in Council, relative to the Fees of the Chief-Justice, may be laid before the House; that the Committee had attended to that duty, and that His Excellency, in answer to the application, was pleased to say, that he would direct the required information to be laid before the House.

Report concerning orders in Council relative to Judges Fees

Mr. Bell, pursuant to leave given on a former day, presented a Bill to provide for the better establishment of a Bridewell, for the punishment of Criminals, and for the establishment and regulation of a House of Industry, and the same was read a first time.

Bridewell Bill presented

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time.

Then the House adjourned until To-morrow, at twelve of the clock.

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A Bill to erect the County of Shelburne into two separate and distinct Counties, and to regulate the Representation thereof, was read a second time.

Shelburne County Division Bill committed

Ordered, That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House.

A Bill to provide for the better establishment of a Bridewell, for the punishment of Criminals, and for the establishment and regulation of a House of Industry, was read a second time; and thereupon,

Bridewell Bill read

Mr. Stewart moved, that the further consideration of the Bill, be deferred to this day three months: which, being seconded and put, and the House dividing thereon, there appeared, for the motion, fifteen; against it, nineteen.

Motion to defer it for three months negatived

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For the Motion,

Mr B Dewolf
Mr Freeman
Mr Cochran
Mr Stewart
Mr Chipman
Mr Delap
Mr Young
Mr Archibald
Mr Oxley
Mr Morton

Mr Barry
Mr O'Brien
Mr Harris
Mr Wier
Mr J R Dewolf

Against the Motion.

Mr Blanchard
Mr C Roche
Mr Kavanagh
Mr Crow
Mr W H Roach
Mr G Smith
Mr Heckman
Mr Lent
Mr Budd
Mr Bell

Mr Deblois
Mr Lovett
Mr Shey
Mr Johnston
Mr Clements
Mr Huntington
Mr Dickson
Mr Rudolf
Mr Lawson

So it passed in the Negative.

Ordered, That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House.

Said Bill Committed

A Message from the Council, by Mr. Halliburton :

Mr. Speaker,

The Council have agreed to the Bill, entitled, An Act to continue the Act to regulate the Expenditure of Monies, hereafter to be appropriated for the service of Roads and Bridges, and the Act in amendment thereof; to the Bill, entitled, An Act to continue the Act for the Summary Trial of Actions, and the Act in amendment thereof; and to the Bill, entitled, An Act to continue the Act concerning the Inferior Courts of Common Pleas within this Province, severally, without any amendment.

Council agree to Bills for expenditure of Road Monies
Summary Trials and Inferior Courts, also

And that the Council had agreed to the Resolution for placing the Road Money for Cape-Breton at the disposal of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, and to the several Resolutions and Scales for sub-division of Road Money throughout the Province.

Scales of Sub-division of Road Money

And then the Messenger withdrew.

An engrossed Bill to authorize the Lieutenant-Governor to appoint Commissioners to run out the Boundary Line between Nova-Scotia and New-Brunswick, was read a third time.

Bill to appoint Comrs. to run out Boundary Line between N.S. & N.B. passed

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and that the title be, An Act to authorize the Lieutenant-Governor to appoint Commissioners to run out the Boundary Line between Nova-Scotia and New-Brunswick.

An engrossed Bill to amend the Act for granting Duties on Licenses for the sale of Spirituous Liquors, and for other purposes, to Persons resident within the Town of Halifax, was read a third time.

License Bill passed

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and that the title be, An Act to amend the Act for granting Duties on Licenses for the sale of Spirituous Liquors, and for other purposes, to Persons resident within the Town of Halifax.

An engrossed Bill to continue and amend the Act for the encouragement of Schools, was read a third time.

School Bill passed

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and that the title be, An Act to continue and amend the Act for the encouragement of Schools.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Council and desire their concurrence.

An engrossed Bill for granting Colonial Duties of Impost for the support of His Majesty's Government within this Province, and for promoting the Agriculture, Commerce, and Fisheries thereof, was read a third time.

Bills to be sent to Council
Colonial Impost Duties Bill passed

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and that the title be, An Act for granting Colonial Duties of Impost for the support of His Majesty's Government within this Province, and for promoting the Agriculture, Commerce, and Fisheries thereof.

An engrossed Bill to continue and amend the Act for regulating the Importation of Goods, was read a third time.

Bill for Importation of Goods passed

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and that the title be, An Act to continue and amend the Act for regulating the Importation of Goods.

Mr. Young reported from the Select Committee to whom were referred the Petitions for aid to the new line of road between Dartmouth and Guysborough through Musquedoboit; and he read the Report in his place, and afterwards delivered it in at the Clerk's Table, where it was again read.

Report on Pet. for aid to road from Dartmouth to Guysborough

Mm

See

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(See Appendix, No. 64.)

Ordered, That the Petition do lie on the Table.

A Message from the Council, by Mr. Halliburton :

Mr. Speaker,

The Council have agreed to the Bill, entitled, An Act concerning Elections in the County of Cumberland, without amendment.

The Council have passed a Bill, entitled, An Act to give effect and validity to a certain devise or settlement of Real Estate, made and contained in the last Will and Testament of John Mackay, late of Windsor, in Hants County, Esquire, deceased, to which Bill they desire the concurrence of this Honorable House.

The Council desire a Conference, by Committee, with a Committee of this Honorable House, on the subject of the Bill, entitled, An Act to amend the Act relating to the Court of Commissioners at Halifax.

And then the Messenger withdrew.

On motion, *resolved*, that the said Conference be agreed to as desired by the Council, and that the Clerk do acquaint the Council therewith.

Ordered, That Mr. Deblois, Mr. Bell and Mr. Stewart, do manage the Conference.

So they went to the Conference ; and being returned,

Mr. Deblois reported, that the Managers had been at the Conference and stated the substance of the Conference to the House.

The engrossed Bill from the Council, entitled, An Act to give effect and validity to a certain devise or settlement of Real Estate, made and contained in the last Will and Testament of John Mackay, late of Windsor, in Hants County, Esquire, deceased, was read a first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time.

Mr. Deputy-Secretary James acquainted the House that he had two Messages from His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, to this House, signed by His Excellency ; and he delivered the said Messages to the House, and the same were read by Mr. Speaker, all the Members being uncovered, and are as follow :—

MESSAGE.

C. CAMPBELL.

The Lieutenant-Governor submits to the House of Assembly a Petition from a number of poor People, settled on the north side of Saint George's Channel, in the County of Cape-Breton, representing their destitute situation from the want of provisions, occasioned by a failure of their Crops in the last Season, and stating the probable consequences to be apprehended if aid be not afforded to them.

The Lieutenant-Governor having no Fund at his disposal from which he can afford aid to distressed Settlers, and this being the second application from the same quarter on this painful subject, he feels it to be his duty to bring this matter to the consideration of the House of Assembly, in the hope, that measures may be adopted to prevent the calamity anticipated.

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MESSAGE.

C. CAMPBELL.

The Lieutenant-Governor lays before the House of Assembly a Copy of a Despatch from the Right Honorable His Majesty's Principal Secretary of State for the Colonies, dated 28th November, 1835, upon the general subject of Prison Discipline, Copies of a series of Reports of the Select Committee of the House of Lords, appointed to enquire in the state of the Gaols and Houses of Correction, in England and Wales ; and a Copy

Council agree to Cumberland Election Bill and Pass a Bill to give validity to a devise in the Will of the late John MacKay and

Conference on Halifax Court of Commissioners Bill

Conference agreed to Committee of Conference and report therefrom

Bill to give validity to Will of John MacKay read first time

Two Messages from the Lieut. Gov. concerning poor settlers in C. B. and Prison Discipline

First Message poor settlers in C. B.

Second Message Prison Discipline

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Copy of an Act, passed by the Imperial Parliament, entitled, An Act for effecting greater uniformity of practice in the government of the several Prisons in England and Wales, and for appointing Inspectors of Prisons in Great-Britain; which Documents the Lieutenant-Governor has been directed to bring under the consideration of the Legislature, and to solicit their early attention to this important subject, as far as regards this Colony.

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Mr. Deputy-Secretary James, also presented to the House, the Petition mentioned in the first Message, and the Copy of Despatch, and the Copies of the series of Reports of the Committee of the House of Lords, mentioned in the second Message, and the said Petition and Copy of Despatch were read by the Clerk; for the Despatch,

(See Appendix, No. 65.)

Ordered, That the said Messages and other Papers do lie on the Table, to be perused by the Members of this House.

On motion, the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider further of the Supply granted to His Majesty.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair,

Mr. Rudolf took the Chair,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chairman reported from the Committee that they had made further progress in the business referred to them, and had come to several Resolutions thereupon, which they had directed him to report to the House; and he read the same in his place, and afterwards delivered them in at the Clerk's Table.

The Chairman also acquainted the House, that he was directed by the Committee to move for leave to sit again on the consideration of a Supply; which the House agreed to.

The said Resolutions were read by the Clerk, and are as follow:—

Resolved, That it is the opinion of this Committee, that the sum of Fifty Pounds be granted and paid to the Right Reverend Bishop Fraser, to enable him to compensate the Clergyman in charge of the Indians at Cape-Breton, for his religious instructions bestowed upon them.

Resolved, That it is the opinion of this Committee, that the sum of Fifty Pounds should be granted and paid to the Owners of the Packet running between Windsor and Partridge Island, to encourage the running of the said Packet between the said places, under such regulations as may be made and ordered by the Justices in their Sessions for the County of Hants, for the present year.

Resolved, That it is the opinion of this Committee, that the sum of Twenty Pounds should be granted and paid to aid the Inhabitants of Cape-Breton, in supporting a suitable Boat or Scow to run between McMillan's Point, in Cape-Breton, and Auld's Cove, in the County of Sydney; the said Boat or Scow to be placed under the regulation of the General Sessions of the North-Western District of the County of Cape-Breton.

Resolved, That it is the opinion of this Committee, that the sum of Four Hundred Pounds should be granted and paid to the Commissioners of Sable Island, for the support of that establishment for the present year.

Resolved, That it is the opinion of this Committee, that the sum of One Hundred Pounds should be granted and paid to John F. Muncey, to compensate him for expenses incurred and for assistance bestowed by him in succouring Shipwrecked Persons, agreeably to the report of the Committee on his Petition.

Whereas, it appears by the Petition of the Halifax Steam Boat Company, and by the report of the Select Committee to whom the same was referred, that very extensive and general benefit results to the public, by means of the Steam Boat now on the Ferry between Halifax and Dartmouth, although the said Company are not yet reimbursed any portion of the cost thereof. Resolved, That it is the opinion of this Committee, that the sum of Two Hundred Pounds should be granted and paid to the said Company, towards the

Mr. James presents the Pet. and Copy of Despatch, &c mentioned in Messages

Ordered that the Messages and Papers do lie on the Table
House in Committee of Supply

Report Resolutions viz—

501 Bishop Fraser

501 to Windsor and Partridge Island Packet

201 for Boat to ply between C. B. and Sydney

4001 Comrs. of Sable Island

1001 John F. Muncey

2001 Halifax Steam Boat Company

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500l for aid to a new
Steam Boat

the support of the said Establishment during the present year. *And whereas*, the intercourse with the Eastern parts of the Province would be greatly facilitated and increased, if a second Steam-Boat were employed on the said Ferry. *Resolved*, That it is the opinion of this Committee, that the sum of Five Hundred Pounds should be granted to the Halifax Steam-Boat Company, to be drawn from the Treasury when it shall be certified to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, that another Steam-Boat, of not less than Sixteen Horse Power has been provided, and is in readiness to ply for the accommodation of the Public.

Resolution for re-
turns of Duties

Resolved, That the following sums be granted and paid to the several Persons hereinafter named respectively, the same being for Returns of Duties paid by them, as appears by the Report of the Committee on their several Petitions, viz:—

To George E. Morton, the sum of Seventeen Pounds Two Shillings and Five Pence.

To William Muir, the sum of Sixteen Pounds Eighteen Shillings.

To Joshua Snow, the sum of Ten Pounds Twelve Shillings and Six Pence.

To Thomas Whittemore, the sum of Twelve Pounds Ten Shillings.

To James Fletcher, George Cochran and James Cochran, the sum of Five Pounds Twelve Shillings and Six Pence.

Report and Pet. re-
lative to Stage
Coaches deferred
for three months

And to Charles Starr, the sum of Six Pounds Seventeen Shillings.

Resolved, That it is the opinion of this Committee, that the further consideration of the Report upon certain Petitions for aid to Stage Coaches, together with the Petitions therein mentioned, should be deferred to this day three months.

Motion not to re-
ceive resolution
granting aid to Ha-
lifax Steam Boat
Company negatived

Mr. Cochran moved, that the Resolution for granting Two Hundred Pounds and Five Hundred Pounds to the Halifax Steam-Boat Company, be not received by the House: which, being seconded and put, and the House dividing thereon, there appeared, for the motion, ten; against it, twenty-seven.

For the Motion.

Mr Cochran
Mr O'Brien
Mr Wier
Mr Young
Mr Huntington
Mr Clements
Mr Archibald
Mr Lent
Mr DeClap
Mr Ozley

Against the Motion.

Mr C Roche	Mr Freeman	Mr Morton
Mr Crow	Mr Dickson	Mr Heckman
Mr Harris	Mr Morse	Mr Uniacke
Mr Kavanagh	Mr Johnston	Mr Chipman
Mr Creighton	Mr Bell	Mr Stewart
Mr J R Dewolf	Mr Sley	
Mr Doyle	Mr W H Roach	
Mr Wilkins	Mr Barss	
Mr Deblois	Mr Budd	
Mr E Dewolf	Mr Lovett	
Mr G Smith	Mr B Dewolf	

So it passed in the Negative.

Motion not to re-
ceive Resolution re-
lative to Stage
Coaches negatived

Mr. Creighton then moved, that the Resolution for deferring the Report and Petitions relative to Stage Coaches, be not received by the House: which, being seconded and put, and the House dividing thereon, there appeared, for the motion, seventeen; against it, twenty. So it passed in the Negative.

Said several Reso-
lutions agreed to

The said several Resolutions were then, upon the question respectively put thereon, agreed to by the House.

Resolved, That the Clerk do carry the said Resolutions to the Council, (except the said Resolution relating to the Report and Petitions concerning Stage Coaches,) together with the Resolutions for granting Monies, which passed this House on the 14th inst. except certain annual Grants, not usually sent to the Council, and desire the concurrence of the Council to the Resolutions so sent to them.

Then the House adjourned until To-morrow, at twelve of the clock.

Thursday, 17th March, 1836.

PRAYERS.

Leave of absence
for Mr. E. Dewolf

Ordered, That Mr. E. Dewolf have leave of absence from this House, to return home on account of the ill state of his health, On

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On motion of Mr. Blanchard, *resolved*, that the order for referring the Bill to enable the Freeholders of the Township of Pictou to assess themselves for arrears of Poor Rates, and the Petitions against the same, to a Committee of the whole House, be discharged, and that the Bill and Petitions be referred to a Select Committee, to examine and report upon to this House.

Pictou Assessment Bill and Pets. referred to a Select Committee

Ordered, That Mr. Bell, Mr. Blanchard and Mr. Clements, be a Committee for the above purpose.

Mr. O'Brien, pursuant to leave given on a former day, presented a Bill to substitute declarations for Oaths in certain cases, and the same was read a first time.

Bill to substitute declarations for Oaths in certain cases

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time.

Mr. Blanchard reported from the Select Committee on the Petitions for aid to Libraries in Pictou and Lunenburg.

Report on Library Pets.

(See Appendix, No. 66.)

Ordered, That the Report do lie on the Table.

Mr. E. Dewolf, pursuant to leave given on a former day, presented a Bill relative to the assessment of Dike Rates for the New or Wickwire Dike, in Horton, and the same was read a first time.

Bill for Assessment of Dike in Horton

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time.

Mr. Wilkins, pursuant to leave given, presented a Petition of Lewis M. Wilkins and others, Inhabitants of the Township of Windsor, in the County of Hants, praying that no Act may be passed that may directly or indirectly produce the effect of removing the University of King's College from its present seat in Windsor.

Pet. from Windsor against removal of King's College

Ordered, That the Petition do lie on the Table.

The amendments proposed by the Council to the Bill, entitled, An Act concerning the Circuit Courts in this Province, were read throughout a second time; and thereupon,

Councils amends. to Circuit Courts Bill read and 1st amendt. agreed to

On motion of Mr. Stewart, *resolved*, that this House do agree to the first amendment proposed, and do not agree to the other amendments.

Others not agreed to

On motion of Mr. Stewart, *resolved*, that a Conference be desired with the Council, by Committee, on the subject of said Bill and amendments.

Conference desired on said Bill

Ordered, That the Clerk do request said Conference.

An engrossed Bill for consolidating and amending the Statutes relative to Offences against the Person, was read a third time.

Bill relative to Offences against the Person passed

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and that the title be, An Act for consolidating and amending the Statutes relative to Offences against the Person.

An engrossed Bill to continue the Act for the support and regulation of Light-Houses, was read a third time.

Light House Bill passed

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and that the title be, An Act to continue the Act for the support and regulation of Light-Houses.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bills to the Council and desire their concurrence.

Sent to Council for concurrence

An engrossed Bill to continue the several Acts for the prevention of Smuggling, was read a third time.

Smuggling prevention Bill passed

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and that the title be, An Act to continue the several Acts for the prevention of Smuggling.

An engrossed Bill to continue the Act for the general regulation of the Colonial Duties, was read a third time.

Colonial Duties Bill passed

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and that the title be, An Act to continue the Act for the general regulation of the Colonial Duties.

An engrossed Bill to continue the Act for the Warehousing of Goods and in amendment thereof, was read a third time.

Warehousing of Goods Bill passed

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Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and that the title be, An Act to continue the Act for the Warehousing of Goods, and in amendment thereof.

Drawback Bill passed

An engrossed Bill to continue and amend the Act concerning Goods exported, and for granting Drawbacks, was read a third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and that the title be, An Act to continue and amend the Act concerning Goods exported, and for granting Drawbacks.

Bill from Council concerning Estate of the late John Mackay read 2d time

The engrossed Bill from the Council, entitled, An Act to give effect and validity to a certain devise or settlement of Real Estate, made and contained in the last Will and Testament of John Mackay, late of Windsor, in Hants County, Esquire, deceased, was read a second time.

Referred to a Select Committee

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to Mr. Uniacke, Mr. J. R. Dewolf and Mr. Doyle, to examine and investigate the facts set forth in the Preamble of said Bill, with power to send for Persons and Papers, and that they do report thereon to this House.

A Message from the Council, by Mr. Halliburton:

Mr. Speaker,

Council agree to Conference on Circuit Court Bill

The Council agree to the Conference desired by this Honorable House, on the subject of the Bill concerning the Circuit Courts in this Province, and the proposed amendments thereto, and the Committee of the Council are ready to meet the Committee of this House.

And then the Messenger withdrew.

Committee and Report therefrom

Ordered, That Mr. Stewart, Mr. Blanchard and Mr. Morton, do manage said Conference.

So they went to the Conference,

And being returned, Mr. Stewart reported that the Managers had been at the Conference, and he stated the substance of the Conference to the House.

Order of Day King's and Dalhousie Colleges

The Order of the Day, for the House to resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider the Message of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, and the other Papers relative to King's and Dalhousie Colleges, being read,

House in Committee of whole

The House resolved itself into the Committee.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair,

Mr. Rudolf took the Chair,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

Report progress

The Chairman reported from the Committee that they had made some progress in the business referred to them, and had directed him to move for leave to sit again on the consideration thereof, which the House agreed to.

Ordered, That the House do again to-morrow resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, on the consideration of the same subject.

Then the House adjourned until To-morrow, at twelve of the clock.

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PRAYERS.

Report from Com. who waited on Lt. Gov. with Address on Foreign Trade

Mr. Stewart, from the Select Committee appointed to wait upon His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, with the Address of the House to His Majesty on the subject of the Foreign Trade of the Province, and also the accompanying Address to His Excellency on the subject of said first mentioned Address, reported that the Committee had performed that duty, and that His Excellency was pleased to say that he would forward the Address to His Majesty.

Bill to substitute declarations for oaths and

A Bill to substitute declarations for Oaths in certain cases; also,

Horton Dike Rate Bill read 2d time

A Bill relative to the assessment of Dike Rates for the New or Wickwire Dyke, in Horton, were severally read a second time.

Ordered, That the Bills be committed to a Committee of the whole House. An

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An engrossed Bill to continue and amend the Act for the more easy Redemption and Foreclosure of Mortgages, was read a third time,	Bill for Foreclosure of Mortgages passed
<i>Resolved</i> , That the Bill do pass, and that the title be, An Act to continue and amend the Act for the more easy Redemption and Foreclosure of Mortgages.	
<i>Ordered</i> , That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Council, and desire their concurrence.	Bills sent to Council
<i>Ordered</i> , That the Clerk do carry to the Council the several Bills which have passed this House relative to the Revenue, and desire the concurrence of the Council thereto.	Revenue Bill sent to Council for concurrence
Mr. Young moved that the House do come to a Resolution as followeth, viz—	
<i>Resolved</i> , That there be placed at the disposal of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor the unexpended balance of the Money voted for Arisaig Pier, that such part of it may be laid out in repairs as are necessary for the preservation of the Works, but not to exceed the amount thereof, being £153 3 11, which being seconded,	Motion respecting unexpended money voted for Arisaig Pier
Mr. Uniacke moved, as an amendment, to add at the end of the proposed Resolution, the words following, viz :—	
<i>Provided</i> , That before any part of such balance be applied as aforesaid, an amount equal to the sum so applied shall be contributed by the Inhabitants in labor or materials, or otherwise for the same purpose : which, being seconded and put, and the House dividing thereon, there appeared, for the motion, twenty ; against it, eleven.	Amendt. that an equal amount be first contributed on labour—carried
So it passed in the Affirmative.	
The said Resolution as amended, was then, upon the question put thereon, agreed to by the House.	Resolution as amended passed
On motion of Mr. Johnston, <i>resolved</i> , that the various orders for referring to the Select Committee on Schools the several Petitions praying aid to Schools and Academies be discharged, and that the Petitions be referred to the Committee of Supply.	Pets. for aids to Schools referred to Com. of Supply
<i>Ordered</i> , That the Clerk do carry back to the Council the Bill, entitled, An Act concerning the Circuit Courts in this Province, and the amendments proposed by the Council thereto, and acquaint the Council with the Resolution of this House in regard to said amendments.	Circuit Court Bill sent back to Council with a Resolution
On motion, the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider further of the several Bills which stood committed.	House in Committee on Bills
Mr. Speaker left the Chair,	
Mr. Lovett took the Chair,	
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.	
The Chairman reported from the Committee, that they had gone through the Bill to continue the Act to amend the Act to regulate the Assize of Bread, and had made sundry amendments thereto, which had been recommended by the Select Committee on said Bill, and had directed him to report said Bill and amendments to the House ; that they had also gone through the Bill to continue the several Acts for the Regulation of the Militia ; the Bill to incorporate the King's County Woollen Cloth and Mills Company ; the Bill to amend the Act to extend to New Glasgow, in the District of Pictou, the provisions of the Act relating to Commissioners of Highways in Halifax, and certain other places ; and the Bill to erect the County of Shelburne into two separate and distinct Counties, and to regulate the Representation thereof, and had directed him to report the said Bills to the House, severally, without any amendment ; that the Committee had also gone through the engrossed Bill from the Council, entitled, An Act relating to Imprisonment for Debt, and had made amendments thereto, which the Committee had directed him to report to the House with the Bill ; and he afterwards delivered the Bills and amendments in at the Clerk's Table.	Report Bills, viz— Assize of Bread with amendments Regulation of Militia King's County Cloth Company's Glasgow Highway Shelburne County Division severally without amendts. Debt Imprisonment Bill with amendts.
The Chairman also acquainted the House, that he was directed by the Committee to move for leave to sit again on the consideration of Bills committed ; which the House agreed to.	Mr.

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Motion to re-com-
mit Shelburne Coun-
ty Division Bill

Mr. Deblois moved that the Bill to erect the County of Shelburne into two Counties, &c. be re-committed to the Committee of the whole House, for the purpose of adding a clause limiting the number of Representatives for the divided County, to five members, as at present: which, being seconded and put, and the House dividing thereon, there appeared, for the motion, twelve; against it, nineteen:

For the Motion.

Mr Chipman	Mr Lawson
Mr Rudolf	Mr Heckman
Mr Cochran	Mr Deblois
Mr Morton	Mr B Dewolf
Mr Johnston	Mr Budd
Mr O'Brien	Mr Wier

Against the Motion.

Mr C Roche	Mr Lent	Mr Barris
Mr Kavanagh	Mr Archibald	Mr Clements
Mr Freeman	Mr Stewart	Mr Shey
Mr Uniacke	Mr Delap	Mr G Smith
Mr J R Dewolf	Mr Oxley	Mr Young
Mr Crow	Mr Bell	Mr Blanchard
Mr Huntington		

So it passed in the Negative.

Ordered, That the Bills reported without amendment be engrossed.

Amendts. to Assize
of Bread Bill agreed
to

The amendments to the Bill relating to the Assize of Bread, reported from the Committee, were read, and upon the question put thereon were agreed to by the House.

Ordered, That the Bill with the amendments be engrossed.

Amendts. to Debt
Imprisonment Bill
read and

The amendments reported from the Committee to the engrossed Bill from the Council, entitled, An Act relating to Imprisonment for Debt, were read; and thereupon,

Bill deferred three
months

Mr. C. Roche moved, that the further consideration of the Bill and amendments be deferred until this day three months: which, being seconded and put, and the House dividing thereon, there appeared, for the motion, seventeen; against it, fifteen:

For the Motion.

Mr Cochran	Mr Crow
Mr Rudolf	Mr Freeman
Mr Shey	Mr Heckman
Mr Clements	Mr Blanchard
Mr Delap	Mr J R Dewolf
Mr Deblois	Mr Wier
Mr Archibald	Mr B Dewolf
Mr Huntington	Mr C Roche
Mr Lent	

Against the Motion.

Mr Kavanagh	Mr Johnston
Mr Budd	Mr Barris
Mr O'Brien	Mr Lawson
Mr Uniacke	Mr G Smith
Mr Stewart	Mr Young
Mr Oxley	Mr Chipman
Mr Bell	Mr Dickson
Mr Morton	

So it passed in the Affirmative.

A Message from the Council, by Mr. Halliburton:

Mr. Speaker,

Council agree to
License Bill, also

The Council have agreed to the Bill, entitled, An Act for granting Duties on Licences for the Sale of Spirituous Liquors in Taverns, Public Houses or Shops, and for other purposes; and to the Bill, entitled, An Act to continue the Act for the support and regulation of Light-Houses, severally, without amendment.

Light House Bill
and

to 12 Resolutions
for granting money

The Council have agreed to twelve Resolutions of this House for granting the following sums of Money, viz:

- £600 For support of Transient Poor.
- 50 To the Adjutant-General of Militia.
- 40 For conveyance of Judges in Cape-Breton.
- 100 For relief of Indians.
- 25 For the School in the Poor House.
- 50 To Bishop Fraser, for instruction of Indians.
- 50 For the Parrsborough Packet.
- 20 For the Ferry across the Gut of Canso.
- 400 For the Sable Island Establishment.
- 100 To John F. Muncey.
- 200 & 500 To the Halifax Steam-Boat Company.
- 17 2 5 To George E. Morton.
- 16 18 0 To William Muir.
- 10 12 6 To Joshua Snow.

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£12 10 0 To Thomas Whittemore.
5 12 6 To James Fletcher and others ; and
6 17 0 To Charles Starr.

And then the Messenger withdrew.

Mr. Speaker laid before the House a Letter received by him from the Deputy Provincial Secretary, dated this day, transmitting by command of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, to be laid before the House, a Copy of the correspondence which led to the removal of the Lantern on Cross Island Light-House; which Mr. Speaker accordingly presented to the House, and the same was read by the Clerk.

Letter from Deputy Provincial Secretary respecting Cross Island Light-House

(See Appendix, No. 67.)

Ordered, That the Papers do lie on the Table.

Mr. Speaker also laid before the House, another Letter received by him from the Deputy Provincial Secretary, dated this day, transmitting by command of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, to be laid before this House, a Copy of a Letter from Messrs. Whidden and Gray, who were appointed by His Excellency to prepare the Fourth Volume of the Provincial Statutes, His Excellency recommending, that, as the service had been satisfactorily performed, a suitable remuneration should be made therefor.

Letter relative to the 4th Volume of the Provincial Statutes

Mr. Speaker also laid before the House the said Copy of Letter, bearing date the 1st March, 1836, and the same was read, acquainting the Deputy Provincial Secretary, that the said Fourth Volume of the Statutes of Nova-Scotia had been prepared, in conformity with His Excellency's directions, and that 200 Copies thereof had been printed, and were ready for disposal.

Ordered, That the said Letter and Copy of Letter do lie on the Table.

Mr. Uniacke, from the Select Committee on the engrossed Bill from the Council, entitled, An Act to give effect and validity to a certain devise or settlement of Real Estate, made and contained in the last Will and Testament of John Mackay, late of Windsor, in Hants County, Esquire, deceased, reported that the Committee had examined said Bill, and had before them evidence which fully substantiated the facts set forth in the Preamble, and they therefore recommend the Bill to the House, with a few verbal amendments.

Report on Bill to give validity to a devise in the Will of J. Mackay

Ordered, That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House.

Said Bill committed

The Order of the Day, for the House to again resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, on the further consideration of the Message of His Excellency, and the other Papers relative to King's and Dalhousie Colleges, being read,

Order of Day consideration of Colleges postponed

Ordered, That this House do resolve itself into such Committee for that purpose to-morrow.

Then the House adjourned until To-morrow, at twelve of the clock.

Saturday, 19th March, 1836.

PRAVERS.

Mr. W. H. Roach moved, that the Resolution of yesterday, for deferring until that day three months the further consideration of the engrossed Bill from the Council, entitled, An Act relating to Imprisonment for Debt, and the amendments thereto, be rescinded: which, being seconded and put, and the House dividing thereon, there appeared, for the motion, sixteen; against it, twenty:

Motion to rescind Resolution for deferring for 3 months the Debt Imprisonment Bill, negatived

So it passed in the Negative.

Mr. Uniacke reported from the Select Committee on the Petition of Henry A. Gladwin and others, relative to the Representation of the County of Halifax, under the Bill

Report on Pet. relative to the Representation of Halifax County

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of last Session; and he read the Report in his place, and afterwards delivered it in at the Clerk's Table, where it was again read.

(See Appendix, No. 68.)

On motion, *resolved*, that the Report be received and adopted by the House.

Report from Com.
who waited on Lt.
Gov. relative to
Customs' Establish-
ment

Mr. Doyle, from the Select Committee appointed to wait upon His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, with the Address of this House to His Majesty, on the subject of appointments to Offices in the Customs' Department and otherwise in this Province, reported that the Committee had performed the duty assigned to them, and that His Excellency thereupon was pleased to state to the Committee that he approved of the Address, and would have great pleasure in forwarding it with His favourable recommendation as requested by the House.

Report relative to
Poor Rates Colches-
ter

Mr. Dickson reported from the Select Committee on the Petition of the Grand Inquest of the District of Colchester, relative to the assessment of Persons for County and Poor Rates owning property in different Townships; and he read the Report in his place, and afterwards delivered it in at the Clerk's Table, where it was again read.

(See Appendix, No. 69.)

On motion, *resolved*, that the Report be received and adopted by this House.

Timber & Lumber
Bill presented
Referred to Select
Committee

Mr. Deblois, pursuant to leave given on a former day, presented a Bill to amend the Act to regulate the Survey of Timber and Lumber, and the same was read a first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to Mr. Huntington, Mr. G. Smith and Mr. Barss, to examine and report thereon to this House.

Amended Resolu-
tion relative to Ari-
saig Pier sent to
Council

Mr. Uniacke moved that the amended Resolution, passed yesterday, relative to the expenditure of Monies for the repair of Arisaig Pier, be sent to the Council for concurrence: which, being seconded and put, and the House dividing thereon, there appeared, for the motion, twenty-six; against it, eight.

So it passed in the Affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk to carry the said Resolution to the Council and desire their concurrence thereto.

Shelburne County
division Bill

An engrossed Bill to erect the County of Shelburne into two separate and distinct Counties, and to regulate the Representation thereof, was read a third time; and thereupon,

On motion of Mr. Huntington, *resolved*, that the following enacting Clause be added to the Bill by way of Rider, viz:—

Additional Clause
added to Shelburne
County division Bill

And be it further enacted, That after this Act shall come into operation, at any Election for the County of Shelburne, the Poll for such Election shall be opened and commence at the Court-House in Shelburne, and be thence removed and adjourned, if required according to law, to the old Meeting-House at Barrington; and at any Election to be held for the County of Yarmouth, the Poll shall open and commence at the Court House at Yarmouth, and if required according to law, shall be adjourned and removed to the Court House at Tusket Village, and in Elections for the Township of Argyle, shall be held at the said Court-House in Tusket Village, and to be there continued and kept open for four days or until sooner closed according to law; *Provided always*, that as to the opening and closing the Poll, the number of days in which the same shall be kept open, the notice for removal and adjournment of the Poll, and in all other respects whatsoever such Elections shall respectively be held agreeably to, and shall be governed and directed by, the several Acts now in force relative to Elections of Members to serve in General Assembly.

Bills passed, viz:
To regulate Assize
of Bread

An engrossed Bill to continue the Act to amend the Act to regulate the Assize of Bread, was read a third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and that the title be, An Act to repeal the Acts in force respecting the Assize of Bread in Halifax, and to establish other provisions in lieu thereof.

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An engrossed Bill to amend the Act to extend to New Glasgow, in the District of Pictou, the provisions of the Act relating to Commissioners of Highways in Halifax, and certain other places, was read a third time.

New Glasgow Highway Act

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and that the title be, An Act to amend the Act to extend to New Glasgow, in the District of Pictou, the provisions of the Act relating to Commissioners of Highways in Halifax and certain other places

An engrossed Bill to Incorporate the King's County Woollen Cloth and Mills Company, was read a third time.

King's County Cloth and Mills Company

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and that the title be, An Act to Incorporate the King's County Woollen Cloth and Mills Company.

An engrossed Bill to continue the several Acts for the Regulation of the Militia, was read a third time.

Regulation of Militia

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and that the title be, An Act to continue the several Acts for the Regulation of the Militia.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bills to the Council and desire their concurrence.

Bills sent to Council

A Message from the Council, by Mr. Halliburton:

Mr. Speaker,

The Council have agreed to the Bill, entitled, An Act to divide the County of Sydney, and to regulate the Representation thereof, without amendment.

Council agree to Sydney County division Bill

The Council do not adhere to the second amendment proposed by them to the first Clause of the Bill, entitled, An Act concerning the Circuit Courts in this Province, but adhere to the several amendments proposed by them to the second Clause of said Bill.

They adhere to part of their amendments to Circuit Court Bill

The Council desire a Conference by Committee, with a Committee of this Honorable House, on the subject of the Bill, entitled, An Act for granting Duties on Licences for the Sale of Spirituous Liquors and for other purposes, to Persons resident within the Town of Halifax.

Desire Conference on Halifax License Law

And then the Messenger withdrew.

On motion, *resolved*, that the said Conference be agreed to, as desired by the Council.

Conference agreed to

Ordered, That Mr. Doyle, Mr. Deblois and Mr. Lawson, do manage the Conference.

So they went to the Conference; and being returned,

Mr. Doyle reported, that the Managers had been at the Conference and stated the substance of the Conference to the House.

Report therefrom

A Message from the Council, by Mr. Halliburton:

Mr. Speaker,

The Council have not agreed to the Bill, entitled, An Act to amend the Act relating to the Court of Commissioners at Halifax.

Council disagree to Bill to amend Court of Commissioners Act

And then the Messenger withdrew.

The Order of the Day, for considering further in Committee of the whole House the Message, &c. relative to King's and Dalhousie Colleges, being read,

Order of Day consideration of Colleges read

Mr. Young moved, that the House do now resolve itself into the Committee for that purpose: which, being seconded and put, and the House dividing thereon, there appeared, for the motion, eighteen; against it, fifteen:

So it passed in the Affirmative.

House in Committee thereon

The House resolved itself into the Committee.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair,

Mr. Rudolf took the Chair,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chairman reported from the Committee that they had made further progress in the business referred to them, and had directed him to move for leave to sit again on the consideration thereof, which the House agreed to.

Report progress

Ordered,

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Consideration of
Colleges Order of
Day for Monday

Ordered, That this House on Monday next do again resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider further the Message of His Excellency, &c. relative to King's and Dalhousie Colleges.

Then the House adjourned until Monday next, at twelve of the clock.

Monday, 21st March, 1836.

PRAYERS.

Letter from Deputy
Secretary relative
to 4th Volume of
Provincial Statutes
referred to Supply

On motion, *resolved*, that the Letter from the Deputy Provincial Secretary, relative to the completion of the 4th Volume of the Provincial Statutes, laid before this House on Friday last, be referred to the Committee of Supply.

Com. to search
Journals of Coun-
cil relative to Oath
Bill

On motion of Mr. Stewart, *resolved*, that a Committee be appointed to search the Journals of the Council, and report to this House the proceedings had in Council upon the Bill, entitled, An Act to render unnecessary the taking of any other Oaths than the Oath of Allegiance and the Oath of Office, as a qualification for Office in this Province.

Ordered, That Mr Stewart, Mr. Dickson and Mr. Chipman, be a Committee for the above purpose.

Pet. relative to first
Justice Cape-Bre-
ton

A Petition of R. M. Gibbons and others, Barristers of the Supreme Court, in the North Eastern District of Cape-Breton, was presented by Mr. Doyle, and read, praying that the Office of First Justice of the Courts of Common Pleas in the Island of Cape-Breton may be abolished.

Ordered, That the Petition do lie on the Table.

Bill to increase
Comms. of High-
ways in Pictou
Pictou Poor rate
Bill

Mr. G. Smith, pursuant to special leave given, presented a Bill to increase the number of Commissioners of Highways in Pictou, and the same was read a first time.

Mr. Blanchard, pursuant to special leave given, presented a Bill respecting the Collectors of Poor Rates of Pictou, and the same was read a first time.

Ordered, That the Bills be read a second time.

Circuit Court Bill
presented, read and
committed

Mr. Stewart, pursuant to special leave given, presented a Bill regarding the Circuit Courts in this Province, and the same was read a first and second time.

Ordered, That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House.

House in Commit-
tee of Supply

On motion, the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider further of the Supply granted to His Majesty.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair,

Mr. Rudolf took the Chair,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

Reports several Re-
solutions, viz:

The Chairman reported from the Committee, that they had made further progress in the business referred to them, and had come to several Resolutions thereupon, which they had directed him to report to the House; and he read the same in his place, and afterwards delivered them in at the Clerk's Table.

The Chairman also acquainted the House, that he was directed by the Committee to move for leave to sit again on the consideration of a Supply; which the House agreed to.

The several Resolutions reported from the Committee were again read by the Clerk, and are as follow:—

201. Keeper of
Gunpowder

Resolved, That it is the opinion of this Committee, that the sum of Twenty Pounds should be granted and paid to the Person who has the care of the Gunpowder at Halifax, for his services for the present year.

501. Patrick Connor

Resolved, That it is the opinion of this Committee, that the sum of Fifty Pounds should be granted and paid to Patrick Connor, as a compensation for the loss of his Arm, while engaged in executing his duty as a Constable, in pursuance of his Petition and the Report of the Committee thereon,

Resolved,

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- Resolved*, That it is the opinion of this Committee, that the sum of Nineteen Pounds Ten Shillings should be granted and paid to John and Henry Muncey, for Bounty on a Sealing Vessel, agreeably to the Report of the Committee. 19l. 10s J. & H. Muncey
- Resolved*, That it is the opinion of this Committee, that the sum of Seventy-five Pounds should be granted and paid to remunerate the late Overseers of the Poor for the Township of Pictou, for expenses incurred and paid by them for the support of Transient Paupers, for which expenses the said Overseers have not been enabled to obtain payment from the Township, agreeably to the Report of the Committee of the House of Assembly. 75l. Overseers of Poor Pictou
- Resolved*, That it is the opinion of this Committee, that the sum of Twenty Pounds should be granted and paid to the Reverend Joseph Dimock, as a compensation for the loss of Land appropriated for the alteration of the Main Post Road from Windsor to Chester; and also, the sum of Seventeen Pounds expended by him in the same service the last year, agreeably to the Report of the Select Committee. 20l. Rev. Joseph Dimock
- Resolved*, That it is the opinion of this Committee, that the sum of Fifteen Pounds Ten Shillings should be granted and paid to Robert L. Gray, for Medical attendance upon Shipwrecked Persons, and other services performed by him, in conformity with the recommendation of the Committee on his Petition. 15l. 10s. R.L. Gray
- Resolved*, That it is the opinion of this Committee, that the sum of Twenty-Four Pounds Twelve Shillings and Three Pence should be granted and paid to the Overseers of the Poor for the Township of Egerton, for the support of Transient Paupers, agreeably to the Report of the Committee. 24l. 12s. 3d. Overseers of Poor in Egerton
- Resolved*, That it is the opinion of this Committee, that the sum of Five Hundred Pounds should be granted and paid to build a Light-House on Cape Forchu, on the west side of the entrance to Yarmouth Harbor, in conformity with the Report of the Committee—said Light-House to be built by Contract. 500l. Cape Forchu Light House
- Resolved*, That it is the opinion of this Committee, that the sum of Twenty Pounds should be granted and paid to erect a Beacon on Wedge Island, in accordance with the Report of the Committee. 20l. Beacon on Wedge Island
- Resolved*, That it is the opinion of this Committee, that the sum of Six Pounds Fifteen Shillings should be granted and paid to James Farrel, in compliance with the recommendation of the Committee. 6l. 15s. James Farrell
- Resolved*, That it is the opinion of this Committee, that the sum of Twenty Pounds should be granted and paid to John Pernette, Esq. to aid him in keeping up the Ferry across LaHave River. 20l. LaHave Ferry
- Resolved*, That it is the opinion of this Committee, that the sum of Fifty Pounds should be granted and paid to the Ladies, Managers of the Infant School at Halifax, in aid of that Institution for the present year. 50l. Infant School
- Resolved*, That it is the opinion of this Committee, that the sum of Fifty Pounds should be granted and paid to the Mechanics' Institute, for the purchase of Philosophical Apparatus and Ornithological Collections, agreeably to the prayer of their Petition. 50l. Mechanics' Institute
- Resolved*, That it is the opinion of this Committee, that the sum of Fifty Pounds should be granted and paid to Doctors Sterling and Grigor, in aid of the Halifax Dispensary for the present year. *Provided*, they keep, during the year, a sufficient quantity of Vaccine Matter. 50l. Drs. Sterling and Grigor
- Resolved*, That it is the opinion of this Committee, that the sum of Thirty Pounds should be granted and paid to Drs. Sterling and Grigor, to enable them to discharge the debt for which they are now liable on account of the Halifax Dispensary. 30l. Drs. Sterling and Grigor
- Resolved*, That it is inexpedient to provide any additional Bounties for the erection of Oat Mills throughout the Province, inasmuch as there are more urgent requisitions on the Treasury of this Province, particularly for the promotion of Education. Not to grant any more Bounties on Oat Mills
- Resolved*, That it be recommended to the House to defer the consideration of the Report on Oat Mills and all the Petitions relating to Oatmills, for three months. Report and Pets. for aid to Oat Mills deferred for three months

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Motion not to receive Resolution for grant to keeper of Gunpowder negatived

Mr. Cochran moved that the Resolution for granting Twenty Pounds to the Person in charge of the Gunpowder, be not received by the House : which, being seconded and put, and the House dividing thereon, there appeared, for the motion, thirteen ; against it twenty. So it passed in the Negative.

Motion not to agree to grant to vote of 500l. for Yarmouth Light House negatived

Mr. Deblois moved that the Resolution for granting Five Hundred Pounds for building a Light- House at Yarmouth, be not received by the House : which, being seconded and put, and the House dividing thereon, there appeared, for the motion, nine ; against it, twenty-three. So it passed in the Negative.

Motion not to agree to vote of 75l. to Overseers of Poor Pictou negatived

Mr. Uniacke moved that the Resolution for granting Seventy-five Pounds to the late Overseers of the Poor for Pictou, be not received by the House : which, being seconded and put, passed in the Negative.

Motion not to receive 1st Resolution relative to Oat Mills negatived

Mr. J. R. Dewolf moved that the Resolution, that it is inexpedient to provide additional Bounties for the erection of Oat Mills, &c. be not received by the House : which, being seconded and put, and the House dividing thereon, there appeared, for the motion, thirteen ; against it, twenty :

For the Motion.

Mr Rudolf	Mr Lovett
Mr Chipman	Mr Freeman
Mr Dickson	Mr Heckman
Mr Cochran	Mr Harris
Mr Young	Mr Barss
Mr G Smith	Mr J R Dewolf
Mr Morton	

Against the Motion.

Mr B Dewolf	Mr O'Brien	Mr Lent
Mr C Roche	Mr Clements	Mr Morse
Mr Kavanagh	Mr Crow	Mr Bell
Mr Wier	Mr Deblois	Mr Doyle
Mr Archibald	Mr W H Roach	Mr Uniacke
Mr Ozley	Mr Delap	Mr Shey
Mr Huntington	Mr Budd	

So it passed in the Negative.

Motion not to receive 2d Resolution negatived

Mr. Lovett moved that the Resolution to defer the consideration of the Report and Petitions relative to Oat Mills for three months, be not received by the House : which, being seconded and put, and the House dividing thereon, there appeared, for the motion, fourteen ; against it, nineteen :

For the Motion.

Mr Rudolf	Mr Lovett
Mr Chipman	Mr Freeman
Mr Dickson	Mr Heckman
Mr Cochran	Mr Harris
Mr Young	Mr Barss
Mr G Smith	Mr J R Dewolf
Mr Morton	Mr Bell

Against the Motion.

Mr B Dewolf	Mr O'Brien	Mr Budd
Mr C Roche	Mr Clements	Mr Lent
Mr Kavanagh	Mr Crow	Mr Morse
Mr Wier	Mr Deblois	Mr Doyle
Mr Archibald	Mr W H Roach	Mr Uniacke
Mr Ozley	Mr Delap	Mr Shey
Mr Huntington		

So it passed in the Negative.

Resolutions agreed to as reported and ordered to be sent to Council except Gunpowder vote

The said several Resolutions reported from the Committee, were then, upon the question respectively put thereon, agreed to by the House.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry to the Council the several Resolutions for granting Monies, (except the usual annual vote of £20 to the Person in charge of the Gunpowder) and desire the concurrence of the Council to the said Resolutions so sent to them.

Order of Day consideration of Colleges postponed

The Order of the Day, for the House to resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House to consider further the Message of His Excellency, &c. relative to King's and Dalhousie Colleges, being read,

Ordered, That this House do resolve itself into such Committee for that purpose to-morrow.

Then the House adjourned until To-morrow, at twelve of the clock.

Tuesday,

TUESDAY, 22d MARCH, 1836.

PRAYERS.

An engrossed Bill to continue the Acts for granting a Drawback of the Duties on Brown or Raw Sugar, used in the Manufacture of Refined Sugars within the Province, was read a third time.

Engrossed Bills passed, viz—
Drawback on Sugars

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and that the title be, An Act to continue the Acts for granting a Drawback of the Duties on Brown or Raw Sugar, used in the Manufacture of Refined Sugars within the Province.

An engrossed Bill to continue the Act to encourage the Manufacture of Chocolate in this Province, by granting a Bounty thereon, was read a third time.

Chocolate Manufacture

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and that the title be, An Act to continue the Act to encourage the Manufacture of Chocolate in this Province, by granting a Bounty thereon.

An engrossed Bill to continue the Act to encourage the Manufacture of Tobacco in this Province, by granting a Bounty thereon, was read a third time.

Tobacco Manufacture

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and that the title be, An Act to encourage the Manufacture of Tobacco in this Province, by granting a Bounty thereon.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bills to the Council and desire their concurrence.

A Bill to increase the number of Commissioners of Highways in Pictou; also, A Bill respecting the Collectors of Poores' Rates of Pictou, were read a second time.

Pictou Comrs. of Highways and Collectors of Poor Rates Bill committed

Ordered, That the Bills be committed to a Committee of the whole House.

Mr. Lawson reported from the Select Committee, to whom was referred the Bill to provide for the payment and security of Debts, incurred in the purchase of Real Estate and the erection of Buildings, for the use of the Town of Halifax; and he read the Report in his place, and afterwards delivered it in at the Clerk's Table, where it was again read.

Report on Bill for security of debts, &c

(See Appendix, No. 70.)

Resolved, that the Report be received and adopted by the House.

Ordered, That the same Committee who made the Report do prepare and report to this House amendments to said Bill, conformably to their Report.

Report adopted and same Committee to bring in amends. to said Bill
Report on Pet. of Proprietors of Lower Marsh Truro

Mr. Blanchard reported from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Petition of Thomas Dunlap and others, Proprietors of the Lower Marsh at Truro; and he read the Report in his place, and afterwards delivered it in at the Clerk's Table, where it was again read.

(See Appendix, No. 71.)

Resolved, That the Report be received and adopted by this House.

Mr. Lovett, pursuant to leave given on a former day, presented a Bill to appoint Trustees of School Lands in the Township of Annapolis, and the same was read a first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time.

Bill for appointment of Trustees of School Lands Annapolis

On motion of Mr. Uniacke, *resolved*, that the sum of Seven Hundred and Fifty Pounds, already appropriated for completing a Road round Bedford Bason, be placed at the disposal of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, to be expended under his directions for that purpose, on the Inhabitants of Halifax satisfying His Excellency that they will provide sufficient Funds to complete the same.

750l. appropriated for Road round Bedford Basin to be expended by Lieut. Gov.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Resolution to the Council and desire their concurrence.

Resolution sent to Council for concurrence

A Message from the Council, by Mr. Halliburton:

Mr. Speaker,

The Council have agreed to the Bill, entitled, An Act to continue and amend the Act for the encouragement of Schools; to the Bill to continue the several Acts for the Regulation

Council agree to Bills, viz—
School

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- Militia
Shelburne Division Regulation of the Militia ; and to the Bill to erect the County of Shelburne into two separate and distinct Counties, and to regulate the Representation thereof, severally, without amendment.
- Council desire Conference on Bill for granting Colonial Duties The Council desire a Conference, by Committee, with a Committee of this Honorable House, on the subject of the Bill, entitled, An Act for granting Colonial Duties of Import and Excise for the support of His Majesty's Government within this Province, and for promoting the Agriculture, Commerce and Fisheries, thereof.
- Conference agreed to And then the Messenger withdrew.
On motion, *resolved*, that this House do agree to the said Conference, as desired by the Council, and that the Clerk do acquaint the Council therewith.
- House in Committee of Supply Ordered, That Mr. Deblois, Mr. G. Smith and Mr. Dickson, be a Committee for the above purpose.
On motion, the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider further of the Supply granted to His Majesty.
Mr. Speaker left the Chair,
Mr. Rudolf took the Chair,
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.
- Report several Resolutions, viz— The Chairman reported from the Committee, that they had made further progress in the business referred to them, and had come to several Resolutions thereupon, which they had directed him to report to the House ; and he read the same in his place, and afterwards delivered them in at the Clerk's Table.
2001. Liverpool Bridge The Chairman also acquainted the House, that he was directed by the Committee to move for leave to sit again on the consideration of a Supply ; which the House agreed to.
201. for Boat to run between Douglas and Londonderry The said Resolutions were then again read by the Clerk, and are as follow :
Resolved, That it is the opinion of this Committee, that the sum of Two Hundred Pounds be granted and paid to the Commissioners of the Great Liverpool Bridge, to aid them in planking and repairing the same.
Resolved, That it is the opinion of this Committee, that the sum of Twenty Pounds should be granted to aid the Inhabitants of Douglas, at the Mouth of the Shubenacadie, in supporting a suitable Boat to run between Londonderry and that place ; the said Boat to be under the regulation of the General Sessions for the County of Hants ; to be paid by Warrant from His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, upon Certificate of the said Sessions that such Boat has been actually running at least twice a week for four months, to the satisfaction of the said Sessions and under their regulations.
1001. Rev. R. F. Uniacke *Resolved*, That it is the opinion of this Committee, that the sum of One Hundred Pounds should be granted and paid to the Revd. R. F. Uniacke, to enable him to defray the expense incurred to support the School for Poor Children in the North Suburbs of the Town of Halifax.
1001. Trustees of Yarmouth Academy *Resolved*, That it is the opinion of this Committee, that the sum of One Hundred Pounds should be granted and paid to the Trustees of the Yarmouth Academy, in aid of that Institution for the present year.
5001. Horton Academy *Resolved*, That it is the opinion of this Committee, that the sum of Three Hundred Pounds should be granted and paid to the Managing Committee of the Horton Academy, in aid of that Institution for the present year.
251. additional to 1001. last year for Annapolis Academy *Resolved*, That it is the opinion of this Committee, that the sum of One Hundred Pounds, undrawn from the Treasury, granted last year in aid of the Annapolis Academy, be appropriated for the support of that Institution for the present year ; and that a further sum of Twenty-five Pounds should be granted and paid to the Trustees of that Academy, to remunerate the principal Teacher therein, for the part of the last year in which he taught.
251. School House New Caledonia *Resolved*, That it is the opinion of this Committee, that the sum of Twenty-five Pounds should be granted and paid to assist the Inhabitants of New Caledonia, in Granville, in building a School-House at such Settlement, agreeably to the prayer of their Petition.

Resolved,

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Resolved, That it is the opinion of this Committee, that the sum of Fifty Pounds should be granted and paid to the Commissioners of Schools for the County of Lunenburg, for the support of the National School in the Town of Lunenburg for this present year.

50l National School Lunenburg

Resolved, That it is the opinion of this Committee, that the sum of One Hundred Pounds should be granted and paid in aid of the Arichat Academy for the present year, to be placed in the hands of Trustees to be appointed by His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, agreeably to the prayer of the Petition of the Inhabitants of Arichat.

100l Arichat Academy

Resolved, That it is the opinion of this Committee, that the sum of One Hundred Pounds should be granted and placed at the disposal of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, to compensate the Gentlemen who have prepared for publication the Fourth Volume of the Province Laws.

100l for preparing for publication the 4th Volume of Provincial Laws

Resolved, That it is the opinion of this Committee, that the sum of Two Hundred Pounds should be granted and paid to the Western Stage Coach Company for one year, from the expiration of the present Grant, in addition to the allowances for carrying the Mails: the Coaches to be run under the same regulations as at present.

200l Western Stage Coach Company

Mr. Cochran moved, that the Resolution for granting £200 for another year, to the Western Stage Coach Company, be not received by the House: which, being seconded and put, and the House dividing thereon, there appeared, for the motion, fifteen; against it, seventeen:

Motion not to agree to grant of 200l to Western Stage Coach Company, negated

For the Motion.

Mr B Dewolf	Mr Heckman
Mr Cochran	Mr Crow
Mr Young	Mr Barss
Mr Rudolf	Mr Ozley
Mr O'Brien	Mr Kavanagh
Mr Huntington	
Mr Archibald	
Mr Shey	
Mr Wier	
Mr Lent	

Against the Motion.

Mr J R Dewolf	Mr W H Roach
Mr Harris	Mr Freeman
Mr C Roche	Mr Uniacke
Mr Morse	Mr Doyle
Mr Delap	Mr Morton
Mr Budd	Mr Chipman
Mr Dickson	Mr G Smith
Mr Deblois	
Mr Bell	
Mr Wilkins	

So it passed in the Negative.

Mr. Archibald moved, that the Resolution for granting £100 to the Arichat Academy, be not received by the House: which, being seconded and put, passed in the Negative.

Motion not to agree to grant of 100l Arichat Academy, negated

Mr. Archibald moved, that the Resolution for granting £200 for the Liverpool Bridge, be not received by the House: which, being seconded and put, passed in the Negative.

Motion not to agree to 200l for Liverpool Bridge, negated

The said several Resolutions were then, upon the question respectively put thereon, agreed to by the House.

Resolutions as reported agreed to, &c.

Ordered, That the Clerk to carry the Resolutions to the Council and desire their concurrence.

Mr. Dickson reported from the Select Committee on the Post-Office Accounts, and the Petitions and other matters connected therewith; and he read the Report in his place, and afterwards delivered it in at the Clerk's Table, where it was again read.

Report on Post-Office Accounts

(See Appendix, No. 72.)

Ordered, That the Report and the Accounts, Petitions, &c. therein reported upon, be referred to the Committee of Supply.

Report, &c. referred to Supply

Mr. Bell, pursuant to leave given, presented a Bill to regulate the Fees of the Constable of the Court of Commissioners at Halifax, and the same was read a first time.

Bill relative to Constables Fees Comrs. Court

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time.

The Order of the Day being read, for the House to again resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House to consider further the Message of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, &c. relative to King's and Dalhousie Colleges, being read,

Order of Day consideration of Colleges deferred till to-morrow

Ordered, That the House do, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee for that purpose.

TUESDAY and WEDNESDAY, 22d and 23d MARCH, 1836.

Order of Day composition of Council deferred till to-morrow

The Order of the Day, for the House to resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House to consider the composition of the Executive and Legislative Councils, being read,

Ordered, That this House do, to-morrow, resolve itself into the Committee for that purpose.

Then the House adjourned until To-morrow, at twelve of the clock.

Wednesday, 23d March, 1836.

PRAYERS.

Motion not to send to Council the Resolution granting 25l to School House in Granville, negatived

Mr. Archibald moved, that so much of the Order of yesterday for sending to the Council the Resolutions for granting Monies, as relates to the Resolution for granting Twenty-five Pounds for building a School-House in Granville, be discharged, and that said Resolution be not sent to the Council for concurrence : which, being seconded and put, passed in the Negative.

Leave of absence to Mr. Lent

Ordered, That Mr. Lent have leave absence from this House to return home on urgent private business.

Leave of absence to Mr. Smith

It was moved, that Mr. G. Smith have leave of absence from this House, on and from Saturday next, to return home on urgent private business : which, being seconded and put, and the House dividing thereon, there appeared, for the motion, nineteen ; against it, twelve. So it passed in the Affirmative.

Leave of absence to Mr. Archibald

It was moved, that Mr. Archibald have leave of absence from this House, on and from Saturday next, to return home on urgent private business ; which, being seconded and put, and the House dividing thereon, there appeared, for the motion, eighteen ; against it, thirteen. So it passed in the Affirmative.

Motion for leave of absence to Mr. Oxley, negatived

It was moved, that Mr. Oxley have leave of absence from this House, on and from Wednesday next, to return home on urgent private business : which, being seconded and put, and the House dividing thereon, there appeared, for the motion, fifteen ; against it, seventeen. So it passed in the Negative.

Motion for Conference on the subject of the Revenue with instruction to Committee

Mr. Stewart moved, that a further Conference on the subject of the last Conference, be requested with the Council, by Committee, and that the Committee of this House be instructed to state to the Committee of the Council, that the House, having legislated upon the general subject of the Revenue, and having embodied their intentions with respect to the same, in the Bill for granting Colonial Duties of Impost, do not feel inclined to alter the Law, especially as the clause adverted to, does not appear to be at all ambiguous : which, being seconded,

Amendment thereto negatived

Mr. Deblois moved, by way of amendment to the question, to leave out all the words thereof after the words "be instructed to state to the Committee of the Council that the House," and after the last mentioned words to substitute the following to stand part of the question in place of those so left out, viz : "can perceive no ambiguity in the 20th Section of the Revenue Act, as it has reference only to the collection of the Duties, and for the receipt and payment thereof into the Province Treasury" : which, being seconded and put, passed in the Negative.

First motion carried

The question as first moved was then put, and the House dividing thereon, there appeared, for the motion, seventeen ; against it, thirteen :

For the Motion,

Mr Dickson	Mr Lent	Mr Freeman
Mr Lovell	Mr Heckman	Mr Wier
Mr Morse	Mr Morton	Mr Archibald
Mr G Smith	Mr Oxley	Mr O'Brien
Mr Wilkins	Mr Crow	
Mr Stewart	Mr Huntington	
Mr Bell		

Against the Motion.

Mr Cochran	Mr Barss
Mr Budd	Mr Delap
Mr J R Dewolf	Mr Harris
Mr Blanchard	Mr W H Roach
Mr C Roche	Mr Lawson
Mr Rudolf	Mr Uniacke
Mr Deblois	

So it passed in the Affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk do request the said Conference,

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A Message from the Council, by Mr. Halliburton :

Mr. Speaker,

The Council agree to the Conference desired by this Honorable House, on the subject of the last Conference, and the Committee of the Council are ready to meet the Committee of this House.

Council agree to Conference

And then the Messenger withdrew.

Ordered, That Mr. Stewart, Mr. G. Smith and Mr. Freeman, do manage the Conference.

Com. of Conference and Report therefrom

So they went to the Conference,

And being returned, Mr. Stewart reported that the Managers had been at the Conference and had complied with the instructions given them by the House.

Mr. Uniacke reported from the Select Committee, appointed last Session, on the Bill then before the House, for the management and regulation of the Post-Office, in Nova Scotia; and he read the Report in his place, and afterwards delivered it in at the Clerk's Table, where it was again read.

Report from Com. of last Session relative to Post-Office Bill

(See Appendix, No. 73.)

Ordered, That the Report do lie on the Table.

Mr. Stewart moved, that the House do come to the following Resolution, viz :—

On considering that part of His Excellency's Speech which relates to the proposed union of King's College and Dalhousie College, and also, His Message thereupon. Resolved, that this House gratefully appreciate the just and liberal sentiments of the Right Honorable Lord Glenelg, as expressed by him in his Letter to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, of the 30th of April, 1835, upon this important subject. That it is the opinion of this House that one Collegiate Institution for the diffusion of the higher branches of Literature, established upon broad and liberal principles, and free from Religious preferences or distinctions, is sufficient for, and would be highly acceptable to, the Inhabitants of this Province; but, as the majority of the Governors of King's College decline to surrender their Charter as recommended, and, as at the period at which the Session has now arrived, it is too late to proceed in the consideration thereof, with the deliberation and care which its importance requires, the House will not now further consider the same; and further resolved, that in order to evince the anxious desire of this House to afford to all classes of the Inhabitants of the Colony, and without any distinction, the benefits of Education, this House will suspend the claim for the re-payment of the sum of £5000 lent to Dalhousie College. And resolved, that a Committee be appointed to wait upon His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, and present to him a Copy of this Resolution, and respectfully request him to be pleased to forward it to the Right Honorable Lord Glenelg, for his information, as regards his further deliberations and proceedings upon this important subject: which being seconded,

Resolution moved respecting Colleges

Mr. Doyle moved, that the Order of the Day, for the House to resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider further the Message of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, &c. relative to King's and Dalhousie Colleges, be now read: which, being seconded and put, and the House dividing thereon, there appeared, for the motion, sixteen; against it, seventeen:

Motion for Order of the Day to be read, negatived

For the Motion.

Mr Lawson	Mr Wilkins
Mr Cochran	Mr C Roche
Mr Young	Mr Morse
Mr Bell	Mr Deblois
Mr Uniacke	Mr J R Dewolf
Mr Doyle	Mr Heckman
Mr Shey	Mr Budd
Mr W H Roach	Mr Kavanagh

Against the Motion.

Mr Wier	Mr Harris
Mr Freeman	Mr Morton
Mr Blanchard	Mr Stewart
Mr Archibald	Mr Lovett
Mr Oxley	Mr Huntington
Mr Crow	Mr G Smith
Mr Bares	Mr Chipman
Mr Delap	Mr Dickson
Mr Rudolf	

So it passed in the Negative.

Mr.

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Amendment moved
to Resolution, nega-
tived

Mr. Doyle then moved by way of amendment to the main question, to leave out all the words of the proposed Resolution, except the word "Resolved," and in place of the words so left out to insert the following after the said word "Resolved," viz :

"That this House see no sufficient reason to depart from its Resolution of last year, demanding the repayment of the Loan to Dalhousie College ;" which, being seconded and put, and the House dividing thereon, there appeared, for the amendment, seventeen ; against it, nineteen :

For the amendment.

Mr Lawson	Mr Deblois
Mr Cochran	Mr B Dewolf
Mr Uniacke	Mr J R Dewolf
Mr Wilkins	Mr O'Brien
Mr Doyle	Mr Heckman
Mr Shey	Mr Budd
Mr W H Roach	Mr Kavanagh
Mr Freeman	Mr Morse
Mr C Roche	

Against the amendment.

Mr Wier	Mr. Delap
Mr Oxley	Mr Stewart
Mr Harris	Mr Lovett
Mr Huntington	Mr Young
Mr Lent	Mr G Smith
Mr Archibald	Mr Chipman
Mr Blanchard	Mr Rudolf
Mr Crow	Mr Bell
Mr Barss	Mr Dickson
Mr Morton	

So it passed in the Negative.

Another amend-
ment proposed and
negatived

Mr. Uniacke then moved as an amendment to the proposed Resolution, to leave out all the words thereof except the word "Resolved," and to insert therein the following words by way of Preamble, before the said word "Resolved," viz: "Whereas the Governors of King's College and the Governors of Dalhousie College have not relinquished the Charters of those Institutions for the purpose of accomplishing a union of the respective Funds of each on the plan suggested by His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor," and after the word "Resolved" to insert the words following, viz: "that this House does not deem it expedient to interpose its authority to coerce a union of those Colleges;" which, being seconded and put, and the House dividing thereon, there appeared, for the amendment, fourteen ; against it, twenty-two :

For the amendment.

Mr Morse	Mr C Roche
Mr Lawson	Mr B Dewolf
Mr Uniacke	Mr Deblois
Mr Wilkins	Mr J R Dewolf
Mr Shey	Mr Budd
Mr W H Roach	Mr Heckman
Mr Freeman	Mr Kavanagh

Against the amendment.

Mr Wier	Mr Barss	Mr Young
Mr Oxley	Mr Delap	Mr G Smith
Mr Harris	Mr Morton	Mr Dickson
Mr O'Brien	Mr Doyle	Mr Chipman
Mr Lent	Mr Huntington	Mr Rudolf
Mr Archibald	Mr Stewart	Mr Cochran
Mr Blanchard	Mr Lovett	Mr Bell
Mr Crow		

So it passed in the Negative.

Another amend-
ment proposed and
negatived

Mr. J. R. Dewolf then moved, as an amendment to the Resolution originally proposed, to leave out all the words thereof except the word "Resolved," and instead of the words so left out to insert the following, after the said word "Resolved," viz—"That this House having maturely considered the Message of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, and the various Despatches of the Colonial Minister, relative to the Fund, so much diversity opinion, feeling and interest, involved in the discussion, that they are unable to agree upon any sound measure by which they can adopt, or carry into effect, the suggestion contained in His Excellency's Message, or to attempt any union of those Institutions during the present Session :;" which, being seconded and put, and the House dividing thereon, there appeared, for the motion, fourteen ; against it, twenty-two. So it passed in the Negative.

Another amend-
ment to the original
proposed Resolu-
tion, negatived

Mr. J. R. Dewolf then moved, as an amendment to the original proposed Resolution, to leave out all the words thereof, except the word "Resolved," and to insert therein the following words by way of Preamble, before the word "Resolved," viz—Whereas Dalhousie College was founded in 1820, and a sum of £3000 granted to aid in erecting the same, and in 1823 a sum of £5000 was loaned to the Governors of that Institution, for five years, and the sum of £8289 9 6d. three per cent. Annuities, equal to about £7470 Sterling, pledged for the re-payment thereof ; And whereas, there is now
due

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due to the Province, the sum of £5000, and the further sum of £2400 for interest thereon, making together the sum of £7400, which leaves the said College without endowment, unless the House shall grant a large sum for such purpose, which, in the present exhausted state of the Treasury, cannot be accomplished.

And whereas the people of Nova-Scotia have voluntarily, and with the aid of the Legislature, called into operation Seminaries of Learning at Halifax, Windsor, Pictou, Horton, Yarmouth, Annapolis, Lunenburg, Arichat, Sydney, Guysborough, and other parts of the Province, for instructing Youth in a knowledge of the Greek and Latin Classics, Science and Literature, which Institutions continually require Legislative support, and are more in accordance with the wishes and feelings of the people than one endowment of a University in the Town of Halifax; And whereas the said sum of £7400, if equally divided among said Academies and Seminaries will be productive of more lasting benefits and advantages to the Inhabitants of Nova-Scotia, than concentrating in any one Town the means which ought to diffuse more generally the blessings of Education, and after the said word "Resolved," to insert the following words, viz.—"That this House (sensible that it cannot support, efficiently, more Seminaries than those already in operation, and will naturally spring up to meet the wants of a People scattered throughout this extensive Province) does not deem it expedient to grant any sum of Money for establishing Professors' Chairs at Dalhousie College, on the plan suggested."

Resolved, That a Committee be appointed to wait on His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, and respectfully request him to adopt the necessary measures for obtaining payment of the said sum of £5000, with the interest which has accrued thereon, amounting to £2400 in addition: which, being seconded and put, and the House dividing thereon, there appeared, for the amendment, ten; against it, twenty-six:

For the amendment.

Mr Cochran
Mr W H Roach
Mr Uniacke
Mr Shey
Mr B Dewolf
Mr Freeman
Mr J R Dewolf
Mr C Roche
Mr Morse
Mr Kavanagh

Against the amendment.

Mr Blanchard
Mr Budd
Mr Wier
Mr Harris
Mr Rudolf
Mr Lent
Mr Barss
Mr Heckman
Mr Lovett
Mr Oxley
Mr Wilkins
Mr Dickson
Mr Lawson
Mr Bell
Mr Crow
Mr Delap
Mr Deblois
Mr Huntington
Mr O'Brien
Mr G Smith
Mr Stewart
Mr Young
Mr Morton
Mr Archibald
Mr Chipman
Mr Doyle

So it passed in the Negative.

Mr. Doyle then moved, by way of amendment to the Resolution originally proposed, to leave out therefrom all the words thereof, except the word "Resolved," and in place of those words left out to insert the following, after the word "Resolved,"— "That a Collegiate Institution, accessible to all Classes, without test or restriction, is required for the diffusion of Education, on the liberal principles of the Despatch of Lord Glenelg:" which, being seconded and put, and the House dividing thereon, there appeared, for the amendment, five; against it, thirty-one:

Another amend.
moved and nega-
tived

For the amendment.

Mr Lawson
Mr Young
Mr Bell
Mr Doyle
Mr O'Brien

Against the amendment.

Mr Lovett
Mr Oxley
Mr Crow
Mr Delap
Mr Uniacke
Mr J R Dewolf
Mr Huntington
Mr G Smith
Mr Stewart
Mr Morton
Mr Cochran
Mr Archibald
Mr Chipman
Mr Wilkins
Mr Shey
Mr W H Roach
Mr C Roche
Mr Morse
Mr Blanchard
Mr B Dewolf
Mr Deblois
Mr Kavanagh
Mr Budd
Mr Wier
Mr Harris
Mr Rudolf
Mr Lent
Mr Barss
Mr Freeman
Mr Heckman
Mr Dickson

So it passed in the Negative.

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Mr.

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Another amend-
ment moved and
negatived

Mr. Bell then moved, as an amendment of the original Resolution, to leave out all the words thereof, except the word "Resolved," and, instead of the words left out, to insert before the word "Resolved," the following Preamble, viz—"Whereas, this House have had under its consideration the Message of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, together with the Despatch of the Right Honorable the Secretary of the Colonies, dated 30th April, 1835, and other Documents, on the subject of the union of King's and Dalhousie Colleges, therefore," and after the said word "Resolved," to insert the following words, viz—That it being the opinion of this House, that every class of the Inhabitants of Nova-Scotia has an equal claim to the benefits of Education, this House cannot directly or indirectly acknowledge the rights of any particular Church or Denomination whatever to preference or predominance of any kind, in the matter of Education in this Province; and this House perceives with pleasure, and acknowledges with gratitude, the recognition of that just and salutary principle by Lord Glenelg and other Ministers of the Crown, the predecessors of his Lordship in the Colonial Department: which, being seconded and put, and the House dividing thereon, there appeared, for the motion, five; against it, thirty-one;

For the amendment,

Mr Lawson
Mr Young
Mr Bell
Mr Doyle
Mr O'Brien

Against the amendment.

Mr Lovett	Mr Archibald	Mr Kavanagh
Mr Oxley	Mr Chipman	Mr Budd
Mr Crow	Mr Wilkins	Mr Wier
Mr Delap	Mr Shey	Mr Harris
Mr Uniacke	Mr W H Roach	Mr Rudolf
Mr J R Dewolf	Mr C Roche	Mr Lent
Mr Huntington	Mr Morse	Mr Barss
Mr G Smith	Mr Blanchard	Mr Freeman
Mr Stewart	Mr B Dewolf	Mr Heckman
Mr Morton	Mr Deblois	Mr Dickson
Mr Cochran		

So it passed in the Negative.

Resolution first
moved put and
carried

The main question upon the Resolution first moved being then put, there appeared, for the Resolution, eighteen; against it, eighteen:

For the Resolution.

Mr Chipman	Mr Oxley
Mr Dickson	Mr Crow
Mr Archibald	Mr Lovett
Mr Morton	Mr Barss
Mr Stewart	Mr Rudolf
Mr O'Brien	Mr Lent
Mr G Smith	Mr Harris
Mr Delap	Mr Wier
Mr Huntington	Mr Blanchard

Against the Resolution.

Mr Deblois	Mr J R Dewolf
Mr Budd	Mr W H Roach
Mr Kavanagh	Mr Freeman
Mr C Roche	Mr Wilkins
Mr Morse	Mr Young
Mr B Dewolf	Mr Cochran
Mr Heckman	Mr Bell
Mr Lawson	Mr Doyle
Mr Uniacke	Mr Shey

Mr. Speaker votes
in favour of Reso-
lution
Motion that the
Com. be not now
named negatived

And thereupon, Mr. Speaker gave his casting vote for the Resolution, and it passed in the affirmative.

Mr. Doyle then moved, that the Committee, contemplated by said Resolution, be not now named: which, being seconded and put, and the House dividing thereon, there appeared, for the motion, eighteen; against it, eighteen; and thereupon,

Mr. Speaker gave his casting vote against the motion, and it passed in the negative.

Com. to wait on
Lt. Gov. with said
Resolution

Ordered, That Mr. Stewart, Mr. Dickson and Mr. Barss, be a Committee to wait upon His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor with said Resolution, conformably thereto.

A Message from the Council, by Mr. Halliburton:

Mr. Speaker,

Council request
Conference on the
state of the Province

The Council request a Conference, by Committee, with a Committee of this Honorable House, on the General State of the Province.

And then the Messenger withdrew.

Conference agreed
to

On motion, resolved, that this House do agree to the Conference as requested by the Council, and that the Clerk do acquaint the Council therewith.

Ordered, That Mr. Uniacke, Mr. Stewart and Mr. Lawson, do manage the Conference.

So they went to the Conference,

The

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The Order of the Day, for the House to resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider further of the Message of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, &c. relative to King's and Dalhousie Colleges, being read,

Order of Day
consideration of
Colleges postponed

Ordered, That this House do, to-morrow, resolve itself into the Committee for that purpose.

The Order of the Day, for the House to resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider the composition of the Executive and Legislative Councils, being read,

Order of Day
Composition of
Councils postponed

Ordered, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into a Committee for that purpose.

Then the House adjourned until to-morrow, at twelve of the clock.

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PRAYERS.

Mr. Uniacke from the Committee of Conference, held yesterday, with a Committee of the Council, on the General State of the Province, reported that the Managers had been at the Conference, and stated the substance of the Conference to the House.

Report of Confer-
ence on state of the
Province

A Bill to appoint Trustees of School Lands in the Township of Annapolis; and
A Bill to regulate the Fees of the Constable of the Court of Commissioners at Halifax, were severally read a second time.

Bills read 2d time
School Lands An-
napolis
Court of Commis-
sioners Halifax

Ordered, That the Bills be committed to a Committee of the whole House.

Mr. Uniacke, pursuant to special leave given, presented a Bill to provide for the regulation and management of the Grammar School or Academy at Sydney, in Cape-Breton, and the same was read a first time.

Bill for regulation of
Grammar School
Sydney C. B.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time.

Mr. Stewart moved, that the Order for the House to resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider further the Message of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, &c. relative to King's and Dalhousie Colleges, be discharged, and that this House do not further proceed therein the present Session: which, being seconded and put, and the House dividing thereon, there appeared, for the motion, twenty; against it, seventeen:

Order of Day on
Colleges deferred
for this Session

For the Motion.

Mr Harris	Mr Blanchard
Mr Dickson	Mr Lovett
Mr Huntington	Mr Delap
Mr Wier	Mr Bars
Mr Stewart	Mr Clements
Mr Young	Mr O'Brien
Mr G Smith	Mr Archibald
Mr Chipman	Mr Lent
Mr Morton	Mr Crow
Mr Rudolf	Mr Oxley

Against the Motion.

Mr Kavanagh	Mr Budd
Mr C Roche	Mr Cochran
Mr J R Dewolf	Mr Deblois
Mr Heckman	Mr Wilkins
Mr Freeman	Mr Bell
Mr Uniacke	Mr Lawson
Mr Morse	Mr W H Roach
Mr Doyle	
Mr B Dewolf	
Mr Shey	

So it passed in the Affirmative.

A Message from the Council, by Mr. Halliburton:

Mr. Speaker,

The Council have agreed to the Resolution in regard to the application of certain Monies for the repair of Arisaig Pier.

Council agree to
application of Mo-
nies for Arisaig Pier
and

The Council have agreed to the Bill, entitled, An Act to authorize the Lieutenant-Governor to appoint Commissioners to run out the Boundary Line between Nova-Scotia and New-Brunswick, with an amendment, to which they desire the concurrence of this Honorable House.

To Bill to appoint
Comrs. to run out
Boundary Line, also

The Council have also agreed to the Bill, entitled, An Act for the better regulation of

To Barristers Bill
severally with
amendments

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of Barristers, Advocates, Attornies, Solicitors and Proctors, practising in the Courts of this Province, with sundry amendments, to which they desire the concurrence of this Honorable House.

Do not agree to
Halifax License Bill

The Council have not agreed to the Bill, entitled, An Act to amend the Act for granting Duties on Licenses for the sale of Spirituous Liquors, and for other purposes, to persons resident within the Town of Halifax.

Councils amendt.
to Boundary Bill
read

And then the Messenger withdrew.

The amendment proposed by the Council to the Bill, entitled, An Act to authorize the Lieutenant-Governor to appoint Commissioners to run out the Boundary Line between Nova-Scotia and New-Brunswick, was read throughout a first and second time, and is as followeth:

Motion not to agree
to said amendment
negatived

And be it further enacted, That this Act shall not be of any force or effect until His Majesty's Assent shall be signified thereto.

Mr. Stewart moved, that the said amendment be not agreed to by this House: which, being seconded and put, and the House dividing thereon, there appeared, for the motion, fifteen; against it, twenty-one:

For the Motion.

Mr Rudolf
Mr Wier
Mr Dickson
Mr Young
Mr G Smith
Mr Wilkins
Mr Stewart
Mr Morton

Mr Blanchard
Mr Lovett
Mr Deblois
Mr O'Brien
Mr Archibald
Mr Lent
Mr Oxley

Against the Motion.

Mr Kavanagh
Mr J R Dewolf
Mr C Roche
Mr Heckman
Mr Freeman
Mr Clements
Mr Uniacke

Mr Crow
Mr Barss
Mr B Dewolf
Mr Morse
Mr W H Roach
Mr Shey
Mr Budd

Mr Cochran
Mr Delap
Mr Huntington
Mr Harris
Mr Bell
Mr Lawson
Mr Doyle

So it passed in the Negative.

Said amondment
agreed to

On motion of Mr. J. R. Dewolf, *resolved*, that this House do agree to the said amendment.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill and amendment back to the Council and acquaint them that this House have agreed to the amendment.

Council's amondts. to
Barristers Bill read

The amendments proposed by the Council to the Bill, entitled, An Act for the better regulation of Barristers, Advocates, Attornies, Solicitors and Proctors, practising in the Courts of this Province, were read throughout a first and second time; and thereupon,

Amendt. made to
Councils amondts.
and

Resolved, That the amendment proposed by the Council to the seventeenth clause or section of the Bill, be amended, by striking from the end of the amendment the words "or disrespect," and inserting the word "or" between the words "mal-practice" and "misconduct," in said amendment.

Said amendments
agreed to except
the last amendment

Resolved, That the said several amendments proposed by the Council (with the exception of the last proposed amendment,) be agreed to by this House with the foregoing amendments.

Resolved, That the last amendments proposed by the Council to the Bill be not agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill and amendments back to the Council, and acquaint the Council that this House have agreed to the several amendments, (except the last,) with the foregoing amendments, and that this House have not agreed to the last amendment.

Report on accounts
for Surveys of Main
Post Roads

Mr. Dickson reported from the Select Committee to whom were referred the Accounts for Surveys, Estimates, &c. on the Main Post Roads; and he read the report in his place, and afterwards delivered it in at the Clerk's Table, where it was again read.

(See Appendix, No. 74.)

Ordered, That the Report be referred to the Committee of Supply.

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On motion, the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole House, on the further consideration of the several Bills which stood committed. House in Com. on Bills

Mr. Speaker left the Chair,

Mr. Lovett took the Chair,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chairman reported from the Committee, that they had gone through the engrossed Bill from the Council, entitled, An Act to give effect and validity to a certain devise or settlement of Real Estate, made and contained in the last Will and Testament of John Mackay, late of Windsor, in Hants County, Esquire, deceased, and had made some amendments thereto, which they had directed him to report to the House; and he afterwards delivered them in at the Clerk's Table with the Bill. Report Bills, viz:—
To give validity to Will of the late J. Mackay, with amends.

The Chairman further reported from the Committee, that they had gone through the Bill further to amend the Act relating to Trespasses; the Bill to substitute Declarations for Oaths, in certain cases; the Bill relative to the Assessment of Dike Rates for the new or Wickwire Dike, in Horton; the Bill to increase the number of Commissioners of Highways in Pictou; the Bill respecting the Collectors of Poores' Rates of Pictou; the Bill regarding the Circuit Courts of this Province; the Bill to appoint Trustees of School Lands in the Township of Annapolis; and the Bill to regulate the Fees of the Constable of the Court of Commissioners at Halifax, and had directed him to report the said Bills to the House, severally, without any amendment, and he afterwards delivered the Bills in at the Clerk's Table. Trespasses
Substituting Declarations for Oaths
Horton Dike Rates
Pictou Highway
Pictou Collectors of Poor Rates
Circuit Courts
School Lands Annapolis
Halifax Comms. Court

The Chairman also acquainted the House that he was directed by the Committee to move for leave to sit again on the consideration of Bills committed; which the House agreed to.

The amendments reported from the Committee to the engrossed Bill from the Council, entitled, An Act to give effect and validity to a certain devise or settlement of Real Estate, made and contained in the last Will and Testament of John Mackay, late of Windsor, in Hants County, Esquire, deceased, were read throughout a first and second time, and, upon the question put thereon, were agreed to by the House. Amends. to Bill to give validity to Will of J. Mackay, agreed to

Ordered, That the amendments be engrossed.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a third time, to-morrow, with the amendments.

Ordered, That the Bills reported from the Committee without amendment be engrossed.

Mr. Deputy-Secretary James acquainted the House, that he had a Message from His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor to this House, signed by His Excellency; and he delivered the said Message to the House, and the same was read by Mr. Speaker, all the Members being uncovered, and is as follows:— Message by Mr. James from Lieut. Gov. respecting the Bridewell

M E S S A G E :

C. CAMPBELL.

The Lieutenant-Governor submits to the House of Assembly, a Copy of a Letter from the Custos Rotulorum of the District of Halifax, with other Papers relative to the present state of the Bridewell in the Town of Halifax.

This Establishment is open for the reception of Offenders from all parts of the Province, and the Lieutenant-Governor deems it to be of the utmost importance that it should be continued in efficient operation. He therefore recommends the subject to the immediate consideration of the Assembly.

It would afford the Lieutenant-Governor much satisfaction, could an advantageous plan be adopted for the establishment of a Penitentiary, upon such principles as would lead to the improvement of the morals of the Prisoners, and to the support of the Establishment by their labour.

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Mr. James delivers
the Papers referred
to in Message;

Mr. Deputy-Secretary James also delivered to the House the several Papers referred to in the Message; and the same were read by the Clerk.

(See Appendix, No. 75.)

Ordered, That the Message and other Papers do lie on the Table.

Copies of a Letter
from the Chief-Justice,
and the order
of Council relating
to Judges Fees

Mr. Speaker laid before the House, a Letter received by him, from Mr. Deputy-Secretary James, dated this day, with reference to a Resolution of this House of the 15th inst. transmitting, by command of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, to be laid before the House, (and which Mr. Speaker accordingly laid before the House,) a Letter from the Honorable Chief-Justice Halliburton, dated yesterday; also, a Copy of an Order in Council, dated Halifax, 1st September, 1775, for establishing the Fees of the Chief-Justice and Puisne Judges of the Supreme Court, and an Extract of the Commission of His Majesty King George the Second, to Governor Cornwallis, dated 6th May, 1749.

The said several Papers were read by the Clerk.

(See Appendix, No. 76.)

Ordered, That the Letter and Papers do lie on the Table.

Letter and Papers
relative to Light-
House on Scattario
and St. Paul's

Mr. Speaker also laid before the House, another Letter from Mr. Deputy-Secretary James, dated this day, transmitting, by Command of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, to be laid before the House, (and which Mr. Speaker accordingly laid before the House,) Copies of Letters received from Lord Gosford, dated 8th March, inst. and of the Resolutions of the House of Assembly of the Province of Lower Canada, therein referred to, relative to the erection of a Light-House on the Islands of Scatarie and St. Paul; and Copies of a Letter received from Sir Archibald Campbell, dated 14th March, inst. and the Documents therein mentioned on the same subject.

The said Papers were read by the Clerk.

(See Appendix, No. 77.)

Ordered, That the Letter and other Papers, do lie on the Table.

A Message from the Council, by Mr. Halliburton :

Mr. Speaker,

Council agree to
Bills, viz:—Colonial
Impost
Importation of
Goods
Smuggling preven-
tion
Colonial Duties
Warehousing of
Goods
Granting Draw-
backs
Drawbacks on Su-
gars

The Council have agreed to the Bill, entitled, An Act for granting Colonial Duties of Impost for the support of His Majesty's Government within this Province, and for promoting the Agriculture, Commerce and Fisheries thereof; to the Bill, entitled, An Act to continue and amend the Act for regulating the importation of Goods; to the Bill, entitled, An Act to continue the several Acts for the prevention of Smuggling; to the Bill, entitled, An Act to continue the Act for the general regulation of the Colonial Duties; to the Bill, entitled, An Act to continue the Act for the Warehousing of Goods, and in amendment thereof; to the Bill, entitled, An Act to continue and amend the Act concerning Goods Exported and for granting Drawbacks; to the Bill, entitled, An Act to continue the Acts for granting a Drawback of the Duties on Brown and Raw Sugar, used in the Manufacture of Refined Sugars, within the Province; to the Bill, entitled, An Act to encourage the Manufacture of Chocolate, in this Province, by granting a Bounty thereon; and to the Bill, entitled, An Act to continue the Act to encourage the Manufacture of Tobacco in this Province, by granting a Bounty thereon, severally, without amendment.

And then the Messenger withdrew.

Chocolate Manufac-
ture
Tobacco Manufac-
ture without amndt.

Report of Com. who
waited on the Lt.
Gov. relative to
union of Colleges

Mr. Stewart reported from the Committee, appointed to wait on His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, with the Resolution of the House, relative to the union of King's and Dalhousie Colleges, that the Committee had performed that duty, and that His Excellency was pleased to say that he would forward the Resolution as requested by the House.

A Message from the Council, by Mr. Halliburton :

Mr. Speaker,

The Council have agreed to the Bill, entitled, An Act to authorize the Lieutenant-Governor

Council agree to
Boundary line Bill

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Governor to appoint Commissioners to run out the Boundary Line between Nova-Scotia and New-Brunswick, as amended.

The Council do not adhere to the last amendment proposed by them to the Bill, entitled, An Act for the better regulation of Barristers, Advocates, Attornies, Solicitors and Proctors, practising in the Courts of this Province, and agree to the amendments proposed by this Honorable House to the amendments of the Council to said Bill.

Council do not adhere to amends. to Barristers Bill

And then the Messenger withdrew.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the last mentioned Bill back to the Council, and acquaint the Council, that this House agree to the amendments of the Council, as amended and agreed to by the Council, without further amendment.

House agree to amends. of Council as amended

The Order of the Day, for the House to resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider the composition of the Executive and Legislative Councils, being read,

Order of Day, composition of Councils postponed

Ordered, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into a Committee for that purpose.

Then the House adjourned until to-morrow, at twelve of the clock.

Friday, 25th Marh, 1836.

PRAYERS.

Ordered, That Mr. Wilkins have leave of absence from this House, on and for to-morrow, on account of urgent private business.

Leave of absence to Mr. Wilkins for Saturday

Ordered, That the Resolution passed in this House on the 15th inst. relative to the Provincial Stud, be sent to the Council for concurrence.

Resolution relative to Prov. Stud sent to Council

Mr. Rudolf moved, that the House do come to a Resolution as followeth, viz :—

Whereas, in undertaking to erect a Light-House on Cross Island and incurring the consequent expense, this House was governed by the opinion, not only of persons interested in the Coasting Trade of Lunenburg and Liverpool, which was more particularly concerned in the erection of such Light-House, but also of other able and competent persons, who, from experience and knowledge, were enabled to speak with confidence as to the utility of the proposed Light to the general Trade of the whole Province :

Motion respecting Light-House on Cross Island

And whereas, the building of such Light-House having been repeatedly urged, was not undertaken until, by the Report of a Select Committee of this House appointed in the Session of 1829, and which Report is to be found on the Journals of this House of the 9th March, 1829, it was ascertained and reported to the House, that erecting such Light-House was a measure highly expedient and greatly advantageous to the Trade of this Province ; and in corroboration of that opinion, the Committee referred to the statements made by several witnesses called before the Committee, and whose examinations were returned with the said Report, and are also to be found therewith on the Journals of this House, viz :—John Jones, Esq. the Master of His Majesty's Ship Hussar, the Flag Ship on this Station ; John Douglas, Esq. the Master Attendant of His Majesty's Naval Yard ; and the Hon. Samuel Cunard, and Thomas Menard, Esq. a Commander in His Majesty's Navy, then two of the Commissioners of Light-Houses, that for the reasons stated in their examinations they all concurred in the necessity and expediency of erecting a Light-House on Cross Island :

And whereas, after such Report, fortified by the opinions of persons so well qualified to judge, this House considered the incurring the expense of erecting, putting in operation and maintaining, a Light-House on Cross Island, as a measure perfectly justifiable, and one which would prove beneficial to the Province, and therefore from time to time voted considerable sums for that purpose, which were agreed to by other branches of the Legislature, and have been expended accordingly :

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And whereas, after such expenditures, this House fully anticipated that the said Light would have been put into operation, and regretted what were represented to be the necessary delays which intervened to prevent the Province from receiving the advantages of such Light-House :

And it having been published and gone forth that said Light House would be lighted:

Resolved, That removing the Lantern from Cross Island Light-House, on the recommendation of, and by the Commissioners of Light-Houses, thereby causing greater delay in rendering the same useful for its intended object, was, as this House conceives, a measure in direct opposition to the views and intentions of this House, and a great disappointment to a large number of persons engaged in the Coasting, as well as the Foreign Trade of the Province ; and,

Resolved, That a Committee be appointed to wait on His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, and respectfully to request that His Excellency would be pleased to direct the Commissioners of Light-Houses to take immediate measures for putting the Light-House on Cross Island in effective operation without delay, adopting such precautions as such Commissioners may deem requisite, to distinguish such Light from others on the Coast, either by building another Tower or otherwise, and the expenses attending it the Commissioners of Light-Houses are hereby allowed to charge in their Annual Accounts of expenditures.

Mr. Deblois moved, as an amendment of the Resolution, to strike out therefrom the first paragraph after the Preamble, beginning with the word "Resolved" and ending with the words "Province and" ; which, being seconded and put, and the House dividing thereon, there appeared, for the amendment, thirteen ; against it, seventeen :

For the amendment.

Against the amendment.

Mr Young
Mr Wilkins
Mr Morse
Mr Deblois
Mr Lawson
Mr Budd
Mr Bell

Mr Blanchard
Mr Oxley
Mr Lovett
Mr Crow
Mr C Roche
Mr Harris

Mr Kavanagh
Mr J R Dewolf
Mr Archibald
Mr Barss
Mr Dickson
Mr Lent
Mr Uniacke

Mr Delap
Mr Freeman
Mr Cochran
Mr Heckman
Mr Wier
Mr Morton
Mr Huntington

Mr Doyle
Mr Rudolf
Mr Shey

So it passed in the Negative.

The main question being then put, and the House dividing thereon, there appeared, for the Resolution nineteen ; against it, fifteen :

For the Motion.

Against the Motion.

Mr Dickson
Mr Shey
Mr Stewart
Mr Huntington
Mr G Smith
Mr Doyle
Mr Rudolf
Mr Morton
Mr Heckman
Mr Cochran

Mr Wilkins
Mr Freeman
Mr Uniacke
Mr Lent
Mr Delap
Mr Archibald
Mr Barss
Mr J R Dewolf
Mr Kavanagh

Mr Harris
Mr C Roche
Mr Oxley
Mr B Dewolf
Mr Crow
Mr Lovett
Mr Blanchard
Mr Bell
Mr W H Roach
Mr Budd

Mr Lawson
Mr Wier
Mr Deblois
Mr Young
Mr Morse

So it passed in the Affirmative

Ordered, That Mr. Rudolf, Mr. Freeman, Mr. G. Smith, Mr. Barss and Mr. Stewart, be a Committee to wait upon His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, pursuant to said Resolution.

A Message from the Council by Mr. Halliburton :

Mr. Speaker,

The Council have agreed to the Resolution of this Honorable House for placing at the disposal of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, to make a road round Bedford Basin, the sum of £750 formerly granted for that purpose ; also, to the Resolution for changing the appropriation of £100 granted for the support of the Annapolis Academy for the

last

Amendt. moved to proposed Resolution in regard to Cross Island Light, negatived

The original motion agreed to

Com. to wait on Lt. Gov. with said Resolution

Council agree to vote of £750 for Road round Bedford Basin, also To Grants to Annapolis Academy

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last year, to the same purpose for the present year; and for granting £25 for payment of a Teacher for part of the time last year.

The Council have also agreed to twenty-two Resolutions of this Honorable House, for granting the following sums, viz:—

And twenty-two other Money votes

£6 15	To James Farrell,
15 10	Robert L. Gray,
19 10	J. & H. Muncey,
37 10	Joseph Dimock,
20 0	LaHave Ferry,
20 0	Beacon on Wedge Island,
20 0	Shubenacadie Ferry,
24 12 3	Overscers of Poor, Egerton,
25 0	School House in Granville,
30 0	Drs. Sterling & Grigor, Dispensary,
30 0	Infant School,
50 0	Mechanics' Institute,
50 0	Patrick Connor,
50 0	Drs. Sterling & Grigor,
50 0	School-House, Lunenburg,
75 0	Late Overseers of Poor, Pictou,
100 0	Trustees of Yarmouth Academy,
100 0	Arichat Academy,
100 0	For preparing 4th Volume of Province Laws,
100 0	Mr. Uniacke's Schools,
200 0	Liverpool Bridge,
300 0	Horton Academy,

The Council have not agreed to the Resolution for granting £500 for building a Light-House near the entrance of Yarmouth Harbor.

Do not agree to £500 for Light-House, Yarmouth

And then the Messenger withdrew.

Mr. Bell reported from the Select Committee on the Bill to enable the Freeholders of the Township of Pictou to assess themselves for arrears of Poor Rates; and he read the report in his place, and afterwards delivered it in at the Clerk's Table, where it was again read.

Report on Pictou Poor Rate Assessment Bill

(See Appendix, No. 78.)

Ordered, That the Bill be re-committed to a Committee of the whole House, with the Report.

A Bill to provide for the regulation and management of the Grammar School or Academy at Sydney, in Cape-Breton, was read a second time.

Sydney Grammar School Bill read 2d time and committed

Ordered, That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House.

Mr. Lawson, from the Committee instructed to prepare amendments to the Bill to provide for the payment and security of Debts incurred in the purchase of Real Estate, and the erection of Buildings for the use of the Town of Halifax, in accordance with the Report of the same Committee, reported several amendments which the Committee had prepared accordingly, and the same were read by the Clerk.

Report of amends. to Bill for Security of Debts

Ordered, That the Bill and amendments be committed to a Committee of the whole House.

Ordered, That the Message of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor to this House, received yesterday, relative to the Bridewell, with the Papers accompanying the same, be referred to the Committee of the whole House, on Bills committed, to be considered with the Bill relating to the Bridewell.

Message and Papers relating to the Bridewell committed with the Bill

Ordered, That the Communication from the Deputy Provincial Secretary, received yesterday, with the accompanying Papers, relative to the proposed Light-Houses on the

Papers, &c. relative to proposed Light Houses on St. Paul & Scattarie referred to Committee

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Islands of Scattarie and St. Paul, be referred to the same Committee who reported on Light-Houses, to examine and report, in regard to those Papers, by Bill or otherwise.

Bill to give validity to Will of John Mackay passed

The engrossed Bill from the Council, entitled, An Act to give effect and validity to a certain devise or settlement of Real Estate, made and contained in the last Will and Testament of John Mackay, late of Windsor, in Hants County, Esquire, deceased, was read a third time, with the engrossed amendments thereto.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, with the amendments.

Ordered to be carried back to Council

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the said Bill and amendments to the Council and acquaint them that this House have agreed to the Bill with amendments.

Bill passed, viz—Trespass

An engrossed Bill further to amend the Act relating to Trespasses, was read a third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and that the title be, An Act to amend the Act relating to Trespasses.

To substitute declarations for Oaths

An engrossed Bill to substitute Declarations for Oaths in certain cases, was read a third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and that the title be, An Act to substitute Declarations for Oaths in certain cases.

Dike Rate Assessment in Horton

An engrossed Bill relative so the Assessment of Dike Rates for the New or Wickwire Dike in Horton, was read a third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and that the title be, An Act relative to the Assessment of Dike Rates, for the New or Wickwire Dike in Horton.

Commissioners of Highways Pictou

An engrossed Bill to increase the number of Commissioners of Highways in Pictou, was read a third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and that the title be, An Act to increase the number of Commissioners of Highways in Pictou.

Poor Rates Pictou

An engrossed Bill respecting the Collectors of Poor Rates of Pictou, was read a third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and that the title be, An Act respecting the Collectors of Poor Rates of Pictou.

Circuit Courts

An engrossed Bill regarding the Circuit Courts of this Province, was read a third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and that the title be, An Act regarding the Circuit Courts of this Province.

Trustees of School Lands Annapolis

An engrossed Bill to appoint Trustees of School Lands in the Township of Annapolis, was read a third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and that the title be, An Act to appoint Trustees of School Lands in the Township of Annapolis.

Fees of Commissioners Court Halifax

An engrossed Bill to regulate the Fees of the Constable of the Court of Commissioners at Halifax, was read a third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and that the title be, An Act to regulate the Fees of the Constable of the Court of Commissioners at Halifax.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bills to the Council and desire their concurrence.

Resolution disposing of the 4th Volume of Provincial Statutes

On motion of Mr. Stewart, *resolved*, that the Two Hundred Numbers of the Fourth Volume of the Statutes of the Province, be disposed of as follows: Six to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor—Twenty for His Majesty's Council—Ten for the present use of the House of Assembly, and one to each of the Members—one each to the respective Houses of Assembly of Lower and Upper Canada, New-Brunswick, Newfoundland and Prince Edward Island—one to each of the Judges of the Supreme Court—the Master of the Rolls—the first Justices of the Courts of Common Pleas, and the Law Officers of the Crown—one to the Prothonotary of the Supreme Court, and one each to the

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the several Deputy Prothonotaries throughout the Province, for the use of the several Courts, and one to each Clerk of the Peace, who may not be a Deputy Prothonotary, for the use of the Courts of Sessions—one each for the Offices of the Provincial Secretary—the Provincial Treasurer—the Collector of the Customs at Halifax—the Surveyor-General, and to each Collector of Colonial Impost Duties throughout the Province—one each to the Law, Garrison, Halifax and Mechanics' Libraries, and one each to the Clerks of the Legislature.—The remainder to be retained in Sheets in charge of the Clerk of this House, for the supplying therewith such future Members of the Legislature as may not previously have received them.

Mr. Stewart reported from the Committee appointed to search the Journals of the Council in relation to the Bill, entitled, An Act to render unnecessary the taking of any other Oaths than the Oath of Allegiance and the Oath of Office, as a qualification for Office in this Province, that the Committee had attended to that duty, and taken Minutes from the Journals of the Council, in regard to their proceedings upon said Bill; and he read the said Minutes in his place, and afterwards delivered them in at the Clerk's Table, where they were again read, and are as follow:

Report and Minutes
from Journals of the
Council relative to
Oath Bill

“Legislative Council, Thursday, 24th March, 1836.

PRESENT:

<p>The Hon. The Chief-Justice, The Lord Bishop, T. N. Jeffery, H. N. Binney, Enos Collins, S. B. Robie,</p>	§ § § § § §	<p>The Hon. Charles R. Prescott, Samuel Cunard, Henry H. Cogswell, Peter McNab, Joseph Allison,</p>
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On motion, it was made the Order of the Day, to consider the Bill, entitled, An Act to render unnecessary the taking of any other Oaths than the Oath of Allegiance and the Oath of Office, as a qualification for Office in this Province, for to-morrow.”

Ordered, That the said Minutes do lie on the Table.

Mr. Stewart, pursuant to special leave given, presented a Bill for the better regulation of Sable Island and Seal Islands, in this Province, and the same was read a first time.

Bill for regulation of
Sable and Seal
Islands

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time.

On motion, the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole House, on the further consideration of the Supply granted to His Majesty.

House in Commit-
tee of whole on
Supply

Mr. Speaker left the Chair,

Mr. Lovett took the Chair,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chairman reported from the Committee that they had made further progress in the business referred to them, and had come to several Resolutions thereupon, which they had directed him to report to the House; and he read the same in his place, and afterwards delivered them in at the Clerk's Table.

Resolutions report-
ed, viz :

The Chairman also acquainted the House, that he was directed by the Committee to move for leave to sit again on the consideration of a Supply, which the House agreed to.

The said Resolutions were again read by the Clerk, and are as follow:

Resolved, That it is the opinion of this Committee, that the sum of Three Hundred Pounds should be granted and paid to the Commissioners of Bridewell, for the support of the present Establishment for the current year, and for the temporary repair of the Buildings.

300l Commissioners
of Bridewell

Resolved, That it is the opinion of this Committee, that the sum of Two Hundred Pounds should be granted and paid to the Eastern Stage Coach Company for one year, after the expiration of the present Grant, under the same regulations and provisions as at present.

200l Eastern Stages

Resolved,

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1666l 18s 4d Post
Communication

Resolved, That it is the opinion of this Committee, that a sum not exceeding One Thousand Six Hundred and Sixty-six Pounds Thirteen Shillings and Four Pence should be granted and paid for defraying the expenses of the Post Communication, for the year One Thousand Eight Hundred and Thirty-six, agreeably to the report of the Committee and for the purposes therein stated.

331l 5s J. Howe,
Esq. extra printing

Resolved, That it is the opinion of this Committee, that the sum of Three Hundred and Thirty-one Pounds Five Shillings should be granted and paid to John Howe, Esquire, for extra printing for the year One Thousand Eight Hundred and Thirty-five, agreeably to the Account of Messrs. John Howe & Son, and the Report of the Committee thereon.

372l 1s 3d Light
Houses

Resolved, That it is the opinion of this Committee, that the sum of Nine Hundred and Seventy-two Pounds One Shilling and Three Pence should be granted and paid to the Commissioners of Light-Houses, for balance due them, agreeably to the Report of the Committee of Public Accounts.

250l repair of Pro-
vince Building, &c

Resolved, That it is the opinion of this Committee, that the sum of Two Hundred and Fifty Pounds should be granted to pay the sum of £49 5s 4d, due to sundry persons, agreeably to the Report of the Committee of Public Accounts, and for repairs of Province Buildings and Government-House, the present year.

Members pay

Resolved, That it is the opinion of this Committee, that the sum of One Pound per day should be granted and paid to each and every of the Members of the House of Assembly for the present Session, to be paid on the Certificate of the Speaker; also, the Travelling Charges as heretofore; *Provided*, that no Member shall receive pay for more than forty-two days attendance.

20l Chairmen

Resolved, That it is the opinion of this Committee, that the sum of Twenty Pounds should be granted and paid to the Chairmen of the House of Assembly, for their services as such Chairmen, to be added to their usual Pay Tickets.

165l Contingencies

Resolved, That it is the opinion of this Committee, that a sum not exceeding One Hundred and Sixty-five Pounds should be granted and paid to defray the expense of extra Messengers to the Council and House of Assembly, and for Fuel and sundry other articles and services for the Council and House of Assembly, according to Estimate, the said sum to be drawn and applied by the Clerk of the House of Assembly, under the sanction of the President of the Council and Speaker of the House of Assembly; and that there be also granted and paid to the said Clerk, the additional sum of Twelve Pounds Two Shillings and Six Pence to defray the expense of the Funeral of the late John Homer, Esq., late a Member of this House, pursuant to a Resolution of this House.

12l 2s 6d expenses
of J. Homer's Funer-
al

10l J. J. Sawyer

Resolved, That it is the opinion of this Committee, that the sum of Ten Pounds should be granted and paid to John James Sawyer, Esq. High Sheriff for the County of Halifax, for his expenses as such Sheriff, at the opening and closing of the present Session of the General Assembly.

75l Stationary &c.

Resolved, That it is the opinion of this Committee, that a sum not exceeding Seventy-five Pounds should be granted and paid to the Clerk of the House of Assembly, to defray the expense of Stationary, and binding of Journals and Laws of the Council and House of Assembly, during the present Session.

100l extra to Clerks

Resolved, That it is the opinion of this Committee, that the sum of One Hundred Pounds should be granted and paid, each, to the Clerk and Assistant Clerk of the House of Assembly, for their extra services during the present Session.

500l Casualties,
Bridges, &c

Resolved, That it is the opinion of this Committee, that if any accident shall happen to any of the Bridges on the Main Roads in this Province, or any unforeseen obstructions to travelling shall arise from the fall of Trees or otherwise, it shall and may be lawful for the Governor, Lieutenant-Governor or Commander in Chief for the time being, to order a Commissioner or Commissioners to repair or re-build such Bridge, or to remove such obstructions; and it shall be further lawful for the Governor, Lieutenant-Governor or Commander in Chief to draw Warrants on account, and in favor of such Commissioner or Commissioners; *Provided*, the same shall not exceed the sum of Five Hundred Pounds.

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- Resolved*, That it is the opinion of this Committee, that such sum shall be granted and paid to the Secretary of the Province, as will enable him to pay Three Pounds and Ten Shillings each to the several Clerks of the Peace to whom the Lieutenant-Governor directed Road Commissions with the Bonds to be executed, for the year One Thousand Eight Hundred and Thirty-five. 37/10s each to Clerks of the Peace
- Resolved*, That it is the opinion of this Committee, that the sum of One Hundred and Fifty Pounds should be granted and paid to James Whitney, for running the Steam-Boat between Annapolis, Digby and St. John, the present year, under the same regulations and in the same manner as heretofore, or such other regulations as may be made by the House. 150/ Jas. Whitney
- Resolved*, That it is the opinion of this Committee, that the sum of Twenty Pounds should be granted and paid to assist the Inhabitants of the Township of Annapolis to build an Oat Mill. 20/ Oat Mill Annapolis
- Resolved*, That it is the opinion of this Committee, that the sum of Two Hundred and Twenty Pounds should be granted and paid, to assist in building a Bridge over Ball's Creek, near Sydney, in Cape-Breton, to be drawn when it shall be certified to the Lieutenant-Governor that £100, raised by private contribution, has been expended on the same work. 220/ for a Bridge over Ball's Creek, in C. B.
- Resolved*, That it is the opinion of this Committee, that the sum of Twenty Pounds should be granted and paid to Dr. James C. Hume, for his salary as Secretary of the Central Board of Health, for the last year. 20/ Jas. C. Hume
- Resolved*, That it is the opinion of this Committee, that the sum of Eight Pounds Fifteen Shillings and Nine Pence should be granted and paid to the Overseers of the Poor of the Township of Yarmouth, being the amount expended by them on Shipwrecked Seamen, the crew of the Ship Kent, wrecked on Seal Island. 8l 15s 9d Overseers of Poor Yarmouth
- Resolved*, That it is the opinion of this Committee, that the Commissioners of the Revenue for the time being be, and they are hereby, authorized and empowered to allow a Drawback upon all Wines imported for, or consumed by, the Commissioned Officers of His Majesty's Army, composing the several Regimental Messes of the Garrison at Halifax, or to relinquish the Duties upon all such Wines upon proof being made to the satisfaction of the said Commissioners that the Wines, whereon a Drawback or relinquishment of Duties is claimed, were actually imported for, or consumed by, such Officers of the Army. *Provided* the whole amount do not exceed the sum of Three Hundred Pounds in any one year. Drawback of Officers Wines
- Resolved*, That it is the opinion of this Committee, that the Collector of Impost at the Port of Halifax shall, and he is hereby required and directed to, keep a distinct account of all Duties collected by him, upon the importation from the United States of America of Live Stock, Apples, Onions, Fruit, Biscuit and Bread, under the Act of the General Assembly, passed in the present Session of the General Assembly, entitled, An Act for granting Colonial Duties of Impost for the support of His Majesty's Government within this Province, and for promoting the Agriculture, Commerce and Fisheries thereof, and that the said Duties upon the above specified articles, during the present year, shall be paid quarterly to the Commissioners of the Poor for the use of the Poor of the Town of Halifax; *provided* such payment do not exceed the sum of One Thousand Pounds during the present year. Duties assigned to Commrs. of Poor
- Mr. Cochran moved, that the Resolution for granting £200 to keep up the Eastern line of Stage Coaches for another year be not received by the House: which, being seconded and put, passed in the Negative. Motion not to agree to grant of 200l to Eastern Stage Coaches, negatived
- Mr. Archibald moved, that the Resolution for granting £150 to James Whitney, for running a Steam-Boat, between St John, N. B. and Annapolis, be not received by the House: which, being seconded and put, and the House dividing thereon, passed in the Negative. Motion not to agree to grant of 150l to J. Whitney, negatived

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Motion not to agree to grant of 20l for Oat Mill Annapolis, negatived

Mr. Archibald moved, that the Resolution for granting Twenty Pounds for an Oat Mill in the Township of Annapolis, be not received by the House: which being seconded and put, and the House dividing thereon, there appeared, for the motion, eleven; against it, eighteen:

For the Motion.

Mr Lawson	Mr Budd
Mr O'Brien	Mr Crow
Mr Lent	Mr Wier
Mr Archibald	Mr C Roche
Mr Deblois	Mr Kavanagh
Mr Oxley	

Against the Motion.

Mr J R Dewolf	Mr Bell	Mr Smith
Mr W H Roach	Mr Young	Mr Dickson
Mr Delap	Mr Doyle	Mr Rudolf
Mr Lovell	Mr Bars	Mr Morton
Mr Uniacke	Mr Shey	Mr Chipman
Mr Cochran	Mr Heckman	

So it passed in the Negative.

Motion not to agree to grant of 20l to Dr. Hume, negatived

Mr. Archibald moved, that the Resolution for granting Twenty Pounds to the Secretary of the Central Board of Health at Halifax be not received by the House; which, being seconded and put, and the House dividing thereon, there appeared, for the motion, fourteen; against it, fifteen. So it passed in the Negative.

Said Resolutions reported from Com. agreed to, and Ordered to be sent to Council for concurrence

The said several Resolutions reported from the Committee, were then, upon the question put thereon, respectively agreed to by the House.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry to the Council the said several Resolutions (except the said Resolution last reported, being an annual vote, not sent to the Council) and desire the concurrence of the Council to the Resolutions sent to them.

Report on Laws relative to Fires &

Mr. Uniacke reported from the Committee, appointed on the 20th February last, to examine and revise the Laws relating to Firewards and Fires in Halifax; and thereupon presented to the House, a Bill to repeal the Act to amend the Acts respecting Firewards and Fires in Halifax and to substitute other provisions in lieu thereof, and the same was read a first time.

Bill presented

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time.

Order of Day composition of Council postponed

The Order of the Day being read, for the House to consider in Committee of the whole House the composition of the Executive and Legislative Councils.

Ordered, That this House do, to-morrow, resolve itself into a Committee for that purpose.

Then the House adjourned until to-morrow, at twelve of the clock.

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Resolution regulating the payments to be made from the Treasury

PRAVERS.

Mr. Stewart moved, that the House do come to a Resolution as followeth, viz:—

Resolved, That the Treasurer shall pay all sums of Money granted the present year and included in the Appropriation Act thereof, in Province Notes, or in the Gold and Silver Coins from time to time paid into the Treasury, at the rates at which the said Gold and Silver Coins are by the Act, passed the present Session, entitled, An Act for granting Colonial Duties of Impost for the support of His Majesty's Government within this Province, and for promoting the Agriculture, Commerce and Fisheries thereof, directed to be secured in payment of Duties, viz: The Doubloon of full weight and fineness, at the rate of Four Pounds Currency each.—The Sovereign at the rate of One Pound Five Shillings Currency each, and British Silver at the same proportion, and that a clause be inserted in the Appropriation Act for that purpose: which, being seconded and put, and the House dividing thereon, there appeared, for the motion, nineteen; against it, fourteen;

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For the Motion.

Mr Chipman
Mr Stewart
Mr Lovett
Mr Rudolf
Mr Shey
Mr G Smith
Mr Harris
Mr Heckman
Mr Cochran
Mr Lent

Mr Delap
Mr Bell
Mr Blanchard
Mr Ozley
Mr B Dewolf
Mr Wier
Mr Dickson
Mr Crow
Mr J R Dewolf

Against the Motion.

Mr C Roche
Mr Kavanagh
Mr Deblois
Mr Freeman
Mr Young
Mr Clements
Mr Archibald
Mr O'Brien
Mr Barss
Mr Uniacke

Mr Lawson
Mr W H Roach
Mr Morton
Mr Huntington

So it passed in the Affirmative.

Mr. Doyle moved, that the Resolution be not now sent to the Council for concurrence: which, being seconded and put, and the House dividing thereon, there appeared, for the motion, sixteen; against it, eighteen: So it passed in the Negative.

Motion that said Resolution be not now sent to Council, negatived

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Resolution to the Council and desire their concurrence.

Mr. Harris reported from the Committee on the Petition of James N. Crane and others, relative to a Road from Avon Bridge, through Falmouth and Horton; and he read the Report in his place, and afterwards delivered it in at the Clerk's Table, where it was again read.

Report on Pet. for Road from Avon Bridge through Falmouth

(See Appendix, No. 79.)

Ordered, That the Report do lie on the Table.

Mr. Doyle reported from the Committee appointed, on the 23d February last, to prepare an Address to His Majesty, on the subject of the Fees taken by the Chief-Justice and Puisne Judges of the Supreme Court, that the Committee had prepared an Address accordingly; and he read the same in his place, and afterwards delivered it in at the Clerk's Table, where it was again read, and is as follows:

Report of Address on Judges Fees to His Majesty

TO THE KING'S MOST EXCELLENT MAJESTY.

MOST GRACIOUS SOVEREIGN.

We, Your Majesty's faithful Subjects, the Representatives of the People of this Province, approach Your Throne with the most unfeigned and grateful sentiments of respect and devotion to Your Person and Government, and consider it none of our least privileges that we are permitted to appeal to Your Majesty for the redress of all our complaints and grievances.

Trained as we have been to all those original forms of liberty which distinguish the polity of the Mother Country, and which have elevated her various Institutions, to be at once the pride and glory of the Nation and the admiration of Foreigners, we cannot patiently submit to see them violated in this distant Dependence of the Empire, by any of those Functionaries whom Your Majesty has here appointed to Office for the benefit of Your People.

We are also satisfied, that the British Constitution, under which we live, offers the best Securities for National prosperity and happiness; and that danger is more immediately and more surely at hand, when its fundamental maxims are openly disregarded in the administration of justice.

The purity of the Bench, and its exemption from all suspicions of a mercenary character, are essential to the high and important duties which it owes to the Country; and We, Your dutiful Subjects, cannot refrain from deeply regretting that the Chief-Justice and the Puisne Judges of the Supreme Court, have, for many years, continued to exact from Suitors certain Fees on every cause which came before them for Trial.

These Fees are, as the Assembly believes, claimed under an Order in Council, dated September 1, 1785; although the House of Assembly then existed, having been convened in this Province, as early as 1758, and continued to be called regularly, and to exercise its legitimate functions in raising and levying Duties for the support of Your Majesty's Government.

This Order, at its very origin, was unconstitutional and repugnant, as the House of Assembly believes, to all just notions of liberty, because the Commons have always claimed the inherent and exclusive right of originating all taxes upon the People.

When two years afterwards, an Act passed in 1789, establishing, with the sanction of the three Branches of the Legislature a general Table of Fees for all the different Officers of Judicature, those contained in this Order of Council were excluded, and clauses introduced into the Bill, with the express intention of preventing any other and greater Fees than such as were recognised in it from being taken under distinct penalties; yet, notwithstanding, the several Chief-Justices and

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Puisne Judges in succession have persevered in the practice of demanding and levying those obnoxious perquisites of emolument which, in some late years have amounted to little short of £1000, of which the Chief-Justice shared from £600 to £650 Currency. In the Session of 1835, a Bill passed the House of Assembly in order to abolish these Fees, which, when carried to the Council, was there rejected, and in this present Session another Bill, of the same import, was again passed by the Lower House, and again met its fate in the Upper, but with a protest taken, although not entered on its Journals, so that these Fees are now, and will be exacted, in direct opposition to the will of Your Majesty's dutiful Subjects the Representatives of the People, who, in no Provincial Statute, had ever acknowledged their legality.

When Your Majesty's loyal Subjects are thus injured, and have been twice refused the means of redress from that Branch over whom the Chief-Justice presides, the House of Assembly feel themselves imperatively bound to address Your Majesty in a tone of complaint and remonstrance against practices and requisitions not sustained by precedent, at present derivable from Your High Courts of Westminster, and without question, altogether unnecessary here, considering the permanent and ample provision in the shape of Salaries made for the Chief-Justice and his Assistant Judges, who, by Law, are farther entitled to claim from the Treasury of the Province, sufficient allowance for travelling charges incurred in their respective Circuits.

It may be further respectfully stated to Your Majesty, that these Fees have of late attracted a large share of public animadversion, and have formed the subject matter of Petitions presented to the House of Assembly—that they have been creating and extending a feeling of disrespect and repugnance towards the Judges, who have suffered more in their dignity and respectability than they have gained in emolument—that the enforcement of them not unfrequently falls on the Poor and distressed, who, for the recovery of Debts, are brought into Court, and that all these considerations are heightened and aggravated by the late Act of the Assembly, granting permanently for the Salary of the Lieutenant-Governor the annual sum of £2000 Sterling, by which the Casual Revenue was relieved to that extent, and rendered more available for the regular payment of the Chief-Justice's Salary, which was borne upon it.

May it therefore please Your Majesty to order that the Chief-Justice shall discontinue the collection of those Fees, and shall withhold his assent for their being collected by the Assistant Judges in the Circuits, as the House of Assembly, from whom all taxes of the People must emanate, have, in no Act of the Province, given them the sanction of their authority.

Motion that said Address do lie on the Table, negatived

Mr. Dickson moved, that the Address do lie upon the Table, to be hereafter considered by the House; which, being seconded and put, and the House dividing thereon, there appeared, for the motion, eleven; against it, twenty-one. So it passed in the Negative.

Address considered

The House then entered upon the consideration of the said Address, and the same was read, clause by clause.

Amdt. to 4th clause, negatived

Mr. Uniacke moved, that all the words of the fourth clause of the Address, from and after the word "Country" to the end thereof, be left out: which, being seconded and put, and the House dividing thereon, there appeared, for the motion, nine; against it, twenty-four:

For the Motion,

Mr Stewart
Mr Freeman
Mr Uniacke
Mr Deblois
Mr Barsa
Mr Dickson
Mr Morse
Mr Rudolf
Mr J R Dewolf

Against the Motion.

Mr Crow
Mr Kavanagh
Mr C Roche
Mr Heckman
Mr Clements
Mr Lent
Mr Oxley
Mr Wier
Mr Beil
Mr Blanchard
Mr Chipman
Mr O'Brien

Mr Delap
Mr Cochran
Mr Young
Mr Archibald
Mr Harris
Mr Doyle
Mr Shey
Mr G Smith
Mr Lovett
Mr Morton
Mr Huntington
Mr Lawson

So it passed in the Negative.

Amdt. to 5th clause, negatived

Mr. Uniacke then moved, by way of amendment to the fifth clause of the Address, to leave out therefrom, the words "under an Order in Council, dated," and to insert in place thereof, the words "under Orders in Council, dated the 13th December, 1749, and:" which, being seconded and put, passed in the Negative.

Amdt. to 6th clause, negatived

Mr. Uniacke then moved, as an amendment to the sixth clause of the Address, to add at the end thereof, after the word "people," the words following, "notwithstanding this House

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House did, in the Session of 1835, negative a Resolution introduced, declaring those Fees to be unconstitutional:" which, being seconded and put, and the House dividing thereon, there appeared, for the amendment, seven; against it, twenty-four:

For the amendment.

Mr Stewart
Mr Freeman
Mr Uniacke
Mr Deblois
Mr Barss
Mr Dickson
Mr J R Dewolf

Against the amendment.

Mr Crow	Mr Oxley	Mr Harris
Mr Rudolf	Mr Wier	Mr Doyle
Mr Kavanagh	Mr Bell	Mr Shey
Mr C Roche	Mr Blanchard	Mr Morton
Mr B Dewolf	Mr Clements	Mr G Smith
Mr Heckman	Mr Cochran	Mr Chipman
Mr Lent	Mr Young	Mr O'Brien
Mr Delap	Mr Archibald	Mr Huntington

So it passed in the Negative.

Mr. Stewart then moved, that the seventh clause be amended, by leaving out all the words thereof from and after the word "opposition" to the end of the clause, and inserting in place thereof, the words following, viz:—to the present desire of Your Majesty's dutiful Subjects: for the House of Assembly cannot, in candour, withhold from Your Majesty, that the Legislature of the Colony did, in the years 1787 and 1789, after the said Order in Council had passed, and after the said Act establishing the Fees had also passed, expressly recognise the said Fees, by granting to the Chief-Justice for each of the said two years the sum of 200l. during which the Fees were not taxed in the Bills of Costs, and that they have been collected continually until the present day, without their legality having been brought under the consideration of the Courts of Law, and that it is only within these two or three years that this House has investigated the legality of the same, and, during the last Session of this House, the House negatived a Resolution, by which it was proposed to declare the Fees to be illegal;" which, being seconded and put, and the House dividing thereon, there appeared, for the motion, seven; against it, twenty-five:

Amendt. to 7th clause, negatived

For the amendment,

Mr Stewart
Mr J R Dewolf
Mr Dickson
Mr Deblois
Mr Freeman
Mr Uniacke
Mr Barss

Against the amendment.

Mr B Dewolf	Mr Bell	Mr Doyle
Mr Clements	Mr Delap	Mr Huntington
Mr Oxley	Mr Blanchard	Mr Shey
Mr Heckman	Mr Lent	Mr Lovett
Mr Kavanagh	Mr O'Brien	Mr W H Roach
Mr Rudolf	Mr Cochran	Mr Morton
Mr Wier	Mr Archibald	Mr Chipman
Mr C Roche	Mr Harris	
Mr Crow	Mr Young	

So it passed in the Negative.

On motion of Mr. Doyle, *resolved*, that the said seventh clause be amended, by substituting 1787 instead of the figures 1789 therein, and by leaving out the words "who in no Provincial Statute have ever acknowledged their legality," at the end of the clause, and substituting therefor, the words "and without the sanction of any existing Law of the Province."

Amendt. made to 7th clause

Mr. Uniacke then moved, as an amendment to the ninth clause of the Address, to leave out of said clause the words following, "that they have been creating and extending a feeling of disrespect and repugnance towards the Judges who have thus suffered more in their dignity and respectability, than they have gained in emolument:" which, being seconded and put, and the House dividing thereon, there appeared, for the amendment, twenty-four; against it, eight:

Amendt. made to 9th clause

For the amendment.

Mr Stewart
Mr Dickson
Mr Lovett
Mr Uniacke
Mr O'Brien
Mr Barss
Mr Morse
Mr Lawson

Against the amendment.

Mr Archibald	Mr Bell	Mr Delap
Mr Freeman	Mr Wier	Mr Cochran
Mr Harris	Mr Kavanagh	Mr Young
Mr J R Dewolf	Mr Clements	Mr Doyle
Mr Lent	Mr B Dewolf	Mr Huntington
Mr Crow	Mr Oxley	Mr Morton
Mr Rudolf	Mr Heckman	Mr W H Roach
Mr Deblois	Mr Blanchard	Mr Chipman

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Further amendt. to
9th clause moved
and negatived

Mr. Uniacke then moved, by way of further amendment to the said ninth clause, to leave out all the words thereof after the word "Court," and instead of the words so left out to substitute the following, viz:—"and this House having requested the Lieutenant-Governor to furnish the Orders in Council and other authority, under which the Fees of the Chief-Justice and Puisne Judges are levied and collected, and the same having been transmitted to the House, they, in justice to those Officers, annex the same hereto;" which, being seconded and put, and the House dividing thereon, there appeared, for the amendment, fifteen; against it, nineteen:!

<i>For the Amendment,</i>		<i>Against the Amendment,</i>	
Mr Lawson	Mr Morse	Mr Oxley	Mr Bell
Mr G Smith	Mr Deblois	Mr Heckman	Mr Lent
Mr J R Dewolf	Mr Freeman	Mr Wier	Mr O'Brien
Mr Stewart	Mr Harris	Mr Crow	Mr Cochran
Mr Dickson	Mr Rudolf	Mr B Dewolf	Mr Archibald
Mr Lovett	Mr Kavanagh	Mr Delap	Mr Young
Mr Uniacke	Mr Clements	Mr Blanchard	
Mr Barss			

So it passed in the Negative.

Further amendt.
made to 9th clause

Mr. Doyle then moved, that the following words be inserted in the said ninth clause, after the words "House of Assembly" viz; "That they have a tendency to create disrespect, for, and to weaken the confidence which ought ever to be placed in, the Tribunals of the Country"; which, being seconded and put, and the House dividing thereon, there appeared, for the motion, twenty-four; against it, ten:

<i>For the Motion.</i>			<i>Against the Motion.</i>	
Mr Shey	Mr Doyle	Mr B Dewolf	Mr Kavanagh	Mr Deblois
Mr G Smith	Mr Cochran	Mr Crow	Mr Morse	Mr Stewart
Mr Chipman	Mr Archibald	Mr Heckman	Mr Freeman	Mr J R Dewolf
Mr Morton	Mr O'Brien	Mr Rudolf	Mr Barss	Mr Dickson
Mr W H Roach	Mr Blanchard	Mr Wier	Mr Uniacke	Mr Lawson
Mr Young	Mr Bell	Mr Delap		
Mr Lovett	Mr Lent	Mr Oxley		
Mr Huntington	Mr Harris	Mr Clements		

So it passed in the Affirmative.

Further proposed
amendt. to 9th clause
negatived

Mr. Stewart then moved, that all the words of said ninth clause from and after the word "Court," to the words "which was borne upon it" inclusive, being to the end of the clause as it originally stood before the last amendment, be left out of the clause: which, being seconded and put, and the House dividing thereon, there appeared for the motion, eight; against it, twenty-seven:

<i>For the Motion,</i>		<i>Against the Motion.</i>	
Mr Stewart	Mr Kavanagh	Mr Wier	Mr Archibald
Mr Dickson	Mr Harris	Mr O'Brien	Mr Lovett
Mr J R Dewolf	Mr B Dewolf	Mr Lawson	Mr Doyle
Mr Deblois	Mr Heckman	Mr Rudolf	Mr Huntington
Mr Uniacke	Mr Lent	Mr Shey	Mr Young
Mr Barss	Mr Clements	Mr Bell	Mr W H Roach
Mr Freeman	Mr Oxley	Mr Crow	Mr Morton
Mr Morse	Mr C Roche	Mr Blanchard	Mr Chipman
	Mr Delap	Mr Cochran	Mr G Smith

So it passed in the Negative.

Address as amended
passed

Mr. Doyle then moved, that the Address as amended do pass: which, being seconded and put, and the House dividing thereon, there appeared for the motion, twenty-six; against it, nine. So it passed in the Affirmative.

Com. who prepared
Address to wait on
Lt. Gov. with the
same

On motion of Mr. Doyle, *resolved*, that a Committee be appointed to wait upon His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor with a Copy of the Address, and with Copies of the several Papers communicated to this House, by command of His Excellency, on the 24th March last, relative to the Fees taken by the Chief-Justice and Puisne Judges of the Supreme Court, and to request His Excellency to transmit the same to His Majesty, with his favorable recommendation of the prayer of the Address. *Ordered*,

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Ordered, That the same Committee who prepared the Address be a Committee to wait upon His Excellency, pursuant to the foregoing Resolution.

A Message from the Council, by Mr. Halliburton :

Mr. Speaker,

The Council request a Conference, by Committee, with a Committee of this Honorable House, on the subject of the Bill now before the Council, entitled, An Act to repeal the Acts in force respecting the Assize of Bread in Halifax, and to establish other provisions in lieu thereof.

Council request
Conference on As-
sise of Bread Bill

And then the Messenger withdrew.

On motion of Mr. C. Roche, *resolved*, that this House do agree to the Conference desired by the Council.

Conference agreed
to and report there-
from

Ordered, That Mr. C. Roche, Mr. Bell and Mr. Deblois, do manage the Conference.

So they went to the Conference ; and being returned,

Mr. C. Roche reported that the Managers had been at the Conference, and that the Committee of the Council had thereat communicated to the Committee of this House, the following proceedings had in Council upon the Bill, upon which the Conference was held.

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“Mr. Cogswell, the Chairman of the Committee to whom the Bill, entitled, An Act to repeal the Acts in force respecting the Assize of Bread in Halifax, and to establish other Provisions in lieu thereof, was referred, reported, that this Bill, which enacts that the Loaf shall at all times be of the same weight, and allows the price to vary at the will of the Baker, as the price of Flour may fluctuate, does not appear to suit the circumstances of Halifax so well as the old mode, which made the price of the Loaf permanent, and permitted its weight to vary by a standard well adjusted to the price of Flour in the Market; the preference of the latter to the former mode is evident, upon the comparison of price and weight. The price of the six penny Loaf is only divisible into twelve parts, according to the Coins in circulation, and the weight of the Loaf at the present price of Flour, say twenty-five shillings per hundred weight, and agreeably to the standard established by the old Law, would be two pounds and twelve ounces and easily divisible in forty-four parts, when, therefore the price of Flour at which the Baker may sell his two pound Loaf at five pence, may have been adjusted, say twenty-four shillings per hundred weight, shall rise to twenty-five shillings the hundred weight, the Baker who cannot sell at a loss will raise the price of the Loaf to five pence half-penny, adding a tenth, and by the standard, would only diminish the weight of his Loaf two ounces or 1-2 2 part, which loss must fall upon the consumers. Allowing the present price of Flour to be twenty-five shillings the hundred weight, and the two pound Loaf to sell at five pence, the six penny Loaf would weigh but two pounds six and one half ounces, but by the old Law should weigh two pounds twelve ounces; the Baker, therefore, in addition to his profit derived under the former Law, has an increase of more than eighteen per cent, which loss falls upon the community.

Resolved, That the said Report be received.

Resolved, That a Conference be desired with the House of Assembly, by Committee, on the said Bill.

Resolved, That Mr. Cogswell, Mr. Tobin and Mr. Allison, be a Committee of this House, to manage the said Conference; and that the Committee be instructed to communicate the foregoing Report to the Committee of the House of Assembly.”

On motion of Mr. Deblois, *resolved*, that the Order for committing the Bill to provide for the better Establishment of a Bridewell, &c. to a Committee of the whole House, be discharged, and the further consideration of the Bill be deferred to this day three months.

Bridewell Bill
deferred.

Mr

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Cape-Breton Election Bill presented

Mr. Doyle, pursuant to leave given, presented a Bill to regulate the holding of Polls at Elections, in the Island of Cape-Breton, and the same was read a first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time.

Sable and Seal Islands Bill And Firewards Bill read 2d time and committed

A Bill for the better regulation of Sable Island and Seal Islands in this Province; also,

A Bill to repeal the Act to amend the Acts respecting Firewards and Fires in Halifax and to substitute other provisions in lieu thereof, were severally read a second time.

Ordered, That the Bills be committed to a Committee of the whole House.

St. Paul and Scatarie Light-Houses Bill presented

Mr. Uniacke, pursuant to leave given, presented a Bill to authorize the Lieutenant-Governor to appoint a Commissioner or Commissioners to act in concert with Commissioners on behalf of Lower-Canada and New-Brunswick, in relation to the proposed Light-Houses, on the Islands of St. Paul and Scatarie, and the same was read a first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time.

Messages of Gov. referred to supply

On motion of Mr. Uniacke, *resolved*, that the Messages of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor to this House, of the 13th February last, and of the 16th March, inst. relative to Distressed Settlers in Cape-Breton, be referred to the Committee of Supply.

Ordered, That Mr. Clements have leave of absence from this House to return home on account of his ill state of health.

Leave of absence to Mr. Clements

Mr. Dickson, pursuant to leave given, laid upon the Table Accounts and Statements of the expenses of preparing and publishing the Maps of the Province, under the superintendance of a Committee of this House, appointed in a former Session.

Provincial Map Accounts referred to Committee

Ordered, That the said Accounts and Statements be referred to Mr. Dickson, Mr. Huntington and Mr. Bell, to examine and report thereon to the House.

Then the House adjourned until Monday next, at twelve of the clock.

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PRAYERS.

Letter and Copies of Resolutions of Lower Canada

Mr. Speaker laid before the House, a Letter received by him from the Honorable the Speaker of the House of Assembly of Lower Canada, dated, House of Assembly, Quebec, 15th March, 1836, with Copies of several Resolutions passed by that House, and transmitted to this House, in accordance with one of said Resolutions.

Ordered, That the Letter and accompanying Resolutions do lie on the Table.

Motion to borrow 3000l for formation of Road from Dartmouth to Guysboro' negatived

Mr. Deblois moved, that the House do come to a Resolution, as followeth, viz:—
Resolved, That leave be given to bring in a Bill authorizing His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor to borrow the sum of 3,000l at an interest not exceeding four per Cent. to be laid out on the formation of the Great Road from Dartmouth, by Musquodobit, on to Guysborough, in accordance with the Report of the Committee; which, being seconded and put, and the House dividing thereon, there appeared, for the motion, nine; against it, fifteen.

For the Motion

Mr Doyle
Mr Young
Mr Harris
Mr Archibald
Mr Lawson
Mr Uniacke
Mr Deblois
Mr C Roche
Mr Kavanagh

Against the Motion.

Mr Crow
Mr Cochran
Mr Delap
Mr W H Roach
Mr Oxley
Mr Clements
Mr Heckman
Mr O'Brien
Mr Lent
Mr Chipman
Mr Shey
Mr Morton
Mr Huntington
Mr Morse
Mr Wier

So it passed in the Negative.

On

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On motion of Mr. Uniacke, *resolved*, that a Committee be appointed to examine and revise, if necessary, the Laws relating to borrowing Money on Account of the Province.

Ordered, That Mr. Uniacke, Mr. Stewart, Mr. Young, Mr. Lawson and Mr. Deblois, be a Committee for that purpose, to report by Bill or otherwise.

Motion for Committee to examine Laws relative to borrowing Money

Mr. Harris moved, that the House do come to a Resolution as followeth, viz :

Resolved, That a Committee be appointed to wait on His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, and respectfully to request that His Excellency will be pleased to order and direct a Survey to be made of the Mount Denson and Shore road, from the site of the new Bridge about to be erected over the Avon River, near the Town of Windsor, to Wolfville, in Horton, crossing the Lower Bridge on the Gaspereaux River, and in order to insure an impartial and correct survey and estimate thereof, that His Excellency will be pleased to appoint Mr. George Wightman and Peter Dawson, to make such survey, agreeably to the report of the Committee of the House of Assembly on that subject, and to make a Plan and Estimate thereof, and the probable expense of making any and such alterations as may be found necessary, and report the same to His Excellency, to be laid before the House of Assembly at its next Session : which, being seconded and put, and the House dividing thereon, there appeared, for the motion, fourteen ; against it, fifteen. So it passed in the negative.

Motion for survey of Road from site of Avon Bridge to Wolfville, negtd.

On motion of Mr. Uniacke, *resolved*, that whereas Bertrand Deraspe, of Margaree, owner of the Schooner Active, was properly equipped and pursued a Sealing Voyage within the time prescribed by Law, in the Gulf of St. Lawrence, and procured a Certificate according to Law, but, having proceeded on a Voyage to the Cod Fishery, the Commissioner omitted to transmit the same in proper time to the Treasurer, whereby, although entitled to the Bounty, the Treasurer is precluded from paying him.

Resolution to allow B. Deraspe bounty on Sealing Voyage

Resolved therefore, that the Treasurer be authorized to pay to the said Bertrand Deraspe the amount of Bounty to which he would have been entitled, if his Certificate had been transmitted within the time contemplated by Law.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Resolution to the Council and desire their concurrence.

Resolution sent to Council for concurrence

On motion of Mr. Young, *resolved*, that out of the £600 of Road Money, for the County of Sydney, which is placed at the disposal of the Lieutenant-Governor, His Excellency be authorized to lay out Thirty Pounds of the same in repairing the Bridges on the Great Eastern Line from Guysboro' to the Cross Roads at Country Harbor.

Resolution relative to the expenditure 600l out of grant to Sydney County

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Resolution to the Council and desire their concurrence.

Mr. Dickson reported from the Select Committee, appointed on Saturday last, in relation to the Accounts of Expenses and Papers laid before the House, in regard to the Provincial Maps ; and he read the Report in his place, and afterwards delivered it in at the Clerk's Table, where it was again read.

Report of expense of Provincial Maps

(See Appendix, No. 80.)

Resolved, That the Report be received and adopted by this House, and that the same, with the Accounts, be referred to the Committee of Supply.

Report adopted & with accounts sent to Supply

Ordered, That the Accounts referred to in the said Report, be printed in the Appendix.

(See Appendix, No. 81.)

Mr. Rudolf reported from the Committee, appointed to wait upon His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor with the Resolution relative to the Light-House on Cross Island, that the Committee had performed the duty assigned to them, and that His Excellency in answer was pleased to say, that the removal of the Lantern was only to effect a requisite temporary purpose, and that he thought a colored red light might be placed on Cross Island, which would distinguish it from that on Sambro, and was of opinion that it

Report of Com. who waited on Lt. Gov. in regard to Cross Island Light

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would benefit the Coasting Trade as a Harbor Light, and that he would attend to the recommendation expressed in the Resolution.

Leave of absence
for Mr. Harris and
Mr. Delap

Ordered, That Mr. Harris and Mr. Delap have leave of absence from this House, to return home on urgent private business.

A Message from the Council, by Mr. Halliburton :

Mr. Speaker,

Council agree to
Bills, viz—
Barristers regulation

The Council have agreed to the Bill, entitled, An Act for the better regulation of Barristers, Advocates, Attornies, Solicitors and Proctors, practising in the Courts of this Province, as amended.

Comms. of High-
ways Pictou
New Glasgow
Highway

The Council have also agreed to the Bill, entitled, An Act to increase the number of Commissioners of Highways in Pictou; the Bill, entitled, An Act to amend the Act to extend to new Glasgow, in the District of Pictou, the provisions of the Act relating to Commissioners of Highways in Halifax, and certain other places; and the Bill to regulate the Fees of the Constable of the Court of Commissioners at Halifax, severally without any amendment.

Court of Comms.
Halifax and

The Council have agreed to the Bill, entitled, An Act relative to the Assessment of Dike Rates, for the New or Wickwire Dike in Horton, with an amendment, to which they desire the concurrence of this Honorable House.

Horton Dike Rate
Bill with an amendt.

The Council have agreed to the Resolution relating to the Provincial Stud, and to the Resolution for payment to Bertrand Deraspe of a Bounty upon a Sealing Voyage, and have not agreed to the Resolution in regard to payments out of the Provincial Treasury, of Monies to be granted under the Appropriation Act of the present Session.

Council agree to
Resolution relative
to Provincial Stud
and B. Deraspe,
but do not agree to
Resolution con-
cerning payments
made from the
Treasury, and
Agree to several
Resolutions for
granting Monies

The Council have agreed to the several Resolutions of this Honorable House for granting the following sums, viz:—

£1666	13	4	Post Communication.
972	1	3	Commissioners of Light-Houses.
500	0	0	Casualties on Roads.
331	0	0	Extra Printing.
300	0	0	Drawback on Officers' Wines.
300	0	0	Bridewell.
250	0	0	Repairs of Public Buildings
220	0	0	Bridge over Ball's Creek.
200	0	0	Eastern Stages.
200	0	0	Western Stages.
£165 & 12	2	6	Contingencies.
150	0	0	James Whitney.
100	0	0	Clerks extra.
75	0	0	Stationary.
20	0	0	Oat Mill, Annapolis.
20	0	0	Secretary of Central Board of Health.
20	0	0	Chairmen of the House of Assembly.
10	0	0	J. J. Sawyer.
3	10	0	Each to Clerks of the Peace.
8	15	9	Overseers of Poor, Yarmouth.

And then the Messenger withdrew.

Amendment to
Wickwire Bill as-
sented to

The amendment proposed by the Council to the Bill, entitled, An Act relative to the Assessment of Dike Rates for the New or Wickwire Dike in Horton, was read through-out a first and second time, (being to add a continuing clause at the end of the Bill,) and upon the question put thereon, was agreed to by the House.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill and amendment back to the Council, and, acquaint them that this House have agreed to the amendment.

House in Commit-
tee of Supply

On motion, the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole House, to con- sider further of the Supply granted to His Majesty. Mr.

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Mr. Speaker left the Chair,
Mr. Rudolf took the Chair,
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chairman reported from the Committee, that they had gone through the business to them referred, and had come to several Resolutions thereupon, which they had directed him to report to the House; and he read the same in his place, and afterwards delivered them in at the Clerk's Table, where they were again read, and are as follow, viz:

Resolved, That it is the opinion of this Committee, that the sum of Eighty Pounds Sixteen Shillings and Three pence should be granted and paid to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, to defray the expense at Scattarie, in relation to Shipwrecked Persons, including the charge for Mr. Dodd and Boat's Crew, as stated in His Excellency's Message of the 13th February last.

Report finally several Resolutions, viz

80l 16s 3d expenses at Scattarie

Resolved, That it is the opinion of this Committee, that the sum of Fifty Pounds should be granted and paid to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor or Commander in Chief for the time being, to defray the amount expended in burying the remains of Shipwrecked Persons at Little Loran, in Cape-Breton, as stated in His Excellency's Message on the 13th February last.

50l burying dead at Cape Breton

Resolved, That it is the opinion of this Committee, that the sum of Fifty Pounds should be granted and placed at the disposal of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor or Commander in Chief for the time being, to enable him to purchase Potatoes for the relief of the distressed Settlers at the head of St. George's Bay, in the County of Cape-Breton, and that such precautions be adopted as will ensure the re-payment of the same by labor on the roads the present year.

50l Potatoes for relief of persons in C. B.

Resolved, That it is the opinion of this Committee, that the sum of Four Hundred and Fifty Pounds be granted to erect a Light-House on Cape Forchu, on the west side of the entrance into Yarmouth Harbor, not to be drawn from the Treasury until the persons interested have subscribed and paid the sum of £100 to the Commissioners appointed to erect the same; said Light-House to be built by Contract.

450l Light House Yarmouth

Resolved, That it is the opinion of this Committee, that the sum of Twenty Pounds should be granted and paid to William Newcomb, or any other person who shall hereafter build an Oat Mill at Upper LaHave, in the County of Lunenburg, said sum to be drawn from the Treasury, when it shall be certified by the Court of Sessions that said Mill and Kiln had been built, and in operation.

20l Oat Mill La Have

Resolved, That it is the opinion of this Committee, that the sum of One Hundred and Ninety-one Pounds should be granted and placed at the disposal of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, to defray the expense of the Surveys, Plans and Estimates, for repair of the Main Post Roads obtained by His Excellency, under the Resolution of this House during its last Session, and agreeably to the Report of the Committee this present Session.

191l for surveys, &c of Post Roads

Resolved, That it is the opinion of this Committee, that the sum of One Hundred and Seventy-two Pounds Nineteen Shillings and a Half-penny should be granted and paid to William McKay, being the balance due him for services performed as Draughtsman, &c. in preparing and fitting the Provincial Maps, under the direction of a Committee of the House of Assembly, and agreeably to the Report of the Committee of the present Session on the same subject.

172l 19s 0½d Wm. McKay for Maps

Resolved, That it is the opinion of this Committee, that the sum of One Hundred and Fifty-five Pounds Nineteen Shillings and Four Pence should be granted and paid to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, to defray the expenses of distressed Settlers and Colored People, as stated in His Excellency's Message of the 13th February last.

155l 19s 4d Colored people and distressed settlers

Resolved, That it is the opinion of this Committee, that the sum of Four Pounds and Ten Shillings should be granted and paid to Clement H. Belcher, for stitching, doing up and preparing, Three Hundred Pamphlets, containing the Revenue Laws of the Province, agreeably to his Account.

4l 10s C.H. Belcher

Resolved, That it is the opinion of this Committee, that the sum of Twenty Pounds should be granted and paid to Angus McLellan, to reimburse him for the conveyance of the

20l Angus McLellan

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the Mails from Mabou to Whycocomagh, for four years, as reported by the Post-Office Committee.

Resolved, That it is the opinion of this Committee, that the sum of Ten Pounds should be granted and paid to Matthew Maddock, to aid him in replacing a Horse lost when carrying the Mail.

101 M. Maddock

Resolved, That it is the opinion of this Committee, that, should His Excellency deem it absolutely necessary to keep up the communication between Halifax and the Northern and Eastern Counties of the Province, to complete the new Section of the Main Road near Brookfield, that this House will make provision for the same in the next Session, provided the amount do not exceed £300.

3001 for alteration of Eastern Road

Mr. Bars moved, that the Resolution for granting £10 to Matthew Maddock, be not received by the House: which, being seconded and put, passed in the Negative.

Motion not to agree to grant of 101 to M. Maddock negatived

Mr. Chipman moved, that the Resolution for granting £20 for building an Oat Mill at LaHave, be not received by the House: which, being seconded and put, and the House dividing thereon, there appeared, for the motion, twenty; against it, fourteen.

Motion not to agree to grant of 201 Oat Mill LaHave carried

So it passed in the Affirmative.

Mr. Deblois moved, that the Resolution for granting £450 for the erection of a Light-House at Cape Forchu, in Yarmouth, be not received by the House: which, being seconded and put, and the House dividing thereon, there appeared, for the motion, eleven; against it, twenty-four. So it passed in the Negative

Motion not to agree of 4501 Yarmouth Light House negtd.

Mr. Doyle moved, that the Resolution for granting £300 to keep up the Communication on the Northern and Eastern Line of Road, be not received by the House: which, being seconded and put, and the House dividing thereon, there appeared, for the motion, nine; against it, twenty-seven:

Motion not to agree to 3001 for Eastern Road negatived

For the Motion,

Mr Chipman
Mr Cochran
Mr J R Dewolf
Mr Morton
Mr W H Roach
Mr Doyle
Mr Uniacke
Mr O'Brien
Mr Freeman

Mr Blanchard
Mr C Roche
Mr Delap
Mr Morse
Mr Bell
Mr Kavanagh
Mr Harris
Mr Lent
Mr Lovett

Against the Motion.

Mr Crow
Mr Budd
Mr Heckman
Mr Stewart
Mr Lawson
Mr Wier
Mr Deblois
Mr Oxley
Mr Huntington

Mr Clements
Mr Rudolf
Mr Bars
Mr Shey
Mr G Smith
Mr Young
Mr B Dewolf
Mr Archibald
Mr Dickson

So it passed in the Negative.

The said several Resolutions, (except the said Resolution for granting £20 for an Oat Mill at LaHave,) were then, upon the question severally put thereupon, agreed to by the House.

Said Resolutions as reported (except 201 for Oat Mill LaHave) agreed to Ordered to be sent to Council

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry to the Council the said Resolutions so agreed to, and desire their concurrence thereto.

A Message from the Council, by Mr. Halliburton:

Mr. Speaker,

The Council have agreed to the Bill, entitled, An Act relative to the Assessment of Dike Rates for the New or Wickwire Dike in Horton, as amended.

Council agree to Horton Dike Rate Bill

The Council do not agree to the Bill, entitled, An Act to amend the Act to regulate the Assize of Bread.

Do not agree to Assize of Bread Bill

And then the Messenger withdrew.

Then the House adjourned until to-morrow, at twelve of the clock.

Tuesday, 29th March, 1836.

PRAYERS.

Mr. Rudolf moved, that the Resolution of yesterday for not receiving the report from the Committee of the whole House, in regard to the Resolution for granting £20 for an Oat Mill at LaHave, be rescinded: which, being seconded and put, was agreed to by the House.

Resolution of yesterday not to agree to 201 for Oat Mill at LaHave rescinded

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The said Resolution for granting said sum was then again read, and, upon the question put thereupon, was agreed to by the House.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Resolution to the Council and desire their concurrence.

Said Resolution agreed to and ordered to be sent to Council

On motion of Mr. Harris, *resolved*, that a Committee be appointed to wait upon His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, and respectfully to request that he will direct some suitable person or persons (not resident in Horton or Falmouth) to examine into and report upon the best line of road to be adopted for the post road from the site of the new Avon Bridge, in Falmouth, to the post road near Mud Bridge, in Horton, agreeably to the report of the Committee of the House of Assembly on that subject, and to report their doings thereon, with a correct plan, survey and estimate of the probable expense of making any and such alterations of the present roads as may be found necessary, for the information of the Legislature at its next Session, and this House will provide a sum not exceeding £25 to pay the expense thereof.

Resolution passed for Survey of Road from Avon Bridge to Horton

Ordered, That Mr. Harris, Mr. Chipman and Mr. Shey, be a Committee for the above purpose.

Ordered, That Mr. Wier have leave of absence from this House, to return home tomorrow, on urgent private business.

Leave of absence to Mr. Wier

Mr. Chipman moved, that the House do come to a Resolution as followeth :

Whereas, John C. Hall, the present owner of the Horse Imperial, formerly one of the Provincial Stud, contrary to the conditions of his Bond made and entered into to Sir Rupert D. George, Provincial Secretary, in trust for the Province, did geld said Horse, and thereby render him useless for the purpose intended, as the fact will appear by the report of a Committee of this House.

Proposed Resolution respecting Horse Imperial

Resolved, That upon condition that the said John C. Hall do, on or before the first day of November next, apply the sum of Fifty Pounds Currency, the estimated value of said Horse, (previous to his being gelded) towards the purchasing or otherwise procuring and importing into this Province, for and on his own account, another entire Horse, either from Canada or the United States, then, and in that case, the said John C. Hall shall be exempted from the liability and penalty of the Bond given as aforesaid : which, being seconded,

Mr. Uniacke moved, as an amendment of said proposed Resolution, that the following words be added at the end thereof, viz : "and that the Attorney General do take such steps as are necessary to enforce payment of said Bond, unless the foregoing condition is complied with" : which, being seconded and put, was agreed to by the House.

Amendment

The Resolution as amended, was then, upon the question put thereon, agreed to by the House.

Resolution as amended passed

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Resolution to the Council, and desire their concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Doyle, *resolved*, that the discussions of both Branches of the Legislature ought to be public, in order that the People for whose interests they are convened to legislate, should have an opportunity, by witnessing the Debates, duly to appreciate their efforts for the public service; and that the exclusion of the Public from either Branch of the Legislature, when in General Assembly, is repugnant to the precedents furnished by the Mother Country, and is no longer recognised by the Legislative Councils of the Canadas and the neighbouring Province of New-Brunswick.

Resolution in regard to publicity of to proceedings of the Legislature

Ordered, That the Order of the Day, for considering in Committee of the whole House, the composition of the Executive and Legislative Councils, be discharged.

Order of Day composition of Councils discharged

A Bill to regulate the holding of Polls at Elections in the Island of Cape-Breton ; also,

Bills read 2d time, viz:—Elections in C. B. and

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Appointment of
Comrs. relative to
Light-Houses

A Bill to authorise the Lieutenant-Governor to appoint a Commissioner to act in concert with Commissioners of Lower Canada and New-Brunswick, in relation to the proposed Light-Houses on the Islands of Scattarie and St. Paul's, were severally read a second time.

Ordered, That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House.

Proposed Resolu-
tion relative to
collection of Light Du-
ties at Gut of Canso

Mr. Lawson moved, that the House do come to a Resolution as followeth, viz :

Whereas difficulty has occurred in ensuring an efficient collection of the Light Duties at the Gut of Canso under the present management,—*It is therefore resolved*, that the Commissioners of the Revenue shall hereafter have power to let the collection of the Light Duties, at the Gut of Canso, by contract, in such way as may be most beneficial for the increase of the Revenue : which, being seconded,

Amendt. thereto,
negatived

Mr. G. Smith moved, by way of amendment to the said proposed Resolution, to leave out all the words thereof except the word "Resolved," and after the word "Resolved," to insert the following words instead of the words left out, viz :

That a Committee be appointed to wait on His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, to request His Excellency will be pleased to direct the Commissioners of the Revenue to take immediate steps for the better securing and payment of the Light Duties at the streight of Canso, and that all Collectors of Light Duty be directed to attest to their Accounts as the Law directs : which, being seconded and put, and the House dividing thereon, there appeared, for the amendment, eleven ; against it, sixteen. So it passed in the Negative.

Resolution as origi-
nally proposed, put
and negatived

The Resolution as first proposed was then put, and passed in the Negative.

Resolution respect-
ing the Post-Office
and franking of
Letters

Mr. Stewart moved, that the House do come to a Resolution as followeth :

Whereas, this Province not only makes and keeps in repair the Roads upon which the Mails are transported, but also makes a large annual pecuniary contribution in support thereof ; and whereas, His Majesty's Government have proposed to the North American Colonies, that the Post Office Revenue collected in each of them, should be made applicable to the service of the respective Provinces ; but the system for regulating the same cannot (inasmuch as the other Colonies have not adopted the said Bill, and from other causes) be matured the present Session ; and whereas, it is a part of the proposition therefor, that the Members of the respective Legislatures of the said Colonies shall have the privilege of franking to a certain extent, and this House is of opinion, that, under the above circumstances, the privilege of franking as contemplated by the Bill submitted by His Majesty's Government, should be provisionally conceded to the Members of this Legislature, without any additional present contribution by this House.

Resolved therefore, That a Committee be appointed to wait upon His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, and to request that he will be pleased to make application to the Right Honorable the Secretary of State for the Colonies, during the recess, and to request, on the behalf of this House, that His Majesty's Government will be pleased to give the necessary directions to the Deputy-Post-Master-General to extend to the Members of this House, until a final arrangement shall be made thereupon, the privilege of franking contemplated by the said Bill submitted to this House by His Majesty's Government.

Ordered, That Mr. Stewart, Mr. Deblois and Mr. Dickson, be a Committee for the above purpose.

Message from Lt.
Gov.

A Message from His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, by Mr. Deputy-Secretary James :

Commands attend-
ance of House

Mr. Speaker,

His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor commands this House to attend His Excellency immediately in the Council Chamber.

House attend & His
Excellency Assents
to Bills

Accordingly, Mr. Speaker with the House attended His Excellency in the Council Chamber, and being returned,

Mr.

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Mr. Speaker reported, that the House had attended His Excellency in the Council Chamber, and that His Excellency was pleased to give His Assent to the Bills following, viz :

A Bill, entitled, An Act to amend and repeal certain provisions in the Act concerning Cemeteries or Burial Grounds, in the Town of Halifax.

A Bill, entitled, An Act relating to the Merchant Seamen of this Province.

A Bill, entitled, An Act to continue the Act to regulate the expenditure of Monies hereafter to be appropriated for the service of Roads and Bridges, and the Act in amendment thereof.

A Bill, entitled, An Act to continue the Act concerning the Inferior Courts of Common Pleas within this Province.

A Bill, entitled, An Act to continue the Act for the Summary Trial of Actions, and the Act in amendment thereof.

A Bill, entitled, An Act concerning Elections in the County of Cumberland.

A Bill, entitled, An Act to continue the Act for the support and regulation of Light-Houses.

A Bill, entitled, An Act for granting Duties on Licenses for the Sale of Spirituous Liquors in Taverns, Public Houses or Shops, and for other purposes

A Bill, entitled, An Act to divide the County of Sydney, and to regulate the Representation thereof.

A Bill, entitled, An Act to continue the several Acts for the Regulation of the Militia.

A Bill, entitled, An Act to continue and amend the Act for the encouragement of Schools.

A Bill, entitled, An Act to erect the County of Shelburne into two separate and distinct Counties, and to regulate the Representation thereof.

A Bill, entitled, An Act to Incorporate the King's County Woollen Cloth and Mills Company.

A Bill, entitled, An Act to continue and amend the Act concerning Goods exported, and for grant-Drawbacks.

A Bill, entitled, An Act to continue the Act for the general regulation of the Colonial Duties.

A Bill, entitled, An Act to authorize the Lieutenant-Governor to appoint Commissioners to run out the Boundary Line between Nova-Scotia and New-Brunswick.

A Bill, entitled, An Act for granting Colonial Duties of Impost for the support of His Majesty's Government within this Province, and for promoting the Agriculture, Commerce and Fisheries thereof.

A Bill, entitled, An Act to continue the several Acts for the prevention of Smuggling.

A Bill, entitled, An Act to continue the Act for the Warehousing of Goods and the Act in amendment thereof.

A Bill, entitled, An Act to continue the Act for granting a Drawback of the Duties on Brown or Raw Sugar used in the manufacture of Refined Sugars within the Province, and for regulating the mode of obtaining the same.

A Bill, entitled, An Act to continue the Act to encourage the manufacture of Tobacco in this Province, by granting a Bounty thereon.

A Bill, entitled, An Act to continue the Act to encourage the manufacture of Chocolate in this Province, by granting a Bounty thereon.

A Bill, entitled, An Act to continue and amend the Act for regulating the Importation of Goods.

A Bill, entitled, An Act to increase the number of Commissioners of Highways in Pictou.

A Bill, entitled, An Act relative to the Assessment of Dike Rates for the New or Wickwire Dike, in Horton.

A Bill, entitled, An Act to amend the Act to extend to New Glasgow, in the District of Pictou, the provisions of the Act relating to Commissioners of Highways in Halifax and certain other places.

A Bill, entitled, An Act to regulate the Fees of the Constable of the Court of Commissioners at Halifax.

A Bill, entitled, An Act for the better regulation of Barristers, Advocates, Attornies, Solicitors and Proctors, practising in the Courts of this Province.

On motion, the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole House, on the further consideration of the several Bills which stood committed.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair,

Mr. Lovett took the Chair,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair,

The Chairman reported from the Committee, that they had gone through the Bill to enable the Freeholders of the Township of Pictou to assess themselves for arrears of Poor Rates, and had directed him to report the said Bill to the House without any amendment, and he delivered the Bill in at the Clerk's Table.

House in Com. on
Bills

Report Pictou Poor
Rate Bill

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The Chairman also acquainted the House, that he was directed by the Committee to move for leave to sit again on the consideration of Bills committed: which the House agreed to.

Motion not to receive Report, carried by Mr. Speaker's casting vote

Mr. Dickson moved, that the report from the Committee of the Bill to enable the Freeholders of the Township of Pictou to assess themselves, &c. be not received by the House: which, being seconded and put, and the House dividing thereon, there appeared, for the motion: sixteen; against it, sixteen. So Mr. Speaker gave his casting vote for the motion, and it passed in the Affirmative.

Motion to re-commit Bills

Mr. Blanchard then moved, that the Bill be re-committed to a Committee of the whole House: which, being seconded,

Amendt. thereto, negatived

Mr. G. Smith moved, by way of amendment to the question, that the further consideration of the Bill be deferred until this day three months: which being seconded and put, and the House dividing thereon, there appeared, for so deferring the Bill, fifteen; against it, seventeen. So it passed in the Negative.

Bill re-committed

Ordered, That the Bill be re-committed to a Committee of the whole House.

A Message from the Council, by Mr. Halliburton:

Mr. Speaker,

Council agree to Pictou Poor Rate & Trespass Bills with amendments
Desire Conference on vote of £300 to Eastern Road

The Council have agreed to the Bill, entitled, An Act respecting the collection of Poor Rates of Pictou; and to the Bill, entitled, An Act further to amend the Act relating to Trespasses, with an amendment to each Bill respectively.

The Council desire a Conference, by Committee, with a Committee of this Honorable House, on the subject of the Resolution of this Honorable House now before the Council, for placing at the disposal of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor Monies for improvement of the Great Eastern Road, to the extent of £300.

And then the Messenger withdrew.

Conference agreed to

On motion, *resolved*, that this House do agree to the Conference as desired by the Council, and that the Clerk do acquaint the Council therewith.

Com. of Conference and

Ordered, That Mr. G. Smith, Mr. Uniacke, Mr. Chipman and Mr. Morton, do manage the Conference.

Report thereof

So they went to the Conference; and being returned,

Mr. G. Smith reported that the Managers had been at the Conference, and he stated the substance of the Conference to the House.

Amendt. to Pictou Rate Bill, read

The amendment proposed by the Council to the Bill, entitled, An Act respecting the collection of Poor Rates of Pictou, was read a first and second time, and is as follows: add to the Bill the following enacting clause: "*And be it further enacted*, That this Act shall continue and be in force for one year, and from thence to the end of the then next Session of the General Assembly."

Amended by the House, and sent to Council for concurrence

On motion of Mr. Blanchard, *resolved*, that the said amendment be amended, by striking therefrom the words "one year," and inserting therein the words "two years."

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill with the amendments back to the Council, and acquaint them that this House have agreed to their amendments, with the amendment above mentioned, and desire their concurrence thereto.

Councils amendt. to Trespass Bill, agreed to

The amendment proposed by the Council to the Bill, entitled, An Act further to amend the Act relating to Trespasses, (being a continuing Clause to be added at the end of the Bill) was read throughout a first and second time, and, upon the question put thereon, was agreed to by the House.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill and amendment back to the Council, and acquaint them that this House have agreed to the amendment.

A Message from the Council, by Mr. Halliburton:

Mr. Speaker,

Agree to Mortgage Bill with amendt.

The Council have agreed to the Bill, entitled, An Act to continue and amend the Act for the more easy Redemption and Foreclosure of Mortgages, with amendments: to which they desire the concurrence of this Honorable House. The

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The Council have agreed to the amendments of this Honorable House to the Bill, entitled, An Act to give effect and validity to a certain devise or settlement of Real Estate, made and contained in the last Will and Testament of John Mackay, late of Windsor, in Hants County, Esquire, deceased.

Agree to amendts. of Bill to give effect to; devise of John Mackay, Esq.

And then the Messenger withdrew.

Ordered, That the Clerk do acquaint the Council that this House agree to the last mentioned Bill, as amended.

Amended devise Bill agreed to

The amendments proposed by the Council to the Bill, entitled, An Act for the more easy Redemption and Foreclosure of Mortgages, were read throughout a first and second time.

On motion, resolved, that the said amendments be agreed to by this House.

And Bill sent back to Council

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill and amendments back to the Council, and acquaint them that this House have agreed to the amendments.

On motion, the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole House, on the further consideration of the several Bills which stood committed.

House in Com. on Bills

Mr. Speaker left the Chair,

Mr. Lovett took the Chair,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chairman reported from the Committee, that they had again directed him to report to the House the Bill to enable the Freeholders of the Township of Pictou to assess themselves for arrears of Poor Rates, without any amendment; that they had gone through the Bill to continue the several Acts concerning the Bridewell and Police in Halifax; the Bill to authorize the Grand Jury and the Court of Sessions of the County of Cumberland to present and assess Money for the erection of a Lock-up House in Pugwash, in the said County; the Bill to provide for the regulation and management of the Grammar School or Academy at Sydney, in Cape-Breton; and the Bill to authorize the Lieutenant-Governor to appoint a Commissioner to act in concert with Commissioners on behalf of Lower Canada and New-Brunswick, in relation to the proposed Light-Houses on the Islands of St. Paul and Scatarie, and that the Committee had directed him to report the said Bills to the House severally without any amendment; that the Committee had also gone through the Bill to regulate the holding of Polls at Elections in the Island of Cape-Breton; the Bill for the better regulation of Sable Island and Seal Islands in this Province; and the Bill to repeal the Act to amend the Act respecting Firewards and Fires in Halifax, and to substitute other provisions in lieu thereof, and had made amendments to the said Bills respectively, which they had directed him to report to the House with the Bills, and that the Committee had considered the Bill to provide for the payment and security of Debts incurred in the purchase of Real Estate, and the erection of Buildings for the use of the Town of Halifax, and recommend to the House to defer the further consideration thereof until next Session; and he afterwards delivered the said several Bills and amendments in at the Clerk's Table.

Report Bills, viz:—
Pictou Assessment

Bridewell

Pugwash Lock-up House
Academy at Sydney, C. B. and
For appointment of a Commr. in regard to Light-Houses on St. Paul's and Scatarie severally without amendt. also, Elections, C. B. For regulation of Sable and Seal Islands, and Firewards with amendments. respectively

Recommend Debt Security Bill to be deferred until next Session

The Chairman also acquainted the House, that he was directed by the Committee to move for leave to sit again on the consideration of Bills committed; which the House agreed to.

Amendts, as reported agreed to

The said several amendments reported from the Committee were read throughout a first and second time, and, upon the question respectively put thereon, were agreed to by the House.

Bills to be engrossed

Ordered, That the Bill with the amendments be engrossed.

Ordered, That the Bills reported without amendment be engrossed.

Ordered, That the further consideration of the Bill to provide for the payment and security of Debts incurred in the purchase of Real Estate, and the erection of Buildings for the use of the Town of Halifax, be deferred until the next Session.

Debt Security Bill deferred to next Session

On motion, the report of the Select Committee on the Bill of last Session for the management

Report on regulation of Post-Office read and adopted

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agement and regulation of the Post-Office in Nova-Scotia, made to the House on the 23d instant, was read; and thereupon,

Mr. Uniacke moved, that the report of the Committee be adopted by this House: which, being seconded and put, and the House dividing thereon, there appeared, for the motion, fourteen; against it, ten. So it passed in the Affirmative.

Motion for leave to present Bill relative to payments made from the Treasury

Mr. Stewart moved for the special leave of the House to bring in a Bill to regulate and ascertain the rate at which the Monies shall be paid out of the Treasury: which, being seconded,

Adjournment put and negatived

Mr. Deblois moved the previous question, that the House do now adjourn: which, being seconded and put, passed in the Negative.

Bill presented

Ordered, That Mr. Stewart have leave to bring in the Bill; and accordingly,

Mr. Stewart presented said Bill, and the same was read a first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time.

Then the House adjourned until to-morrow, at twelve of the clock.

Wednesday, 30th March, 1836.

PRAYERS.

Order upon Collector of Impost at Halifax to pay over certain Monies retained by him

On motion of Mr. G. Smith, *resolved*, that the Collector of Impost at Halifax be immediately required to pay into the Treasury of this Province, the sums of £18 2 8 and £99 15 8, being together £117 18 4, which sums, as appears by the Report of the Committee of this House, have been retained by him in the years 1834 and 1835, respectively, as his Commissions, over and above the sum of £700 limited by Law as the extent of Commissions he is entitled to retain.

Clerk to communicate Order

Ordered, That the Clerk be directed to communicate the above Resolution to the said Collector.

Leave of absence to Mr. Crow

Ordered, That Mr. Crow have leave of absence from this House after to-morrow, to return home on urgent private business.

Leave of absence to Mr. Oxley

Ordered, That Mr. Oxley have leave of absence from this House on Friday next, to return home on urgent private business.

Bill to regulate payments from Treasury read 2d time and committed

A Bill to regulate and ascertain the Rates at which the Monies shall be paid out of the Treasury, was read a second time.

Ordered, That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House.

Engrossed Bills read 3d time—To continue Malicious Injuries Act

An engrossed Bill to continue the Act concerning Malicious Injuries to Property, was read a third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and that the title be, An Act to continue the Act concerning Malicious Injuries to property.

To continue Bridewell and Police Acts

An engrossed Bill to continue the several Acts concerning the Bridewell and Police in Halifax, was read a third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and that the title be, An Act to continue the several Acts concerning the Bridewell and Police in Halifax.

Sydney, C. B. Academy Act

An engrossed Bill to provide for the Regulation and Management of the Grammar School or Academy at Sydney, in Cape-Breton, was read a third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and that the title be, An Act to provide for the Regulation and Management of the Grammar School at Sydney.

Firewards Bill

An engrossed Bill to repeal the Act to amend the Acts respecting Firewards and Fires in Halifax, and to substitute other provisions in lieu thereof, was read a third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and that the title be, An Act to repeal the Act to amend the Acts respecting Firewards and Fires in Halifax, and to substitute other provisions in lieu thereof.

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- An engrossed Bill to authorize the Lieutenant-Governor to appoint a Commissioner to Act in concert with Commissioners on behalf of Lower Canada and New-Brunswick, in relation to the proposed Light-Houses on the Islands of St. Paul and Scatarie, was read a third time. Scatarie and St. Paul's Light-House Bill
- Resolved*, That the Bill do pass, and that the title be, An Act to authorize the Lieutenant-Governor to appoint a Commissioner or Commissioners to act in concert with Commissioners on behalf of Lower Canada and New-Brunswick, in relation to the proposed Light Houses on the Islands of St. Paul and Scatarie. Sable and Seal Islands
- An engrossed Bill for the better regulation of Sable Island and Seal Islands, in this Province, was read a third time.
- Resolved*, That the Bill do pass, and that the title be, An Act for the better regulation of Sable Island and Seal Islands, in this Province.
- An engrossed Bill to authorize the Grand Jury and the Court of Sessions of the County of Cumberland to present and assess Money for the erection of a Lock-up House, in Pugwash, in the said County, was read a third time. Pugwash Lock-up House
- Resolved*, That the Bill do pass, and that the title be, An Act to authorize the Grand Jury and the Court of Sessions of the County of Cumberland to present and assess Money for the erection of a Lock-up House, in Pugwash, in the said County.
- An engrossed Bill to enable the Freeholders of the Township of Pictou to assess themselves for arrears of Poor Rates, was read a third time. Pictou Assessment
- Resolved*, That the Bill do pass, and that the title be, An Act to enable the Freeholders of the Township of Pictou to assess themselves for arrears of Poor Rates.
- An engrossed Bill to regulate the holding of Polls at Elections in the Island of Cape-Breton, was read a third time. Cape Breton Elections
- Resolved*, That the Bill do pass, and that the title be, An Act to regulate the holding of Polls at Elections, in the Island of Cape-Breton.
- Ordered*, That the Clerk do carry the Bills to the Council, and desire their concurrence. Ordered to be sent to Council for concurrence
- Mr. Uniacke reported from the Select Committee appointed in regard to borrowing Money on Account of the Province; and thereupon, presented to the House, Report on and Bill presented for borrowing Money
- A Bill for borrowing Money for the use of the Province, and the same was read a first and second time.
- Ordered*, That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House.
- On motion, the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole House, on the further consideration of the several Bills which stood committed. House in Committee on Bills
- Mr. Speaker left the Chair,
Mr. Lovett took the Chair,
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair,
- The Chairman reported from the Committee, that they had gone through the Bill to regulate and ascertain the rates at which Monies shall be paid out of the Treasury, and had directed him to report the said Bill to the House without any amendment; and that the Committee had gone through the Bill for borrowing Money for the use of the Province, and had made some amendments thereto, which they had directed him to report to the House; and he afterwards delivered the Bills with the amendments, in at the Clerk's Table. Report Bills, viz— Treasury payments
Borrowing Money with amendments
- The Chairman also acquainted the House, that he was directed by the Committee to move for leave to sit again on the consideration of Bills committed, which the House agreed to.
- Ordered*, That the Bill reported without amendment be engrossed.
- The amendments to the Bill for borrowing Money for the use of the Province were read, and thereupon, Amendts. to Bill for borrowing Money read
- Mr-

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Motion to defer Bill
for 3 months negtd.

Mr. Delap moved, that the further consideration of the Bill be deferred until the next Session; which, being seconded and put, and the House dividing thereon, there appeared, for the motion, four; against it, twenty-five:

For the Motion.

Mr Cochran
Mr Uniacke
Mr W H Roach
Mr Delap

Against the Motion.

Mr Bell	Mr Oxley	Mr O'Brien
Mr Crew	Mr Budd	Mr Young
Mr Morse	Mr Wilkins	Mr Barss
Mr Lovell	Mr Rudolf	Mr G Smith
Mr Freeman	Mr J R Dewolf	Mr Stewart
Mr Kavanagh	Mr Archibald	Mr Chipman
Mr C Roche	Mr Huntington	Mr Dickson
Mr B Dewolf	Mr Shey	
Mr Heckman	Mr Deblois	

So it passed in the Negative.

Amendts. agreed to
and Bill to be en-
grossed

The said amendments were then again read, and, upon the question put thereon, were agreed to by the House.

Ordered, That the Bill with the amendments be engrossed.

A Message from the Council, by Mr. Halliburton:

Mr. Speaker,

Council agree to
amendts. to Pictou
Poor Rate Bill

The Council have agreed to the amendments proposed by this Honorable House to the amendment of the Council to the Bill, entitled, An Act respecting the collection of Poor Rates of Pictou.

Agree to change of
30l in Sydney and
to ten Resolutions
for granting Money

The Council have agreed to the Resolution for changing the appropriation of £30 of the sum this Session granted for the service of Roads in the County of Sydney; and to ten other Resolutions of this House for granting the following sums of Money, viz:

£ 4 10 0	To C. U. Belcher.
10 0 0	To Matthew Maddock.
20 0 0	To Angus McLellan.
20 0 0	For an Oat Mill at LaHave.
50 0 0	The expenses of burying Shipwrecked Persons at Little Loran, in Cape-Breton.
50 0 0	For purchase of Seed Potatoes for distressed Settlers in Cape-Breton.
89 16 3	Expenses of Shipwrecked Persons at Scattarie.
191 0 0	Expenses of Survey of Main Post Roads,
172 19 0½	Balance due for Provincial Maps.
155 19 4	Expenses of distressed Settlers and Colored People.

PictouRate Bill sent
to Council agreed
to as amended

And then the Messenger withdrew.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry back to the Council the Bill, entitled, An Act respecting the collection of Poor Rates of Pictou, with the amendments, and acquaint the Council that this House have agreed to the amendments proposed by the Council, as amended.

Motion for 300l for
great Western Road

Mr. Uniacke moved, that the House do come to a Resolution as followeth:

Whereas no provision is made for the necessary repairs on the Great Western Road, between Halifax and the Hants County Line:

Resolved, That, should His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor deem it necessary to expend any sum for the repair and improvement of the Great Western Road between Halifax and Windsor, it is expedient that His Excellency should be authorized so to do, and that this House will make provision for the same at the next Session; *Provided,* said sum do not exceed Three Hundred Pounds: which, being seconded,

Amend. for 200l
moved and negtd.

Mr. Oxley moved as an amendment, to leave out the word "three," from the *Provided* at the end of the proposed Resolution, and insert in place thereof the word "two:" which, being seconded and put, passed in the Negative.

Original motion put
and passed

The question upon the Resolution originally proposed was then put, and the House dividing thereon, there appeared, for the Resolution, sixteen; against it, thirteen;

For

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For the Resolution,

Mr Doyle Mr Bell
 Mr Chipman Mr O'Brien
 Mr Morse Mr Shey
 Mr G Smith Mr Wilkins
 Mr Heckman Mr B Dewolf
 Mr Uniacke Mr Kavanagh
 Mr Cochran Mr Crow
 Mr Deblois Mr. C Roche

Against the Resolution,

Mr Freeman Mr Huntington
 Mr Delap Mr Oxley
 Mr Heckman Mr Young
 Mr J R Dewolf Mr Barss
 Mr Budd Mr Rudolf
 Mr W H Roach Mr Stewart
 Mr Archibald

So it passed in the Affirmative.

A Message from the Council, by Mr. Halliburton :

Mr. Speaker,

The Council have agreed to the Bill, entitled, An Act respecting the collection of Poor Rates of Pictou, as amended, and have also agreed to the Bill, now entitled, An Act to continue an Act for the more easy Redemption and Foreclosure of Mortgages, as amended. Council agree to Pictou Rate Bill, & Bill for Foreclosure of Mortgages

And then the Messenger withdrew.

Mr. Uniacke moved, that the Resolution providing for repair and improvement of the Great Western Road, passed this day, be now sent to the Council for concurrence; which, being seconded and put, and the House dividing thereon, there appeared, for the motion, seventeen; against it, fourteen. Motion to send vote of 300l for Western Road to Council carried, and

So it passed in the Affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Resolution to the Council, and desire their concurrence. accordingly sent to Council for concurrence

On motion of Mr. Doyle, resolved, that a Committee be appointed to prepare and report an Address to His Majesty, on the subject of the Oaths taken by Members of this House on their taking their seats, and praying relief from the same. Resolution for Address to H. Majesty on the subject of Oaths

Ordered, Mr. Doyle, Mr. Stewart and Mr. Uniacke, be a Committee for the above purpose.

Ordered, That the Clerk do prepare and bring in an engrossed Bill for appropriating such part of the Supplies granted in this Session of the General Assembly as are not already appropriated by the Laws or Acts of the Province. Appropriation Bill to be brought in

Then the House adjourned until to-morrow, at eleven of the Clock.

Thursday, 31st March, 1836.

PRAYERS,

An engrossed Bill to regulate and ascertain the Rates at which the Monies shall be paid out of the Treasury, was read a third time. Treasury payment Bill passed

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and that the title be, An Act to regulate and ascertain the Rates at which the Monies shall be paid out of the Treasury.

An engrossed Bill for borrowing Money for the use of the Province, was read a third time. Bill for borrowing Money Read

On motion of Mr. Stewart, resolved, that the following amendments be made to the Bill: In the third Clause, leave out the words "either in Provincial Treasury Notes or" and after the word "weight," insert the words "and fineness," and, in the fourth Clause leave out the words "last aforesaid," and insert instead thereof, after the word "rate," the words "at which the said Loan may be contracted;" and the said amendments having been accordingly made to the Bill, Amendts. made thereto, and

Resolved, That the Bill, as so amended, do pass, and that the title be, An Act for borrowing Money for the use of the Province. Bill as amended passed

Ccc

Ordered,

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Sent to Council for concurrence

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bills to the Council and desire their concurrence.

Motion for 60l to be expended in aid of a Bridge at Shelburne negatived

Mr. C. Roche moved, that the House do come to a Resolution, as followeth :
Resolved, That His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor be requested and authorized to expend a sum not exceeding Sixty Pounds to assist in building Clyde River Bridge, in the County of Shelburne, and that this House will provide for the payment thereof in the next Session: which, being seconded and put, passed in the Negative.

Resolution for answer to such of His Excellency's Messages as have not been answered

On motion of Mr. Stewart, *resolved*, that a Committee be appointed to prepare and report to this House an Answer to such of the Messages, Communications and Recommendations, of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor to this House, during the present Session, as have not been already answered.

Ordered, That Mr. Stewart, Mr. Uniacke and Mr. Deblois, be a Committee for that purpose.

Report of Committee who waited on Lt. Gov. relative to fees

Mr. Doyle, reported from the Select Committee appointed to wait upon His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor with the Address of this House to His Majesty on the subject of the Fees taken by the Chief-Justice and the Puisne Judges, that the Committee had performed the duty assigned to them, and that His Excellency was pleased to say to the Committee that he would forward the Address.

Proposed Resolution concerning Bridewell

Mr. Deblois moved, that the House do come to a Resolution as followeth :
Whereas, in the punishment of Criminal Offenders, the substitution of confinement in the Bridewell, at Halifax, in the stead of imprisonment in the County Gaols, has, from time to time, greatly relieved the several Counties from burdensome charges and heavy expenses, and would be publicly beneficial, as a more efficient mode of punishment, were a House of Correction and Labor established on an effective system, supported by adequate means; *and whereas*, no adequate provision is made for supporting the Bridewell Establishment, which is beyond the means of, and ought not to be borne as a municipal charge by, the Town of Halifax; *Wherefore*, it is proper that a Provincial Penitentiary, and House of Discipline and Industry, supported at the public charge, should be established on an extended plan and efficient system, for the punishment, reformation and profitable employment, of Criminals. *Resolved therefore*, that a Committee be appointed to wait on His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, and respectfully request that he will nominate and appoint five fit and proper persons to be Commissioners for the purposes hereinafter mentioned, who may be willing to discharge gratuitously the duties required of them.

Resolved, That the said Commissioners, so appointed, be requested, and they are hereby authorized, to make enquiry and report, respecting such a situation as may appear to them eligible for the purposes hereby designed, and the terms on which the same can be obtained; and also, to prepare and digest a scheme or synopsis of a system of government for a Provincial Penitentiary, and House of Discipline and Industry, from the most approved systems in operation in Great Britain or Foreign Countries, altered and adapted to local circumstances, and the state of the Province; under which punishment may tend to reformation of character, and the employment in useful labor of the Convicts and others brought under its influence may operate both as corrective discipline, and a source of income towards defraying the expenses of the Establishment. And further, that they be required to procure, arrange and prepare, Plans and Estimates for the erection of Buildings suitable for the purposes contemplated, to be erected on the Land which may be purchased, in case any of the Plans and Estimates shall be approved by the Legislature.

And also, that the said Commissioners shall, at the next meeting of the Legislature, present to the Assembly such scheme or synopsis of government, and such Plans and Estimates as are herein before directed to be prepared, that such further measure may be adopted for the advancement of the objects intended, as the Legislature may deem practicable and expedient: which, being seconded,

Mr.

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Mr. Stewart moved, as an amendment to the Resolution, to leave out all the words thereof, except the word "Resolved," and, in place of the words so left out, to insert the following after the said word "Resolved,"—"That a Committee be appointed to wait on His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, and with reference to the Message of His Excellency of the 16th March instant, and its accompanying Communication from the Right Honorable Lord Glenelg, on the subject of Prison Discipline; and also, with reference to the Message of His Excellency of the 24th March instant, on the present state of the Bridewell in the Town of Halifax, to inform His Excellency that the House have granted £300 in aid of the Bridewell Establishment, in furtherance of His Excellency's views thereupon; and that this House will be happy to receive from His Excellency, at the next Session, any suggestions that he may make upon the important subject contemplated in those Documents, and will then take the same into their early consideration, with an anxious design to adopt such measures as may be beneficial to the Province: which, being seconded and put, and the House dividing thereon, there appeared, for the amendment, nineteen; against it, ten:

Amendt. moved
and passed*For the amendment.*

Mr Chipman	Mr B Dewolf	Mr Wilkins
Mr G Smith	Mr Lovett	Mr Delap
Mr Freeman	Mr Barss	Mr Shey
Mr Stewart	Mr Oxley	Mr Huntington
Mr Rudolf	Mr O'Brien	Mr W H Roach
Mr Dickson	Mr Heckman	Mr J R Dewolf
Mr Young		

Against the amendment.

Mr Morse	Mr Morton
Mr Kavanagh	Mr Bell
Mr Uniacke	Mr Deblois
Mr C Roche	Mr Doyle
Mr Larsson	
Mr Budd	

So it passed in the Affirmative.

Ordered, That Mr. Stewart, Mr. Young and Mr. Barss, be a Committee pursuant to said amended Resolution.

Mr. Doyle, reported from the Select Committee appointed to prepare an Address to His Majesty on the subject of Oaths, that the Committee had drawn up an Address accordingly; and he read the Address in his place, and afterwards delivered it in at the Clerk's Table, where it was again read, and is as followeth:

Address to His Majesty
on the subject
of Oaths presented

TO THE KING'S MOST EXCELLENT MAJESTY.

The Humble Address of the House of Representatives of the Province of Nova Scotia,
in General Assembly convened.

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR MAJESTY:

THE House of Assembly, acting in conformity to the gracious and enlightened spirit which so eminently distinguishes Your present Glorious Reign, have twice passed Bills for the abolition of certain State Oaths, exacted from the People of this Province. The House of Assembly, in further pursuance of Your Majesty's Speech to Your Imperial Parliament in its present Session, wherein Your Majesty is pleased to announce "that the principles of toleration by which you have been invariably guided, must render You desirous of removing every cause of offence and trouble to the consciences of any portion of Your Subjects," have twice unsuccessfully sought the concurrence of His Majesty's Council to co-operate with them in furtherance of views so avowedly the objects of Your Majesty's Government, and they are thus left with no other alternative than to solicit the exercise from Your Majesty of the same gracious and paternal attention to the complaints of Your Majesty's Colonial People, which the House of Assembly are proud to learn you have evinced for the welfare and interests of Your Subjects in Great Britain.

The House of Assembly regard the continued requisition of these Oaths, which a mere majority of the Legislative Council seem to persist in, as matter tending to keep open the sources of religious discord and altercation, and as utterly without use or efficiency.

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The House of Assembly cannot concur with His Majesty's Council, that there exists any necessity of deposing on Oath, to points or questions of theology, which the Members of this House, from their secular avocations, are ^{not} very desirous to investigate.

The House of Assembly regret that, at this period of time, when all concur in a belief that a compact union of principle and of peace is the best safeguard against the pressure of outward hostility, any Branch of the Legislature should array itself in opposition to the unanimous voice of the Representatives of Your Majesty's Faithful Commons of Nova-Scotia, when their prayer is peace and goodwill.

The House of Assembly feel not disposed to question or controvert the religious opinions of any of Your Majesty's Subjects, when compatible with the interests of the Community, and whatever may be the spiritual doctrines of Your Majesty's Roman Catholic Subjects, the House of Assembly do not believe they are actuated by any sentiment at variance with a due regard to the Civil Rights and just authority of the Crown.

The House of Assembly therefore trust, that, while Your Majesty's Faithful Subjects of Nova Scotia consecrate by the sanctions of religion their attachment to Your Majesty, Your Majesty would be pleased to dispense with any further requisition which exacts of them those Oaths, which give cause of offence and trouble to the consciences of several portions of Your Majesty's Subjects in this Colony.

Address received & adopted

On motion of Mr. Stewart, *resolved*, that the Address be received and adopted by the House.

Same Com. who prepared Address to wait on Lt. Gov. with it

Ordered, That the same Committee who prepared the Address, do wait upon His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, with a Copy thereof, and respectfully request that he will be pleased to forward the same, with His favorable recommendation, to the Right Honorable the Secretary of State for the Colonies, to be laid before His Majesty.

Mr. Bell moved, that the House do come to a Resolution as followeth :

Proposed Resolution respecting the Eastern line of Road to Guysboro'

Whereas the opening of the Communication between the Capital and the Eastern Section of the Country, through Musquedoboit and St. Mary's and Guysborough, is of great importance, not only to those places, but to the general interests of the Province, in thereby affording a conveyance to this Market of the products of the Country now under cultivation, and in affording facilities for the settlement and improvement of an extensive tract of rich and valuable Land, by the cultivation of which the Wealth and the Revenue of the Country will be greatly increased, *Resolved*, That His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor be authorized and requested to direct that the Line of the Great Eastern Road contemplated, and already in part explored, may be correctly ascertained and fixed in the most eligible direction, so as to prevent future alterations and expense, and that this House will provide the means necessary for this purpose, not to exceed Fifty Pounds : which, being seconded and put, and the House dividing thereon, there appeared, for the motion, eleven ; against it, eighteen.

So it passed in the Negative.

Committee who made report on Post Office to wait on Lt. Gov. with a copy thereof

Ordered, That the Committee who reported upon the Bill of last Session, for the management and regulation of the Post-Office in Nova-Scotia, which report was adopted by the House on the 29th instant, do wait on His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor with a Copy of said report, and respectfully request His Excellency's compliance with the recommendation therein contained.

Change of appropriation of Monies in Wilmot

On motion of Mr. W. H. Roach, *resolved*, that the sum of Ten Pounds granted last year) and unexpended, for the main road from Starratt's, in Wilmot, to Granville, be expended in the alteration of the main road in Wilmot, between Phinney's Farm and Oak's Bridge ; and also Seventeen Pounds granted from Wilmot to Francis Smith's, and undrawn, be expended in the same alteration.

Ordered,

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Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Resolution to the Council, and desire their concurrence.

A Message from the Council, by Mr. Halliburton :

Mr. Speaker,

The Council have agreed to the Resolution of this Honorable House, making provision for the completion of the Great Eastern Road between Halifax and Brookfield, to the extent of £300; and also to the Resolution making provision for the repair and improvement of the Great Western Road between Halifax and Windsor, to the extent of £300.

The Council have also agreed to the Resolution respecting John C. Hall, Esquire, and the Horse Imperial.

The Council request a Conference, by Committee, with a Committee of this Honorable House, on the subject of the Resolution for granting £450 for the erection of a Light-House at Cape-Forchu, near the entrance of Yarmouth Harbour.

And then the Messenger withdrew.

On motion, *resolved*, that this House do agree to the Conference desired by the Council.

Ordered, That Mr. Huntington, Mr. J. R. Dewolf, Mr. Freeman, Mr. Barss and Mr. Rudolf, do manage the Conference.

So they went to the Conference,

And being returned, Mr. Huntington reported, that the Managers had been at the Conference, and stated the substance of the Conference to the House.

Mr. Harris reported from the Select Committee, appointed to wait upon His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, relative to the survey of a line of Road from the proposed site of Avon Bridge, near Windsor, to Mud Bridge, at Wolfville, in Horton, that the Committee had attended to that duty, and that His Excellency was pleased to say that he would carry the object of the Resolution into effect.

A Message from the Council, by Mr. Halliburton :

Mr. Speaker,

The Council have agreed to the Resolution of this Honorable House for changing the appropriation of certain sums of Money on Roads in Wilmot.

The Council have not agreed to the Resolution of this Honorable House, for granting £450 towards the erection of a Light-House at Cape Forchu, near Yarmouth.

And then the Messenger withdrew.

The Clerk, pursuant to Order, presented to the House an engrossed Bill for appropriating such part of the Supplies granted in this Session of the General Assembly, as are not already appropriated by the Laws or Acts of the Province, and the same was read throughout a first and second time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and that the title be, An Act for applying certain Monies therein mentioned for the service of the Year of Our Lord One Thousand Eight Hundred and Thirty-six, and for appropriating such part of the Supplies granted in this Session of the General Assembly, as are not already appropriated by the Laws or Acts of the Province.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Council and desire their concurrence.

A Message from the Council, by Mr. Halliburton :

Mr. Speaker,

The Council have agreed to the Bill, entitled, An Act to enable the Freeholders of the Township of Pictou to assess themselves for arrears of Poor Rates, with an amendment; to which amendment they desire the concurrence of this Honorable House.

And then the Messenger withdrew.

The amendment proposed by the Council to said Bill was read by the Clerk; and thereupon,

Council agree to 200l. for Eastern road and 300l. for Western Road

Agree to resolution relative to Horse Imperial

Request Conference on grant of 450l. to Yarmouth Light-House

Conference agreed to

Committee, &c. report therefrom

Report of Committee who waited on His Excellency in regard to survey of road from site of Avon Bridge

Council agree to change of appropriation of certain Monies in Wilmot Disagree to grant of 450l. Yarmouth Light-House

Clerk presents Appropriation Bill

Said Bill passed and sent to Council for concurrence

Council agree to Pictou Assessment Bill with an amendment

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Resolved,

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Said amendt. read and resolved that the House cannot consider the same

Resolved, That this House cannot consider said amendment, as it relates to Taxation, and that the Clerk do carry the Bill and amendment back to the Council, and acquaint them therewith.

A Message from the Council, by Mr. Halliburton :

Mr. Speaker,

Council agree to Bills, viz—
Malicious Injuries
Bridewell
To repeal Fire-wards Act

The Council have agreed to the Bill, entitled, An Act to continue the Act concerning Malicious Injuries to Property; to the Bill, entitled, An Act to continue the several Acts concerning the Bridewell and Police in Halifax; to the Bill, entitled, An Act to repeal the Act to amend the Acts respecting Firewards and Fires in Halifax, and to substitute other provisions in lieu thereof; to the Bill, entitled, An Act to authorize the Lieutenant-Governor to appoint a Commissioner or Commissioners to act in concert with Commissioners on behalf of Lower Canada and New-Brunswick, in relation to the proposed Light-Houses on the Islands of St. Paul and Scattarie; and to the Bill, entitled, An Act to regulate the holding of Polls at Elections in the Island of Cape-Breton, severally without any amendment.

To appoint a Commissioner in regard to Light-Houses

Elections, C. B.

The Council have agreed to the Bill, entitled, An Act further to amend the Act relating to Trespasses, as amended.

Trespass Act as amended, also

Sydney Grammar School Bill with an amendt.

The Council have agreed to the Bill, entitled, An Act to provide for the regulation and management of the Grammar School or Academy at Sydney, in Cape-Breton, with an amendment, to which amendment they desire the concurrence of this Honorable House.

And then the Messenger withdrew.

Said amendt. agreed to and sent back to Council

The amendment proposed by the Council to the last mentioned Bill was read throughout a first and second time, and, upon the question put thereon, was agreed to by the House.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill and amendment back to the Council, and acquaint them that this House has agreed to the said amendment.

A Message from the Council, by Mr. Halliburton :

Mr. Speaker,

Council agree to Appropriation Bill Sable & Seal Islands Bill, also

The Council have agreed to the Bill, entitled, An Act for applying certain Monies therein mentioned for the service of the year of our Lord One Thousand Eight Hundred and Thirty-six, and for appropriating such part of the Supplies granted in this Session of the General Assembly, as are not already appropriated by the Laws or Acts of the Province, and to the Bill, entitled, An Act for the better regulation of Sable Island and Seal Islands in this Province, without amendment, and have agreed to the Bill, entitled, An Act for the Regulation and Management of the Grammar School or Academy at Sydney, in Cape-Breton, as amended.

Sydney Academy Bill as amended

And then the Messenger withdrew.

Report of Com. who waited on Lt. Gov. with respect to} franking Letters

Mr. Stewart reported from the Committee, appointed to wait on His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, in regard to the Franking of Letters by the Members of the House of Assembly, that the Committee had complied with the instructions contained in the Resolution of the House, and that His Excellency was pleased to say that he would attend to the request of the House, therein contained, and that it should have his favorable recommendation.

Report of Com who waited on Lt. Gov. with Address to H. M. relative to oaths

Mr. Doyle reported from the Committee to wait upon His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor with the Address to His Majesty on the subject of Oaths, that the Committee had attended to the duty assigned to them, and that His Excellency was pleased to say that he would forward the Address to the Right Honorable the Secretary of State for the Colonies.

Resolution for Com. to wait on Governor relative to a Light-House at Yarmouth

On motion of Mr. Huntington, *resolved*, that a Committee be appointed to wait on His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, and to request that he will be pleased to appoint a competent person to examine and report to His Excellency, for the information

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of the Legislature, at its next Session, the necessity and propriety of erecting a Light-House on the west side of the entrance into Yarmouth Harbor; also, the amount that will be required to erect the same, and the best method of distinguishing the said Light, if erected, from Seal and Brier Islands Lights.

Ordered, That Mr. Huntington, Mr. Barss and Mr. C. Roche, be a Committee for the above purpose.

Then (to-morrow being Good Friday,) the House adjourned until Saturday next, at eleven of the clock.

Saturday, 2d April, 1836.

PRAVERS.

Mr. Stewart reported from the Select Committee appointed to prepare an answer to the Messages, &c. of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, not already answered, that the Committee had drawn up an answer accordingly, and he read the same in his place, and afterwards delivered it in at the Clerk's Table, where it was again read, and is as followeth:

Report of answer
to Messages, &c. of
His Excellency

The Committee appointed to prepare a reply to the several Messages and Recommendations of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor to this House, not hitherto answered, report the same as follows:—

That the House in accordance with the recommendation of His Excellency at the opening of the present Session, have provided for the support of Common and Grammar Schools the present year, and have granted large sums of Money for diffusing the blessings of Education throughout the Province; that the House have had under serious and deliberate consideration, the system of Expenditure upon the Roads of this Province, and have resolved, that it is inexpedient that any alteration should be made in the method of applying the Money for the Road Service in the present Session, and the House have provided for payment of expenses attending the Surveys, Plans and Estimates of the Roads, procured by His Excellency, in compliance with the Resolution of this House, and laid before the House; that the House have taken such measures as they trust will lead to the establishment of Light-Houses on the Islands of St. Paul and Scattarie, the necessity of which the House of Assembly duly appreciate, as identified with the best feelings of humanity; that the House return their thanks for the liberal feelings which actuated His Majesty's Government in sending to this Province a set of the Works published in England, by the Record Commissioners, which will be both useful and instructive to His Majesty's faithful Subjects in this Province; that the House have provided for payment of the several amounts mentioned by His Excellency in his Message of the 13th February last, as incurred on account of Shipwrecks at Scattarie; for disbursements for distressed Settlers and Colored People, and for burying the Bodies of the unfortunate Persons drowned at Little Loran, in Cape-Breton; that the House of Assembly, upon consideration of His Excellency's Message of the 16th March last, have granted the sum of £50 for the purchase of Seed Potatoes for the distressed Settlers in Cape-Breton, to be repaid by labor on the Roads; and that the House have provided for remuneration to the Gentlemen who prepared the 4th Volume of the Province Laws, under the authority of His Excellency, pursuant to the request of the House in the last Session.

Resolved, That the said Report be adopted by this House.

Report adopted

Ordered, That the Committee who prepared the Report do wait upon His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, and present him with a Copy thereof, as the answer of this House to the several Messages, Communications and Recommendations, of His Excellency to this House, therein referred to.

Committee who
prepared report
to waited Lieuten-
ant-Governor with
the same

Mr.

SATURDAY, 2d APRIL, 1836.

Report of Committee who waited on the Lieutenant-Governor respecting Yarmouth Light-House

Mr. Huntington reported from the Committee, appointed to wait upon His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, to request His Excellency to procure information in regard to the erection of a Light-House at the entrance of the Harbor of Yarmouth, that the Committee had attended to that duty, and that His Excellency, in answer to the application, was pleased to state to the Committee, that he would comply with the request of the House as contained in the Resolution.

Resolution passed relative to School Lands in the several Counties

Mr. Lovett moved, that the House do come to a Resolution as followeth, viz :
Whereas His Majesty's Government, in granting the Lands of this Province, have granted and reserved in each of the several Counties and Townships, certain tracts or parcels of Land, for the use of Schools, which lands have laid uncultivated in some instances, and in other places have been taken possession of by Individuals, and the use or uses for which they were granted, are altogether lost to the Inhabitants of the Province: *Resolved*, that the Members of the Counties and Townships take every possible means to ascertain the quantity and quality of said Lands so granted or reserved ; and if settled, and by whom, and by what authority, they hold the same, and report the same to this House at the next Session. *And resolved*, that this House will take the subject of the School Lands under their serious consideration, at the next Session, and endeavour to make them available to assist in supporting the Common Schools ; which, being seconded and put, was agreed to by the House.

Report of Committee who waited on Lieutenant-Governor relative to the Bridewell

Mr. Stewart reported from the Committee, appointed to wait upon His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, in reference to His Excellency's Message and Communications to the House upon the subject of a Bridewell and Penitentiary, that the Committee had performed the duty assigned to them.

Report of Committee who waited on Lt. Gov. with answer to Messages, &c

Mr. Stewart also reported from the Committee, appointed this day to wait upon His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, with the report adopted by the House, in answer to the Messages, &c. of His Excellency, that the Committee had complied with the instructions given them by the House.

A Message from the Council, by Mr. Halliburton :

Mr. Speaker,

Council desire conference on subject of payments from the Treasury

The Council request a Conference, by Committee, with a Committee of this Honorable House, on the subject of the Bill now before the Council, entitled, An Act to regulate and ascertain the Rates at which the Monies shall be paid out of the Treasury.

And then the Messenger withdrew.

Conference agree to report thereof

On motion, *resolved*, that this House do agree to the Conference as desired by the Council, and that the Clerk do acquaint the Council therewith.

Ordered, That Mr. Stewart, Mr. Deblois and Mr. Young, do manage the Conference. So they went to the Conference, and being returned,

Mr. Stewart reported, that the Managers had been at the Conference, and he stated the substance of the Conference to the House.

A Message from the Council, by Mr. Halliburton :

Mr. Speaker,

Council agree to Treasury payments Bill, and Bill for borrowing Money

The Council have agreed to the Bill, entitled, An Act to regulate and ascertain the Rates at which the Monies shall be paid out of the Treasury ; also, to the Bill, entitled, An Act for borrowing Money for the use of the Province, severally, without any amendment.

And then the Messenger withdrew.

Mr. Doyle moved, that the House do come to a Resolution as followeth :

Proposed Resolution for survey of Road from Halifax to Windsor negtd.

Whereas a number of Inhabitants have subscribed £300 to explore and survey the Country between Halifax and Windsor, with a view of ascertaining the most eligible Line for a Railway, which, if accomplished, it is thought, will develop the resources, and advance the Commercial and Agricultural interests, of this Province.

Resolved,

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Resolved, That if it shall be certified to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, that the said £300 has been judiciously expended in such undertaking, it shall be lawful for His Excellency to draw Warrants on the Treasury to defray any further expense attending such survey, if he shall deem it expedient; *Provided* the whole sum drawn shall not exceed £250; and *provided also*, that nothing herein contained shall be construed to pledge the Province to any support of the projected Rail Road: which, being seconded and put, and the House dividing thereon, there appeared, for the motion, eleven; against it, twelve;

For the Motion,

<i>Mr C. Roche</i>	<i>Mr Chipman</i>
<i>Mr Lawson</i>	<i>Mr Bell</i>
<i>Mr Doyle</i>	<i>Mr Wilkins</i>
<i>Mr Shey</i>	<i>Mr Kavanagh</i>
<i>Mr Morton</i>	<i>Mr Dickson</i>
<i>Mr Uniacke</i>	

Against the Motion,

<i>Mr Budd</i>	<i>Mr Barss</i>
<i>Mr Freeman</i>	<i>Mr W H Roach</i>
<i>Mr Deblois</i>	<i>Mr Rudolf</i>
<i>Mr Heckman</i>	<i>Mr Young</i>
<i>Mr Lovett</i>	<i>Mr G Smith</i>
<i>Mr Huntington</i>	<i>Mr Stewart</i>

So it passed in the Negative.

Then the House adjourned until Monday next, at one of the Clock.

Monday, 4th April, 1836.

PRAYERS.

A Message from His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, by Mr. Deputy-Secretary James:

Mr. Speaker,

His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor commands this House to attend His Excellency immediately, in the Council Chamber,

Accordingly, Mr. Speaker, with the House, attended His Excellency in the Council Chamber, where His Excellency was pleased to give His Assent to the several Bills following, viz:

A Bill, entitled, An Act to give effect and validity to a certain Devise or Settlement of Real Estate, made and contained in the last Will and Testament of John Mackay, late of Windsor, in Hants County, Esquire, deceased.

A Bill, entitled, An Act to regulate and ascertain the Rates at which the Monies shall be paid out of the Treasury.

A Bill, entitled, An Act to authorize the Grand Jury and the Court of Sessions of the County of Cumberland, to present and assess Money for the erection of a Lock-up House in Pugwash, in the said County.

A Bill, entitled, An Act to authorize the Lieutenant-Governor to appoint a Commissioner or Commissioners to act in concert with Commissioners on behalf of Lower Canada and New-Brunswick, in relation to the proposed Light-Houses on the Islands of St. Paul and Scattarie.

A Bill, entitled, An Act to repeal the Act to amend the Acts respecting Firewards and Fires in Halifax, and to substitute other provisions in lieu thereof.

A Bill, entitled, An Act to provide for the regulation and management of the Grammar School or Academy at Sydney, in Cape-Breton.

A Bill, entitled, An Act respecting the collection of Poor Rates of Pictou.

A Bill, entitled, An Act for borrowing Money for the use of the Province.

A Bill, entitled, An Act in amendment of the Act to regulate the holding of Polls at Elections in the Island of Cape-Breton.

A Bill, entitled, An Act to continue the Act for the more easy Redemption and Foreclosure of Mortgages.

His Excellency commands attendance of House

House attended His Excellency who assents to Bills

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A Bill, entitled, An Act to continue the several Acts concerning the Bridewell and Police in Halifax.

A Bill, entitled, An Act for the better regulation of Sable Island and Seal Islands in this Province.

A Bill, entitled, An Act to continue the Act concerning Malicious Injuries to Property.

A Bill, entitled, An Act further to amend the Act relating to Trespasses.

After which, Mr. Speaker spake as follows :

May it please Your Excellency,

I beg leave to present to Your Excellency, on behalf of His Majesty's faithful and loyal Subjects the Commons of Nova-Scotia, a Bill for appropriating the Supplies granted in the present Session for the support of His Majesty's Government for the present year, and to request Your Excellency's Assent to the same.

His Excellency was pleased, in His Majesty's name, to give His Assent to the Bill following, viz :

A Bill, entitled, An Act for applying certain Monies therein mentioned for the service of the year of our Lord One Thousand Eight Hundred and Thirty-six, and for appropriating such part of the Supplies granted in this Session of the General Assembly, as are not already appropriated by the Laws or Acts of the Province.

His Excellency was then pleased to make the following SPEECH :

*Mr. President, and Gentlemen of His Majesty's Council ;
Mr. Speaker, and Gentlemen of the House of Assembly ;*

I thank you in His Majesty's name for the Supplies you have granted for the public service during the present year. It shall be my study, as well as my duty, to see that they are faithfully applied.

I am concerned to observe that the usual grant to the Inspecting Field Officers of Militia has been omitted, but I confidently trust that next Session you will continue that grant, as the means of maintaining that Constitutional Arm of Defence and Security to the Province in a state of efficiency.

I regret that the Union of King's and Dalhousie Colleges, as submitted to you at the commencement of the Session, and as recommended by His Majesty's Government, has been postponed. I trust that in the next Session you will all co-operate in accomplishing this measure, as it is evident that there are not means within the Province for maintaining two Colleges, without depriving some of the useful public Seminaries and Parochial Schools of part of the grants now so liberally made to them by you, for the Education of the Children of the great mass of the people, who are so widely dispersed in this Province.

I also regret that a more favourable consideration has not been given to the improvement of the Great Roads and Bridges, leading from the Capital through the Province ; I regret this the more as I had been led to entertain better hopes from the resolution expressed by you in the last Session.

In now relieving you from further attendance in General Assembly, I cannot but convey to you my best acknowledgments, for the zeal and ability with which you have discharged your Legislative duties ; and I am sure that, upon your return to your respective homes, you will continue to inspire and cultivate those sound principles of loyalty and affection to our most Gracious Sovereign, and attachment to the Parent Kingdom, which alone can promote and secure the real interests of this happy and contented Colony.

Afterwards, the President of His Majesty's Council, by His Excellency's command, said,

GENTLEMEN,

It is His Excellency's will and pleasure, that this General Assembly be prorogued to Thursday, the 30th day of June next, to be then held at the usual place.

And this General Assembly is accordingly prorogued to Thursday, the 30th day of June next.

JOHN WHIDDEN, Clerk of the House of Assembly.

Mr. Speaker presents Appropriation Bill

Appropriation assented to by His Excellency

Speech of His Excellency on closing Session

Assembly prorogued

A P P E N D I X

TO THE

J O U R N A L

OF

THE HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY,

OF

THE PROVINCE OF NOVA-SCOTIA.

FOR THE SESSION,

COMMENCING THE 21ST JANUARY, 1836, AND ENDING
THE 4TH APRIL, 1836.

HALIFAX:

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APPENDIX.

No. 1.

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DOWNING-STREET, 12th AUGUST, 1835.

SIR,—

I enclose for your information the Copy of a Letter, dated the 30th March last, addressed by Mr. S. L. Morse, of Bridgetown, in the County of Annapolis, in Nova Scotia, to Lord Aberdeen, and a Copy of the Petition referred to, and enclosed in that Letter,—praying that His Majesty's Assent may not be given to an Act for dividing the County of Halifax, and for increasing the number of the Representatives of that part of the Province in the House of General Assembly.

I regret that it did not occur to the Petitioners that the Petition ought to have been transmitted through yourself, or that at least a Copy of it should have been placed in your hands. As nearly three months have elapsed since it was received at this office, and as, during that period, I have heard nothing from you on the subject, I conclude that the views of the Petitioners have not been brought under your notice.

It is not without the utmost reluctance, that the King acquiesces in the necessity of postponing his decision upon this Act, in order to afford time for the arrival of the necessary explanations in this Country. The measure does not on the face of it appear open to any reasonable objection, and long experience assures His Majesty of the wisdom by which the enactments of the Legislature of the Province of Nova Scotia are habitually dictated. The King is, therefore, desirous to give to the Act for dividing the County of Halifax that final sanction which is necessary to its validity.

On the other hand, His Majesty cannot receive with indifference, any Petition from any class of His Provincial subjects, seeking relief against a supposed grievance of the constitutional authority to avert, however strong may be the presumption in favour of the views of the Council and Assembly, and therefore, against those of the Petitioners—His Majesty is unwilling to act upon a mere probability, in a case of so much importance, where exact and certain knowledge is attainable.

I am, therefore, to desire that you transmit to the Council and Assembly, Copies of this Despatch, and of its enclosures, acquainting them that His Majesty desires to receive any explanations which it may appear to them necessary or convenient to give, on the subject of the complaints from the Inhabitants of Annapolis; and apprising them that, until those explanations shall have been received, His Majesty's decision on the Halifax County Division Bill will be suspended.

I have, &c. (Signed) GLENELG.

BRIDGETOWN, COUNTY OF ANNAPOLIS, 30th MARCH, 1835.

MY LORD—

UPON the request of the Individuals who have subscribed to the enclosed Petition, I humbly beg to submit the same to the care of Your Lordship, earnestly requesting, on behalf of the Petitioners, that the same may be laid before His Majesty, in Council, when the Act referred to in the Petition shall be under consideration, preparatory to the Royal Pleasure being signified touching the same.

I have, &c.

(Signed) S. L. MORSE.

To the Right Honorable the Earl of Aberdeen, &c. &c. &c.

PROVINCE OF NOVA-SCOTIA, }
COUNTY OF ANNAPOLIS. }

TO THE KING'S MOST EXCELLENT MAJESTY,

AND THE RIGHT HONORABLE THE MEMBERS OF THE MOST HONORABLE PRIVY COUNCIL.

THE Humble Petition of the undersigned, Loyal and Dutiful Subjects of His Majesty, on behalf of themselves and the rest of the Loyal and Dutiful Subjects resident in the Upper District of the County of Annapolis.

MOST HUMBLY SHEWETH-

THAT, owing to the Commercial and Agricultural increase of the Province of Nova-Scotia, and the sectional and general changes which a comparatively new Colony must undergo on the progress of its settlement, the subject of a division of several of the larger Counties, and adding to the number of their Representatives in the Provincial Parliament, has, for some time engrossed the attention of a large portion of the Inhabitants, as well as the local Government of the Country. Such being the case, several of the larger Counties, (that is to say,) Cape-Breton, Sydney, Halifax, Annapolis and Shelburne, have urged the measures above alluded to, upon the consideration of the Legislature; but your Petitioners regret to say, that they have been answered by measures the most partial and inequitable, because, while the claims of Annapolis, with other large Counties, to a participation in the measures prayed, were urged most strenuously, yet constitutionally, upon the consideration of the Legislature, those of Cape-Breton and Halifax only have been attended to.

The object of Your Humble and Loyal Petitioners being, solely to lay their case of the claims of the County of Annapolis to a division and an increase of Representation, before Your august Body, (an appeal to which, is their dernier resort, and to the decision of which Body they trust it will ever be their duty, their pleasure and their pride, to bow,) humbly beg the patience of Your Majesty, and the Individuals composing Your Right Honorable Board, while they go a little into the detail of the facts upon which their case is founded.

In comparison, the geographical extent of this Colony, is the number of its local and distinct interests, confined to its several sections. That from the County of Hants, to the Eastward, there is most pronounced difference of interest, in many particulars, from that which prevails to the Westward, is a fact of which there can be no dispute. To the Eastward, Halifax, as the general market place, draws to her the Inhabitants of all the adjacent Counties, and it is her interest to engross as much of the Colonial Trade as possible. On the contrary, the Counties of Hants, King's, Annapolis and a greater part of Shelburne, being Agricultural Counties—the almost contiguity, by easy Water Carriage on the Bay Fundy, to St. John, in the sister Province of New-Brunswick, affords them a most advantageous Market, of which the Inhabitants avail themselves, and carry on an extensive Trade therewith, which it is the great interest of Halifax to discourage, in order that she may monopolize by every possible means.—Your Petitioners humbly beg leave to submit, as one instance of Legislative discouragement of this Trade, that, (on the Shores of the Bay Fundy, and the Rivers thereinto falling, Ship Building, for the English Market, being carried on to a large extent,) such was the enormous impost duty during the last year, upon Cordage and other Naval Stores, imported from New-Brunswick to this Province, that the Builders were obliged to transport the Hull of all Ships built, to be rigged in the Sister Province.

How powerful then must be the influence of the Trade of Halifax in the Legislature, (for your humble Petitioners can attribute the Impost above alluded to, among others, to no other motive than that of a wish to benefit such Trade,) when it has even led to a tax upon Articles which otherwise must have employed a large portion of a most useful class of the Community, in fitting them for Articles of Export.) Further, your Petitioners beg leave humbly to state, that before the passing of the Act, by the Legislature, giving the additional Members to Cape-Breton, the Eastern part of the Province was far better represented, taking numbers into consideration than the Western. And there are now resident in the three Districts of the County of Halifax, seventeen of the forty-four Members of the Commons House of Assembly. From this, it must appear, that in any measure not in accordance with the views of those in the Eastern interest, the contest by those in the Westward must be at fearful odds, in fact a failure the result.

Your Petitioners further beg leave humbly to state that, up to the year 1832, being well assured that the difference of Representation was in favour of the Eastern Section of the Province, they were led to believe, that whenever any alteration or increase thereof should be adopted, the Western Section would be allowed to participate therein; and not until the year aforesaid were they convinced that such belief was ill founded. In that year, a Bill was introduced, for the purpose of giving three additional Members for Cape-Breton, which was met by a general measure proposed by the then Solicitor-General, (Charles R. Fairbanks, Esquire,) fixing the scale of Repre-

sentation in the humble opinion of your Petitioners upon equitable principles. Although this measure received general support by the Members interested in the equalization of the scale of Representation, yet its friends were not sufficiently numerous, and the local measure for Cape-Breton triumphed

In the year 1832, your humble Petitioners, although convinced that the time for urging their claims with success upon the consideration of the Legislature had passed, owing to the accession to their opponents of the additional Members for Cape-Breton, yet they feeling deeply interested in the matter, and relying upon the equal justice of the Legislature, did, by Petition, signed by Freeholders of the County, in number quite unusual in this Country, earnestly press upon that Body a consideration of their rights, and prayed an adjustment of the same, by a general or local enactment. In the Session of the above year, a general measure was again proposed, similar to that of 1832, but which, owing to the strong opposition against it, did not pass into a Law.

In the Petition above referred to, your humble Petitioners, among others in substance, urged the following facts of a local nature in support of their claims, which they most humbly beg leave to recapitulate, for the information of Your Majesty, and the Members composing your Right Honorable Council, (that is to say;)—As to the necessity of dividing the extensive County of Annapolis, as a proof of such necessity, from one extremity to the other thereof the distance is longer than from the Eastern Boundary to Halifax—being one hundred miles. It being the oldest County in the Province, its population is a very great and growing one, as will appear by the last census, and a late Militia Return will shew that Annapolis numbers Five Hundred more Militia Men, than any other County in the Province, Halifax excepted. With a distance in length so disproportionate to its breadth, great inconvenience must arise to the numerous Inhabitants, particularly those among them who may be called upon to discharge the duties of Public Officers of a local nature. To those burthensome inconveniences every Officer, from the Constable up to the Justice of the Peace, can bear testimony. It may be said that the difficulties attending the discharge of Public duties, arising out of extraordinary circumstances, may be obviated by dispensing with such duties. And it may be answered, that the discharge of them is an important privilege to the holders and the community. Although the office of a Constable may be considered of too little importance to call for an investigation, yet it is undoubtedly, a hardship, for one to be compelled to travel from one end of the County to the other, to execute a Justice's Writ for a small Debt of a few Shillings. And still harder is it for the unfortunate Debtor, owing such a sum, to be dragged from his family a distance of fifty or sixty Miles, and locked up in a Gaol. This will suggest the enormous extent of the Jurisdiction of the Courts of the Justices of the Peace. It is certainly a privilege, that Petit Jurors should decide upon such matters in dispute, as may arise in their immediate neighbourhood.

It is also an important privilege to Grand Jurors and the Community, for them to attend the Grand Inquest of the County, to investigate matters between the Crown and the subject, and to give their assent to being taxed for the exigencies of the County; but the journey to be performed by such Officers, (notwithstanding the Courts of Justice are held as nearly in the centre of the County as convenience will admit,) in many instances, puts the possibility of their attendance out of the question.

In addition to what has been already stated, as respects the claims of Your humble Petitioners, to an increase of Representation, the Township of Wilmot, in the County of Annapolis, has a peculiar claim, based upon its own merits. By the Provincial Statute 5th George the 3d, Chap. 10, it is enacted, "that, when the Township should consist of Fifty resident Families they should be entitled to elect one person to represent them in the General Assembly." According to this Act, Wilmot has long been entitled to a Representation: for now, instead of Fifty Families, its Electors are six hundred. And, although the Law of the Land gives a right, that right is refused recognition. Notwithstanding these, with many other, facts were so urged upon the consideration of the Legislature, in support of the rights of Your humble Petitioners, to a participation in the benefits of a general or local enactment for a division of their County, and in an increase of their Representation, (which, upon no principle of Justice, could or ought to be denied them,) yet, in the said Session of 1833, two such measures, although, before the Legislature, were rendered abortive.

Such, however, was the reliance of Your humble and loyal Petitioners upon the equal justice of the Legislature, and their regard for the character of such justice, that they could not bring themselves to believe that their claims would be finally disregarded, for they were confident that if they should be submitted to the strictest scrutiny, in any way their justness could not be impeached. If tried by the standard of population, an unanswerable argument in their favour would be the result. If, upon the general ground, of the necessity of preserving the equilibrium of Representation, between the different sections of the Province, (for which there is a most urgent necessity,) they are willing to submit to the decision of any uninfluenced umpire. Furthermore, instead of considering the exclusive measure for Cape-Breton, as an instance of neglect, prejudicial to their rights, Your humble and loyal Petitioners rather considered that they had received a pledge that, in due time, they should receive consideration; and, therefore, looked forward, with patient anxiety, to the Session now last past—the result of which has been, another exclusive measure for Halifax—dividing the same into three Counties and adding two Representatives to the number heretofore elected for the whole County.

Although Your humble and loyal Petitioners considered the exclusive measure for Cape-Breton in the nature of a pledge to the future consideration of their rights, yet, when a second measure of the same nature is extended to Halifax, in which they have not been allowed to participate—they conceive that they have come to a wrong conclusion, as to such pledge; and, to look upon their future prospects of success, in the measure prayed, as almost hopeless. Should the Royal Assent be given to the Act for the division of Halifax, and an increase of her Representation, —the time will then have passed when the community of interests among Members, which arose from similiarity of situation, existed; and if the measure prayed should, under such circumstances, receive the support of Members who have been successful in those of a similar nature, and should succeed effectually,—Your humble Petitioners will have to thank many for being actuated by principles of disinterested justice.

Although the people of this County, in whose behalf this Petition is submitted to the gracious consideration of Your Majesty, and that of your Right Honorable Board, deeply regret that they should feel themselves compelled to beg the Royal interposition, to avert the operation and effect of an Act of the Provincial Legislature,—and beg to state, as a cause of such regret, the deep consciousness that their duty to the parent and local Government, ought, at all times to be testified by a ready and cheerful submission to whatever Laws the paramount wisdom of their Governments may think proper to require their obedience,—yet, they earnestly hope that sufficient facts may be gathered from the foregoing statement, to warrant the measure they have presumed to adopt, in order to prevent the Act referred to, for dividing the County of Halifax, and increasing her Representation, from going into effect. They most humbly beg leave to declare, that so far from having a wish frequently to call upon the parent Government for redress of local grievances—it is their pride to know that it is the prominent characteristic of Nova-Scotians to refrain from such courses, as tending to evince discontent; and which, consequently, are calculated to bring their loyalty into reproach,—conceiving it to be their duty on all occasions to act in accordance with what they most sincerely believe, viz:—that their political situation, above that of all others, is most to be envied.

Therefore, these facts and views Your humble and loyal Petitioners beg leave to submit to the gracious consideration of Your Majesty, and that of Your Right Honorable Body; and thereupon, humbly to ask a decision upon the question—*whether the withholding the Royal Assent to the Act for dividing the County of Halifax, and increasing her Representation, will not be more conducive to general justice, than if Your humble Petitioners are left to struggle for their rights—against the obstacles which that Act will create, should it be allowed to take effect?* And with dutiful submission to whatever may be the result of the decision upon the question submitted, Your humble and loyal Petitioners,

As in duty bound,

WILL EVER PRAY.

SIGNED :

Samuel Chesley, Justice of the Peace.
 Joseph Fitz Randolph, “
 Seth Leonard, “
 Thomas James, “
 John H. Chipman, “
 James Parker, “
 John Bent, “
 Robert Clarke, “
 William Randall,
 Jonathan Woodberry,
 Isaac Longley,
 Samuel B. Chipman,
 S. S. Thorne,
 S. L. Morse,
 William Spurr,
 John Bath,
 Nathaniel Parker,
 Wm. H. Morse,
 Major Chipman,
 William Longley,
 Edward Parker,
 Abner Morse, 2d
 Benniah Morse,
 William Holland,
 Asa Chesley,
 H. Chute,

Jonas Balcom,
 Wm. S. Chesley,
 David Morse,
 Isaac Bent,
 Charles Rumsey,
 Michael Miller,
 Asaph Pirie,
 Ambrose Dodge,
 Sam. McKeown,
 John Marshall,
 Edward P. Morse,
 James D'Arcy,
 George Millett,
 Felix McNeil,
 Ezekiel Foster,
 Wm. H. Chipman,
 Thomas Spurr, Jr.
 Alexander Fowler,
 Alexander H. Troop,
 John Quirk,
 Watson Gray Russell,
 John Church,
 Enoch Dodge,
 Gilbert Foster,
 Calvin Gidney,
 Constan'e. C. Morse.

No. 2.

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THE PROVINCE OF NOVA-SCOTIA, DR.

For payments made by the TREASURER, between the 1st day of JANUARY, 1835, and 6th JANUARY, 1836.

MARCH QUARTER.

March 31st—To paid the Salaries of Officers of Government, Puisne Judges, &c. per Abstract	1	£1731	5	
Secretary of King's College, Windsor	2	111	2	2½
Master of the Halifax Grammar School	3	37	10	
Hon. H. N. Binney, for pay of Waiters	4	121	5	
The respective Stockholders, for one years' interest on Funded Debt	5	563	6	3½
Deputy Post-Master General for Post Communication	6	299	13	4
Inspecting Field Officers and Adjutant-General of Militia	7	212	10	
The Collector of H. M. Customs, to pay the Salaries to Officers of Customs	8	1786	4	3½
The President and Directors of the Western Stage Coach Company	9	75		
The President and Directors of the Eastern do.	10	62	10	
The Stockholders of the Funded Debt, for the Quarter ending this day	11	143	15	
John Howe & Son, for extra printing	12	131	17	8
The Trustees of the Pictou Academy	13	100		
The Rev. Mr. Uniacke's School, in North Suburbs	14	100		
James Whitney, as encouragement for running Mails between St. John, N. B. and Annapolis	15	50		
The Commissioners of Light-Houses, as balance due them	16	518	3	11
Directors of the Canal Company, to pay interest to 5th January	17	750		
The Firewards, for drawback on Hose, imported from the United States	18	25	19	9
The Owners of the Parrsborough Packet	19	50		
The Sheriff of Hants' County, for returning a Member to Assembly	20	1	10	
William F. DesBarres, for the support of the Guysborough Packet for the year 1834	21	50		
William C. Delaney, for conducting Criminal Prosecutions at Cape- Breton	22	18	10	
Members, for attendance at Assembly	23	2183		
Assistant Clerk, for services, ditto	24	200		
Clerk of Assembly, for extra services and for Stationary	25	175		
Clerk of Assembly, to defray expenses of the Council and Assembly	26	165		
Rev. Dr. Willis, Chaplain to Council	27	25		
Rev. Mr. Uniacke, do. Assembly	28	25		
Deputy Clerk of Council	29	100		
Matthew Forrester, Sergeant at Arms to Assembly	30	50		
Alexander Boyle, Assistant do.	31	30		
John Gibbs, Messenger, do.	32	30		
J. J. Sawyer, for opening and closing do.	33	10		
Susannah Green, as granted to her	34	20		
James H. Tidmarsh, being a return of Duties paid on Machinery	35	9	15	
The Overseers of the Poor, at Windsor, for support of Transient Poor	36	30		
John Fitzmaurice, for support of a Transient Pauper	37	2	10	
The Hon. T. N. Jeffery, as granted to him	38	21	6	3
The Secretary of the Province, for expenses incurred at Halifax, during the prevalence of the Cholera	39	1030	19	10
The Firewards, being a return of Duties paid on an Engine	40	26	17	
Michael Collins, for conveying a Prisoner from Arichat to Sydney	41	8		
John Fuller, for expenses in erecting a Gallows at Sydney	42	40		
John S. Harris, to remunerate him for a Map of Annapolis County	43	10		
Dr. Alexander Haire, as granted to him	44	7	5	
George F. Belvidere, for his past services, as Guager at Lunenburg	45	32	2	3
Holmes Morton, being amount of Province Notes destroyed by Fire	46	28		
Elisha Dewolf, as drawback on a Hydraulic Hay Press	47	8	7	
The Commissioners of Province Building	48	939	7	4
The Overseers of the Poor at Yarmouth	49	25	6	
The President of the Mechanics' Institute	50	30		
The Treasurer of the Halifax Dispensary	51	50		

March 31st—To paid Samuel Archibald, as granted to him	52	£35	6	
Allan McDonald, for bounty on the Manufacture of Leaf Tobacco	53	109	14	5
Matthew McLean, for drawback of Duties	54	4	14	5
Lewis M. Wilkins, for expenses of Board of Health at Windsor	55	20	13	1
The Hon. T. N. Jeffery for expences incurred in a riot at Guysboro'	56	81	7	
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		£12502	13	34

JUNE QUARTER.

June 30th—To paid the Salaries of Officers of Government, Puisne Judges, &c. &c. per Abstract	1	£1731	5	
Secretary of King's College, Windsor	2	111	2	2½
Master of the Halifax Grammar School	3	37	10	
Hon. H. N. Binney, for pay of Waiters	4	130	7	6
The respective Stockholders for one year's Interest on Funded Debt	5	147	2	6
Deputy-Post-Master-General for Post Communication	6	297	3	4
The Inspecting Field Officers and Adjutant General of Militia	7	212	10	
The Collector of H. M. Customs, to pay the Salaries to Officers of Customs	8	1786	4	8½
The President and Directors of Western Stage Coach Company	9	75		
The President and Directors of the Eastern, do	10	62	10	
The Stockholders of the Funded Debt, for the quarter ending this day	11	143	15	
The Stockholders of the Funded Debt, for half year's Interest to date	12	150		
James Whitney, as encouragement for running Steam Boat between St. John and Annapolis	13	50		
The Commissioners of Bridewell	14	200		
Charles R. Fairbanks, toward defraying expense of Provincial Maps	15	356		
John H. Kaulback, for services in conveying a Prisoner to Guysborough	16	20		
Farrell & Martell, for support of a Crew of a Ship	17	7	10	
The Overseers of the Poor at Douglas, for supporting Transient Poor	18	8		
Gossip & Coado, for drawback on Machinery	19	14	7	
The Overseers of the Poor at Digby, for the support of Shipwrecked Mariners	20	40	13	3
Michael Boudrot, as granted to him	21	25		
John Whidden, to pay for Copies of Journals of the House of Lords and Commons, for the year 1833	22	5	11	10½
E. W. B. Moody, for drawback of Duties	23	10	3	9
Deputy-Post-Master-General, for Postages during the last Session	24	279		
Robinson Cox, being in return for three Provincial Notes destroyed by Fire	25	3		
Richard, Power, for drawback of Duties	26	5	7	
The Ladies, Managers of the Infant School, vote of 1834	27	50		
The President of the Board of Health at Arichat, granted last Session	28	5	10	
The Trustees of Arichat Academy	29	100		
The Trustees of the Yarmouth Academy, one quarter's allowance to 31st March	30	25		
Elias Morse, for the erection of an Oat Mill at Annapolis in 1834	31	20		
The Committee of the Mechanics' Library	32	20		
The Managing Committee of the Horton Academy to 31st March	33	75		
James Bisset, being a bounty for the erection of an Oat Mill	34	20		
James F. Gray, for conducting Criminal Prosecutions at Truro	35	6	7	6
Deblois & Mitchell, for drawback of Duties	36	18	19	4
Allan McDonald, as bounty on Manufacture of Tobacco	37	72	3	1½
The Commissioners of Light-Houses	38	750		
The Secretary of the Province, in part of Lt. Governor's contingent vote	39	100		
Mather B. Almon, drawback on Sugar	40	52	18	9
John Ferguson, as Bounty on the Manufacture of Chocolate	41	13	10	
The Trustees of the Acadian School	42	50		
The Trustees of the National School	43	50		
The Trustees of the Catholic School	44	50		
The Trustees of the Pictou Academy	45	100		
James W. Johnston, for his services as Solicitor General to date	46	94	8	0½
The Commissioners of the Poor for the Town of Halifax, on account	47	300		
Fairbanks & Allison, for drawback of Duties	48	8	18	9
Enos Collins & Co do	49	18	17	
Messrs. Uniacke, for Road alteration at Mount Uniacke	50	28	2	6
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		£1933	3	14

SEPTEMBER QUARTER.

Sept. 30th.

To paid the Salaries of Officers of Government, Puisne Judges, &c. &c. per Abstract, No. 1	£1756	5	0
Secretary of King's College Windsor	2	111	2 2½
Master of the Halifax Grammar School	3	37	10 0
Honorable H. N. Binney, for pay of Waiters	4	133	5 0
The respective Stockholders for one year's Interest on Funded Debt	5	219	15 11½
Deputy-Post-Master-General, for Post Communication	6	297	3 4
Inspecting Field Officers and Adjutant-General of Militia	7	212	10 0
The Collector of H. M. Customs, to pay the Salaries to Officers of Customs	8	1786	4 8½
The President and Directors of Western Stage Coach Company	9	75	0 0
The President and Directors of Eastern ditto	10	62	10 0
The Stockholders of the Funded Debt for the Quarter ending this day	11	143	15 0
The Stockholders of the Funded Debt for the period ending this day	12	177	1 8
James Whitney, as encouragement for running Mails between St. John, } N. B. and Annapolis	13	50	0 0
Trustees of the Pictou Academy	14	100	0 0
Judge Wilkins, for travelling expenses	15	29	13 4
For payment of half year's Salary to the Agent of the Province	16	125	0 0
The Ladies, Managers of the Infant School	17	50	0 0
The President and Directors of the Canal Company, to pay interest to 5th July	18	750	0 0
Judge Wiswell, for travelling expenses	19	10	10 0
The Trustees of the Horton Academy	20	75	0 0
William McMillan, for drawback of Duties	21	48	0 0
Joseph Tooker ditto	22	1	15 0
George Terfry ditto	23	2	10 0
Robert Kelly ditto	24	2	10 0
Trustees of Grammar School, Lunenburg	25	50	0 0
Caleb Cook, for Drawback of Duties	26	6	10 0
William Sterns, for conducting Criminal Prosecutions	27	12	1 8
Chief-Justice Halliburton, for travelling expenses	28	50	10 0
John Creighton, for conducting Criminal Prosecutions at Lunenburg	29	11	12 0
John Knight, for Drawback of Duties	30	44	2 3
Allan McDonald, for Bounty on the Manufacture of Leave Tobacco	31	49	8 4
John Ferguson, for Bounty on the Manufacture of Chocolate	32	14	8 1½
The Commissioners of the Poor on account of Transient Poor	33	150	0 0
		£6649	8 6¼

DECEMBER QUARTER.

Dec. 31st.

To paid the Salaries of Officers of Government, Puisne Judges, &c. &c. per Abstract, No. 1	£1756	5	0
Secretary of King's College, Windsor	2	111	2 2½
Master of the Halifax Grammar School	3	37	10 0
Honorable H. N. Binney, for pay of Waiters	4	125	10 0
The respective Stockholders, for one year's Interest on Funded Debt	5	240	0 0
Deputy-Post-Master-General, for Post Communication	6	277	3 4
The Inspecting Field Officers and Adjutant-General of Militia	7	212	10 0
The Collector of H. M. Customs, to pay the Salaries to Officers of Customs	8	1786	4 8½
The President and Directors of the Western Stage Coach Company	9	75	0 0
The President and Directors of the Eastern ditto	10	62	10 0
The Stockholders of the Funded Debt, for the Quarter ending this day	11	250	0 0
The Stockholders of the Funded Debt, for half year's Interest, to date	12	150	0 0
James Whitney, as encouragement for running Steam Boat between An- } napolis and St. John, N. B.	13	50	0 0
The late George Innes, for Drawback of Duties	14	48	12 2
James F. Gray, for conducting Criminal Prosecutions at Truro	15	20	6 0
Judge Wilkins, for travelling expenses	16	30	6 8
Judge Hill ditto	17	30	6 8
Judge Bliss ditto	18	51	6 8
Lawrence Kavanagh, for conveying the Judges to and from Cape-Breton	19	40	0 0
John C. Hall, for conducting Criminal Prosecutions	20	6	2 6
Trustees of the Liverpool Academy	21	50	0 0
The Commissioners of Light-Houses	22	750	0 0
Nicholas Le Cain and others, as Bounty on the Seal Fishery	23	654	8 0
The President and Directors of the Cornwallis Bridge	24	1900	0 0
Deputy-Secretary for relief to Indians	25	100	0 0
William Young, for conducting Criminal Prosecutions at Truro	26	5	10 10
The Managing Committee of the Horton Academy	27	75	0 0
William McMillan, for drawback of Duties	28	13	15 0
Thomas Dickson, for conducting Criminal Prosecutions	29	12	2 4
William Lawson, Commissioner for Public Buildings	30	200	0 0
The Owners of the Parrsborough Packet	31	50	0 0
Military Messes, for Drawback of Duties	32	197	4 3
Allan McDonald, for bounty on the Manufacture of Tobacco	33	113	13 1
John Ferguson, for bounty on the Manufacture of Chocolate	34	16	4 8
Benjamin Potter, as granted to him	35	8	8 4
Saltus and Wainwright, for drawback of Duties	36	9	15 0
William Pryor & Co. ditto	37	808	2 7
William Strachan ditto	38	16	11 3
J. J. Sawyer, for returning Members to Assembly	39	5	0 0

To paid	The Commissioner and Treasurer of the Savings Bank, for Interest to date	40	£390
	The Collector of H. M. Customs, to pay the Salaries of Officers of Customs to 5th January, 1836	41	1786 4 3½
	Honble. S. Cunard, to pay half year's Salary to Province Agent to date	42	125
	President and Directors of the Canal Company, to pay Interest to 5th January	43	750
	John Mann, for drawback of Duties	44	8 18
	E. W. B. Moody, for ditto	45	1 5
	The Trustees of the Pictou Academy	46	100
	The Trustees of the Yarmouth Academy	47	75
	The Trustees of the Horton Academy	48	75
	The Trustees of the Acadian School	49	50
	The Trustees of the National do	50	50
	The Trustees of the Catholic do	51	50
	For Rations to Troops in Route	52	239 14
	Commissioners of the Poor at Halifax	53	150
	John Bingay, for returning Member to the Assembly	54	1 10
	Wm. Young, for conducting Criminal Prosecutions	55	4 12 7
	James Jenkins, for drawback of Duties	56	7
	Deputy-Secretary, as balance of Lieut. Governor's Contingent Vote	57	150
	John H. Braine, for drawback of Duties	58	11 18 6
	Commissioners of Light Houses	59	592 7 10
	S. Cunard & Co. being one year's allowance to Steam Boat Pocohontus	60	300 0 0
	Saltus & Wainwright, for Drawback of Duties	61	36 6 3
	James Whitney, as encouragement for running Steam Boat between St. John, N. B. and Annapolis	62	50 0 0
	The Salary of the Lieutenant-Governor	63	2500 0 0
	Ronald McDonald and others, for road alteration, on account	64	72 1 6
	Secretary of the Province, to pay Clerks of the Peace throughout the Province	65	59 10 0
	This sum out of the Passenger Act Funds, per four Warrants		269 8 0
	Coroners, per Abstract and Warrants		140 0 0
	Adjutants of Militia, per ditto		360 0 0
	Cleaning Militia Arms per ditto		240 14 6½
	Support of Schools per ditto		4711 7 4
	Casualty Vote per ditto		426 3 6
	Old Road Votes and Salaries per ditto		133 10 10
	Thomas Cutler and others, for alteration of road at Guysborough		18 10 0
	Oliver Dodge, for ditto ditto		4 0 0
	For making and repairing Roads and Bridges, per Abstract and Warrants		9359 17 10
	This sum paid for Sundry demands against the the Province, per Abstract		61 0 8½
	Loss sustained in crediting £3000 Sterling, in British half Crowns, at 25s. in 1834, and subse- quently paying 24s.		180 0 0
			£59973 9 9½
			6956 11 6½
			£66929 15 4
	Balance		

ACCOUNT CURRENT WITH CHARLES W. WALLACE. CR.

Decr. 31st, 1834—By balance of Account rendered at this date £9239 3 0½
1835—Received from the Collector at Halifax

March Quarter	£6875
June Quarter	8000
September Quarter	7375
December Quarter	6877

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By received from the Collectors at the Out Ports, between 1st January
and 31st December, 1835

Liverpool	1025 1 11½
Pictou	727 5 8
Lunenburg	1145 3 10½
Yarmouth	1109 16 10½
Digby	142 10
Shelburne	340
Barrington	76 1 4
Colchester	— — —
Cumberland	224 2 6
Windsor	346 16 3
Argyle	31 14
Sydney	115 18 8
King's County	307 13 7
Annapolis	361 16 8
Weymouth	27 12 7½
Sydney, C. B.	890 10
Arichat	273 8 6
Port Hood	69
Pugwash	19 13
Brier Island	15 0 7½
Antigonish	36 10 9
Chester	12 19 3

7298 16 1½

Dec. 31st, 1835—Received from the Collector of His Majesty's Customs, on account of Duties, between 1st Jany. and 31st Dec. 1835.

£13,298 18 1

LIGHT DUTY.

By received from the Collector at Halifax

March Quarter	£154	3	4
June Quarter	274	12	0
September Quarter	237	7	1½
December Quarter	196	2	11

By received from the Out Port Collectors, between 1st Jany. and 31st Decr. 1835.

Sydney, N. S.	£42	11	3
Antigonish	9	14	3
Liverpool	139	16	11
Shelburne, 1835, and bal. of 1834	69	19	3½
Yarmouth, 1834, and on Acc't of 1835	190	3	11
Annapolis, 1834 and 1835	59	10	6
Pictou, 1834, balance and 1835	390	4	0
Argyle, 1834 and 1835	66	5	10
Weymouth, 1834 only	6	17	0
Digby, 1834 and 1835	53	19	6
Sydney, C. B. 1834 and 1835	468	3	3½
Arichat, on Acc't of 1834 and 1835	36	6	8
Hants' County	88	2	6
Colchester			
Amherst	34	5	8
Barrington, on Account	82	0	0
Lunenburg, balance of 1834 only	8	8	6
Chester	5	6	8
Brier Island	60	10	3
Pugwash, balance of 1834 and 1835	80	14	6
Gut of Canso	391	8	6

£3,147 4 5

Received from the Commissioner, on Account of Annapolis County Loan

333 3 0

Received from the Commissioner and Treasurer of the Savings' Bank

4000 0 0

This sum received from the Collector of the Customs, under the Passengers Act

177 10 9

Received from the Collector of Hants' County, on Acc't of Seizures

58 0 0

Received from ditto, for Penalties imposed for breach of Revenue Laws

200 0 0

£66,929 15 4

Errors Excepted.

TREASURER'S OFFICE, }
Halifax, 31st Dec. 1835.

(Signed) CHARLES W. WALLACE,
Treasurer.

No. 3.

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PROVINCIAL SECRETARY'S OFFICE, Halifax, 29th January, 1836.

SIR—

I have the honor, by command of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, to transmit to you, to be laid before the House of Assembly, the accompanying Despatch from His Grace the Duke of Wellington, conveying the gratifying intelligence that His Majesty's Government intended to embrace the earliest opportunity of transmitting to this Province—as a token of regard felt by the Mother Country—a Set of the Works published in England by the Record Commissioners.

By the last Packet a Case, containing the remainder of the Records, was received—these, with two Cases previously received, complete the series. And I am instructed to inform you that presses have been fitted up for the present, in the Committee Room of His Majesty's Council, for their reception; and that they are accessible every day in the week, from 11 o'clock in the morning, until 3 in the afternoon.

I have the honor to be, Sir,

Your most obedient, humble Servant,

THOMAS W. JAMES, D. S.

The Hon. the SPEAKER of the House of Assembly.

P. S.—A list of the Books is subjoined.

(Copy) SIR—

DOWNING-STREET, 1st December, 1834.

I have the honor to acquaint you that the attention of my Predecessor seems to have been drawn from various quarters, to the gratification which would be experienced in the principal British Possessions in North America, if they were provided with Sets of the Works published

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in England with so much care, and at so much expense, by the Record Commission. It is almost needless to say, that a strong wish was felt to seize so suitable an occasion of offering to His Majesty's Subjects in North America, a token of the regard felt for them by the Government of the Mother Country; and also, of furnishing them with the means of cherishing that interest, which it is to be hoped they may long retain, in the History and Institutions of this Kingdom. An application was therefore made to the Record Commissioners, and I have now the pleasure to acquaint you, that they will be ready to supply a sufficient number of their Publications, to afford one Copy to each British Colony on the Continent of North America, besides an extra Copy for the use of the important and flourishing City of Montreal. The Works will be forwarded to you with as little delay as possible. It must devolve upon yourself, the task of selecting the place of deposit for the gift, merely remarking, that it should be a Public Library, of sufficient permanence, security and extent, to ensure the safe keeping of the Records, and to justify the donation, and that of course it should be a spot accessible to all Members of the Legislature.

I have the honor to be, &c. &c.

(Signed)

WELLINGTON.

MAJOR-GENERAL SIR C. CAMPBELL, K. C. B. &c. &c. &c.

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DOWNING STREET, 24th MAY, 1835.

SIR—

I have had the honor to receive your Despatch of the 16th January, transmitting an Address to His Majesty from the House of Assembly of Nova-Scotia, praying that certain Ports in that Province, may be made Free Ports. I have also had under my consideration your Despatch of the 21st February, enclosing a further Memorial from certain Persons interested in the Trade of Digby, praying that that Port may be constituted a Free Warehousing Port. These Despatches, with their inclosures, have been referred for the consideration of the Lords of the Committee of Privy Council for Trade and Foreign Plantations, and I transmit to you copies of the correspondence which has taken place upon the subject. I need hardly assure you that, in the consideration of the Addresses which you have transmitted, His Majesty's Government have felt every desire to afford to the Inhabitants of Nova-Scotia all practicable facilities for the extension of their Trade; but, at the same time, it was not possible to overlook the difficulties which would attend a compliance with the Address from the Assembly. Under these circumstances, the Lords of the Committee of Privy Council for Trade and Plantations were induced to revert to the subject of the Duties at present levied upon Flour and Provisions imported into Nova-Scotia; and it has appeared to them that, if those Articles were allowed to be imported into that Province, upon the same free terms upon which they are admitted into the Canadas, the Commissioners of the Customs would be enabled, without the appointment of the Free Ports which have been applied for, to make arrangements, under which every material object which the Inhabitants of the Province have in view, may be effected. In the opinion thus expressed by their Lordships, I have concurred, and it is therefore their Lordships intention to introduce a clause into the Customs' Bill of the present Session, for removing the Duties at present levied in Nova-Scotia, upon the importation of Flour and Provisions; and, in contemplation of the freedom of Trade which will be thus conferred upon the Districts in which Free Ports have been prayed for, their Lordships are of opinion that no further appointments of Ports should be made, until full time shall have been given to the proposed measure, nor unless fresh and more urgent necessity, than has hitherto appeared for such appointments, in particular cases, shall be satisfactorily shewn.

I have the honor to be, Sir,
Your most obedient Servant,
(Signed)

GLENELG.

Major-General Sir COLIN CAMPBELL,
K. C. B. & C. & C. & C.

(Copy)

DOWNING STREET, 24th FEBRUARY, 1835.

SIR—

I am directed by the Earl of Aberdeen to transmit to you the Copy of a Despatch from the Lieutenant-Governor of Nova-Scotia, enclosing an Address from the House of Assembly to His Majesty, praying that certain Ports in the Province may be made Free Ports; and I am to request that you will lay this Communication before the Lords of the Committee of Privy Council for Trade, for their Lordships consideration. I am, &c.

(Signed)

A. E. GLADSTONE.

T. LACK, Esq. & C. & C. & C.

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OFFICE OF COMMITTEE OF PRIVY COUNCIL FOR TRADE,
Whitehall, 12th March, 1835.

SIR—

The Lords of the Committee of Privy Council for Trade having had under their consideration the Address of the House of Assembly of Nova-Scotia to His Majesty, transmitted in your Letter of the 24th ult. in which, among other things, a great desire is expressed that many places in that Colony, enumerated in the Address, may be constituted Free Ports;—their Lordships were induced to advert to certain distinctions in respect of Duties on Flour and Provisions, made by the Act of 1831, between Nova-Scotia, New-Brunswick, Prince Edward Island and the Canadas; and their Lordships, bearing in mind the extreme regret felt by this Committee at the time of the passing of that Act, when it was understood that the Secretary of State for the Colonies held it to be necessary to retain those Duties a little longer in the first mentioned places, have requested me to direct that you will bring that subject now under the consideration of Lord Aberdeen. The Lords of the Committee are anxious that the North American Colonies should be all placed upon one and the same footing, as nearly as possible, so far as they are to be affected by re-

gulations established by the Imperial Legislature. The Duties on Flour and Provisions are properly Duties of Regulation only, and are levied by Parliament according to the condition of the Act of Declaration, and under the recommendation of this Department : their Lordships are therefore unwilling that, after the purpose of regulation for which those Duties were imposed has been relinquished, they should be continued on as Duties of Revenue. Their Lordships have reason to believe, that if Flour and Provisions were admissible into Nova-Scotia and New-Brunswick free of Duty, as they are into Canada, the Inhabitants of the various Creeks in the Bay of Fundy would care little about the success of their application for Ports ; and, independently of this consideration, their Lordships are of opinion that such freedom from Duty is called for by a just regard to the true interests of those Colonies.—For these reasons, and before their Lordships proceed to state their opinions upon the whole of the matter contained in the Memorial, I am directed to request that you will move Lord Aberdeen to inform the Lords of this Committee, whether the circumstances, which, in 1831, prevented the removal of the Duties in question, have so far ceased to operate, as that their Lordships may, in their final decision upon the Memorial, proceed under the assumption that those Duties will no longer be an impediment to the arrangement they would wish to recommend. I am, &c. (Signed) THOMAS LACK.

A. E. GLADSTONE, Esq. &c.

(COPY.)

DOWNING-STREET, 6th APRIL, 1835.

SIR—

I am directed by the Earl of Aberdeen to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 12th ult. in answer to mine of the 24th February, transmitting a Petition from the House of Assembly of Nova-Scotia, praying that certain places within that Province may be constituted Free Ports. You state that, in the consideration of this Petition, the Lords of the Committee of Privy Council for Trade and Plantations have taken occasion to revert to the subject of the Duties on Flour and Provisions imported into Nova-Scotia, New-Brunswick and P. E. Island, which were retained at the time when the corresponding Duties in the Canadian Provinces were abolished ; and you express their Lordships desire to be informed whether the causes are still in operation, which, in 1831, prevented the abolition of those Duties. You proceed to state that their Lordships are of opinion that the abolition of those Duties is called for by a just regard to the true interests of the Colonies ; and that, were this effected, the Inhabitants of the various Creeks on the Bay of Fundy would care little about the success of their application for Free Ports,—and you further observe, that the duties in question were originally imposed for the purpose of Regulation only, and are levied by Parliament under the recommendation of the Committee of Privy Council for Trade—and that the Lords of that Committee, are therefore unwilling that, after the purpose of regulation, for which they were imposed, has been relinquished, they should be continued on, as Duties of Revenue. Lord Aberdeen has taken into his consideration, the circumstances which have been brought under his notice, and he has further adverted to the fact that, were the prayer of these Petitions acceded to, it would become indispensable to increase, very largely, the establishment of Customs' Officers in the above named Provinces. The expense which must thus be incurred must undoubtedly be much greater than the Revenue at present derived from the Duties on Flour and Provisions : and altho' the retention of those Duties, might perhaps be not unfavorably received in the principal Ports of those Provinces, he is inclined to believe that it must be far less advantageous to the general population, who can derive no benefit from the monopoly thus established, to compensate them for the want of an unlimited and cheap supply of the necessaries of life. His Lordship, therefore, is disposed to concur in the opinion expressed by the Lords of the Committee of Privy Council for Trade, that, the objects of regulation for which these Duties were imposed having ceased to exist, the Duties should not be retained as sources of Revenue.—But, in order to prevent any inconvenience which might be felt from their sudden extinction, Lord Aberdeen would propose, that the alteration in them should not come into effect until after the 1st January, 1836 ; by which means, sufficient time would be allowed to the Legislature of those Provinces to provide, should they so think fit, for the reduction in their Revenues, which will be occasioned by the abolition of them.

I am Sir, &c.

T. LACK, Esq.

(Signed)

R. W. HAY.

(COPY.)

OFFICE OF COMMITTEE OF PRIVY COUNCIL OF TRADE.

WHITEHALL, 16th APRIL, 1835.

SIR—

Your letter of the 6th inst. in answer to mine of the 12th ult. on the subject of the appointment of more Free Ports in the Province of Nova-Scotia, has been laid before the Lords of the Committee of Privy Council for Trade, who have directed me to state to you, for the information of Lord Aberdeen, that, as His Lordship sees no objection to the admission of Flour and

Provisions into Nova-Scotia, New-Brunswick and P. E. Island, upon the free terms upon which they are admitted into the Canadas ; provided the change do not take place before the 1st January next,—it is the intention of the Lords of this Committee to introduce into the Customs' amendment Bill of the present Session, a clause to that effect—and I am to add that, in contemplation of the freedom of Trade which will thus be conferred upon the Districts in which Free Ports have been prayed for, the Lords of this Committee are of opinion, that the Commissioners of the Customs will be enabled, without the appointment of such Ports, to make arrangements, under which every material object, which the Colonists have in view, may be effected ; and that, therefore, no further appointment of Ports should be made, until full time shall have been given for the proposed measure, nor unless fresh and more urgent necessity than has hitherto appeared for such appointment, in particular cases, shall be satisfactorily shewn.

I am, Sir,

R. W. HAY, Esq. &c. &c.

(Signed)

THOMAS LACK.

No. 5.

(SEE PAGE 908.)

THE Committee to whom was referred the Petition of John Story, praying an amendment of the Act for securing to him the exclusive right in a certain Slip or Railway for the use of Vessels, so as to extend the time for erecting and putting into operation the said Slip or Railway, for a further period than by said Act is limited, having considered the matters referred to them, find that the Petitioner is now prepared to carry the proposed measure into effect, and the exclusive right having been granted to him, the Committee are of opinion, that such privilege should not be hastily withdrawn ; they have therefore prepared, and report herewith a Bill, by which the period for erecting and putting into operation the said Slip or Railway is further extended to the first day of August next.

Committee Room, 3d February, 1836.

(Signed)

H. BELL, Chairman.

No. 6.

(SEE PAGE, 909.)

THE Committee on Mrs. Sarah Irwin's Petition have viewed the premises therein mentioned. The damage sustained by her is far beyond that done to any other from the same cause, amounting almost to a total loss, therefore, cannot be a precedent for similar claims.

The peculiar hardship of the case induces the Committee to recommend that some compensation should be granted.

[Signed]

H. Bell, Chairman ; W. H. Roach, John Morton.

No. 7.

(SEE PAGE, 909.)

To the Honorable the Speaker and Members of the House of Assembly of the Province of Nova-Scotia, convened at Halifax, 1836.

The Report of A. V. S. Forbes and John Murray, Trustees, appointed by the Executive, to report annually to the Legislature the expenditure of Monies granted for the support of the Yarmouth Academy, and likewise of the general state of that Institution.

RESPECTFULLY SHEWETH :

That the sum of One Hundred Pounds granted during the last Session of the Legislature for the support of the Yarmouth Academy, has been exclusively appropriated as a Salary for the Head Master.

That the number of Scholars attending the Academy is Fifty-nine, viz :

11 Latin, Mathematics, Geography, &c.

19 Grammar, English Composition, Geography, &c.

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25 English Grammar, Arithmetic, Reading, Writing, &c.
4 Reading, Writing, &c.

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Of which number Four are Free Scholars.

That the Institution continues to extend its usefulness, and merits the consideration and support of the Legislature.

(Signed)

A. V. S. Forbes, John Murray.

Yarmouth, 30th January, 1836.

No. 8.

(SEE PAGE, 911.)

REPORTS received of the necessary repairs and alterations of the Main Post Roads.

- No. 1 Mr. Crerar's Reports and Estimates of repairs and improvements required on the Great Eastern Post Road from Bell's, near Dartmouth, to the Line of the County of Sydney.
- 2 Mr. Taylor's Report of the state of the Post Road from Antigonish to Malignant Cove, and thence to the County Line.
- 3 Mr. Taylor's Plan of part of the Post Road from Guysborough to Antigonish, with proposed alterations.
- 4 Mr. Taylor's Report of the state of the Post Road from Guysborough to Antigonish.
- 5 Thomas Holland's Report of the Main Post Road from Chester to Margaret's Bay, and thence to Halifax.
- 7 John Munro's Report of the Post Roads in Cape-Breton.
- 8 Mr. Jacob G. Purdy's Report of the Main Post Road to Londonderry from Amherst.
- 9 John Munro's Report of the Main Post Road between the Three Mile House and the Half-way House, Windsor Road.
- 10 Whitman Freeman's Report of the Main Post Road and Bridges through Queen's County.
- 11 Mr. Lovett's Report of the state of the Main Road and Bridges from Bounds of King's County to Bear River.
- 12 Mr. Budd's Report of the state of the Main Post Road from Bear River through the Western part of the County of Annapolis, to bounds of Yarmouth.
- 13 J. Songster's Report of Chester Road to Falmouth.
- 14 Herbert Huntington's Report of the Main Post Road from Shelburne bounds to Yarmouth, and to the bounds of the County of Annapolis.
- 15 Colonel Gladwin's Report of the New Musquedoboit Road.
- 16 Mr. S. Morris's Report, &c. on the state of the Main Road from the bounds of Queen's County, through Lunenburg to Chester.
- 18 Copy of the Memorandum by Mr. Owen, on the Military Road from Halifax to Annapolis.
- 19 Mr. Johnston's Report of the state of the Main Road and Bridges, from the Bounds of Queen's County through Shelburne, to bounds of Township of Yarmouth.
- 20 John Elder's Report of the state of the Main Post Road from Half-way House through the Counties of Hants and King's County, to bounds of Annapolis County.

(No. 1.)

PICTOU, 12th JANUARY, 1836.

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY.

In compliance with Your Excellency's Commands, communicated to me by Letter from the Secretary's Office, of date 23th September last, I proceeded to examine the Main Eastern Post Road, from Bell's, near Dartmouth, to the District line of the County of Sydney. The season of the year at which my labours commenced, though attended with personal difficulties and much fatigue to the Surveyor, was yet particularly favourable for ascertaining the worst condition of the Roads, and thereby for estimating with some accuracy the expenditure which their improvement and repair would render necessary. I beg to assure Your Excellency that, in the execution of the duty entrusted to me, I proceeded with the utmost precision and care, as I trust the following sketch of my Surveys and Explorations will satisfactorily prove. The whole line has been divided into Sections, in accordance with the Instructions which I had the honor to receive, and to this Report I have attached an Appendix, shewing the cost at which the repairs or alterations which appear to me required may be affected on each Section. The Estimates I have endeavoured to prepare with every view to economy consistent with efficiency of work, and at the same time considering the financial condition of the Province. I have in the mean time only proposed repairs in many places where extensive change may at a future period be advantageously made.

I have prepared explanatory plans which accompany this Report, without which, I humbly presume, its purport would be very inadequately understood. These distinctly exhibit the entire Survey, and though not particularly demanded by my instructions, I would consider their absence as rendering my labours incomplete. As ordered, I commenced at Bell's, near Dartmouth; and I now respectfully submit the following general description of the Great Eastern Post Road, from near Halifax to the confines of Sydney County.

SECTION I.

Comprises the distance from Bell's to Fletcher's, a distance of 12 miles, 7 of which are inconveniently and dangerously narrow, the Road scarcely averaging a width of 15 feet. It is otherwise defective, by the side drains being filled up, the centre low and rough, and the cross drains being much too small, and deficient in number. The embankment at the South end of Beaver Dam Bridge, 3 miles from Dartmouth, extending to 68 yards, is where it joins the Bridge 6 feet high, and but 13 wide, this renders it exceedingly dangerous, and it becomes necessary to increase its width to at least 21 feet, and throughout the whole of this Section the Road should be widened to 20 feet, which leaves still but a narrow way for repassing Vehicles, when cumbersomely loaded. The three Bridges on Taylor's Saw Mill Brook are in such an insecure and decayed state, as to render their rebuilding early next Season indispensable for the public accommodation, the materials along this line are every where good, but being rough and rocky are difficult to work; this will render the first outlay of operations thereon somewhat expensive, but when these are properly conducted, durability is obtained, and a very trifling annual expense required to meet its natural decay, as well as the casualties of the weather. The Bridges not already mentioned are also in a passable state of repair.

SECTION II.

Extends from Fletcher's Bridge to Schultz's, a distance of about 4½ miles. This part of the line being originally formed to the width of from 20 to 22 feet, and well constructed, exhibits no considerable deficiencies. The side drains will demand being cleaned out, and the filling up of some ruts or cavities in the centre of the road will also be requisite. Materials are to be pretty conveniently had, so that the amount necessary to the repairs above mentioned will not be great.

SECTION III.

Embraces 4½ miles from Schultz's to Millar's, or Hall's Bridge, the whole of this distance was also originally formed of the proper width, and probably of the proper convexity, but the materials of its formation being of a soft adhesive clayey nature, the side drains being filled up, and the constant travelling upon it having worn down the centre, the road has become flat or rather concave, and is, in consequence, during spring and fall, deep and muddy.

I am not aware of any good gravel which can be found along this line, nearer than that exhibited on the accompanying plan No. 1, viz.—at Indian Point and Douglass Bridge, which will render gravelling very expensive. If funds cannot in the meantime be procured so as to gravel the Road, the side drains ought to be completely cleared, as well as the offset drains along the whole section, and any ruts or concavities should be filled up with the best materials that the road side can furnish. This would be required even should gravelling be determined upon.

SECTION IV.

From Hall's to Keys' extends to 5 miles, and for its condition, I beg leave to refer your Excellency to my Report on this Section, of date 13th September last.

SECTION V.

Includes a distance of about 10 miles from Keys' to near Blackwood's, upon the present road, and is a succession of very bad hills.—see Section No. 1, Black Rock Hill. All attempts at improving the present road would be a mere waste of Money, for the hills cannot be levelled; without this the present route cannot be preserved. I would therefore merely recommend that it be kept in a passable condition, until means be found for avoiding the hills altogether.

Mr. Wightman, some years ago, was employed for this purpose, and the black dotted line on the accompanying Map No. 1, points out the line which his exploration of the Country enabled him to propose.

The materials for road making along the whole of this line to the River Stewiacke, will probably be found of a similar nature with that described in Sections IV. & V.

It having always appeared to me to be more in accordance with the Laws of Civil Engineering to look for the improvement of this road somewhere between the present line and the River, I determined upon proving the correctness of my opinion. Having lately explored the Country in the direction of the red dotted line, I have the satisfaction to state that my expectations were even more than realized.

The whole of this distance is level enough for a rail road, with the advantage of excellent gravel at several points, as will appear by the Map.—This route is about a mile shorter than Mr. Wightman's, and may be divided and completed at four different times, so that the public may avail themselves of the benefit of each section as soon as finished, by means of the cross roads intersecting it at Carrol's, Farquhar's, M'Donald's, and Bentley's Mills: These improvements will be better understood by reference to the Map.

The entire distance can be as easily wrought as a road generally is which passes through wilderness, with the exception of the point of the black rock, which is composed of Plaister of Paris, and two other points upon the bank of the brook above Bentley's mills, which are of a similar formation.

At first view, these difficulties might seem highly objectionable, but when it is considered that the gypsum can be quarried and used as top mettle, at no great expense, when no better material can be found, the objection disappears. Plaister is certainly not the best material for road making; but where there is no

very heavy traffic, I am induced to think that it will form a tolerably fair road, I am informed that it is employed on the roads in the vicinity of Windsor, with advantage, and it is frequently used for a like purpose in England and France. Mr. Wightman, in a letter to the Speaker of the House of Assembly, has borne testimony to the superiority of this line over the one first proposed by him, as being shorter, more level, and easier made.

SECTION VI.

From near Blackwood's to within a half a mile of Oughterson's lake, a distance of upwards of nine miles, and at the point where the Brookfield road should strike, I would propose to keep the present line of road, with the exception of two places where improvements may be made. The nature of the alterations which I would at these places propose is shewn upon the Map, No. 1, by the red dotted line, at Cotton's hill, and from Sibley's to Stewiacke, abundance of good gravel can be obtained along this section. The abutments of the Stewiacke Bridge are in such a state of decay as to require early attention.

SECTION VII.

This section extends from where I propose that the Brookfield road strike the present one, near Oughterson's, to the end of the new road made last Summer, including a distance of about 3 miles. That part of the Brookfield road which has been formed is on a very level line, and may be made excellent, from the abundance and proximity of good materials. The Truro Bridge stands in need of some little repairs, which, if early made, will avert the heavier expense which neglect will undoubtedly occasion.

SECTION VIII.

The present Road from Truro to Salmon River Inn is entitled to particular attention, from its peculiar difficulties. It includes a distance of about 13 miles, passing through a succession of nearly parallel Vallies—some of these ravines are exceedingly deep and contracted, as will appear by the accompanying Sections Nos. 2, 3 and 4.

The Banks of the Brooks or Rivulets, over which the present Road passes, are in every instance deep and precipitous, and crossing it at right angles, no improvements can be made upon this line without incurring an enormous expense, and, in my estimation, without even then effecting advantages proportioned to the outlay. It is therefore my opinion that it should be merely maintained passable, and that steps should forthwith be taken to explore the whole line of Country between the two extremes of this Section, with extreme minuteness and accuracy, with the view of avoiding the present hills and ravines by the discovery of a more safe and level route.

In 1827 I submitted to His Excellency Sir James Kempt a plan for improving this Section of the Road. I have since began to think that it would not be so advantageous as I then thought it would be, on account of two long inclined Planes, not far from the two extremes, each about a mile long, with a rise and fall of about a foot in 20.

SECTION IX.

From Salmon River to Reid's, at Mount Thom, has been recently made anew—the side Drains require clearing, some of the Cross Drains are falling in, and the centre is flattening—the length of this Section is upwards of 10 miles.

SECTION X.

This Section includes a distance of $5\frac{1}{2}$ miles, extending from Reid's, at the north end of the New Road round Mount Thom, to the 10 mile Inn, and abounds in long heavy hills, crossing the 8 mile Brook at a deep ravine, over which the Kempt Bridge has been thrown. This Bridge, which is upwards of 300 feet long and 40 feet high, is in a most dangerous state, and the public safety imperatively calls for immediate attention being drawn to it;—passing it has been for the last Season a subject of apprehension to Travellers. This Bridge is so peculiarly situated that it cannot well be repaired without entirely stopping the public communication—for there is no point on the 8 mile Brook where it would be passable during the progress of the necessary repairs. To avoid this Bridge altogether, as well as the hills already mentioned, I would recommend that the Mount Thom Road should be continued along the Valley from Reid's, by the Salt Springs, as shewn by the red dotted line on Map No. 2. If funds could be procured for making this proposed Road from Reid's to Widow Ross's, and for throwing a Bridge over the 8 mile Brook near its junction with the West River, during the ensuing Summer, then the public would have the advantage of the Salt Spring's Roads from the Point already stated, until its junction with the present Main Road near the 10 mile Inn. This would serve a useful purpose until means for completing the whole line could be obtained. I beg particular attention to the Plans referring to this subject, for it is one of much importance, alike to this District, and to the more Eastern Counties and Districts.

SECTION XI.

This Section extends from the 10 mile Inn, so called, to within $1\frac{1}{2}$ mile of the Town of Pictou, a distance of about 9 miles, although a better and more level line than the present can easily be had; yet, in the state of the Public Funds, and considering the greater claims of worse Roads, I would propose no immediate alteration in the existing one. Good materials can be had at several places to keep it in good repair, without incurring any extraordinary expense, and being exceedingly well settled throughout its entire distance, I think the Statute Labour, if properly applied, might preserve its efficiency.

SECTION XII.

From Fisher's Grant, Ferry Wharf, opposite the Town of Pictou, to Sutherland's River in Merigomish, a distance of $11\frac{1}{2}$ miles, is for the greater part, a succession of steep ascents and descents, as the whole line

requires to be changed, in order to obtain a proper, good or level, Road, it would be unadvisable to incur any further expense upon the present Road, than that which is indispensable for keeping the communication with the Eastward passable. The Commissioner appointed to build the Big Gut Bridge is well known as a worthy and respectable man, but destitute of all theoretical or practical knowledge of the work in which he engaged, he has succeeded in placing the Bridge in a situation the most extraordinary of any which has hitherto come under my observations.

SECTION XIII.

From Sutherland's Bridge to Finlayson's, a distance of $5\frac{1}{2}$ miles, see Map No. 3; a new line has been projected, of which $3\frac{1}{2}$ miles have been made with good and substantial Bridges over Sutherland's and the French Rivers. There are about $1\frac{1}{2}$ miles of the contemplated improvement yet to be made, as will be seen by the Map above referred to, viz:—From Ben. Jones' to a short distance beyond Angus's Gut. It were very desirable that this Section should be completed during the coming Summer.

SECTION XIV.

On this Section, from Finlayson's to Bailey's Brook, a distance of nine Miles, there are several steep hills which it were desirable to avoid. These occur at Bainamonay, at Huggan's, at Copeland's, at Smith's, at Bailey's Brook, with several others of lesser note. The Inhabitants on this Section represented the state of these Roads to His Excellency Sir Peregrine Maitland, while administering the Government of this Province, who was induced thereby to order an actual and careful survey. This duty His Excellency was pleased to entrust to me, and I accordingly submitted a plan of said Road, from Ben. Jones' to Bailey's Brook.

The improvements which I had the honor to lay before His Excellency are represented by the dotted line upon Map No. 3. Though these improvements were approved of by the Governor in Council; that part of the projected amendments which extend from Jones' to Finlayson's was alone acted upon.

The change of line towards, and the execution of, the French River Bridge, gave to the people of Merigomish, as well as to the public at large, so much satisfaction, that a Petition was presented to His Honor the President, during the Session of Assembly 1834, from the whole extent of the Settlement, with the solitary exception of an Inn Keeper, on the old line, praying that the improvements proposed in my plan of survey should be established according to Law. Their Representatives were with equal unanimity addressed and requested to give their support and assent to the same. The new Bridge across Huggan's Gut has been built in the direction of the proposed line, as will appear by the red on Map No. 3.

The greater part of the Road, unfinished or rather untouched, goes through a thickly peopled Settlement; the Inhabitants are of the belief that had the sanction of Law been obtained, the Road, in a few years, would be cast up by means of Statute Labour, without requiring from Government any aid, excepting the building of Bridges. The materials for Road building are good throughout the line. This proposed alteration having already received the approbation of Sir Peregrine Maitland, in Council, I think it would be desirable to confirm said Road by the usual method of appointing Appraisers to value damages, and thus enable the Settlers to expend their Statute Labour upon it in the course of next Summer. The Bailey's Brook Bridge has been carried away by a freshet, Decr. last, and is now temporally built to accommodate the travelling in the mean time; a new Bridge will require to be built there next Summer, and the Road altered to avoid the hills at both ends, see Map, No. 3.

SECTION XV.

This Section merely embraces the short distance between Bailey's Brook and the boundary line, which separates the Counties of Halifax and Sydney, and is an extent of 2 miles; it requires no present alteration, and the Statute Labour appears to have done a good deal to keep it in a passable state of travelling.

In conclusion, I would beg leave to recommend that the whole distance between Dartmouth and Pictou, should be made upon the most approved principles, and when thus made, as the annual repairs would not be great, to pass an Act, making it imperative upon the different Settlements through which the Road passes, to keep the public communication in the same good condition, with the exception of the Bridges, which might be maintained and supported at the expense of Government.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your most obed't, humble servant,

(Signed)

PETER CRERAR.

To His Excellency Major-General SIR COLIN CAMPBELL, K. C. B. &c. &c. &c.

Estimate of the probable Expense of the Repairs and Improvements mentioned in the accompanying Report.

No. of Section.	REPAIRS AND IMPROVEMENTS	Estimate of Repairs.	Estimate of Improvements.
I	Widening the Embankment at Beaver Dam Bridge. Building the Bridges at Taylor's Saw Mill Brook, and making common repairs along the whole length of this Section	£190	
	Making the above improvements at Beaver Dam and Taylor's Saw Mill Bridges, and widening the whole extent of this Section to 20 feet, and forming it complete		£870
II	Cleaning side and cross drains, gravelling, &c.	97	
III	Cleaning side drains and filling up ruts, and making common repairs	65	
IV	Gravelling (which is very inconvenient and scarce) and making the two Sections substantial		950
V	Repairing the old road		75
	Making the new 1st Section from Keys' to Carrol's	£1000	
	2d do. Carrol's to Farquhar M'Donald's	600	
	3d do. Farquhar M'Donald's to Benley's Mill and building Bridge	750	
	4th do. Benley's Mill to Mr. Blackwood's	1150	
VI	Repairing road from near Mr. Blackwood's to junction of Brookfield road		67 10
	Repairing and making improvements at Cotton's hill, and from Sibley's to Stewiacke, and repairing Bridge		517
VII	Making Brookfield road and repairing to Truro and Truro Bridge		650
VIII	Repairing the road from Truro to Salmon River Inn		65 10
	Making a road the whole distance will at least cost		3000
IX	Repairing the new road round Mount Thom from Salmon River Inn to Reid's	70	
X	Repairing road from Reid's to Ten Mile Inn	25	
	Making new road by Salt Springs, as proposed in Report		75 0
XI	Repairing road from Ten Mile Inn to near Pictou Town	45	
XII	Repairing road from Fisher's Grant to Sutherland's River	50	
XIII	Making improvements from Ben. Jones' to Angus's Gut		450
XIV & XV	Repairing road from Finlayson's to the Sydney line, and building a good substantial Bridge across Bailey's Brook, and improving the road at both ends		280
		699	10967

NOTE.—Ten per Cent. for Contingencies should be added.

(Signed)

PETER CRERAR.

(No. 2.)

Report of the present State of the Post Road from the Town of Antigonish to the County Line, Gulf Shore.

SECTION NO. 1.

From the Court-House at Antigonish, to the Cross Roads at Malignant Cove, 19 miles.

The first mile and a half of this Section extending from the Court-House to Baxter's Bridge, so called, is within the limits of the Commissioners of Streets, and is well formed and drained; about a mile of it is gravelled, and the remainder can be done at a small expense, as gravel is quite convenient. There is a small hill near the Bridge which the Commissioners intend to have altered, and the remaining part of the road gravelled next Season. They have also contracted for the re-building of Baxter's Bridge in a substantial manner before the end of May next, for £22, to be paid out of the Licence Funds of the Town. The remaining half of the second mile is in a good state of repair, about 80 rods of it will require to be gravelled.

3d MILE—The road requires to be altered for about the half of this mile to avoid three small hills. The alteration has been marked out, and about 60 rods of it opened and formed. The remaining half mile is in a good state of repair. To complete the alteration will cost about £40 0 0

4th MILE—Is in a bad state of repair. The road requires to be altered the extent of this mile, to avoid a tract of very uneven surface over which it at present runs. The Line has been explored and marked, and the damages assessed to the owners of the soil. The new line is mostly on dry hard soil, and will require but little gravelling—about 100 rods of it is through cleared land, the remainder is through wood land—probable cost of completing this alteration 80 0 0

NOTE.—The third and fourth miles the road yet chiefly follows the old North Grant road.

5th MILE—This is the commencement of the new line, and has been recently opened; it is yet narrow and imperfectly drained. To open it to its proper breadth and complete it, including top dressing, will require about 25 0 0

6th MILE—Is dry soil, the road well formed and in good repair. There is a considerable elevation at Grant's Farm, which would be greatly amended by altering the road for about 80 rods, and carrying it a small distance to the Eastward through his clearing. Damages have been assessed for this alteration, and the probable expense of making it will be about 20 0 0

7th, 8th & 9th MILES—The road is in good repair, about 1½ miles is gravelled, and the remainder can be done at a moderate expense, as good materials are convenient. To complete this will require about 20 0 0

In the seventh mile there is a Bridge of 116 feet in length, built three years ago, in a very substantial manner, by Mr. Harrington, the Commissioner: it is still in excellent repair. The new line terminates at the end of the 9th mile, where it joins the old Gulf road, where the intended alterations and improvements before mentioned are completed; it will be an easy Carriage road, and probably the best that can be obtained in that direction, unless at an expense far exceeding any available means for its completion.

10th & 11th MILES—This is part of the original Gulf road, is very level, and in general dry soil, but has not been well formed, and both side and cross drains are at present much out of repair. M'Dougald's Bridge, in the 10th mile, is very much decayed, and hardly passable: It will require to be re-built next Season, and cost about	10 0 0
This part of the road is, in wet weather, the worst of the whole Section, and most in need of repair. In addition to the Statute Labor of the Settlers for next year, to put it in good repair and form, will probably cost	30 0 0
12th & 13th MILES—The road is dry and well formed, but there are bad hills rising on each side, from two small brooks which can be avoided or greatly amended by short alterations at each, which will cost, say	20 0 0
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	£245 0 0

NOTE.—The most necessary to be done at the present, of the above are

1st M'Dougald's Bridge, in 10th mile	£10 0 0
2d Repairs and improvements of 10th & 11th miles	30 0 0
3d Alteration in 3d mile	40 0 0
5th Do. 4th mile	80 0 0

Amounting in all to £160 0 0

SECTION NO. 2.

From the Cross Roads at Malignant Cove to the County Line, 9½ miles.

The Road throughout this Section is well drained, and generally dry and well formed, but there are a number of steep hills, particularly at Doctor's Brook, McDonald's Brook, at Arisaig, McAdam's Brook, at Moydard, and McCara's Brook; these and several hills of lesser importance at present form insuperable obstacles to an easy carriage Road; several of them might be avoided or greatly amended, but until an accurate survey of the necessary alterations for that purpose is made, and the lines marked, no estimate of even the probable expense of making them, can be formed.

It is much to be feared that, with every practicable alteration, the hills that will remain, and be unavoidable on this Section of the Road, with its very circuitous direction, will ever form serious objections to its usefulness, as a great leading Road to the Eastern Section of the Province. The Bridge at Doctor's Brook is very much out of repair, and hardly passable; a contract has been made to repair it next Spring, and, in the mean time, to keep it passable for £12 10.

This Contract has been undertaken upon the responsibility of Robert N. Henry, Esquire, Deputy Post-Master for the District, and was required for the safety of Travellers and the Public; no Legislative provision has yet been made for it.

(Signed) WENTWORTH TAYLOR.

13th January, 1836.

(No. 3.)

Report of a Survey and Exploration made by Wentworth Taylor and Aaron D. Harrington, in August, 1835, of a new line of Road from Antigonish over the Mountain by Bailey's Brook to Merigomishe.

A Plan of the old Mountain Road is herewith annexed.

From the Town to Campbell's Bridge, at the foot of the Mountain, 3½ miles, one mile and a half of this is on the Gulf Road, to Baxter's Bridge, from that, Campbell's Bridge is two miles, of a pretty well made Road, but there are some bad hills upon it, which will make it necessary to alter nearly the whole distance between these Bridges; a good level may be obtained, either by following up near the River, or going further Northward than the present Road, as marked on the Plan; by the survey, it has been ascertained, that from Campbell's Bridge, the Eastern side of the Mountain may be ascended, with a rise not exceeding one foot in 25, by the dotted line marked A. on the Plan, and the Western side at Bailey's Brook, with the same rise excepting a short distance at B, in which the rise is one foot in 20; between the opposite sides or summits of the Mountain, the route explored is in general level, or very moderately rising and falling with some easy side hill slopes. The soil for the most part is dry and gravelly, and capable of forming a good Road, at a comparatively moderate expense, with the exception of several small Bridges, which will be necessary in ascending the ravine through which Bailey's Brook runs; there are only two other very small streams to cross between Campbell's Bridge and Barney's River, and there is abundance of excellent Timber at all the places where these small Bridges are necessary. The distance by this line, from the Court House at Antigonish, to Murray's Bridge, does not exceed 20 miles—by the present Post Road the distance is said to be 30 miles.

The rate of ascent on both sides of the Mountain has been taken, and it has been fully ascertained, that a good and sufficiently level line can be obtained throughout the whole distance, but before commencing to open it, should it be adopted with the intention of making it the Post Road, it will be indispensably necessary that a more particular survey and exploration should be made to fix every part of the line in the best possible situation. This, the small sum granted for the service, and expended in making the survey to which this report refers, did not permit to be done; for this purpose a further grant of Twenty Pounds will be necessary.

To open this line, and make it passable for Wheel Carriages, from Campbell's Bridge to Bailey's Brook, and from thence to Brown's Mills, at Barney's River, will probably cost from £100 to £120 per mile, Bridges included, the distance is about 14 miles; from Brown's Mills to Murray's Bridge is already a good road.

From the Town of Antigonish on this road, to the County line is 11½ miles, the remainder of it, say 9½ miles is within the District of Pictou.

(Signed) WENTWORTH TAYLOR.

13th January, 1836.

(No. 4.)

REPORT of the present state of the Road from Guysborough to Carter's Ferry, at the Gut of Canso, and from thence to the Ferry above Cape Porcupine, on the Post Road, Ship Harbor to Antigonishe.

No. 1.

Proposed Bridge over Milford Haven Narrows.

From Guysborough to Imlay's brook, on the Post Road to Antigonish, is 3½ miles of good Carriage road; at this brook the lower Narrows, so called, of Milford Haven River, is about 300 feet wide, and about 25 feet deep, in the deepest part at high tide, but for a considerable part of the distance

across, is from 10 to 15 feet. It has, for several years past been considered of great importance that a bridge should be erected here, to facilitate the intercourse between the Settlements on both sides of Chedabucto Bay and Milford Haven River, and also, to connect the communication from the Gut of Canso and from Cape-Breton, with the Southern road leading from the Town of Guysboro', through St. Mary's and Musquedobit to Halifax. As this bridge would be of great and immediate benefit to nearly the whole population of the Townships of Guysborough, Manchester and Milford, and more remotely to the adjacent Township of Wilmot, and to the inhabitants of Cape-Breton, there is every reason to believe that a large subscription would be obtained for it, were there a prospect held out of Legislative aid to complete it, and particularly should the importance of the Southern road to all this Section of the Province be duly appreciated, and efficient measures adopted for its improvement, the necessity for the bridge over Milford Haven River, as an important part of this great communication, would insure a liberal advance on the part of the Population towards its erection.

It has been calculated that £500 would be necessary to construct a substantial wooden bridge, with a drawbridge to admit the passage of Vessels, and to secure the whole from the effects of a strong tide which runs through these Narrows, and from the operation of the weather; of this sum it is confidently expected that at least £150 may be raised by subscription.

A reference to the plan which accompanies this Report will assist in forming a correct idea of the importance of the proposed bridge, and of its intended site, in reference to the road to which this Report is more particularly intended to apply.

No. 2.

Bridge place to Clam Harbor River, 3½ Miles.

From the proposed bridging place a level and nearly direct line may be obtained to fall into the present road, from Boylston to the Gut of Canso, at or near the rear line of the town plot of Boylston, and about one mile by the present road from the Ferry landing; this would avoid a very bad hill rising from the water on the present road, after passing which, the road, to the end of this Section, is in passable repair, and with the exception of two short steep hills which may be greatly amended by short alterations, is tolerably level.

No 3.

Clam Harbor Bridge to Goose River, 4½ Miles.

The bridge on Clam Harbor River is yet in good repair, after passing it the road for the first mile is in very bad repair, and runs over three high steep hills, all of which may be in a great measure avoided, by altering the road a short distance to the Northward of its present Site, and nearer to the river. To effect this alteration and make it a good Carriage road would probably cost £80.

After passing these hills the road is in general level to Goose Harbor River, the soil is for the most part dry and hard, but the road has never been drained, and many parts of it but very slightly levelled, it is hardly passable for wheel Carriages of any kind. To complete the remainder of this Section would cost at least £150.

No. 4.

Goose River to King Creek, 2½ Miles.

The road is in pretty good repair, and a considerable part of it well made, but in the first mile and a half of it there are a number of very steep hills, which will make it necessary to alter the whole of this distance, a good level line may be obtained at a little distance north of the present road, the remainder of the Section is passably level.

The bridges on Goose river, Stewart's Creek and King Creek are all out of repair, and will require to mend them properly, say £20.

To alter 1½ mile and make the whole Section a good road £120.

No. 5.

King Creek to Anderson's, 3½ Miles.

The whole of this Section is a bad road, it has been opened many years ago, and the surface levelled, but, except a few inconsiderable spots, it is yet without drains of any kind, and the soil, for the greater part, very wet and stony, and there are a number of hills, to avoid which it will be necessary to alter the line in several places to a considerable extent. To make a good road of this Section will require at least £300.

There are also on it four small bridges which are in a very bad state, and require immediate repair, which will cost about £10.

This Section terminates the road from Boylston to the Gut of Canso, in all 13½ miles, to which add ½ mile from the proposed bridge place to the commencement of the road, makes 13 miles, and 3½ miles from the bridge place to Guysborough, 17½ miles from Guysborough to the Gut of Canso.

No. 6.

Anderson's to Carter's Ferry, 2½ Miles.

This part of the road leading along the Gut shore is pretty level, and is barely passable for carts, the soil is dry and hard, and the road in general dry, but it will require to be widened and much improved to make it a good Carriage road.

At this Ferry the Gut of Canso is three quarters of a mile wide, and can be crossed at all seasons, in which crossing at any other part of the strait is practicable; it is one fourth shorter and much less exposed to winds and waves than the Ferry above Cape Porcupine, and in winter, as soon as the ice at the latter accumulates and becomes passable for men or horses, the Gut becomes clear and can be passed with safety at Carter's Ferry.

Carter's Ferry to Ship Harbour, on Cape-Breton side.

After crossing at this Ferry, the distance to Ship Harbor and to the Post Road leading to Arichat and Sydney, is about 4 miles—it is not yet passable for Carriages, and its direction is very circuitous. The distance, on a direct line from the Ferry to the head of Ship Harbor, is about 2½ miles, and from that to the Post Road ½ mile; and, in the event of this being made a great public road, it is likely that a much more direct line than the present may be found.

No. 7,

Carter's Ferry to McNair's Cove, on the west side of the Gut, 4½ miles.

This part of the Road along the western side of the Gut of Canso, is in general dry and passable for Horses or Foot Passengers, but not for Wheel Carriages of any kind. The Bridges at Sleep Creek and Pirate Cove, are both impassable for Horses or Cattle. That at Sleep Creek is irreparable—and the ravine over which it is thrown, being very deep and precipitous, cannot be passed without the bridge. To erect it in a proper manner, it will require to be 100 feet long, and 25 feet high—and cannot be substantially built for less than £30. To repair the bridge at Pirate Cove will also require £30. It is extremely necessary that both these bridges should be done next Season, as the road is almost useless without them.

No. 8.

McNair's Cove to the Ferry above Cape Porcupine, 3 Miles.

A narrow path was opened many years ago, round and partly over the rear of Porcupine Hill—it has ever since been left in that state, and can, with difficulty, be found and passed by Foot Passengers; but, not by Horses or Cattle. From McNair's Cove to Porcupine Lake—about half the extent of the Section is good level ground for a road, but the remainder of it crosses a number of high rocky ridges, and has a long and rapid descent to the shore above the Cape. By keeping along the eastern side of the Lake, and of the stream which runs from it and falls into the Gut at the Ferry landing, it is probable a good line may be found.

It is most desirable that this road should be opened to afford a continued line of communication round the shore from Guysborough to Tracadie, and to connect the adjacent Settlements on that line, which heretofore have been separated, and left without any passable road communication with each other. To explore and open a narrow road through this Section, and make it passable for Horses and Cattle in Summer, and for Sleds in Winter, will probably cost £100.

All of which is humbly submitted to His Excellency's consideration, and to that of the Honorable Legislature.

Guysborough, 25th January, 1836.

WENTWORTH TAYLOR.

[No. 5.]

TO T. W. JAMES, ESQUIRE, DEPUTY-SECRETARY.

In submitting the accompanying reports of the Post Road from Chester, by the head of St. Margaret's Bay, I would respectfully suggest, that, in making the Road according to the estimates, every exertion and foresight will be necessary in the persons who are appointed Commissioners to expend the money. I have made my estimates for forming the Road 10 or 12 feet wide, sufficiently even and dry for a Carriage Road. This must be done by indefatigable Commissioners, who will think nothing of a little loss of time, in first framing the Road or staking it out in as straight a line as possible, and leaving no abrupt turnings; and particularly, taking notice whether the materials can be got sufficient while forming the Road by side drains, or filling up little hollows in dry places where there wants no drains—by this means, the men can be put to work, and not a blow struck in vain. For want of these necessary precautions, I have known Commissioners, honest and industrious, throw away half the labour of their men by digging up on the side of the Road abundance of hard

materials which they made no use of, and by digging and hammering on the Road without a line to go by, and by which means their work was so crooked. These suggestions are humbly submitted by

Your most obedient, and very humble servant,

THOMAS HOLLAND,

Deputy-Surveyor and Road Commissioner.

St. Margaret's Bay, 20th Jany. 1836.

The first Section of the Post Road from Chester, round the head of St. Margaret's Bay, begins at Lovett's, in Chester Town, and continues to the East River Bridge, the distance five and a half miles—the traverse was taken from the River, towards Chester,—the first mile from the Bridge is extremely crooked, with very steep hills, and presents the most difficult part for alteration, so as to bring it in a tolerable level line, of any part on the whole line from Chester to Halifax. The only way which it can be effectually done will be to strike along the shore southerly, and cross two small Islands and get on the main, then follow the shore round a small cove, until it comes to a steep hill which terminates at the shore; then to follow along the side of the hill until it comes to the road, a little before it comes to the one mile post, where the worst of the abrupt turnings and steep pinches would be avoided; but to have the hills completely cut off would be to continue to the north of the road round a hill at the first mile—then follow the road which is here on a level until it comes to the foot of Frail's hill, then by a sweep southerly, it would entirely cut off that hill: there is a dotted line which in some measure represents the alteration. Although it will require three additional Bridges, in order to get on and off the Islands, I would respectfully submit my opinion that £250 would be sufficient to accomplish this desirable object,—the first mile is over a fast bound gravel—the second is mostly loam. From Frail's Bridge to Chester the road is very good, and the Bridges on the whole line of the Section are in good repair,—from Frail's Bridge the road is over loam mixed with blue slate.

The second Section from the East River to the County line, between Lunenburg and Halifax.—The first mile, and half of the second, is in good repair, and a sufficient Carriage Road; there are two streams on the first mile which cross the Road, running northerly, the rest of the Runs and Rivers run southerly, from Chester to English's corner, at the forks of the new Annapolis road—the remainder of the second mile, and to the end of the 2½ miles, will be made good for about £40. From the 8 miles to the end of the 10th mile, I had to shift the course 39 times, in taking the traverse on a very even part of the Country, some parts over excellent land, and which appears to present equal chance in one place as another for forming a road contiguous to the present line. I would here take the liberty of recommending a straight line to be run so as to cut through the zig zags on the line now existing on these two miles—which line should serve as a base line for forming the road, and adhered to as much as circumstances will admit. From the 10th mile to Sims' House, is over a bare part of the Country, being no wood—there are two small Bridges wanting: from Sims' to the place where the two Bridges are marked, east of the eleventh mile, is a hill which can be eased by inclining to the southward,—from thence to half the distance of the twelfth mile, will require casting up with good side drains and two or three cross drains, the other half of the mile and the twenty-six chains to the county line will be made a good dry carriage road with £5,—the whole expense of making this section a road fit to be travelled with a carriage, I think will be accomplished with the sum of £280. There are good materials for a road on the whole line—at the point where the County line intersects this road, I have made a magnetic north and south line, which is the case at the extremity of each Section.

The third Section from the County line to the Puddle Bridge, is 17 miles and seven chains from Chester at the Puddle Bridge. From the County line to the Bridge at Hibbert's, which is 13 miles from Chester—it wants casting up by side drains, about half the distance from the County line, and will require three or four cross drains,—the other part is dry and upon hard gravel, which will only want levelling. From Hibbert's Bridge to Foras' Beach, the beginning of which is 24 chains from the end of the 15 miles,—the road will have to be altered from the line represented in the traverse, it having been a road mostly made by the inhabitants, for the convenience of hauling: there are plenty of gravel and materials for forming that part of the road on its whole line—there will be several small Bridges wanting. From Foras' Beach to Wynaught's Beach, the road is on the shore of the Bay, except a short side and cross drain wanting, that part would be tolerable good; and from the Beach to the Puddle Bridge, is good more than half the distance—the other part has been torn away by currents on the side drain which has made a ditch in some places 8 feet wide and 4 feet deep,—the best way to remedy this will be to leave the present line, and to form a new road to the southward, which will ease the worst hill in this Section,—the Bridge at the puddle is in a dangerous state, being broken, and the whole of the top work rotten, the abutments are of stone. I think £250 will finish this Section.

The fourth Section is from the Puddle Bridge to Ingram's River. I have made a sketch of the shore from the Puddle bridge to Ingram's bridge. I did not traverse the road on this Section, because I had run a new line for a road three years ago, and the stakes and blazes on that line still

remain, and the line is easy found ; the old road went considerably more to the north than the new line, the dotted line is something in the form of the new, which considerably shortens the distance besides cutting off those hills which existed in the old road, where a carriage road could not be made. The distance of the new line is something more than two miles, the sum of £220, I am of opinion, will be sufficient to open and make this road ten or twelve feet wide, sufficient for a carriage road.

The fifth Section is from Ingram's River Bridge to the Indian River Bridge, distance four miles. The Bridge over Ingram's River is in good repair, there is a steep hill which can be eased greatly by going a little more northerly in the first mile. On the second mile there are three small Bridges and side drains wanting : it also passes over a quag-mire at the head of a small pond, which is five chains across ; it is nearly circular, and is bounded round the outside by a still-water three feet wide, which requires Bridges on each side to get upon it, and although it will bear Horses or horned cattle to walk over it, a person by jumping can shake it from one side to the other—there is no doubt but a safe and very substantial road can be made over it—it has already been travelled across twelve years, on a causeway of Fir and Spruce poles, and those materials are yet sound. The third mile is on a line of dry gravelly ground, there is a small Bridge wanting. On the fourth mile the Bridge over the Smelt Brook is very bad, it will require about £5 to put it in good repair,—there are also two other small Bridges that will last a few years. The Bridge over Indian River wants three new planks. It will require, by estimation, about £200 to make the whole line of this Section a sufficient carriage road.

The sixth Section from Indian River, at the head of the Bay to the Still Water Bridge, is 3½ miles—the first mile is a very good Road, only it is made over a very steep hill, which can be greatly eased by going a little to the southward ; if this alteration takes place there are several of the inhabitants at the head of the Bay and in Hammond's Plains, have promised to give a day towards it—it might cost about £40, but it is a very necessary alteration ; the second mile will want side drains and a cross drain at the Bear Swamp, some other repairs and a short pinch cut down near the Road which leads to the Church in the French Village—£15 will complete that mile ; the third mile, which is seven miles from Ingram's River, will also require some short pinches to be cut down until it comes to the Stony Brook—£15 will do that much, but the Blackberry Hill must of necessity be cut off, it is a steep and rough hill, which a straight line from near the Stony Brook, run southerly, to terminate about 15 chains to the eastward of the end of the mile, will bring the Road on nearly a water level—there has been no money expended on that hill since the time of its first opening, it having been skipped by Melvin, a late Commissioner on the Roads. This alteration may cost from £30 to £40, the remainder of the Section will cost about £15—to the Still Water Bridge which is in good repair, it having been made new by voluntary labour from the inhabitants of the Bay the Summer before last.—I did not deem it necessary to traverse the Road through Hammond's Plains Settlement—the Sections will be more known, the whole of the line of this Section is over hard earth and gravel, an excellent material for a Road.

Seventh Section.—From the Still Water Bridge to the New Annapolis Road, near English's corner at the Forks. The first mile terminates where Hays's old house stood—it will require two cross drains and a side drain nearly the whole length ; the second mile terminates at Ebenezer Smith's house, which wants considerable repairs, side drains wanting most of the distance, there have been side drains formerly on this and the preceding mile, but they are mostly filled up ; the other mile to English's corner, wants some repairs—the whole might cost from £80 to £100 to put this Section in good repair ; if this Section gets in good repair, it is my opinion it ought to be kept so, by confining the statute labour of the Inhabitants who live upon its line to be performed upon it.

Eighth Section.—From English's corner to the Sandy Lake, about 4½ miles. There is a Bridge in this Section in good repair near English's, another eastward of Haverstock's, and one to the eastward of Anderson's also in good repair, at the termination of this Section about the Long Swamp—this Section wants some repairs being rutted with the carriage wheels, but it ought not to cost any public money, the statute labour ought not only to repair it, but improve it.

Ninth Section.—From the Sandy Lake to the hand at the Windsor Road, is much cut up and worn on account of logging. There is a Bridge much wanted between the Bridge at the Paper Mill and the Windsor Road—the Road at this place will require raising a foot at least, and a space cleared out for a Bridge, the span of which should not be less than 12 feet, to carry off the water which at present overflows the Road after a heavy fall of rain.—To complete this job, and some other repairs wanting to the Sandy Lake, might cost from £50 to £60—the materials are at hand for making the abutments of this Bridge and raising it. The Road through the Settlement of the Plains is on loam and clay mostly. I here finish my Report—the Road from the hand to Halifax, which is 8 miles, is generally known.

(No. 6.)

MIDDLE RIVER PICTOU, 11th January, 1836.

SIR—

I beg leave to state, for His Excellency's information, that I have carefully examined the Main Post Roads of Cape-Breton, and divided the same into Sections—their state, and probable expenses of making and repairing them are as follow, viz :

1st SECTION.—From Ship Harbour to the River Inhabitants, eight miles. This road is permanently made, nine feet wide over a level line; the Bridges, side and cross drains, are in good order. There are some good gravel banks on this line. It would be necessary to grant Fifteen Pounds for this road, in case of casualties occurring. £15 0 0

2nd SECTION.—From the River Inhabitants to Grand Dique, twelve miles and three quarters. This road is passable, and made on a level line, but there is not a sufficiency of cross drains—the water should never run more than thirty rods in the side drains of a road made over dry soil; and no more than fifteen rods, where made over wet soil—for the side and cross drains are the principal thing to preserve the road. There are some Bridges on this Road which will require to be repaired—there are no gravel banks on this line, but there is hard earth which makes a firm road, when well drained.

Probable expense of cross draining	20	0	0
do do of repairing Bridges	30	0	0

3d SECTION.—From McPherson's to St. Peter's, fourteen miles. This line is tolerably level, with the exception of a few hills which can be easily avoided—the length of new line will be about two miles and a half. The road over this line is only partly made—the side and cross drains are insufficient in many places. The materials are good in general. Probable expenses of completing eleven miles and a half of the present road, to be continued

200 0 0

Probable expense of making two and a half miles of new line nine feet wide

150 0 0

4th SECTION.—From St. Peter's until within a mile and a half of McNab's. This is a level line, and all well made, with the exception of about a mile from St. Peter's to the bottom of Poor's Hill, which is only partly made; and two miles and a half from the bottom of Poor's Hill to McKinnon's Brook, which is only laid out. The length of this Section is eleven miles and a half. If this Section was completed, it would be of the greatest importance to the public—several steep hills would be avoided, and a bad road which is almost impassable. The materials on this line are good in general.

Probable expense of repairing from St. Peter's to Poor's Hill

20 0 0

Probable expense of making a new road from Poor's Hill to McKinnon's Brook, two and a half miles, at £65 per mile.

162 10 0

Probable expense of building a Bridge over McKinnon's Brook

4 0 0

Probable expense of building a Bridge over Poor's Brook, and raising an embankment at each end

38 0 0

5th SECTION.—From the end of the new road, near McNab's, to Duncan Curry's, thirty-four miles. This line is impracticable for wheel Carriages, and will be, whatever money is expended on the present road—some parts of it rise a foot in three and a half: therefore, I would suggest a new line to be laid out. There is more than one advantage in level roads—the comfort in travelling, and the small expense of keeping them in repair. This I know, by a long practice in repairing roads, a level road will be kept in repair at one fourth the expense of a hilly road. Whatever materials are put on the hills, are soon washed away with the rains; whereas materials, laid on the level, will remain until worn by travelling. The materials on the line of the 5th Section are good. Probable expense of making 34 miles new road, between the above two named places, at £65 per mile.

2910 0 0

6th SECTION.—From Duncan Curry's, to Sydney, twelve miles. There are considerable hills on this line—some between Duncan Curry's and Grinton's, and at Mr. Dodd's Farm, and at several other places. All the alteration necessary to be made on this line will be about five miles in length. The materials are good on this line. Probable expense of making 5 miles new road, at £65 per mile

325 0 0

Probable expense of repairing 7 miles of the present road, to be continued at £30 per mile.

210 0 0

7th SECTION.—From Sydney by the North West Arm, and on to French Village, nineteen miles. This is a tolerably level road, except two hills near the North West Arm, and some between this and French Village. All the new line necessary to avoid these hills, will be about three miles. The materials are good.

In my examination of this Section it could not escape my notice that the travelling, at some seasons of the year, must be interrupted by the North West Arm not being bridged: this being the only land communication to the Coal Mines, French Village, also the Main Post Road to St. Ann's, Baddeck and Margaree. If this Bridge was built it would be of great importance to this Section of the Island.

Probable expense of making three miles of a new road, for avoiding steep hills, at £65 per mile.

195 0 0

Probable expense of repairing sixteen miles of the present road to be continued, and repairing Bridges, at £35 per mile.

560 0 0

Probable expense of building a Bridge over the North West Arm	£400 0 0
<p>8th SECTION.—From French Village, across Boulaudry Island, and on to Big Harbor, twenty-three miles and three quarters. This road runs over a very hilly line, and more money expended thereon is nothing but a waste. The present road is no more than a foot path, and a road can be made cheaper over a level line. A new line could be laid out to shorten the distance about two miles. Probable expense of making twenty-one miles and three quarters of a new road, at £65 per mile.</p>	
	1413 0 0
<p>9th SECTION.—From Big Harbour to Baddeck River, thirteen miles. This line is so hilly that not any of the present road can be continued. It will be necessary that a level line be laid out between the two above named places. The materials are good on some parts of this line, and insufficient in some other parts.</p>	
Probable expense of making thirteen miles new road, at £65 per mile.	845 0 0
Probable expense of building a Bridge over Baddeck River	380 0 0
<p>10th SECTION.—From Baddeck to where the the Middle River is at present crossed, fourteen miles. There are about eleven miles of this road which will have to be altered—eight miles to avoid very steep hills, and two and a half miles in consequence of where they, at present, ford the River,—being an impracticable site for a bridge. The only safe place for a bridge is about two and a half miles further down stream. The materials on this line are good.</p>	
Probable expense of making ten and a half miles new road, at £65 per mile.	682 0 0
Probable expense of repairing three and a half miles of the present road, to be continued, at £50 per mile.	175 0 0
Probable expense of building a bridge over the Middle River	350 0 0
<p>11th SECTION.—From the Middle River to the Mouth of Margaree River, on the south side of Margaree River, twenty-one miles. This Section is not so hilly as the foregoing Sections, but far from being a good line. Being aware that the means are small, I only suggest new lines where really the present lines are impracticable,—by avoiding the steepest hills on this road, which will be about five miles of a new line, this Section will be tolerably level.</p>	
Probable expense of making five miles of new road, at £65 per mile.	325 0 0
Probable expense of repairing sixteen miles of the present road, to be continued, at £65 per mile.	800 0 0
Probable expense of building a bridge over the South West branch of Margaree River	150 0 0
<p>12th SECTION.—From the Mouth of Margaree River to Port Hood, forty miles. This is the worst line of road that ever I travelled,—over beaches, and the highest mountains that I ever saw a road made over. Money expended on this road is mere waste. There is a back road between Broad Cove and Port Hood, a distance of about twenty-miles, of which I only examined a part, (being pinched for time,) which is very hilly, but this is immaterial,—there is very little work done on this road, so that if any of it is continued, when a new line is laid out between the two above named places, it will cost as much as a new road on a good line. I have made alterations in Cape-Breton at less expense than if I had followed the old road, in consequence of the badness of the lines.</p>	
Probable expense of making a new road forty miles long, at £65 per mile.	2600 0 0
<p>13th SECTION.—From Port Hood to McKeachan's, Long Point, about fifteen miles and a half. The alterations necessary to be made on this Section, had been laid out in 1833. A plan, and estimate of completing the same, had been submitted to His Honor the President, then administering the Government—to this I refer.</p>	
The materials on the two preceding Sections are very indifferent.	
<p>14th SECTION.—From McKeachan's, Long Point, to the new road at Ship Harbour, sixteen miles. This Section is so hilly that a new line will be necessary the whole way, and will be difficult to make, in consequence of the land being very rocky, and steep banks to cut down; but a good road can be made over this route, the soil being of a gravelly nature. Probable expense of making 16 miles of new road at £70 per mile</p>	
	1120 0 0
<p>15th SECTION.—From the Mouth of Margaree River to Cheticamp, twelve miles.—This Section is tolerably level, with the exception of four hills, which can be avoided by three miles of a new line. The materials are pretty good, as they generally are in Cape-Breton. Probable expense of making 3 miles of new road at £65 per mile</p>	
	195 0 0
Probable expense of repairing 9 miles of the present road, to be continued, at £40 per mile	360 0 0
<p>16th SECTION.—The Road on the north side of Margaree River, ten miles long.—There are considerable hills on this road; but if the road on the south side of the River</p>	

is made good, (which will be the most convenient for a Post Road, and which the Postman now travels) ; this road will not be of so much importance, but will answer for the Settlement on this side. Probable expense of repairing the Road and Bridges, at £25 per mile

£250 0 0

17th SECTION.—From Sydney to Louisbourg, twenty-four miles. This road is not very hilly, except a hill near Sydney, and two hills on each side of Moiray River. The length of a new line to avoid these hills will be about five miles—there are good materials on that line ; and, if once well made, it would cost very little to keep it in order.— Probable expense of making 5 miles of new road, at £65 per mile

325 0 0

Probable expense of repairing 19 miles of the present road, to be continued, at £40 per mile

760 0 0

18th SECTION.—From Sydney to Lingan, and round Low Point, twenty-eight miles.— This is the best line of road that I have examined in the Island, with the exception of the new line lately laid out.—This did not happen by good Engineering, there were only four hills in the way, and the road runs straight over them.—About four miles of a new line will avoid all the hills on this road.—Some of the materials are good and some indifferent. Probable expense of making 4 miles of new road at £65 per mile

260 0 0

Probable expense of repairing 24 miles of the present road, to be continued, and Bridges, at £35 per mile

840 0 0

19th SECTION.—From Grand Dique to Arichat, six miles and a half.—This road is tolerably level, and about sixty pounds would make it passable.—The materials on this line are good

60 0 0

 £14,420 5 0

The alterations which I have suggested are very necessary to be made. If new lines were laid out and adopted, there would not be much money lost by the present roads being abandoned. It would not exceed five hundred pounds. Where I suggested new lines, the present road is no better than a foot path, except in very few places—so that I think that a new road can be made as cheap, or nearly so, as repairing the old road.—For, if a practicable road-maker is laying out a line—if there are difficulties in the way, he shuns them as much as possible, and runs his line as near good materials as he can ; this is my reason for thinking that new roads can be made as cheap as repairing the old. I have made roads in Cape-Breton, over new lines, cheaper than if I had repaired the old roads. The present lines of road in Cape-Breton, with very few exceptions, had been laid out in a direct course, over hills, swamps, and other difficulties ; and this is the cause of their roads being in such a wretched state. If there had been good lines laid out twelve years ago, and the money granted for the Island ever since judiciously expended, the People of Cape-Breton would now reap the benefit of it : whereas the roads are impassable, with very few exceptions ; but their method of road making would spoil the best lines. There are no lines without some short hills—and instead of cutting down the hills, raising the hollows, and bringing the road to a gradual slope—they leave the hills and hollows almost in their natural state, and the road in an unworkmanlike manner.

I have seen, in many places, where money was expended, the road covered with sods, clay and mud, making it a complete mire, where good gravel was within a few rods of it—how could it be otherwise, without wheel-barrows : instead of which, they use hand-barrows, which is nothing but a waste of money.

The roads of Cape-Breton should not be made more than nine feet wide at present, (and that to be thoroughly made) with the exceptions of those near Sydney, Arichat, and Port-Hood, and other public places which should be made about fourteen feet wide,—the Trees should be cut down each side of the aforesaid nine feet, fourteen feet wide—to prevent the falling of Trees across the road—and to give it the air, and in a few years the roots will be decayed, and the road widened, at half the expense it would be when the roots are green.

I have made the Estimate of the probable expense of making new roads, as above specified—that is to say : thoroughly made, nine feet wide, at £65 per mile.

I am aware the alterations pointed out, will not be made for many a year ; but they may be laid out in Sections, so that when a piece of new road is made, it may be travelled,—and the present road may be kept passable, by the Statute Labor, until the new road is made.

I have the honor to be, Sir,

Your most obedient, humble servant,

JOHN MUNRO.

THOMAS W. JAMES, ESQUIRE, DEPUTY-SECRETARY.

(No. 8.)

WESTCHESTER, 12th DECEMBER, 1835.

THOMAS W. JAMES, ESQUIRE.

SIR—

By the last post I have received your communication of the 28th September, requesting me to make out an Estimate of the repairs and improvements necessary to be made on the main post road from Amherst to Londonderry. I regret that I did not receive the Communication above referred to at an earlier day, so that I could have had a better opportunity of examining the roads and bridges; but having been Commissioner on the same line of road for the last four years, I am prepared to make a pretty fair Estimate of the needful repairs, which I have made as low as will possibly keep the road in good repair for the following season.

I have the honour to be,

Your most Ob't. Servant,

JACOB G. PURDY.

Estimate of Repairs and Improvements necessary to be made on the Main Post Road from Amherst to Londonderry.

SECTION I.

From Amherst to the Lime Kilns, distance about five miles; there have been large quantities of lime carted to Amherst on this Section, and consequently the road has been much cut up; there is excellent gravel at Lime Kiln Hill, for top dressing or filling up the ruts—the clay or earth taken out of the drains or sides of the road has been found insufficient. I would therefore recommend that some parts of this Section should be gravelled; the side and cross drains will not require much repairs the approaching season. The probable sum required to repair this Section, will be about twenty-five pounds.

£25 0 0

SECTION II.

From the Lime Kilns to John Stewart's Inn, a distance of five miles; one small bridge will have to be re-built, and the hill at one end thereof cut down—some old carriage ways will have to be removed, and the road cast up—the side and cross drains in places cleared out, some under brush or young growth cleared from the sides of the road—probable expense

20 0 0

SECTION III.

From Stewart's Inn to River Philip, distance nine miles; some water courses to be repaired—several places to be re-cast up—drains to be cleared out—probable sum required in this Section, about fifteen pounds.

15 0 0

SECTION IV.

From River Philip, including the bridge to Purdy's Inn, at Westchester, distance ten miles; River Philip Bridge will require small repairs. In this Section the road has been very much cut up by the carting of Deals or Plank from Mills, about Westchester to River Philip, which will require re-casting up, and in places gravelling—probable expense, twenty pounds.

20 0 0

SECTION V.

From Purdy's Inn to Londonderry, distance eight miles; this Section will require but small repairs, the ground being hard, some drains to be cleared, some stones removed, and a few water courses repaired—probable expense, ten pounds.

10 0 0

 £90 0 0

JACOB G. PURDY.

(No. 9.)

MIDDLE RIVER, PICTOU, JANUARY 13th, 1836.

SIR—

I beg leave to state, for His Excellency's information, a Report and Estimate of the probable expense of the repairs and improvements necessary to be made on the Windsor Road, from the three mile House to the County line.

This road, with the exception of what I repaired last Summer, is worn out in the middle. The side and cross drains are insufficient, and the water, in the time of high freshets or heavy rains, runs in the centre instead of the side drains. Unless this road is soon repaired it will become impassable; it should be repaired as below specified.

1st—The side and cross drains should be made sufficiently large, so that the water in the time of the highest freshets should run in the side drains below the materials. It cannot be expected that a road will be durable unless it is well drained.

2d—The mud should be scraped out of the ruts and soft places, and the same filled up with broken stones, and the clayey parts of the road macadamized. This would make the foundation of the road solid before it is top dressed. It is no manner of use to fill up ruts and soft places with soft stuff, it soon cuts up to ruts.

3d.—The road should be top-dressed with good gravel, with a declivity of eight inches from the centre to the sides. Probable expense of repairing the road between the two above named places, as above specified £900 0 0

There are three alterations necessary to be made on this road to avoid steep hills, the first, to avoid what is called Liezer's hill, and the hill at William Donaldson's. A new road could be made to avoid these hills, nearly a dead level, this line would run over very rocky ground, which would be difficult to make, but if once made, would be a durable road. Probable expense of making the above alteration about $\frac{3}{4}$ mile long as below specified 300 0 0

2d alteration—To avoid the hills between Thomas Hamilton's and Fenerty's. The ground over which this line would run is not so rocky, and would be more easily made. Probable expense of making the above alteration, about $1\frac{1}{4}$ miles at £350 per mile, as below specified 612 10 0

3d alteration—To avoid what is called Haws's hill; the ground is very rocky on this route, and would be expensive to make; if this hill was avoided, it would be of great importance to the Western Section of the Province, it is both rocky and steep, which makes it dangerous to travel; it is almost impossible to keep it in a passable state, on account of its steepness. Probable expense of making the above alteration, about 2 miles, as below specified, at £400 per mile 800 0 0

£2612 10 0

Specification of the proposed alterations.

1st—The road should be marked out 29 feet wide, that is to say:—24 feet for the road, and 2½ feet for each side drain—then the short hills should be cut down, and brought to the hollows, so as to give the road a gradual slope; on the level, the soil should be thrown outside of the aforesaid 29 feet, until it comes to the hard earth; this would bring the road to a flat surface.

2d—The side drains should be made 2½ feet wide, and 1 foot 3 inches deep; the cross drains sufficiently large to vent the water at any season of the year—they should not be more than 30 rods apart; and in very wet soil, no more than 15 rods.

3d—The road to be gravelled 1 foot 3 inches in the middle, and 7 inches on the sides—this will be a declension of 8 inches from the centre to the sides—soft places to be macadamized.

If roads were made as above specified, instead of casting up soil and clay together, they would not be as they are in Spring and Fall, in an impassable state; casting up is a cheap method of road making at first, but the expense of keeping it in repair will be great, unless a road is made on a good foundation, top dressing is of little service to it—it soon works down to the bottom. The Windsor road in particular, should be thoroughly made, as there is five times the wear on it that is on any other road in the Province.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most Obedient, Humble Servant,

JOHN MUNRO.

Thomas W. James, Esqr. D. S.

(No. 10.)

LIVERPOOL, NOVEMBER 24th, 1835.

SIR—

Agreeably to the command of His Excellency, as contained in your Circular of the 28th of September last, directing me to examine and Report on the Post Road from Lunenburg Line to the bounds of Shelburne County.

I have now the honor to transmit for His Excellency's information the following Report, which I have made from personal inspection, and estimated the expense from my own knowledge, and the best information that I could obtain.

I have accordingly divided the whole line into seven Sections, and given the distance and probable cost of each Section separately.

	£.	s.	d.
Section 1st.—Road from Lunenburg line to Mills Village Bridge, distance 314 chains, will cost £80 per mile	314	0	0
Section 2d.—From Mills Village Bridge to Herring Cove Bridge, 495 chains, at £75 per mile	464	0	0
Section 3d.—From Herring Cove Bridge to Liverpool Bridge, 180 chains, at £70 per mile	157	10	0
Section 4th.—From Liverpool Bridge to Benjamin Smith's house, at Beach Hill, 424 chains, at £60 per mile	318	0	0
Section 5th.—From Benjamin Smith's to George McAdam's, at Port Matoon, 363 chains, at £90 per mile	408	10	0
Section 6th.—From George McAdam's to the Widow Robertson's, at Port Jolly, 386 chains, at £75 per mile	363	10	0
Section 7th.—From Robertson's, Port Jolly, to the Shelburne line, 367 chains, at £100 per mile	383	15	0

I have included in the above estimate the repairs of all the smaller Bridges, but the Bridge at Mills' Village, 152 feet long, requires a thorough repair, that will cost at least

£80	£80	0	0
The Liverpool Bridge, 996 feet long, built by several individuals with their own funds, in 1817, requires at least £600 to put it in a state of safe repair, for 15 years	600	0	0
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	£3,089	5	0

The Herring Cove Bridge, 120 feet long, and the Broad River Bridge, 164 feet long, are at present in good repair, and may be kept so, (casualties excepted) at a trifling expense, for ten years.

The whole line of road is rocky, but in most places good gravel and materials for repairs may be obtained within a convenient distance.

There is a general deficiency of side and cross drains throughout the whole line, particularly the former, a very essential part of road making, yet very generally neglected by Road Makers.

Though I was not directed to report any alteration in the line of Road, I beg leave to say, that a very considerable bill between Herring Cove and Liverpool, might, in a great measure, be avoided at a trifling expense.

There are also two very steep hills between Liverpool and Port Matoon, that might be very much improved by altering the course of the road, which would be a great relief to many of the inhabitants of this County and to Travellers in general. The expense of these alterations I am not prepared to state, but I am of opinion, that very little or nothing will be required for the Land through which the new road might pass.

Wishing and trusting that these may answer the desired information,

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient humble servant,

WHITMAN FREEMAN,

Thomas W. James, Esq. Deputy-Provincial Secretary, Halifax.

(No. 11.)

ANNAPOLIS, 25th NOVEMBER, 1835.

SIR—

ON the receipt of your Letter of the 28th of September, to me directed, and expressing His Excellency's command for me to examine the main post road from the bounds of King's County to Bear River, and to report the state of the said road and Bridges, with an estimate of the probable expense to repair the same,

I proceeded to examine the road and bridges, commencing at the bounds of King's County—the road is divided into Districts, for performing the Statute Labour, by the Court of Sessions; and I have concluded it to be the most proper to report on each District, beginning with No. 1, at the bounds of King's County, and continuing on to Bear River.

No. 1 District—2½ miles from King's County line to Wiswell's farm; this road passes through a sandy soil, and will require but a small sum to put it in good repair, or if the Statute Labour was properly applied it would keep the road in good repair; some part of the road may be much improved by covering with a coarser soil or hard gravel.

No. 2 District—3 miles from Wiswell's farm to Pot Ash Hill, mostly sandy soil, some small hills, and will require annual repairs; the Statute Labour appears to be better laid out than in some other Districts.

No. 3 District—3 miles from Pot Ash Hill to Derling's; a part of this road is good, and part of it passes over a loamy soil, and will require to be covered with gravel, which can be got by carting a short distance.

No. 4 District—3½ miles from Derling's to Oakes' bridge; this road, in many places, passes over a heavy soil, and will require to be covered with coarse gravel, which can be got by carting a small distance; the Statute Labour is poorly applied; there is an alteration required to be made in this District from Phiney's farm to Oakes' bridge, which will shorten the distance, and the road pass over better soil for making a road; this proposed alteration in the road is laid out, and the damage paid, and a small sum of sixty pounds would make an excellent road.

No. 5—From Oakes' bridge to Jacob Merry's, 2 miles—road mostly good with some small exceptions; the side drains require to be opened, and the cross drains not sufficient, will require to be made larger.

No. 6—From Jacob Merry's to Leonard's bridge; this road is in a very bad state; the Statute Labour not well laid out, will require a sum of money to open the side drains, turnpike and gravel many places.

No. 7—From Leonard's bridge to Munroe's bridge, 3 miles—this road is in good repair, with some small exceptions.

No. 8—From Munroe's bridge to Bridge Town—this road is over a clay and loamy soil, and requires in many places to be well covered with gravel, which can be obtained by carting a distance; the Statute Labour has been very injudiciously laid out, making the road so narrow that two Carriages cannot pass in several places.

No. 9—From Bridge Town bridge to the old Oakes' bridge, 2½ miles—some part will require to be gravelled; the Statute Labour is sufficient to keep the road in good repair if properly applied.

No. 10—From Oakes' bridge to Bruce's bridge, 3 miles—a part of this road requires to be covered with gravel, and the alteration proposed by Mr. Elder, from the willow tree to Henry Messenger's, Junr.; this alteration is laid out, but the damage not being paid one of the proprietors would not suffer the road to be made, and a small alteration from Henry Messenger's to Oakes' bridge would place the road on much better soil for a road and shorten the distance. A small sum of twenty-five pounds would make a good permanent road.

No. 11—From Bruce's bridge to Tupper's Aboiteau, 1½ miles—this road passes over a clay soil, and requires to be covered with gravel, which can be obtained by hauling a distance.

No. 12—From Tupper's Aboiteau to round hill bridge—a part of this road passes over a very rocky soil, and requires much labour to keep it in repair, is narrow in places, and the side drains not sufficient, will require a sum of money to make it a good road, as there are several heavy hills which cannot be avoided.

No. 13—From round hill bridge to saw mill creek bridge—this road passes over several hills, and over a very heavy soil, and the road in many places is narrow, and where the clay is to be covered with gravel.

No. 14—From saw mill creek bridge to the Town of Annapolis—this road is over a heavy soil, and in many places requires the side and cross drains opened, and the road well covered with gravel.

No. 15—From the Court-House to Ryerson's farm—this road is in good repair, there is a very bad hill between Ryerson's farm and Davies' farm, which can be avoided by carrying the road to the northward; the expense would not be less than sixty-five pounds.

No. 16—From Ryerson's farm to Polhemus' farm—this road is in good repair, with some small exceptions.

No. 17—From Polhemus' farm to Moose River Bridge—this road will require but little besides the Statute Labour.

No. 18—From Moose River to Bear River—this road is very good, has been mostly gravelled by the Statute Labour; this road is to the ferry.

No. 19—From Moose River bridge to the Hessian line, by the road called the shore road—this road requires repairs, as the water overflows it in many places, and will require to be raised, and the cross drains to be made larger.

No. 20—From the corner of the Hessian line to Bear River bridge—this road requires to be repaired, the side and cross drains are not sufficient.

SMALL BRIDGES.

The small bridges in general are very bad, and very badly constructed, many of them covered with little small round poles after breaking down; I would recommend stone bridges over those cross drains and small rivulets, if well made would last for ages.

LARGE BRIDGES.

Wiswell's bridge, good, not long built.

Oakes' bridge requires to be well covered, will cost about ten pounds.

Leonard's bridge is good.

Bridge Town bridge is in good repair, will require a small sum to repair the covering.

The old Oakes' bridge will require ten pounds to put new covering and railings.

Round Hill bridge requires to be covered, and the railing repaired; ten pounds will be sufficient.

Saw Mill Creek bridge is in good repair.

Allen's creek bridge is in a dangerous state, the string pieces and the top of the Bridge is decayed, and will require to be new covered and new string pieces—will require from thirty to forty-five pounds to repair it.

Moose River bridge is good, made of stone.

Bear River bridge is in a bad state—the top of the bridge is very much injured by the Inhabitants using it as a wharf, and the bridge is continually lumbered up with wood and lumber: this bridge will require to be covered and new rails put on. Travellers are often detained, from the bridge being used as a wharf.

It is impossible for me to make a correct estimate of the expense of repairing bridges, &c.; but I should give it as my opinion that, £150 would repair the large bridges, and that £175 would make the several alterations in the road; and that a sum of money might be well expended in making stone drains and small bridges, and graveling the clay road. All of which, I most humbly submit for the information of His Excellency and the Legislature.

JAMES R. LOVETT.

To T. W. JAMES, Esq. Deputy-Secretary.

(No. 12.)

DIGBY, 10th NOVEMBER, 1835.

SIR—

In compliance with the wishes of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, expressed in your Circular of the 28th September last, requesting me to furnish an Estimate of the repairs and improvements necessary to be made on the Main Post Road from Bear River to the bounds of Yarmouth, in accordance with a Resolution, passed in the House of Assembly at its last Session, have attended to that duty, and beg leave to Report as follows:—

That I have divided the whole distance into four Sections; the first commencing at Bear River and extending to the Head of St Mary's Bay, a distance of 14 miles; the second, from thence to the bounds of the Township of Digby and Clare, 16 miles; third, thence to Montegan Village, 16 miles; fourth, thence to the bounds of Yarmouth, 17 miles, making in the whole line 63 miles.

No. 1.—The first or eastern part of this Section was newly made in 1831. The road is now good, with the exception of about 80 rods between the Farms of McCormick and Odell, where the side drains are not sufficiently open to allow the water to escape without injury to the road. This is a populous District, and the statute Labor properly expended would be quite sufficient to keep the road in good repair. The Bridge at Smith's Creek is in good repair, as also that at Hollingshew's Creek, which is a good substantial Bridge, was thoroughly repaired the last Autumn. A small Bridge near the head of the Joggin, known as Randall's Bridge, is now in a very bad state, and which I conceive necessary to be newly covered—the abutments are good, and will require

400 feet Plank, for covering at 5£	£2 0 0
5 pieces Timber, 25 feet, at 5s	1 5 0
5 Men, 1 day each at 4s	1 0 0
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The Bridge at Lee's Mill's is still in a bad state—the last Summer it underwent a partial repair, but not sufficient to secure the safety of Travellers—it is 130 feet in length, 20 feet wide, 94 feet of which is quite rotten. The repairs necessary for this Bridge I estimate as follows:—

2000 feet Plank, 3 inch, at £5	£10 0 0
600 feet Timber 10s	3 0 0
10 Men, 3 days each 4s	6 0 0
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	£19 0 0

In the remaining part of this Section the small Bridges are good, the side and cross drains sufficient, and the statute labor fully adequate to keep the road in good repair. The soil is gravelly, and good materials convenient for top dressing. The probable cost for repairing this Section of the road, I think, would not exceed the sums before stated, amounting to £23 5.

No. 2.—The first two miles of this Section the road is good and sufficiently drained, until it comes to McNeil's Brook—at this place there is a small Bridge in bad repair. The road across the flat ground leading thereto has been formed into an embankment or crossway, which has been injured in consequence of the course of the Brook having been changed, and at every freshet sustains more injury—I think £20 will secure the road from further injury, repair the Bridge, and do much in reducing a very bad hill on the west of the Brook. From this Point to the Sissiboo River the road is good, the small Bridges in good repair, the soil hard earth mixed with gravel, and in places a light loam; the greater part runs near the shores of St. Mary's Bay—offers every facility for top dressing with gravel when necessary.

The new Bridge at Sissiboo River is unfinished, an Estimate for which has been forwarded to His Excellency by the Commissioners of that work, amounting to

	£150 0 0
The road leading to the Bridge on the north side passes through green wood Land, a distance of 160 rods, which I think cannot be completed for less than 10s per rod, amounting to	30 0 0

On the south side the River will require 74 rods new road—this will pass through the open Lands and may be made for 5s per rod	18 10 0
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At a short distance westward of Sissiboo River an alteration has been made through the Land of Morris Taylor, under an order of the Court of Session—the Land has been surveyed, and the damages paid from the County Treasury. The statute labor has been found insufficient to open it, which is highly necessary should be done, and when completed will be a most beneficial alteration. The distance is about 80 rods which I think may be under 5s per rod

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	£288 10 0

The whole Estimate for Section No. 2, amounting to Two Hundred and Eighty-eight Pounds Ten Shillings.

No. 3.—The road throughout this Section is in a very good state of repair, as also the small Bridges the side and cross drains sufficiently open. The Country is very level, and does not require as much labor to keep the roads in repair as in the more hilly Districts.—The statute labor throughout this Section is fully adequate to the repairs of the roads and small Bridges, and in some Districts they cannot dispose of it; application has been made by several Overseers of Highways to the Court of Sessions, for an order to expend a part of their labor on the Cross Roads. The Bridge at Montegan River, which is a large one, length 500 feet, breadth 18 feet, was rebuilt in 1831; a part of the covering was removed from the former one, this part has become quite rotten; about one fourth of it will require to be newly covered, will cost

2500 feet Plank,	£5 per M.	£12 10 0
5 Men, 5 days employed	4s.	5 0 0

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	£17 10 0

The soil a light loam, and the whole runs near the Sea Shore, where an abundance of gravel may easily be obtained for top dressing—to some extent this has been done, the result of which has proved so beneficial, that the Overseers of Highways are generally adopting the plan.

No. 4—From Montegan Village the road is very good for a distance of two miles ; thence for a distance of one mile and a half the road is uninhabited wholly, without side or cross drains, and many places the water settles and remains in the middle of road; it also requires to be cut out wider—the whole I think may be done for 3s. 6d. per rod, amounting to £54. From this point to Salmon River the small Bridges are in good order—the road good, and appears to be sufficiently drained—the surface smooth—soil light loam, with gravel and slate pits at various places, which may, without difficulty, be obtained for top dressing. The bridge at Salmon River is much out of repair—is about 200 feet long—about one half the covering bad—the railing partly gone,—£20 I think would complete the bridge, and also reduce a very bad hill on the south side. From this point to the bounds of Yarmouth, the road is good, and also small bridges—drains sufficiently opened—the soil a heavy loam,—a top dressing would much improve it, of which material an abundant supply may be obtained at various places, at little expense. Thus I make the expense of repairs on the last Section to amount to £104, and on the whole line £433 5s.—In which I have, I think, rather under than over rated the expense; but endeavoured, as far as possible, to make my report with accuracy, and with due regard to œconomy. In the course of my observations I saw where many very desirable alterations might be made, which I have no doubt would prove of great public advantage, would the present finance of the Province warrant the expenditure ; but upon this part would much rather that some more competent person should examine and report thereon.

All of which is submitted by, Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

CHARLES BUDD.

THOMAS W. JAMES, ESQUIRE, Deputy-Secretary.

(No. 13.)

TO HIS EXCELLENCY SIR COLIN CAMPBELL, LIEUTENANT-GENERAL AND COMMANDER IN CHIEF, &c. &c.

THE undersigned, in compliance with the order of Your Excellency, directing him to examine the road from Windsor to Chester, and to report them,—begs leave respectfully to report as follows:—That it is of great importance an alteration in the line of road should take place, commencing at Palmer's barn to Maple Grove, in order to avoid Redder's hill, and a number of others, distance 1½ miles, probable cost £130 ; from thence to the Four Mile Tree, for repairs of Road and Bridges, £75 ; thence four miles to Vaughan's Mill, for putting the road in good repair, including an alteration to avoid Hardacre's hill, probable cost £135 ; thence four miles to the County line, to complete the road, including a new bridge, commonly called the Ten Mile Bridge, which is in a bad state and dangerous, probable cost, £100 ; thence from the County line to Chester, distance sixteen miles, to complete the road, cost £160 ; it is very necessary there should be avoided on this line two hills, one of these called Birch Hill, distance to go round, ¼ of a mile, cost £70 ; the other called Branch Hill, distance to go round, ¼ a mile, cost £75.—Total sum £745.

JAMES SANGSTER.

November 7th, 1836.

[No. 14.]

YARMOUTH, 7th JANUARY, 1836.

SIR—

Agreeable to the direction of your letter of the 29th Sept. last, I have examined the state of the Great Post Road through the Districts of Yarmouth and Argyle, and herewith enclose you the report.

I went through nearly the whole District in the month of November, and took memorandums on the spot—but from my other employments, I could not, without inconvenience, complete the report until a short time ago—I trust, however, it will arrive in good time.

I have the Honour to be,

Your Obed't. Servant,

H. HUNTINGTON.

Thos. W. James, Dep. Pro. Secy.

Report of the state of the Great Post Road through the District of Yarmouth and Argyle, in the County of Shelburne, made under the direction of a letter from the Dep. Pro. Secretary of the 29th Sept. 1835, by order of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor.

1st SECTION.—Commences at the south bounds of Annapolis County, and ends at Starr's corner—distance 11 miles ; is a good carriage road, pretty free from Hills. It might be altered in some places to advantage, but it is not advisable to do so at present, as other parts of the road are so much worn. The principal bridge is over Cape Forchu River, at Saunder's Mill, constructed of wood, about 70 feet long, in pretty good repair; this line takes about £15 or £20 to keep it in repair, in addition to the statute labour. £20 0 0

2d. SECTION.—From Starr's corner to George Terfry's. There are two roads from Starr's to Terfry's—the one through the Town is a distance of 6 miles, kept in repair by the statute labour—the other across the Country, nearly straight—3½ miles will require £20 or £25 for two or three years to come, to make it a good road. 25 0 0

The only important bridge on this Section is that over Cheboque River, 60 feet long, constructed of wood, with stone abutments—kept in repair with the statute labour. There is a bad hill on the east side of the river that ought to be avoided, but it is not advisable at present. If altered, will require £125 besides the purchase of the land.

3d. SECTION.—From George Trefry's to Salmon River, distance $3\frac{1}{2}$ miles; a good carriage road, free from bad hills, requires £15 or £20 annually, more than the statute labour, to keep it in repair, including the repairs of Salmon River Bridge; this bridge is 50 feet long, built of wood, with stone abutments, in good repair.

£20 0 0

4th SECTION.—From Salmon River to Tuskett Village, distance 3 miles; a good carriage road—passes over the Great Tuskett River. The Tuskett Bridge is 40 rods long, constructed of wood, 17 feet wide on top, stands on piles of logs, is in passable order, and to appearance will stand well a year or two with an expenditure of £10 on it and the road—after which, it will require a thorough repair, and will cost about an £100.

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5th SECTION.—From Tuskett Village to the Roman Chapel, distance 4 miles; a good carriage road—free from bad hills—has a bridge over Abraham's River—constructed as an Aboiteau, that serves to Dyke a quantity or marsh—length from upland over the marsh to upland about 40 rods—distance across the stream, 60 feet—kept partly in repair by the Owners of the Dykes. There will be required to repair the Aboiteau and road

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6th SECTION.—From the Roman Chapel to Joshua Porter's, distance 3 miles; in good travelling order—has on it the Eel Brook Bridge, sixty feet long—built of wood, with stone abutments—will not require more than £10 to repair it, unless altered around a hill to the westward of Porter's—an alteration not much required at present—if done, will cost £140.

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7th SECTION.—From Joshua Porter's to John Ryder's distance $6\frac{1}{2}$ miles; has on it Abuptic Bridge, 60 feet long—built of wood—bridge in good repair. This Section includes the worst part of the road in the whole District—has very many bad hills; the first Blackberry hill to the eastward of Joshua Porter's, will cost to avoid it

75 0 0

The remainder, from Thomas Nickerson's to John Ryder's, requires alteration nearly the whole distance, and will cost

300 0 0

It cannot be accomplished this year, for want of funds; it will be advisable to alter it from Joshua Foot's to Ryder's, taking the funds appropriated for the District, and finish the remainder in after years—this last will cost

200 0 0

8th SECTION.—From John Ryder's to Walter Larkins', distance 10 miles; is a tolerable carriage road—free from bad hills—has two bridges—the bridge at Pubnico Head, and the bridge at Owen's Brook. The bridge at Pubnico Head is built of wood—partly on the marsh—from upland to upland, 40 rods—distance over the Creek, 50 feet. This bridge must be repaired, and it and the road will require about £15.

15 0 0

Owen's bridge was built new this season with statute labour.

9th SECTION.—From Walter Larkin's to the west line of Barrington, distance about 6 miles; the District line has never been run out. This Section is through an unsettled part of the Country—is free from bad hills, and takes annually about £15 to keep it in repair.

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The whole distance through the District is 53 miles, and all the ground over which the Road passes, except the two first Sections, is gravelly and hard, furnishing a durable material for roads. The two first Sections are of a deeper soil, but in general a tolerable good top covering can be obtained beneath the soil. I did not observe any part of the road where the water rose in the side drains so as to materially injure the road.

HERBERT HUNTINGTON.

Yarmouth, 30th Decr. 1835.

(No. 15.)

MUSQUODOBOIT, JULY 14th, 1835.

Report on the New Great Eastern or Musquodoboit Road.

On receiving my Commission I proceeded to examine the line of road surveyed by Mr. Wightman, but soon found that, without the assistance of a Surveyor, I should not be able to ascertain the track, as some of the stakes were not to be found, and I was not furnished with the courses by which to regulate my search,—I sent over to Shubenacadie, to Mr. Wightman, and obtained from him the loan of his plan; but it was, from the want of the courses, of little use—as the stakes, from not having been corrected, did not agree with the plan—the position of them merely giving a rough line of the general course of the road. I was, therefore, under the necessity of employing a Surveyor, who had considerable difficulty in tracing out the line—in one distance of four miles there were three lines of stakes. I found, by the report of the Surveyor, that at about four miles on the Musquodoboit side of Hamilton's, and for a distance of nearly four miles, the stakes were placed down the centre line of a brook, called Nuttal's, which has a very winding course—mostly between high banks—sometimes rocky—with considerable falls, the line crossing the brook in that distance between thirty and forty times—so that it was evidently useless to do anything to it, until the road could be properly made, as it would require to be excavated in many places. Upon enquiry, and after considering as to the most beneficial manner of employing the money I had to lay out, I determined to sell the road from Hamilton's to Gay's River, or Logan's road, which intersects the new line at a distance of three and an half miles, from thence near the head of Nuttal's brook, to be made ready for casting up—by which means a winter road would be opened to Gay's River, and a small settlement lying between; and by cutting out a temporary road over a dry barren, of about a mile on the other side, a communication would be opened with the (so called) Guysborough road, and from Musquodoboit to Halifax. Although I understood that the road was made from the Dartmouth road to Hamilton's, a distance of twelve miles, (upon which eleven hundred pounds had been expended), I thought it probable some considerable repairs would be required, and therefore, reserved half the Grant for that purpose, and sent a confidential person, Mr. M. Archibald, to examine

the road between Hamilton's and the Dartmouth road—his report was so extremely unfavourable, that I proceeded immediately to examine it myself, and, if I found it necessary, report its state to His Excellency Sir Colin Campbell. It took Mr. Archibald and myself six hours and a half to ride the twelve miles—the greater part of the first two miles over a level dry barren, with nothing but bushes on it—was cleared out and rooted about fourteen feet wide, and in some measure formed into a road. The next seven and an half miles was in different degrees of progress, but none near completion—generally dreadful riding—where the land was lightly timbered the trees were cut down to the roots, but not out of the heart. In some places there were heavy Hemlocks overset by the Poker to opposite sides, leaving barely room for a Sled to pass between the roots, which were still adhering to the ground on one side—in others they were overthrown and cut into logs, which, however, still remained in the road—in others, the large trees still stood in the road, the underbrush only being cut out. Where there were Swamps or Mire-holes of any extent, there was not any attempt at making a causeway—only over some small runs of water, pole bridges were built,—the last three or four miles was full of large loose rocks, very few of which had been thrown out,—the roots generally throughout the line not taken out—many parts of the road so deep that the Horses sunk to their knees, sometimes to their girths; and so full of roots and logs, that we were obliged to lead or drive our Horses through,—at two places, of considerable extent, it was necessary to make a circuit through the woods to avoid them. The two miles and an half from Wightman's Mill to the Dartmouth road, is cast up, and in general pretty good, though, in some places, considerable rocks require blasting,—the road is far too narrow, only twelve or fourteen feet, sometimes less in width—bordered by a Lake on one side, to which there is a precipitous descent; and on the other by a bank, from which the road has been excavated. This cast up road is not carried quite out to the Dartmouth road—a number of stumps remain at the outlet, with the drain of the latter across it. The general line of this road from Musquodoboit is good and level, with no serious obstructions. The survey, however, is incomplete—its general course only being staked out—the angles not being corrected—the courses round elevations not marked—nor in any respect laid out fit for a Commissioner to work upon. I have made enquiries, and cannot find or hear of any Tools, with the exception of one Poker and half of another: I have, therefore been under the necessity of purchasing a few. Under these circumstances, I take the liberty of making the following suggestions for His Excellency's consideration:—that the survey of the whole line should be continued, until completed—that the road should terminate at the Gut of Canso, at the most convenient point of communication with Cape-Breton, instead of at Guysborough; a road from which place, and another from Pictou, could join it by the most eligible route:—that the Surveyor, in each year's report, should certify that he has laid down and marked out the exact ground upon which the road is to be made, by a centre line of stakes—and a Plan, with a Book of description, and the courses, be lodged at the Secretary's Office, as a guide to the Commissioner:—That the Commissioner should not only certify that he has laid out the money faithfully, to the best of his judgment; but should give in a report, with the particulars of what he has done within the year, and the state of the road up to the point at which he left off:—that the Tools, the property of the Public, should be collected by the Commissioner, and lodged in a place of safety; and a list, with their state, be lodged at the Secretary's Office, for the information of the next Commissioner; and a Brand be provided to mark them as public property:—that the Commissioner should be authorized to make arrangements on the whole line, that has been determined by survey, with the proprietors of lands through which it is intended the road should pass, so that the public would not have to pay for any improvements made subsequently; and by the previous arrangements, the parties, through whose clearings the road may be carried, by thus having timely notice to fence out the road, might be induced to waive their right for compensation—a written permission being given by them to the Commissioner, to be binding upon their Successors,—the valuation also (if necessary,) being previously made, would remove any impediment to the road, when the work is to be done. The employment by the Province, of two competent Engineers, to make Surveys, and Plan all Public Works, would be of very great benefit to the Country, in a variety of ways.

H. A. GLADWIN, COMMISSIONER.

(No. 16.)

THE Report of William S. Morris, Esquire, appointed by His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor SIR COLIN CAMPBELL, K. C. B. by a Circular, bearing date at Halifax, 29th September, 1835, to examine into the repairs and improvements necessary to be made on the Main Post Road from the bounds of Queen's County, through Lunenburg to Chester, is as follows:

In order to carry this service into effect, I have divided the post road into Eastern and Western Sections, and numbered them from one to six, making Lunenburg the angular point, and as it was most convenient, have commenced at the bounds of Queen's County. From the bounds of Queen's County to Foglar's mill, is constituted the sixth Section, the distance is about two miles and one half; one hundred rods of the extreme Western part of this Section is in a very bad state—the foundation is a bed of rocks—the material is gravel, and will require transporting forty or fifty rods, to make this part of the Section—the probable expense will be Thirty Pounds; in the middle part of this Section there are portions in a bad state, and also two steep declivities that require to be cut down to make this portion of the Section, and cut down the declivities—the probable expense will be Twenty Pounds; the Eastern part of this Section is partially good—Fifteen Pounds will put it in good order; within the limits of this Section there are two large bridges in a ruinous condition, and require to be made new—one is one hundred and sixty, the other, one hundred and twenty feet in length, and no materials of wood is at hand—the probable expense, if built of wood, will be Seventy Pounds—

if built of stone, One Hundred Pounds; there are also two small bridges in a ruinous state—the string pieces are quite decayed, and are propped up with pieces of wood; the side and cross drains are insufficient, little or no attention having been paid to the formation of them—the soil in this Section is gravel. From Foglar's mill to Broad Cove mill will constitute the fifth Section, the distance about three miles—the bridge at the Western extremity of this Section, and over Foglar's mill pond, is in a ruinous state, one butment is wood, the other stone; the wooden butment and string pieces are much decayed, as is also the plank; it is necessary the wooden butment should be removed, and one of stone in its stead; and, as the freshets overflow the bridge and a portion of the road, they should be raised, and also widened; as at present Carriages cannot pass each other at this place—the probable expense for this service would be Twenty Pounds; the road in this Section generally, is in good order—in the central part of this Section there is a steep hill, called Conrad's, which is in a dangerous state, particularly on the Western side, in consequence of there being a sharp turn about half way down the hill—the sum of Fifteen Pounds laid out upon the Western side of this hill would make it safe and easy to ascend; there are three other steep declivities in this portion of the Section, which require cutting down, and some small places that require repairs; and in cutting them down the ground would answer for these repairs—Ten Pounds upon each would be sufficient. The Eastern part of this Section generally, is in good repair—there are, however, some places which are bad—the materials, earth mixed with gravel, is at hand—the probable expense to make it good would be Fifteen Pounds—the small bridges in this Section are in good order; the bridge by Broad Cove mill is in a ruinous state—the string pieces are much decayed, and are propped up with pieces of wood—Five Pounds will repair it; a small bridge is required on the Eastern side of Conrad's hill, as a brook there crosses the road—the side and cross drains are sufficient. From Broad Cove mill to Petit Rivere bridge, will constitute the fourth Section, the distance about four miles and a half—the first mile the soil is earth mixed with gravel, and at hand—the road in a bad state—the probable expense for repairs would be Fifty Pounds; the next two miles is founded chiefly upon slate rock—the materials gravel, and difficult to be found—will require transporting at least one hundred rods—to put these two miles in good repair, the probable expense will be One Hundred and Forty Pounds; this will bring you to the foot of Mosley's hill, a very high, steep and dangerous hill, which can be avoided by turning the road to the Northward, and entering the post road about twenty rods to the Eastward of the Eastern extremity of the hill—this alteration will occupy a line of about three quarters of a mile of new road, the soil is dry, the materials at hand—this alteration is of the utmost importance, and, in my humble opinion, should be first attended to in preference to any other part of this Section—the probable expense would be Eighty Pounds; from the Eastern side of this hill to the end of the Section, the road is in good order—the side and cross drains are sufficient; I would, however, recommend small bridges to be erected at the intersection of the road leading to New Italy. From Petit Rivere bridge to Pernet's ferry, the distance is six miles, and will constitute the third Section—this bridge will, with some slight repairs, last another year—the foundation and frame are good—one or two plank are decayed and broken; the first mile of this Section has been partially made—the soil is a mixture of earth and clay, and is at hand—the probable expense to make it good will be Twenty Pounds; the second mile has also been partially made—the materials a mixture of earth and gravel, and at hand—the probable expense to make it good will be Fifteen Pounds; the next half mile is founded upon slate rock, the materials gravel, will require transporting twenty or thirty rods—the probable expense to repair it would cost Twenty Pounds; at this point I should recommend an alteration, in order to avoid that well known hill called Hughes'—this is a high, steep, and dangerous hill, by turning to the right it can be completely avoided—the distance of new road required for this purpose, will be a strong mile, and will bring you again into the present road at the Eastern extremity of the hill, opposite the House of one LeCock—the first hundred rods would be slate rock, thirty or forty more a dry soil, the remainder very wet clay foundation, part cleared, and part in a wilderness state, and very stony—the probable expense would be Two Hundred Pounds, and a trifling sum for damage to Owners of the soil, some of whom have given their land: this hill can also be avoided by continuing on the present road to the bridge at the foot of the hill, and then turning to the left, and coming again into the present road, at the same point mentioned before—by this route the foundation would be more dry, not so stony, and easier made, the distance something shorter, but the hill not so completely avoided, and the damage to the Owners of the soil much greater—so that the probable expense would be about the same; the materials are clay, and at hand; to avoid this hill would be a desirable object, and would recommend it before any other improvement in this Section. From the Eastern extremity of this hill to Slayter's hill, the distance is about one mile and a quarter: this portion of the road is partially good—there are, however, some spots in a bad state, especially the Eastern part—the soil is a mixture of earth and gravel, and will require transporting about twenty rods—the probable expense to repair this portion would be Fifteen Pounds. From Slayter's hill to Pernet's ferry, the distance is about one mile and a quarter: this portion of the Section has been much neglected, and is in a bad state, particularly the Eastern part—the soil is earth, mixed with gravel, and at hand—the probable expense to make it good, will be Thirty-five Pounds; the large bridges are in good order—the side and cross drains on the Eastern part of this Section are insufficient—in many places neglected: I would here remark, that the Money for this year on this Section has been injudiciously expended, inasmuch as the Season was far advanced, and little work for the Money granted. From the eastern side of Pernet's Ferry to the intersection of the Centry road, the distance is about four miles, and will constitute the second Section; the first mile of this Section has been partially made, the materials earth, mixed with gravel, and at hand—the probable expense to make it good, will be Fifteen Pounds; the next mile passes over a foundation of Slate Rock—the road is indifferent—there are two short swamps where it is too narrow, Carriages meeting would find it difficult to pass—I should recommend these places to be widened—the materials, earth and gravel, and mostly at hand—the probable expense to repair this portion of the Section will be Thirty Pounds; the next mile passes over a foundation of Slate Rock and is also in a bad state—the materials, earth mixed with gravel, is difficult to be had, and will require transporting in some places twenty or thirty rods—there are two bridges in this portion, in a ruinous state—the string pieces of both, and the plank of one, are much decayed—the probable expense to repair this portion of the Section will be Fifty Pounds; about one half of the next mile passes over a foundation of Slate Rock, and is in a bad state—about one quarter passes over a Mud Swamp—here the road is too narrow for Carriages to pass, and is in a bad state, notwithstanding money has been expended upon it this year; I should recommend the road over this Swamp to be widened—the materials for this purpose is a mixture of earth and gravel—would require transporting thirty or forty rods—the probable expense for repairing this mile will be Thirty Pounds; the next short mile brings you to the intersection of the Centry Road—this portion of the road passes over a foundation of earth and gravel, and requires some repairs, the materials at hand—the probable expense would be Ten Pounds—the side drains partially good—the cross drains in a bad state. From the intersection of the Centry Road to Lunenburg, constitutes the first Section, and the distance is about two miles—within the first mile of this Section there are five steep hills, one of them is well known to be the highest, as well as the most dangerous, on the whole line of road between Lunenburg and the bounds of Queen's County; these hills can be avoided by turning to the right—it would occupy a distance of about a mile and a half, and will pass over an equal proportion of hard Land and Swamp—the hard Land, a mixture of earth and gravel, and would require transporting thirty or forty rods—the Land through the whole distance of great value—the probable expense for making the road would be One Hundred and Eighty Pounds; these hills can also be avoided by turning to the left and meeting the upper LaHave road—the foundation would be mostly Swamp—the materials, earth mixed with gravel, would require transporting at least one quarter of a mile—the Land not so valuable as the other route, and would occupy a distance of about three quarters of a mile—the probable expense would be Two Hundred and Forty Pounds; the next mile brings you to the Town of Lunenburg, and is very good, the side drains are sufficient.

From Lunenburg to Mader's Cove, Mahone Bay, will constitute the first Eastern Section—the distance five miles; the first mile of this Section has been partially made, but wants some repairs—the materials earth and clay, and at hand—the probable expense would be Twelve Pounds; the next mile passes over a foundation of earth and gravel, and is, in many places, in a bad state—the materials at hand—the probable expense to repair it would be Twenty-five Pounds; the next mile is in a bad state—is cut to pieces with Waggon—a large portion of it passes over Swamp—the materials, earth mixed with gravel, will require transporting twenty or thirty rods—the probable expense will be Forty Pounds; at this point, it is necessary to make an alteration, in order to avoid four hills, one of which is a very high and steep hill; the new line of road required for this purpose will be about one mile and a quarter, and will pass over an equal proportion of hard Land and Swamp, in a wilderness state—the materials are earth and gravel, and in some places will require transporting twenty or thirty rods—two new bridges will be required—the probable expense for this service will be Two Hundred and Forty Pounds; the remaining part of this Section is in good repair—the side and cross drains are insufficient—the bridges are in good order. From Mader's Cove to John Kaulback's will constitute the second Section, the distance six miles, and embraces the whole of the Bay—the road through this Section is extremely narrow, and indifferently good—Kiddy's bridge is in a ruinous state—the butments are wood, and much decayed, as also is the plank—it is necessary the butments should be re-built—the probable expense to repair this bridge will be Twenty Pounds. I cannot recommend any money for the road through this Section, as the statute labour is sufficient to keep it in good repair—the side drains are insufficient—the small bridges are good.

From John Kaulback's to Barkhouse will constitute the third Section, the distance is five miles and a half; the first half of this Section is in good repair, excepting a few spots—the probable expense to make it good will be Fifteen Pounds; the bridge over Martin's River requires new plank and rails; the next mile passes over several steep declivities, which can be avoided by turning to the left, commencing a short distance to the eastward of Martin's River Bridge, and will occupy about three quarters of a mile of new road—the foundation is gravel, and at hand—the probable expense for making this road will be Sixty Pounds; the Eastern half of this Section is partially good—there are some small places that need repairs—the materials gravel, and at hand—the probable expense will be Twenty Pounds; at the Eastern extremity of this Section there is a very steep hill—it can be avoided by turning to the right—the new line of road required would be about one fourth of a mile—the foundation would be earth and gravel—the probable expense to make this line of new road would be Twenty-five Pounds; the small bridges in this Section are out of repair—the side drains are sufficient.

From Barkhouse to Gold River bridge, will constitute the fourth Section, the distance three miles and a half, and is generally good—there are some small places require repairs—the materials gravel, is at hand—the small bridges in a decayed state—the probable expense to repair the road in this Section will be Ten Pounds—the side and cross drains are insufficient. Gold River bridge is in good order. From Gold River bridge to Little River bridge, will constitute the fifth Section, the distance two miles, and is in good repair; the bridge over Beaver Dam brook is in a decayed state, one string piece is broken—the probable expense to repair this bridge will be Four Pounds—the side and cross drains sufficient—the small bridges are in good order. From Middle River to the Town of Chester the distance is four miles, and will constitute the sixth Section—the first mile of this Section is in good order; the next embraces Corkum's hills, two very high and steep hills, which can be avoided by turning to the left—the distance of new road required for this service will be about half a mile; the soil is an equal proportion of hard land and swamp, a part very rocky—the materials is a mixture of earth and gravel, and will require transporting twenty or thirty rods—the probable expense to make this new line of road will be Eighty Pounds—the remainder of this portion of the Section is in good order—two small bridges in a decayed state—the side and cross drains sufficient. It would be of great service to the road, were the sum of Thirty Pounds given for the express purpose of cutting the road its full width—the sum would keep it dry and render it more permanent. It would be of service to appoint the Commissioners at an early day, in order that they may have the Winter Season to procure the materials for the Bridges, &c.

W. S. MORRIS.

Lunenburg, November 2, 1835.

(No. 18.)

Result of Mr. Owen's enquiries at Sherbrooke, &c. as to Military road from Annapolis to Halifax, through Dalhousie, Sherbrooke, Wellington, &c.

	<i>Miles.</i>
Whole distance from Annapolis to Halifax	104 miles.
1 From Annapolis to Liverpool, Cross Roads or Depot, good carriage road whole distance	26
2 From Cross Roads to Church at Sherbrooke, carriage road, (excepting $\frac{1}{2}$ mile,) 10 miles from Church	27
3 From Church at Sherbrooke to Windsor Road, 13 miles from Chester—very bad	9
4 From Windsor Road to Sergeant Clay's farm, at Wellington Settlement—very bad 16 miles Bridle road, remaining 6 nearest Clay's	22
5 From Clay's to Halifax, good carriage road whole distance	20
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From Halifax to Annapolis, by Windsor, taken from Almanack	129

Difference

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My most intelligent informants concurred in the opinion, that if the road from Sherbrooke to the Windsor road, (9 miles,) were to be altered, to a route about one mile to the northward, (nearer Windsor,) an excellent tract of Land would be laid open for cultivation, and the Swamps and Barrens of the present tract would be avoided. The Indians, as well as Messrs. Card & Church, describe the northern route as well calculated for roads and farming; the same remarks apply to the 15 miles from the Windsor road towards Wellington. My informants assert that on this latter distance there is but one stream, no Swamps, and occasionally extensive hills of hard wood. The present line of road, as well that on the above 9 miles, as on the 15 also, is swampy, through a barren tract; whereas, near at hand, and frequently within sight of it, is land partaking of qualities quite the reverse; indeed the whole of the route laid out by Vaughan, appears injudicious, and Money expended on it seems mere waste and unproductive outlay. In 1831, those 16 miles were cut out the full width, and the stumps are now rotten; though these is scarce any trace of road, and a swamp of $\frac{3}{4}$ of a mile, with other parts of the road, can scarcely be traversed even on foot.

It cannot be considered, therefore, that in altering the course of the road more northerly, first from Sherbrooke to Windsor road, (9 miles,) thence towards Wellington, (16 miles,) that much is sacrificed. There is but one Settler on that 16 miles—soil seems to forbid it.

About 1827, Clay sent four men to inspect that 16 miles, who reported that a Horse could not pass, and they merely made up the bridges for foot passengers; bushes have now obliterated the track in many places,

insomuch that four years since a traveller lost himself for three days. Near St. Croix Lake, (4 miles in a direct line from Windsor road,) is good land, which is repeated at distances of less than $\frac{1}{2}$ a mile, till near the Wellington Settlement, but the path runs about a mile to the southward.

A route was run out by one Wheelock, before Harris surveyed the present line, some traces of which remain; but his research was confined to the 9 miles between Sherbrooke and Windsor road. There are no Rivers or Swamps on his course, nearly a mile to the north of the present a very extensive tract of excellent soil is described as surrounding it.

(Signed)

C. B. OWEN.

LIEUTENANT-COLONEL MARSHALL, &c. &c. &c.

Lunenburg, 2d Sept. 1835.

HALIFAX, 13th NOVEMBER, 1835.

N. B.—Mr. Owen thus makes the distance from Halifax to Sherbrooke, by the Military line, 51 miles; that from Halifax to Sherbrooke, by Margaret's Bay and Chester, being 62 miles; difference in favour of the former line, 11 miles; but any advantage in point of distance or otherwise to be derived from a good road to Sherbrooke by the Military line will not supersede the evident necessity of the present one to Chester, by Margaret's Bay, being improved, which it might be at an expense of from £50 or £100, so as to make it a good bridle road, the present one being in many parts not only unsafe but even difficult to trace. It is, notwithstanding, much used, although not without some risk and inconvenience from bad steps. A glance at the Map will show its great importance in point of distance.

Of the Military line, as above described by Mr. Owen, perhaps the parts of it between the head of Ingram River and Avon Lake, (or where it crosses the Windsor and Chester road,) a distance of 16 miles—and from Avon Lake to Sherbrooke Church, or Rosebank, 9 miles, are most deserving of immediate attention; there would then remain only two intermediate portions to be improved, which are already in some degree practicable, viz:—From the Pockwock River, (near Clay's farm,) in the Wellington Settlement, to the head of Ingram River, 6 miles—and from 10 miles west of Sherbrooke Church, to Liverpool Cross Roads, 17 miles; the whole of the remaining distance being practicable for Carriages. This line, in its passage through the Dalhousie Settlement, borders on some excellent tracts of land to the southward.

In the report on the nature and condition of the principal communications of the western Militia District, which I had last year the honor of addressing to Your Excellency, I omitted one which I have since partly gone over and understood to be very essential. I allude to a line proceeding from Annapolis, ascending and crossing Allen's River, at a place near it, called the General's Bridge, and from thence passing westerly over the Moose and Bear Rivers, at their bridges, and the Sissiboo River, at its falls; at this point it crosses a road ascending the right bank of the Sissiboo, made for the purpose of lumbering; and from the opposite bank it again proceeds in the same direction for about three miles, when it joins another road, leading from Weymouth behind the Clare Settlement to Yarmouth, the whole of this distance, viz:—From Annapolis to Yarmouth, may be estimated at somewhat less than 70 miles, being shorter by upwards of 20 miles than the present Post road by Digby, Weymouth, and the Clare shore. The route I have here described is either incorrectly traced, or in part, altogether omitted in the new map, by which also the whole appears as a finished road; whereas, about 26 miles of it have not even been cut out or blazed; the line in question is practicable for Carriages on the Annapolis side, as far as about 2 miles west of Bear River, where terminates what is called the Hessian line, whence to the Sissiboo Falls from 12 to 14 miles are closed; I have not heard the land in this latter tract, at least until it approaches the valley of the Sissiboo, particularly extolled, although it is evidently not bad, from the appearance of the forest, but the line in question touches on a wide and interesting extent of Country on the south, which is altogether unsettled, and even unexplored. The communication is again imperfectly open for some distance on either side of the falls, where, as yet, there is no bridge; but it is, once more, shut for a distance of 10 or 12 miles in that portion which leads along the back of the Clare Settlement. I am told that want of communication here, where the soil is most inviting for Settlement, is much felt by the poor and industrious Acadians, who are becoming too populous for the Shore District, and are anxious, and indeed forced on that account, to push more into the interior. Beyond this space the remaining distance to Yarmouth is practicable for wheels.

W. MARSHALL, LIEUT. COL. I. F. O.

(No. 19.)

SHELBURNE, 27th NOVEMBER, 1835.

SIR—

I had the honor to receive your Circular, of 28th September last, and agreeably to the Resolution of the House of Assembly, and His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor's request, I beg leave to furnish the following report of the state of the Main Post Road and Bridges, from the bounds of Queen's County to the District of Yarmouth, with an Estimate of the probable expenses of repairing the same; and also, a memorandum of such alterations and improvements as might be advantageously made.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient humble servant,

THOMAS JOHNSON.

THOMAS W. JAMES, ESQUIRE, Deputy-Secretary of the Province.

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No. 1. The road from Queen's County to Sable River, the distance of 6 miles—Portlebare Bridge, good—Tom Tidney bridge, good ; and there are 17 small bridges (beside these described) on the road, and a number of them very rotten—the road much contracted with side drains—gravel can be had in some places, but with a good deal of difficulty—it is bounded with stones ; and the cost to put the road in repair will be about £180 0 0

No. 2. Sable River bridge is rotten, and was nearly carried away last Spring with the Ice,—one of the blocks in the middle of the River is started down the stream, and I should recommend it to be built anew, and about 200 yards below where the old one stands, which will bring the road straight—for, where it stands now, there is a circle on both ends of the road to the bridge ; and there is a Cove in the river, a small distance above the bridge, where the ice makes, and, when the freshet rises in the Spring, it comes down in a body on the bridge ; and I should recommend a block to be built in the middle of the River, at the lower part of this Cove, and that will keep the ice up till it breaks—the water is quite shoal where I recommend the block to be built, and the expenses will be about 90 0 0

Provided the Timber is got in the Winter, otherwise it will be very expensive.

No. 3. From Sable River to Mr. Enslow's new bridge, the distance of about two and a half miles,—the road is very bad—full of hills, and stones which will want blasting, and low marshy ground ; and the most of the road has but one small drain, with a little dirt thrown upon one side of it, and it wants a drain on the other side—gravel can be had for top covering, but in some places a distance to haul,—and there are 12 small bridges on the road, and some of them very bad—the road will cost to repair it about 200 0 0

Mr. Enslow's new bridge good.

No. 4. From said bridge to Mr. David Hamilton's, corner of the road, the distance of about two and a half miles—the road more level, but very narrow—there is but one small drain, with some dirt thrown upon one side—it wants a drain on the other side of it the whole way, and logs and dirt hauled in to widen the road in some places—there are 15 small bridges, and the most of them rotten—gravel for top covering very poor and scarce. It will cost to repair the road about 165 0 0

No. 5. From Mr. David Hamilton's corner to Jordan River, the distance of about three and a half miles—the Big Meadow wants a drain on the lower side nearly the whole length, which is about three quarters of a mile long ; and on the upper side, from the Eastern end, nearly one third of the meadow wants the drain opened,—the road from the Big Meadow ('till it meets Mr. Enslow's new road,) has a great many small crooks in it, which will cost very little more to straighten than to repair the old one,—there are 24 small bridges, and the most of them rotten—the road is very much contracted by side drains and bushes—gravel can be had for top covering, but, in some places, a distance to haul. The road will cost to repair it about 170 0 0

No. 6. Jordan River bridge, by laying out about £5 on it, I think will stand 3 or 4 years yet. 5 0 0

No. 7. From Jordan River to Shelburne River, the distance of eight miles—there are 48 small bridges, and some of them very much decayed—the road has a great many short crooks in it, which might be straightened with very little more expense than repairing the old,—gravel can be had in some places on the road for top covering. The road will cost to repair it about 180 0 0

No. 8. Roseway River bridge wants a new block in the centre of the river, and three or four new string pieces, and it will cost about 27 10 0

No. 9. From Roseway River bridge to Birchtown River bridge, the distance of about three miles—the road very much contracted in places, by side drains and large rocks,—and there are several high hills, and there are 9 small bridges, and the most of them in good order,—gravel can be had in some places for top covering ; and the road will cost to repair it about 110 0 0

And there might be an alteration for to shorten the road nearly one half, by running it straight from Roseway bridge till it meets Birchtown hill ; and it will cost about £50. Whereas it runs now round by Mr. Amos Williams, and forms a circle ; and to repair it will cost from £15 to £20

Birchtown River bridge, good.

No. 10. From said bridge to Beaver Dam, the distance of seven miles—and there are 25 small bridges, and a number of them very much decayed, the road is very hilly, crooked and narrow, bounded on the sides by large rocks and side drains, and in some places gravel can be got for top covering ; and I think it will cost to repair it about 165 0

And if there were funds to alter the road, I think it would be a great advantage, from Mr. Jacob Acker's, at Birchtown, across to Mr. Brown's, will shorten the road full one half ; and it will cost about £50 ; and to repair the old road will cost about £10 ; and to straighten the road from Joseph Warrington's, across the corner, East, will avoid a steep hill and shorten the road more than one half ; and will cost about £25—the road as it stands, to repair it, will cost about £7 10s.—and going West, about three quarters of a mile from Shephard's, there is a very crooked and hilly place in the road ; and by straightening it, these hills will be avoided in a great measure, and shorten the road. It will cost about £40, the road to repair it, as it stands, will cost about £15 0 0

Beaver Dam Bridge good.

No. 11.—From said Bridge to Clyde River, the distance of 4 miles.—There is a large Savanna on the road about $\frac{1}{2}$ of a mile, and it wants a drain cut through the middle, with a Bridge on it, also a drain on the north side, and it wants a good deal of repairing, and there is nothing on either side but mud, which will make it expensive, as the dirt and gravel must be hauled a considerable distance—gravel for top covering can be had in some places, and to repair the road will cost about

140 0 0

There might be an improvement made by straightning the road from Mr. Hamilton's Mill Creek Bridge east till it meets the hills west of the Big Savanna, but it will cost about £100—the distance of a little better than half a mile—the road now round about is a mile, and the cost to repair it about £15—Mr. Hamilton's Mill Creek Bridge good.

No. 12.—Clyde River Bridge—the blocks and butments are all rotten, the string pieces, top covering and railing are good, and to build the three blocks and two butments will cost about

65 0 0

Provided the timber is got early in the Spring, so as it could be brought down the River by the last of April while the Freshet is up, otherwise it cannot be got about Clyde River, and it will be expensive to get it from any other part.

No. 13.—From Clyde River Bridge to Barrington River, the distance of 7 miles.—There are some high hills on the road wants to be cut down.—Big Goose Creek Bridge, the butments want to be built anew, the butments are stone.—Clement's Pond Bridge is rotten, and a number of other small Bridges are in bad order, and the road very much contracted in places by large rocks and side drains.—On the formation of these roads through Shelburne and Barrington, the foundation was laid too narrow, probably on account of the want of money.—Herbert's Brook Bridge good, and to repair this road it will cost about

150 0 0

No. 14.—Barrington River Bridge rotten, so rotten that the last storm blew the most of the railway down, and it will cost to build it anew about

40 0 0

No. 15.—From Barrington River to the Yarmouth line, the distance of about 8 miles. The road is much alike, all contracted by side drains, large rocks and fences, and near Oak Park it is very hilly, gravel is plenty and easy got for top covering, and the road will cost to repair it about

80 0 0

THOS. JOHNSON.

RECAPITULATION OF PROBABLE COST OF REPAIRS.

No. 1.—From bounds of Queen's to Sable Bridge	£180	0	0
2.—Sable River Bridge	90	0	0
3.—From Sable River to Mr. Enslow's new Bridge	200	0	0
4.—From Mr. Enslow's new Bridge to Mr. David Hamilton's corner	165	0	0
5.—From Mr. David Hamilton's corner to Jordan River	170	0	0
6.—Jordan River Bridge	5	0	0
7.—From Jordan River to Shelburne River	180	0	0
8.—Roseway River Bridge	27	10	0
9.—From Roseway River Bridge to Birchtown River Bridge	110	0	0
10.—From Birchtown River Bridge to Beaver Dam	165	0	0
11.—From Beaver Dam Bridge to Clyde River	140	0	0
12.—Clyde River Bridge	65	0	0
13.—From Clyde River Bridge to Barrington River	150	0	0
14.—Barrington River Bridge	40	0	0
15.—From Barrington River to the Yarmouth line	80	0	0

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(No. 20.)

FALMOUTH, 8th DECEMBER, 1835.

SIR—

IN obedience to the commands of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, communicated by your Circular Letter of the 30th September last, I have, in the proceeding Month of October, carefully inspected the Main Post Road from Half-way House, through the Counties of Hants and King's Counties, to

the bounds of Annapolis County, and beg leave to submit the following Report of the state of the Roads and Bridges within those limits, divided into separate Sections, together with an Estimate of the Sums severally necessary for their improvement and repair.

Section 1. From Half-way House to Lakeland Inn, nine miles.—Upon the principal part of this Section, the rock lies near, or extends to, the surface of the ground—many parts of the side and cross drains are insufficient for the effectual drainage of the road—a considerable part of the earth has been worn and washed off, leaving the surface of the road in some places rough and uneven, in others flat, and liable to retain the water which falls upon it. A part of the new road near Mount Uniacke, extending about one mile Westward from Uniacke's gate, is in a very bad state—it is insufficiently drained, soft, flat, and retaining the water, and being principally situated upon a bog—the materials necessary for its effectual repair will be somewhat distant and difficult to procure. No gravel to be obtained within these limits. Hard Earth and loose broken stone suitable for top dressing can however be had upon its whole extent. No repairs required to bridges, with the exception of a few small ones over cross drains. Estimate for the repair of this Section, £200.

Section 2. From Lakeland Inn to Terfry's, 5 miles.—This Section includes the Ardois Hills, and is in an unfavorable state—upon the principal part of it the side drains are much filled up—the former top dressing of slate stone worn out, and the road become flat and wet; this is particularly the case upon the top of Ardois, and including a part of the descent. No gravel to be obtained—hard earth—loose rock or slate stone, suitable for top dressing, to be had, but with considerable labour in its excavation and removal. A number of small bridges over the cross drains to be repaired or renewed. Estimate for the repair of this Section, £70.

Section 3. Terfry's to Three Mile Plain, 7 miles.—This part of the road is principally upon dry ground, and generally a smooth surface—the side drains on some low parts require to be deepened, and the roads raised. A number of small abrupt elevations which at present disfigure it, and render the travelling unpleasant—require to be reduced. Some small bridges over cross drains and small rivulets require to be repaired or rebuilt—gravel to be had upon the whole of this Section where required. Estimate for its repair £50.

Section 4. Three Mile Plain to Avon Bridge, 6 Miles.—This Section of the road is upon a soft clayey Soil, very unfavorable to the formation of a permanent road, the side and cross drains are much filled up, and the earth washed off the road, requiring that the drains should be deepened, and the road drained in the centre; upon a great part of its extent the principal Bridges are in a good state, a few small ones require to be re-built or repaired; gravel can only be obtained at one or two places, and then with difficulty, and in small quantities. Estimate for repair of this Section, £70.

Southern abutment of Avon Bridge.—A considerable repair was made upon the Avon bridge, in 1833, and with the exception of one or two small timbers which have been injured by the ice, the wooden work of it is in a good state of repair. For several years past, the marsh bank at the Windsor side of the River, immediately below, and adjoining to, the bridge, has worn away to a considerable extent, so as to remove the Channel of the river close in with the eastern side of the southern abutment, in consequence of which the strong current of the flood tide, instead of passing direct between the piers, in what was formerly the centre of the river, rushes obliquely through the abutment with great force, and washes away the foundation, except it be kept deeply covered with stone, considerable labour has heretofore been expended in securing and protecting this part of the work, yet it has occasioned an unequal settling of the abutment, and as the river bank continues to wear away, and the Channel to encroach it, would eventually greatly endanger or probably destroy it, to prevent which it would require a breakwater to be built at the lower side of the abutment to preserve it from the further encroachments of the river. The probable expense of this improvement, and which might also include some small repairs required to the bridge, would be £30.

Section 5. Avon Bridge to Horton line, 5½ miles.—This section of the road which includes the Falmouth Mountain, is in a very unfavourable state; for several years past the sums appropriated to its repair have been small, and those have been principally required to support the bridges, during this time the side drains have gradually filled up, and the ground being very hilly the water has obtained courses upon the road, and in descending the hills has washed away the materials, worn gutters in the road, and injured it materially. The bridges are generally in a good state of repair, with the exception of some small ones over the cross drains; upon a part of this section gravel or slate stone can be procured for top dressing, for the remainder there is none to be had, except at such a distance as to render its removal very expensive. Estimate for repair of this Section, £100.

Section 6. Horton line to Stone Bridge, 8 miles.—The principal part of this section is in a tolerably good travelling state, upon the remaining part the side drains require to be deepened, and sundry other repairs made. A bridge over a barren upwards of a mile eastward of Gaspereau bridge requires considerable repairs; the other bridges, including those over the Gaspereau and half way rivers are in good repair, with the exception of a few of those over small brooks or cross drains, which will require to be rebuilt or repaired, gravel for top dressing can be obtained with tolerable convenience upon the whole of this section. Estimate for its repairs, £50.

Section 7. Stone Bridge to Kentville, 8½ miles.—This portion of the road is generally upon a dry soil, and is in a tolerably good travelling condition, sundry repairs are however required to certain parts of the section, in some places the side drains require to be deepened, in others, the tops of small steep hills or elevations require to be cut down to lessen the ascent, and some small bridges require to be repaired or rebuilt. The principal bridges, (including Mud bridge at Wolfville,) are in a good condition, and not likely to require repair in the ensuing year; gravel or dry hard earth suitable for the road can generally be had when required, upon the whole of this section. Estimate for its repair, £30.

Section 8. Kentville to Harris's, 17 miles.—This section of the road is principally upon dry sandy ground, some low parts of it are however wet, and much worn into ruts and circular holes, that part extending over the Carriboo bog, (about seven eighths of a mile,) is in a very bad state, low, wet, and full of holes, the water

of the bog standing nearly as high as the top of the road, which requires to be drained, and the causeway to be raised higher. An alteration of the road within the limits of this section, near George Harrington's, in Cornwallis, was commenced in the present year, but is not yet completed, a part of the new road, at the eastern end of the alteration being yet to make, in order to connect it with the present road. The principal bridges on this section are in good order, some small ones, over brooks or cross drains, require to be re-built or repaired. Estimate for the repair of this section, including the completion of the alteration near Harrington's, £75.

Section 9. Harris' Inn, to the Eastern line of Annapolis County, 8 miles.—This portion of the road is upon sandy ground generally, and is in a tolerably good travelling condition, the ground being dry, side drains are but partially required, some repairs are necessary in filling up holes worn in the road—raising some low places, and in repairing or rebuilding some of the bridges over small brooks or cross drains. Estimate for repair of the section, £15.

RECAPITULATION OF ESTIMATE.

Section 1 Half-way House to Lakeland Inn,	9 miles	£200
2 Lakeland Inn to Terfry's,	5 do	70
3 Terfry's to Three Mile Plain,	7 do	50
4 Three Mile Plain to Avon Bridge, Breakwater at Avon Bridge,	6 do	70
5 Avon Bridge to Horton Line,	5½ do	30
6 Horton Line to Stone Bridge,	8 do	100
7 Stone Bridge to Kentville,	8½ do	50
8 Kentville to Harris's,	17 do	30
9 Harris's to Annapolis County Line,	8 do	75
	74 do	£690

In submitting the foregoing Estimate, I would beg to observe, that larger sums than are therein stated might be very beneficially expended in the repair and improvement of the road in question; but presuming, from the tenor of the instructions received, which require the Estimate of the "necessary repairs" to be made "with as much regard to economy as possible," that it was not the intention of Government to apply such large sums to the repair of the road in the ensuing year, as might be sufficient to place it in the highest state of improvement, as this would necessarily be attended with great expense. I have, therefore, only estimated such sums as appeared necessary to make some substantial improvements upon the worst parts of the several Sections—to place the whole in a tolerably good travelling condition, and, by opening suitable water courses and effecting a better drainage of the road, to render it less liable to injury in future.

I have the honor be,

Sir, your most obedient, humble Servant,
JOHN ELDER.

THOMAS W. JAMES, Esq.

No. 9.

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(COPY.)

DOWNING-STREET, 4th NOV. 1835.

SIR—

With reference to Mr. Jeffery's Despatches of the 20th March and 10th April, 1834, and to your despatch of the 14th July, 1835, I have the honor to inform you that His Majesty's Government have recently had under their consideration the representations which have been at different times addressed to them, by parties interested in the Trade of the North American Provinces, upon the subject of the dangerous navigation of the Gulf of St. Lawrence. The numerous Shipwrecks which annually occur there, attended in some instances with considerable loss of life and property, have so often formed the subject of correspondence between your predecessors in the Government of Nova Scotia and this Department, that it is unnecessary for me to do more than allude to them; but you will, I am sure, readily understand the anxiety which has been felt by His Majesty's Government to adopt any precautions for obviating the recurrence of such melancholy accidents.—With a view, therefore, of ascertaining the most effectual means for this purpose, the Lords Commissioners of His Majesty's Treasury have endeavoured to obtain the opinions of scientific persons, experienced in the navigation of those Seas, and acquainted with the circumstances of the neighbouring Provinces. The result of their enquiries, as communicated in the Letter and Minutes, of which Copies are inclosed, appears to be, that if Light-Houses were erected upon the Islands of Scattarie and St. Paul, off the coast of Cape-Breton, many of the Shipwrecks which now occur might be prevented. Anxious, therefore, to contribute as much as possible to an object which their Lordships consider as of national rather than of local interest, they have announced their readiness to apply to Parliament for the funds necessary to the erection of Light-Houses upon those points, provided that the Colonies, whose Trade is to be benefitted by the measure, will engage to defray the expenses of their future maintenance. The liberality which has heretofore been display-

ed by the Legislature of Nova Scotia, in succouring those who have been shipwrecked upon her Coasts, assures me that that body will cordially co-operate with the Home Government, and with the neighbouring Colonies, in promoting a measure so important to the Commercial interests of the whole of British North America.

Adverting to the details of the arrangement by which the effectiveness of these Light-Houses is to be secured, the Lords Commissioners of the Treasury have recommended that they should be placed under the management of the Board for the direction of such matters which already exists in Nova Scotia; and they also suggest that, as a preliminary to any further proceedings, that Board should be requested to report upon the measures to be adopted. To the former part of their Lordship's suggestion, I do not apprehend any objection,—from the latter, I have been induced to deviate, in so far as to bring the subject at once under the consideration of the respective Legislatures, because, were I to await a Report from Nova Scotia, it would be impossible to submit it to those bodies during their approaching Sessions. No advantage, sufficient to compensate for this delay, could, I think, be expected from the Report in question. The expense to which each of the Provinces will become liable, by their acceptance of the offer of the Lords Commissioners of the Treasury, cannot, under any circumstances, be otherwise than inconsiderable; and they will, at the same time, have at hand greater facilities for estimating its amount than I can hope to obtain.—Under these circumstances, I am induced to present the matter for the consideration of the Assembly of Nova Scotia, in its present incomplete form. The other Colonies, to which it is intended to apply for a contribution towards the expense of these Light-Houses, are Lower Canada, New Brunswick, and Prince Edward's Island; and I have suggested to the Earl of Gosford the expediency of His Lordship's communicating directly with yourself and the Lieutenant-Governors of the other Colonies interested in the measure, for the purpose of maturing arrangements which may be common to all. Among these, the principal will be the apportionment of the annual expense; and it has occurred to me that this object might perhaps be conveniently effected by means of a Commission of Arbitration—of which the Members should be appointed by the respective Legislatures, with a power of adopting a final award. This, however, is a point upon which I desire only to offer a suggestion; if any other arrangement should appear to the Legislatures, interested in the measure, to be better adapted to the circumstances of the case, I need hardly state that I shall be ready to co-operate with them for giving effect to it.

In conclusion, I have only to request that, conformably to the desire of the Lords Commissioners of the Treasury, you will submit the inclosed documents for the consideration of the Board for the management of Light-Houses, and that you will request that Board to favor me with an early Report upon the subject, in order that immediate steps may be taken for commencing the erection of these Light-Houses.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

(Signed)

G L E N E L G.

(Copy)

TREASURY CHAMBERS, 12th OCTOBER, 1835.

SIR—

THE Lords Commissioners of His Majesty's Treasury having had under consideration four Letters of the 22nd August last, upon the subject of the erection of Light-Houses along the Coast of North America, I am commanded to transmit to you a Copy of their Lordship's Minute of the 6th inst. thereon, together with Copies of the Report of the Commanding Royal Engineer in Nova-Scotia, and of a Letter from the Secretary of the Trinity House on the subject, in order that they may be submitted to Lord Glenelg, with reference to the Communications from His Lordship's Department, of the 11th September and 29th October, 1834; and I am to request you will state to Lord Glenelg, that my Lords can entertain little doubt but that the Legislatures of the North American Colonies will readily co-operate in the promotion of an object in which the interests of their respective Provinces are so deeply concerned; and my Lords would accordingly suggest that Communications should be made to the respective Colonial Governments on the subject; and will be prepared upon the concurrence of the several Legislatures, in the proposed arrangement, to submit the requisite application to Parliament, for carrying into effect that part of it which is to depend upon this Country. At the same time you will also state to Lord Glenelg that, adverting to the position of these contemplated Lights, it appears to my Lords that their future supervision and management may be most advantageously vested in the Commission already existing in Nova-Scotia, for the management of all matters relating to the Light-Houses established by the Legislature of that Province; and my Lords would therefore propose a further preliminary to any proceedings that may be adopted, that the Reports, both of the Commanding Engineer and of the Trinity Board may be referred to that Commission for their consideration, and with a request that they will report their opinion upon the several suggestions contained in these Documents, relative to the position of the Light-Houses, and the description of Light that should be exhibited; and likewise, res-

pecting the most eligible mode of erecting the requisite buildings, and that they will cause my Lords to be furnished with detailed Estimates of the Expenditure they may conceive it will be necessary to incur for this last mentioned purpose—with the understanding that the Lanterns and Apparatus might be forwarded from this Country, and that separate Estimates would accordingly be procured for these portions of the charge. I am, &c.

(Signed)

J. STEWART.

Sir GEORGE GREY, Bart. &c. &c. &c.

COPY OF TREASURY MINUTE, DATED 6th OCTOBER, 1835.

READ a Letter from Sir George Grey, referring to the Communications from the Secretary of State's Department, of 11th September and 29th October, 1834, on the subject of the erection of Light-Houses at the entrance of the Gulf of St. Lawrence, and on the Island of Scattarie, on the North-East Coast of Cape-Breton, stating that Lord Glenelg has received information, by a Dispatch from the Lieutenant-Governor of Nova-Scotia, that three more Vessels have recently been lost on that part of the Coast of North America, and requesting this Board will have under early consideration the suggestions that have been submitted to His Majesty's Government respecting the establishment of Lights on the most dangerous parts of that Coast, and the aid that should be afforded by this Country for that purpose.

My Lords having now before them the Report called for by their Minutes of the 3d and 24th March last, from the Elder Brethren of the Trinity House, and from the Commanding Officer of the Royal Engineers in Nova-Scotia, respecting the nature of the Lights it would be advisable to exhibit, and the means that might be found in the Province for constructing Light-Houses, resume the consideration of the circumstances represented in the Address to His Majesty from the House of Assembly of Nova-Scotia, and in the Report of the Hydrographer of the Admiralty, forwarded to them by direction of the Secretary of State, in the Communication of the 11th September, 1834, already adverted to.

My Lords observe that the Report of the Hydrographer of the Admiralty, drawn up with reference to the information relating to the Light-Houses on the Coast of the British North American Colonies, which had been procured in consequence of representations from British Merchants and Ship Owners engaged in the Trade with those Colonies, represented the great importance, in addition to the Lights already established by the Local Government, for objects more immediately connected with the Trade and Navigation of the separate Provinces, of placing Lights on the Island of St. Paul and Scattarie, at the Northern and most Eastern extremity of Cape-Breton, for the guidance of all Shipping bound for the Gulf of St. Lawrence, or for other parts of British North America; and that the Board of Admiralty have expressed their concurrence in the suggestions submitted in this Report.

The Address of the House of Assembly of Nova-Scotia, dated in April, 1834, likewise urges the great importance of establishing Lights upon those points. It enumerates ten vessels, comprising a tonnage of 2766 tons, and having on board 603 persons, and being, with the exception of two small Colonial schooners, the property of British Owners, which had been wrecked in the course of the previous year, represents that, although few, if any of these vessels, were bound for the port of Nova-Scotia, the heavy charge attending the relief and providing for the numerous individuals thus thrown on shore, in a state of destitution, had been defrayed from the funds of the Province; and states, that the Local Legislature would be anxious and willing to contribute towards the expense of the proposed Lights, although their establishment much more nearly concerned the Trade to and from the other British North American Provinces.

My Lords further observe, that all succeeding Communications from the Secretary of State notice the receipt of intelligence of further wrecks and losses, and losses of life and property, and unequivocally evince the urgent necessity on the score of humanity, and of every consideration connected with the safety of the maritime trade with the North American Colonies or of His Majesty's Ships employed on those Seas, for the adoption of every practical means of protecting Shipping from the dangers which attend the navigation between Cape-Breton and Newfoundland.

That the proposed Lights on St. Paul and Scattarie Islands, would most materially tend to effect this very desirable object, appears to be the concurrent opinion of all the parties conversant with the Navigation of that part of North America, who have been consulted on the subject; but although these Islands are within the jurisdiction of the Government of Nova-Scotia, my Lords cannot but admit that the allegation on the part of the House of Assembly at Nova-Scotia, that the adoption of precautions, with respect to the dangers in question, concerns the Trade with the other British Provinces in North America, fully as much as the Trade to Nova-Scotia, is well founded. My Lords are, however, not prepared to approve of the suggestion of the House of Assembly, with regard to the imposition by the Parliament of the United Kingdom of dues for defraying an expenditure for this purpose, to be levied either in the Ports of the Colonies concerned, or on Shipping clearing from British Ports for those Colonies; but it appears to my Lords that, provided the Legislatures of those Colonies can be brought to concur in making provision for the future current expense for maintaining the proposed Lights on the Islands of St. Paul and Scattarie, the important considerations to which they have adverted, would justify an application to Parliament for the

grant of such sum as would delay the charge of erecting Light-Houses, and of fitting them in the first instance with the requisite Apparatus and Machinery.

Transmit Copies of the Report of the Commanding Engineer in Nova-Scotia, of the Letter from the Secretary of the Trinity House, and of this Minute, to the Secretary of the Admiralty, in order that they may be submitted for the information of that Board, and for any further suggestions the Lords of the Admiralty may see occasion to offer, with respect to the subject to which these papers relate.

(Copy.)

HALIFAX, NOVA-SCOTIA, 27th JUNE, 1835.

SIR—

IN obedience to your Order of the 2d April, No. 364, and the Board's Minute of 30th March, 1835, directing me, with reference to the Communications from the Lords Commissioners of H. M. Treasury, respecting the Light-Houses proposed to be erected on St. Paul's and Scattarie Islands, to ascertain and report in what manner the existing Light-Houses in Nova-Scotia and Cape-Breton were built, and what facilities the Province may afford, in respect of Artificers, materials or otherwise for the construction of buildings of this description. I have the honor to transmit the inclosed list of the existing Light-Houses on the Coast of Nova-Scotia and Cape-Breton, which were all originally erected, and are still kept up at the expense of the Province, under the superintendance of Commissioners appointed by Acts of the Provincial Legislature.—Of the eleven existing Light-Houses only two are of stone, viz—that at Sambro Island, erected in 1758, and the Shelburne Light-House, built in 1788, both of which, it has been found necessary for their preservation, to cover with an exterior casing of Boards and Shingles, in consequence of the effects of the severe and variable weather of this climate upon Masonry in such exposed situations.

2d. Neither St. Paul or Scattarie Islands afford any facilities in respect to materials or otherwise, and therefore, whatever may be required for the construction of buildings must be sent out framed and ready to be put up with the utmost dispatch. These Islands being uninhabited, except by the party recently stationed at each, to afford aid to those who may be Shipwrecked and happen to reach the shore, and the approach particularly to St. Paul's being difficult at all times, and during the winter months from October to May wholly impracticable.

3d. I therefore consider that buildings of Wood about 40 feet in height to the foot of the Lantern, standing upon stone foundations, of 5 feet from the ground, and 30 feet in diameter at the base, would be best adapted for such situations, and fully answer the important object in view, of speedily establishing Lights were they are so urgently required.

4th. From the enquiries I have made, as to the cost of the Light-Houses of a similar description, erected by the Provincial Commissioners, since 1831, I estimate that the expense of erecting the proposed Light-Houses, in the manner I have suggested, would not exceed £1,500 sterling each, including the Lamps and fitting up the fixed Lights; but should revolving or coloured Lights be adopted, to distinguish either the Light on St. Paul's or that on Scattarie Island, from the intermediate one on Low Point, Sydney, an additional charge of £250 sterling would be incurred for the machinery.

In the estimated amount of £1,500 is included the expense of forming Cellars or Depots, detached from the main wooden buildings, and as nearly fire and frost proof as practicable, sufficient to contain provisions for the keepers, and also, for such shipwrecked persons as may be thrown upon the Island, (to whom the basement and second story of the building would afford shelter), who would otherwise be left destitute of food, in the event of the Light-House being destroyed by fire or other accident, when the Island could not be approached for their relief or removal.

6th The requisite materials, artificers, &c. may be procured in this Province without difficulty, and I have no doubt that Contracts, for the performance of the whole Work, may be made either at Halifax or at St. John's, New Brunswick.

7th. From the experience they possess, and the zeal they evince in constructing new, and improving the old Light-Houses, I consider that, subject to such general superintendance by the Royal Engineer Department as may be deemed expedient, (if an Ordnance service), the erection of the buildings may be safely entrusted to, and will be best executed by, the Provincial Board of Light-House Commissioners—upon whom, probably will devolve the charge of maintaining the proposed Lights, in the same manner as the existing ones under their control.

According to the information I have been able to obtain, it appears that the best site for a Light-House on St. Paul's, is at the North of the Island, at the spot pointed out by the Hydrographer of the Admiralty, in whose objections to a second Light, the most experienced and competent persons I have consulted, entirely coincide; and it is thought that, whenever the Light becomes obscured, recourse may be usefully had to firing a gun at intervals, or sounding a gong, &c. to be regularly tapped by machinery at night and during thick fogs. Near the hill of the East point of Scattarie, about 20 or 30 feet above the level of the sea, is considered to be the best site for a Light-House on that Island, and it is conveniently near to a little summer harbour for small craft, where materials, &c. can be most easily landed.

I have, &c.

(Signed) RICE JONES, Lt. Col. Commanding Royal Engineers.

LIST OF LIGHT-HOUSES ON THE COASTS OF NOVA-SCOTIA AND CAPE-BRETON.

HALIFAX, NOVA-SCOTIA, 27th JUNE, 1835.

No.	SITUATION.	DATE OF ERECTION	OF WHAT MATERIALS CONSTRUCTED.	DESCRIPTION OF LIGHT.	REMARKS
1	Sambro Island	1758	Stone, faced with wood	Fixed	
2	Shelburne	1788	Do.	Do.	
3	Pier Island	1809	Do.	Do.	Re-built in 1832
4	Liverpool	1812	Do.	Revolving	
5	Annapolis Gut	1816	Do.	Fixed	
6	Cranberry Island, Cape-Canso	1822	Do.	Do.	
7	Mauger's Beach, Halifax Harbour	1829	Do.	Do.	
8	Seal Island	1831	Do.	Do.	
9	Low Point, Cape-Breton	1832	Do.	Do.	
10	Cross Island, Lunenburg	1832	Do.	Do.	
11	Pictou	1833	Do.	Do.	

(Signed) RICE JONES, Lt. Col. Commanding Royal Engineers.

TRINITY HOUSE, LONDON, 15th MAY, 1835.

SIR—

Adverting to your letter bearing date the 6th March last, transmitting, by command of the Right Honorable the Lords Commissioners of His Majesty's Treasury, certain papers relative to the Light-Houses of the British Colonies in North America, and signifying the desire of their Lordships to receive for their guidance, in deciding upon the measures it may be advisable to adopt for establishing Light-Houses on the Islands of St. Paul and Scattarie, any observations or suggestions that may occur to the Elder Brethren of this Corporation, with reference to the position and description of the buildings it will be necessary to erect—the establishment that will afterwards be required for keeping up the Lights, and the most eligible arrangements for either of these purposes—likewise, with reference to the amount of expenditure that may be incurred, and the most advisable means of raising and controlling the application of any requisite funds to defray that expenditure.

I have it now in command to acquaint you, for their Lordships information, that the Elder Brethren have had this subject under their consideration, together with the further information afforded by the papers requested by my Letter of 14th March, and furnished by Captain Beaufort, the Hydrographer to the Admiralty, with his letter of the 9th ult., and they beg to submit to their Lordships, with reference to the measures to be adopted for erecting the Light-Houses in question, the establishment to be hereafter maintained thereat, the expenditure to be incurred, and the means of raising and controlling the necessary funds, that they are not in possession of any information which induces them to recommend, for their Lordships adoption, any measures different from those which have been formerly resorted to in the establishment and maintenance of those Light-Houses which have been already erected on the Coasts of British North America. The Elder Brethren, however, are not acquainted with the details of those measures, and, if it should appear to their Lordships, from the experience which those buildings and establishments have afforded, that better measures may be taken, the Elder Brethren, on being furnished with further information on those points, will readily resume the consideration thereof, and submit to their Lordships such suggestions thereupon as may appear calculated to render them more effectual for their intended purpose.

The Elder Brethren have attentively considered the question of the position which may preferably be selected for the Light-House on the Island of St. Paul, and the description of Light to be exhibited therein, and are of opinion that the situation pointed out in the Report of Mr. J. W. Jones, Master of His Majesty's Ship Hussar, dated 20th October, 1829, is that in which the building may most advantageously be placed, viz:—upon the summit of the three hills upon that Island, which, by the measurement of that Officer, is 229 feet above the level of the Sea. The Light-House should be, as also suggested by Mr. Jones, 80 feet to the centre of the Lantern, and the Elder Brethren are of opinion, that at this station a triangular revolving Light, having 5 Lamps, and parabolic reflectors on each face of the triangle, should be exhibited. The fogs which extensively prevail in these regions, apply, as the Elder Brethren are induced to believe, equally both to the low and to the high lands, though frequently not affecting both at the same time, and render it in their judgment advisable that a gun should be attached to this station, to be fired at regular intervals of 15 minutes, both by day and by night during their continuance. In respect to the intended establishment on the Island of Scattarie, the Elder Brethren have only to submit their entire concurrence in the observations offered by Capt. Beaufort, in his Report; and particularly, in relation to the necessity of so exhibiting the Light or Lights thereat as to render them capable of being distinguished, with

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unerring certainty, from any other Light in those Seas. Impressed with this necessity, they beg to recommend that two Light-Houses be erected on this Island, in proper situations, sufficiently removed from each other to prevent the Lights blending when viewed from a distance, and at such elevations as may be necessary to enable Vessels to make them at a sufficient landfall offing; and that a flashing Light, with short intervals of darkness, should be exhibited in each Light-House. This may be accomplished by placing 8 Lamps and parabolic reflectors on a circular frame in each Lantern, and causing each of them to revolve in a period of three minutes; the number of Lamps and reflectors will then be sixteen in the two Light-Houses, while, to render a single fixed Light visible throughout the entire arc of the horizon within which it should be seen, would, the Elder Brethren apprehend, require not less than twenty Lamps and reflectors.

The Elder Brethren direct me to request you will assure their Lordships of their desire to render their services available, in superintending the provision of the Lanterns, Lamps and Reflectors, should their Lordships determine upon furnishing the Light-House Apparatus from this Country, or in any other manner which their Lordships may be pleased to point out.

I have, &c.

(Signed)

J. HERBERT.

No. 10.

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AGGREGATE list of ARTICLES purchased for the HALIFAX ASYLUM for the POOR, during the Year 1835.

	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Arrow Root, 40lb.	0	0	0	3	0	0
Barley, 49 cwt. 3 21	45	8	10			
Beef, 15,456 lbs.	131	6	10			
Matton, 332lbs. for Christmas dinner	5	7	4			
Beer, 4207 gallons	48	16	4			
Porter, 35 do. do.	1	15	0			
Butter, 713 lbs.	25	1	8			
				252	16	0
Candles, 100 lbs.	3	16	0			
Coal, 73 Chaldrons	88	10	0			
Contingencies, expended by the Matron, whose Account is audited Monthly by the Acting Commissioner	27	19	6			
Cloathing, Blankets, Sheets, Bedticking, &c. &c.	122	5	2			
Chocolate, 952 lbs.	27	15	4			
				270	6	0
Flour, Superfine, 149 bbls.	253	13	9			
Rye 142 do.	183	9	0			
Fish, salt and fresh	10	17	7½			
				448	1	1½
Glazing				2	19	3
Ironmongery, Nails, &c.	26	3	2			
Illegitimate Children, maintenance thereof, out of doors	29	10	0			
Indian Meal, 147 cwt.	87	11	10			
Oatmeal, 37 cwt. 3 4	26	5	9			
				169	10	9
Lumber, for Coffins, &c. 10,987 feet	32	14	6			
Leather, for Shoes	18	19	7			
Eighty-four pair Shoes	22	13	0			
Lime, 7 hhds.	5	19	6			
				80	6	7
Miscellaneous Expenses—Articles required for the Establishment, not of ordinary consumption, purchased by the Commissioners, which do not come under other heads	29	8	6			
Molasses, 1573 gallons	113	4	10			
Milk, 2588½ gallons	112	13	11			
				255	7	3
Oil, for Lamps, 373 gallons				32	8	0
Pork, salt, 9 bbls.	31	10	0			
Fresh, 1064 lbs.	15	10	3			
Potatoes, 889½ bushels	57	17	1½			
Peas, 74 bushels	28	18	0			
Printing & Stationary	10	7	7			
Paid vote of Commissioners to the Clerk, for extra services, during the Cholera	20	0	0			
				164	2	11½
Repairs to buildings	79	12	½			
Removal of Paupers	0	18	0			
				80	10	0½
Straw, 87 cwt. 1 0	13	9	0			
Soap, soft, 222 2 11 lbs. hard, 252 lbs.	55	18	3			
Salaries, including charge for Medicines and Medical attendance	257	15	0			
Sugar, 9 cwt. 1 2	17	1	6			
Salt, 5 hhds	2	13	6			
				326	17	3

Tea, 684 lbs.	£. s. d.	£. s. d.
Truckages, (contracted for)	67 14 1	
Tin ware, and repairing do.	21 0 0	
Turnips, 52 bushels	29 0 2	
	3 18 0	121 12 8
Wood, 59 cords	33 1 2	
Wine, for the sick, 61 gallons	17 16 0	
Wool	5 6 8	
		56 3 10
Paid loan on Account of Burial Ground Wall		213 4 6
Cash in hands	0 1 3	
Balance remaining in the Bank	14 19 11	
		15 1 2
		£2492 6 11½

January, 1836,—This amount left unpaid in December, but since paid £29 15 4
 (Signed) *LEWIS JOHNSTON,* } Committee to Audit
M. B. ALMON, } the Accounts.
W. LAWSON, Jun.

ACCOUNT of the FUNDS received for the use of the HALIFAX ASYLUM for the POOR, during the Year 1835, and from whence received.

Commissioners.		Treasury on Account of Transient Poor	Treasury on Account of 10 per cent.	Town and County Treasurer.	Casual	Total.
1835.		Balance in the Bank.				£49 12 9
January	John Spry Morris, Esq.		£225	£50	£8 15 4	288 15 4
February	The Hon. T. N. Jeffery,			100		100
March	John Clarke, Esq.	150	112 10		8 11 6	271 1 6
April	The Hon. J. Allison,				5 6 8½	5 6 8½
May	Henry Yeomans, Esq.			211	4 16 8	215 16 8
June	The Hon. J. Allison,	150	50	67	6 6 0	278 6 9
July	James Foreman, Esq.					
August	G. N. Russell, Esq.			440	1	441 0 0
September	John Howe, Esq.		43 15 0	286		329 15 0
October	Wm. M. Allan, Esq.	150			14 4 9	164 4 8
November	J. W. Nutting, Esq.			150	8 15 8	158 15 8
December	M. B. Almon, Esq.			206 8 6	4 2 8	210 11 2
Error in Com'rs. Account, see Mo: August—1s } Gained by Coppers.—2d }						1 2
		£450	£431 5	£1510 8 6	£56 19 6½	£2492 6 11½
Balance brought down						£15 1 2

1836.
 January. Wm. M. Allan, Esq. £150 309 16 5 in British Silver Shillings, 1s 3d £459 16 5

G. N. RUSSELL, Chairman of Comms.

Halifax, 31st Decr. 1835.

ROBERT PHELAN, Clerk to Comms.

ACCOUNT of PAUPERS admitted into the HALIFAX ASYLUM for the POOR, during the Year 1835, distinguishing Halifax from Transient, and the places from whence the Transient Poor came.

	Men.	Days.	Women.	Days.	Children.	Days.	Total.	Days.
Halifax	47	6477	90	13600	161	20478	298	40555
Transient	282	39850	136	14827	79	10434	493	54266
Total	329	45327	226	28427	240	30912	791	94821

PLACES FROM WHENCE TRANSIENT POOR CAME.

	Men.	Days.	Women.	Days.	Children.	Days.	Total.	Days.
From places in the Province other than Halifax	22	1823	27	3482	15	2061	64	7366
Ireland	152	16975	73	8193	23	1839	248	27007
England	49	5206	18	1554	10	1634	77	8394
Scotland	22	1737	3	94	2	432	27	2262
Wales	2	18	2	177			4	195
Newfoundland	3	182	3	423	4	388	10	993
Germany	2	271					2	271
Italy	1	365					1	365
Norway	3	324					3	324
Portugal	3	380					3	380
West Indies	7	212	1	1			8	213
Virginia	1	167					1	167
United States	7	424	2	81	1	77	10	582
Sandwich Islands	2	462					2	462
Sweedland	1	20					1	20
Africa	1	23					1	23

	Men.	Days.	Women.	Days.	Children.	Days.	Total.	Days.
Minorca	1	74					1	74
Bermuda	2	166	1	9	1	83	4	207
France			1	353	1	353	2	760
Prince Edward's Island	1	17	2	195	1	122	4	394
Sydney			2	218	1	330	3	548
St. John, N. B.			1	48	4	1312	5	1360
Quebec					2	448	2	448
Albany					1	238	1	238
Miramichi					3	303	3	303
Fredericton					3	415	3	415
Cape-Breton					4	124	4	124
Foundlings					3	675	3	675
	232	38850	136	14927	79	10434	493	54266

Names of Foundlings.—Gulnare Sackville, found in a Porch. Timothy Oldmixon, found at the Barrack Gate. Japhet Newland, at the Gate of the Artillery Park.

STATEMENT of PLACES from whence the TRANSIENT POOR came, belonging to this Province, other than Halifax.

	Men.	Days.	Women.	Days.	Children.	Days.	Total.	Days.
Dartmouth	1	229					1	229
Annapolis			2	74			2	74
Douglas	1	365					1	365
Lunenburg			3	218			3	218
Guyshorough	1	31					1	31
Margaret's Bay			1	238			1	238
Windsor	2	132	3	189			5	321
Shelburne			1	141			1	141
Rawdon	1	121					1	121
Hammonds' Plains	3	124	1	38	2	669	6	831
Londonderry	1	358					1	358
Antigonish	2	52	2	207			4	259
Preston	1	11	2	556	3	319	6	886
Truro	1	89			1	41	2	130
Porter's Lake	1	41			1	4	2	45
Pictou	2	116					2	116
Yarmouth	1	11					1	11
Herring Cove	2	32	3	164			5	196
Prospect	1	17					1	17
Shubenacadie	1	94					1	94
Chester			1	154			1	154
Cornwallis			1	365			1	365
Liverpool			2	188	1	334	3	522
Chezencook			2	227			2	227
Ship Harbour			1	365	2	23	3	388
Jedore			1	160	2	316	3	476
Country Harbour			1	198			1	198
LaHave					2	289	2	289
Lawrence Town					1	66	1	66
	22	1823	27	3482	15	2061	64	7366

Deaths during the year 1835.—Men, 31 ; Women, 20 ; Children, 39.

(Signed) G. N. RUSSELL, Chairman of Commrs.

(Signed) ROBERT PHELAN, Clerk to Commrs.

No. 11.

(SEE PAGE, 920.)

COMMITTEE ROOM, HALIFAX, 16th MARCH, 1836.

The Committee to whom the Petition of John Francis Muncey, an Inhabitant of this Town, was referred, beg leave to report, that they have enquired into the facts stated in his Petition, and are perfectly satisfied that the services were performed, very much to the credit of Mr. Muncey's humane feelings,—he appears to have preserved the lives of many unfortunate individuals who were wrecked on the Island of St. Paul, in the month of May, 1834, sixty of whom were conveyed to the

Magdalen Islands, where Mr. Muncey was at that time residing, during the Fishing Season—that he clothed, fed and maintained, those persons, Men, Women and Children, at his Establishment, for nearly a fortnight, and afterwards conveyed them, in a hired vessel, to Miramichi. It appears that the Crew and Passengers of the wrecked Vessel, the Isabella, from Drogheda, consisted of about 170 Persons—that on information being received at Miramichi of the disaster, a Vessel was dispatched from that place for the remainder of the Crew and Passengers, who were likewise carried there. It also appears that Mr. Muncey applied last year to the Legislature of New Brunswick for remuneration for this service; but it appears, from reference to their Journals, that his claim was refused. It also appears, that the Vessel was bound to Quebec, and the services performed by Mr. Muncey, were occasioned by those unfortunate persons being landed at the Magdalen Islands, a Settlement in the Province of Lower Canada; and it may be considered that application ought to have been made to the authorities in that Province. But your Committee cannot but feel desirous that remuneration, for the humane exertions of Mr. Muncey, should not be longer withheld; and therefore recommend that this House should vote a sum of at least one hundred pounds to the Petitioner—his claim, which appears to be well substantiated, being for one hundred and thirty pounds currency.

S. W. DEBLOIS, Chairman.

No. 12.

(SEE PAGE 924.)

**ABSTRACT OF RETURNS RECEIVED FROM THE COMMISSIONERS OF SCHOOLS,
For the year 1835.**

COUNTY OR DISTRICT.	No. of Schools.			No. of Scholars	No. of Scholars free	Amount raised by People	Amount raised from Provincial Treasury	REMARKS.
	Combined	Common	No. Total					
Halifax (District)	1	18	19	820	23	1000 0 0	225 0 0	The particulars for which Blanks are left do not appear from the Returns received
Pictou (District)	2	59	61	2029	—	—	406 0 0	
Colchester (District)	3	45	48	1177	156	1522 0 0	428 0 0	
Hants (County)	1	28	29	908	70	619 15 0	368 0 0	In some instances returns for half of the year only have been received. In such cases it has been assumed that the amount raised by the people for the period for which Returns are wanted has equalled the amount raised for the Six Months, for which Returns have been received
King's (County)	2	28	35	1026	5	895 0 0	246 0 0	
Annapolis Eastern District	2	45	47	1461	213	1235 0 0	427 10 0	Return of Common Schools not received.
Annapolis Western District	1	34	35	690	67	778 0 0	230 0 0	
Yarmouth and Argyle District	1	53	54	1628	307	1291 0 0	227 7 7	
Shelburne (County)	1	9	10	275	33	266 0 0	156 1 0	
Liverpool (County)	3	23	26	620	52	560 10 0	352 8 1	
Lunenburg (County)	3	41	44	1236	40	1070 0 0	432 10 0	
Cumberland (County)	3	30	33	972	—	1085 0 0	325 19 0	
Sydney, Upper District	—	—	35	783	95	785 0 0	230 0 0	
Sydney, Lower District	—	—	17	343	60	311 4 0	156 0 0	
Cape-Breton, N. E. District	1	17	18	654	32	951 14 0	205 0 0	
N. W. District.	1	—	—	43	—	98 3 0	153 6 8	
Southern District	1	18	19	627	—	—	98 0 0	
TOTAL—	26	448	530	15292	1153	£12453 6 3	£4667 2 4	

No. 13.

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(Copy)

At the Court at St James's, the 4th of March, 1835.

P R E S E N T:—

THE KING'S MOST EXCELLENT MAJESTY.

Lord Chancellor,
Lord President,
Lord Privy Seal,
Duke of Dorset,
Duke of Wellington,
Marquis of Winchester,
Lord Steward,

Earl of Aberdeen,
Lord Ellenborough,
Sir Robert Peel, Bart.
Mr. Wynn,
Sir Henry Hardinge,
Sir Edward Knatchbull, Bart.
Mr. Baring,

WHEREAS the Governor of His Majesty's Province of Nova-Scotia, with the Council and Assembly of the said Province, did, in the year 1834, pass an Act, which has been transmitted, entitled as follows, viz:

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No. 1592 An Act to prevent the Clandestine landing of Liberated Slaves, and other Persons therein mentioned, from Vessels arriving in this Province.

AND WHEREAS the said Act has been referred to the Committee of the Lords of His Majesty's Most Honorable Privy Council, appointed for the consideration of all matters relating to Trade and Foreign Plantations; and the said Lords of the Committee have reported, as their opinion, to His Majesty, that the said Act should not receive His Majesty's Royal Confirmation. His Majesty was thereupon, this day pleased, by and with the advice of His Privy Council, to declare his disallowance of the said Act; and the same is hereby disallowed accordingly—Whereof the Governor, Lieutenant-Governor or Commander in Chief of His Majesty's Province of Nova-Scotia for the time being, and all other persons whom it may concern, are to take notice and govern themselves accordingly.

(Signed) C GREVILLE.

Extract from a Report of the Lords of the Committee of Council for Trade, dated the 27th of February, 1835, upon an Act, passed in the Province of Nova-Scotia, in the year 1834. No. 1592.

"This Act prohibits the access to the Province of a class of Your Majesty's Subjects, who have, by a recent Act of Parliament, been relieved from the disabilities formerly affecting them, and to whom it is not fitting, that new disabilities, from which the other classes of Your Majesty's Subjects are exempt, should be extended. For this reason, the Lords of the Committee are humbly of opinion that this Act should be disallowed."

(Copy)

At the Court at St. James's, the 4th March, 1835.

P R E S E N T:—

THE KING'S MOST EXCELLENT MAJESTY.

Lord Chancellor,	Earl of Aberdeen,
Lord President,	Lord Ellenborough,
Lord Privy Seal,	Sir Robert Peel, Bart.
Duke of Dorset,	Mr. Wynn,
Duke of Wellington,	Sir Henry Hardinge,
Marquis of Winchester,	Sir Edward Knatchbull, Bart.
Lord Steward,	Mr. Baring.

WHEREAS the Governor of His Majesty's Province of Nova-Scotia, with the Council and Assembly of the said Province, did, in the year 1834, pass sixty-nine Acts, which have been transmitted, entitled as follows:

- No. 1525 An Act for granting Colonial Duties of Import for the support of His Majesty's Government within this Province, and for promoting the Agriculture, Commerce and Fisheries, thereof.
- No. 1526 An Act concerning Duties on Liquors distilled within the Province.
- No. 1527 An Act for granting Duties on Licenses for the sale of Spirituous Liquors, in Taverns, Public Houses or Shops, and for other purposes.
- No. 1528 An Act respecting the trial of Issues in the Supreme Court, and for regulating the times of holding the Circuits of the said Courts, in the several Counties and Districts of this Province.
- No. 1529 An Act respecting Actions for the escape of Prisoners, in certain cases.
- No. 1530 An Act to increase the number of Firemen in the Town of Halifax.
- No. 1531 An Act to continue the Act to regulate the Pilotage of Vessels at the Port of Halifax, and the several Acts in amendment thereof and additional thereto.
- No. 1532 An Act to continue the Acts now in force relating to Trespasses.
- No. 1533 An Act to continue the Act to provide for the Accommodation and Billetting of His Majesty's Troops or of the Militia, when on their march from one part of the Province to another, and also, the Acts in amendment thereof.
- No. 1534 An Act to continue the Acts for granting a Drawback of the Duties on Brown or Raw Sugar, used in the Manufacture of Refined Sugars within the Province, and for regulating the mode of obtaining the same.
- No. 1535 An Act for applying certain Monies therein mentioned, for the service of the Year of Our Lord One Thousand Eight Hundred and Thirty-four, and for appropriating such part of the Supplies granted in this Session of the General Assembly, as are not already appropriated by the Laws or Acts of the Province.
- No. 1536. An Act for appointing Supervisors to take charge of Public Grounds, and for other purposes.
- No. 1537 An Act in addition to, and in amendment of, the Act relating to Wills, Legacies and Executors, and for the Settlement and Distribution of the Estates of Intestates.
- No. 1538 An Act in amendment of the several Acts relating to the Registry of Deeds, and the Conveyances of Real Estate.
- No. 1539 An Act to amend and continue the Act for the Inspection of Flour and Meal.
- No. 1541 An Act to repeal certain Acts relating to the Meeting-House and Burial Place at Truro, and for substituting other provisions in lieu thereof.

- No. 1542 An Act to continue the Act in amendment of an Act, made and passed in the first and second years of His late Majesty's reign, entitled, An Act to extend the Laws and Ordinances of the Province of Nova-Scotia, to the Island of Cape-Breton.
- No. 1543 An Act to continue and amend the Act to provide for the regulation and management of the Grammar School or Academy at Annapolis.
- No. 1544 An Act to continue the Act more effectually to provide against the introduction of Infectious or Contagious Diseases, and the spreading thereof, in this Province, and also, the Act in alteration thereof.
- No. 1545 An Act to continue the Act to prevent the spreading of Contagious Diseases, and for the performance of Quarantine, and the Act in amendment thereof.
- No. 1546 An Act to continue the Act concerning the Inferior Courts of Common Pleas within this Province.
- No. 1547 An Act to alter and continue the Act for affording relief to Co-partners, in certain cases.
- No. 1549 An Act for the support and regulation of Light-Houses.
- No. 1550 An Act in amendment of the Act for granting Patents for useful Inventions.
- No. 1551 An Act to continue the Act concerning the Terms of the Supreme Court at Halifax.
- No. 1552 An Act to repeal the last Clause or Section of the Act for the better regulating the manner of holding the Inferior Court of Common Pleas and General Sessions of the Peace in the County of Annapolis.
- No. 1553 An Act to continue the Act to provide against the occurrence of Diseases from the bite of Animals.
- No. 1554 An Act to amend the Act for extending several Acts relating to Firewards to the Town of Yarmouth.
- No. 1555 An Act to continue the several Acts concerning the Bridewell and Police in Halifax.
- No. 1556 An Act to continue the Acts respecting Aliens coming into this Province, or residing therein.
- No. 1557 An Act to continue the Act to regulate the Expenditure of Monies hereafter to be appropriated for the service of Roads and Bridges, and the Act in amendment thereof.
- No. 1558 An Act to continue the Act in further addition to, and in amendment of, the Act for the choice of Town Officers and regulating of Townships, and the Act to alter and amend the same.
- No. 1559 An Act to continue the Act, entitled, Act in further addition to the Act relating to Wills, Legacies and Executors, and for the Settlement and Distribution of the Estates of Intestates.
- No. 1560 An Act to prohibit the Sale of Spirituous Liquors in Jails or Jail Yards and Prisons or within the limits thereof.
- No. 1561 An Act to continue the Act to restrain the issuing Writs of Attachment in certain cases.
- No. 1562 An Act to continue the Act in further amendment of an Act to regulate the jurisdiction of the Inferior Court of Common Pleas within the County of Cape-Breton, and to fix and establish the times and places for holding of the said Inferior Court and General Sessions of the Peace in and for the said County.
- No. 1563 An Act to continue the Act for the better preservation of the Property of the Inhabitants of the Town of Halifax, by providing for a sufficient Watch at Night.
- No. 1564 An Act to continue the Act to preserve the Harbor of Cape Forchu in Yarmouth.
- No. 1565 An Act to continue the Act for the Summary Trial of Actions, and the Act in amendment thereof.
- No. 1566 An Act to continue an Act in amendment of certain Acts relating to Wills, Legacies and Executors, and for the Settlement and Distribution of the Estates of Intestates.
- No. 1567 An Act to continue, alter and amend, the several Acts for the Regulation of the Militia.
- No. 1569 An Act to establish the Toll to be taken at the several Grist Mills in this Province.
- No. 1570 An Act for the Warehousing of Goods.
- No. 1571 An Act for regulating the Importation of Goods.
- No. 1572 An Act concerning Goods exported and for granting Drawbacks.
- No. 1573 An Act for the general regulation of the Colonial Duties.
- No. 1574 An Act for the prevention of Smuggling.
- No. 1575 An Act to encourage the manufacture of Tobacco in this Province, by granting a Bounty thereon.
- No. 1576 An Act for the relief of Debtors to the Crown in certain cases.
- No. 1577 An Act to amend the Act concerning Suits against Foreign Bodies, Politic or Corporate.
- No. 1578 An Act to continue an Act relating to the Court of Commissioners at Halifax.
- No. 1579 An Act to Incorporate a Company for erecting a Bridge across the Cornwallis River.
- No. 1580 An Act for regulating the Fishery in the River Shubenacadie.
- No. 1581 An Act to limit the income of the Collector of Impost and Excise in the District of Halifax.
- No. 1582 An Act for the relief of Robert Hill and William Hill, Insolvent Debtors.
- No. 1583 An Act for the relief of James Thomson, an Insolvent Debtor.
- No. 1584 An Act for the relief of James Beach, an Insolvent Debtor.
- No. 1585 An Act for regulating the Currency of this Province.
- No. 1586 An Act for borrowing Money for the use of the Province.

- No. 1587 An Act establishing the Times and Days for holding the sitting of the Inferior Courts of Common Pleas and General Sessions of the Peace in the several Counties and Districts within the Eastern division of the Province.
- No. 1588 An Act to extend to North Sydney, in the County of Cape-Breton, the provisions of the Act relating to the Commissioners of Highways in Halifax and certain other places.
- No. 1589 An Act concerning the Real Estate of Lunatics and Idiots.
- No. 1590 An Act to authorise the Incorporation of a Company for the erecting a Bridge across the Avon River.
- No. 1591 An Act to authorise the Congregation of the Presbyterian Meeting-House at Douglas to raise Money from the Pews of the said Meeting-House for the repairing and ornamenting thereof.
- No. 1593 An Act in amendment of the Act relating to Highways, Roads and Bridges.
- No. 1594 An Act respecting Judgments and Executions obtained and levied against Lands.
- No. 1595 An Act in further amendment of the Act concerning the Common of Halifax.
- No. 1596 An Act to extend to the Town of New-Glasgow, in the District of Pictou, the provisions of the Act relating to the Commissioners of Highways in Halifax and certain other places.
- No. 1597 An Act for protecting the Eastern side of the Road leading around the Western Bank of Bedford Basin.

AND WHEREAS, the said Acts have been referred to the Committee of the Lords of His Majesty's Most Honorable Privy Council, appointed for the consideration of all matters relating to Trade and Foreign Plantations; and the said Lords of the Committee have reported, as their opinion, to His Majesty, that the said Acts should be left to their operation—His Majesty was thereupon, this day pleased, by and with the advice of His Privy Council, to approve of the said Report:—Whereof the Governor, Lieutenant-Governor or Commander in Chief of His Majesty's Province of Nova-Scotia for the time being, and all other persons whom it may concern, are to take notice and govern themselves accordingly.

(Signed)

C. GREVILLE.

(Copy)

At the Court at St. James's, the 23d April, 1835.

P R E S E N T—

THE KING'S MOST EXCELLENT MAJESTY.

Lord President,	§	Viscount Howick,
Lord Privy Seal,	§	Lord Holland,
Lord Stewart,	§	Lord Auckland,
Lord Chamberlain,	§	Mr. Charles Grant,
Earl of Albermarle,	§	The Vice Chancellor,
Earl of Errol,	§	Mr. Justice Bosanquet,
Earl of Gosford	§	The Master of the Rolls.
Viscount Palmerston	§	

WHEREAS the Governor of His Majesty's Province of Nova-Scotia, with the Council and Assembly of the said Province, did pass an Act in the year 1834, which has been transmitted, entitled as follows, viz :

No. 1540. " An Act to amend an Act made and passed in the thirty-second year of the reign of His late Majesty King George the II, entitled, An Act for the limitation of Actions, and for avoiding Suits at Law."

AND WHEREAS, the said Act has been referred to the Committee of the Lords of His Majesty's Most Honorable Privy Council, appointed for the consideration of all matters relating to Trade and Foreign Plantations; and the said Lords of the Committee have reported, as their opinion, to His Majesty, that the said Act should be left to its operation: His Majesty was thereupon, this day pleased, by and with the advice of His Privy Council, to approve of the said Report—WHEREOF the Governor, Lieutenant-Governor or Commander in Chief of His Majesty's Province of Nova-Scotia for the time being, and all other persons whom it may concern, are to take notice and govern themselves accordingly.

(Signed)

W. L. BATHURST.

(Copy)

At the Court at St. James's, the 26th day of August, 1835.

P R E S E N T—

THE KING'S MOST EXCELLENT MAJESTY.

The Lord President,	§	Viscount Melbourne,
Lord Privy Seal,	§	Lord Auckland,
Lord Chamberlain,	§	Lord Glenelg,
Earl of Albermarle,	§	Sir John Hobhouse, Bart.
Lord John Russell,	§	Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer.
Viscount Palmerston	§	

WHEREAS the Governor of His Majesty's Province of Nova-Scotia, with the Council and Assembly of

the said Province, did, in the Month of December last, pass an Act, which has been transmitted, entitled as follows, viz :

No. 1603. "An Act for the Commutation of the Royal Quit Rents in this Province."

AND WHEREAS, the said Act has been referred to the Committee of the Lords of His Majesty's Most Honourable Privy Council, appointed for the consideration of all matters relating to Trade and Foreign Plantations ; and the said Lords of the Committee have reported as their opinion to His Majesty, that the said Act should receive His Majesty's Special Confirmation : His Majesty was thereupon this day pleased, by and with the advice of His Privy Council, to declare his Special Confirmation of the said Act ; and the same is hereby specially confirmed, ratified, and finally enacted accordingly—WHEREOF the Governor, Lieutenant-Governor or Commander in Chief of His Majesty's Province of Nova-Scotia for the time being, and all other persons whom it may concern, are to take notice and govern themselves accordingly.

[Signed]

C. GREVILLE.

(Copy)

At the Court at St. James's, 26th August, 1835.

P R E S E N T—

THE KING'S MOST EXCELLENT MAJESTY.

Lord President,	§	Viscount Melbourne,
Lord Privy Seal,	§	Lord Auckland,
Lord Chamberlain,	§	Lord Glenelg,
Earl of Albermarle,	§	Sir John Hobhouse, Bart.
Lord John Russell,	§	Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer.
Viscount Palmerston,	§	

WHEREAS the Governor of His Majesty's Province of Nova-Scotia, with the Council and Assembly of the said Province did, in the Month of December, 1834, and January, 1835, pass forty-six, Acts, which have been transmitted, entitled as follows, viz :

- No. 1601 An Act to alter the Sitting of the next ensuing Term of the Supreme Court at Halifax.
- No. 1602 An Act to facilitate Summary Proceedings before Justices of the Peace and others.
- No. 1604 An Act to continue the several Acts for the regulation of the Militia.
- No. 1605 An Act to amend the Act to establish the Toll to be taken at the several Grist Mills in this Province.
- No. 1606 An Act to amend the Act to regulate the Assize of Bread.
- No. 1609 An Act for applying certain Monies therein mentioned, for the service of the year of Our Lord 1835, and for appropriating such part of the supplies granted in this Session of the General Assembly, as are not already appropriated by the Laws or Acts of the Province.
- No. 1610 An Act for the relief of Benjamin Donaldson, an Insolvent Debtor.
- No. 1611 An Act to regulate the Survey of Timber and Lumber, and to repeal certain Acts now in force.
- No. 1612 An Act to amend the Acts respecting Firewards and Fires in Halifax.
- No. 1613 An Act to direct and ascertain the mode of Assessing County and District Rates, and for other purposes.
- No. 1614 An Act for the relief of Henry Lockyer, an Insolvent Debtor.
- No. 1615 An Act to alter the times of the Sittings of the Courts of Common Pleas and General Sessions of the Peace for Cape-Breton.
- No. 1616 An Act concerning the Funded Debt.
- No. 1617 An Act additional concerning Nuisances.
- No. 1618 An Act to amend and continue the Act more effectually to provide against the introduction of Infectious or Contagious Diseases, and the spreading thereof in this Province.
- No. 1619 An Act to continue and amend the Act for granting Duties on Licenses for the sale of Spirituous Liquors.
- No. 1620 An Act to afford relief to certain Debtors to the Province therein mentioned.
- No. 1621 An Act to authorize the establishment of additional Shares in the Halifax Fire Insurance Company.
- No. 1622 An Act in amendment of, and in addition to, an Act, entitled, An Act concerning Treasury Notes.
- No. 1623 An Act for securing to John Story and his Assigns the exclusive right in a certain Slip or Railway for the use of Vessels.
- No. 1624 An Act to continue the Act to regulate the Weighing of Beef.
- No. 1625 An Act to amend the Act for regulating the Election of Representatives to serve in General Assembly.
- No. 1626. An Act to continue an Act concerning Goods exported, and for granting Drawbacks.
- No. 1627 An Act concerning Suits against Foreign Bodies, Politic or Corporate, and to repeal the Acts now in force.
- No. 1628 An Act to continue an Act for the Warehousing of Goods, and in amendment thereof.
- No. 1629 An Act to continue the Act to regulate the Pilotage of Vessels at the Port of Sydney, in the Island of Cape-Breton.
- No. 1630 An Act in amendment of, and additional to, the Acts now in force relating to the Support and Management of the Poor.
- No. 1631 An Act to extend to the County of Cape Breton, the Act in amendment of the Act relating to Highways, Roads and Bridges.

- No. 1632 An Act to extend to the Harbor of Wallace, in the County of Cumberland, the provisions of the Act, entitled, An Act to preserve and regulate the Navigation of the Harbour of Pugwash.
- No. 1633 An Act to continue an Act for the general regulation of the Colonial Duties.
- No. 1634 An Act to continue and amend an Act for regulating the Importation of Goods,
- No. 1635 An Act to continue the Acts for granting a Drawback of the Duties on Brown or Raw Sugar used in the Manufacture of Refined Sugar within the Province, and for regulating the mode of obtaining the same.
- No. 1636 An Act to continue and amend an Act for the prevention of Smuggling.
- No. 1637 An Act to continue the Act to encourage the Manufacture of Tobacco in this Province, by granting a bounty thereon.
- No. 1638 An Act to prevent damage to the Nets of Fishermen by Coasting Vessels.
- No. 1639 An Act to render perpetual the Act to extend to Falmouth the Act relating to Commissioners of Highways.
- No. 1640 An Act to amend the Act for appointing Supervisors to take charge of Public Grounds, and for other purposes.
- No. 1641 An Act to continue the Act, in addition to, and in amendment of, the Act to prevent Nuisances, by Hedges, Weirs and other Incumbrances, obstructing the passage of Fish in the Rivers of this Province.
- No. 1642 An Act to regulate certain Landings in the County of King's County.
- No. 1644 An Act in amendment of the Acts relating to Commissioners of Sewers.
- No. 1645 An Act relating to certain roads in the Upper District of the County of Sydney.
- No. 1646 An Act to extend to Bridgetown and Digby, certain Acts relating to Firewards.
- No. 1647 An Act to continue an Act for granting Colonial Duties of Impost for the support of His Majesty's Government within this Province, and for promoting the Agriculture, Commerce and Fisheries thereof, and in further addition to, and in amendment of, the said Act.
- No. 1648 An Act in amendment of an Act, made and passed in the 57th year of the reign of His Majesty King George the Third, entitled, An Act for the more effectual relief of Insolvent Debtors.
- No. 1649 An Act to discontinue one sitting of the Supreme Court in each year, in the Upper and Lower Districts of the County of Sydney, and for altering the sittings of the said Court in the said County, and in the County of Cape-Breton.
- No. 1650 An Act to explain and amend the Act concerning Rates and Assessments on certain Dyked Marsh Lands in Cornwallis.

AND WHEREAS, the said Acts have been referred to the Committee of the Lords of His Majesty's Most Honorable Privy Council, appointed for the consideration of all matters relating to Trade and Foreign Plantations. And the said Lords of the Committee have reported, as their opinion to His Majesty, that the said Acts should be left to their operation. His Majesty was thereupon this day pleased, by and with the advice of His Privy Council, to approve the said Report. Whereof the Governor, Lieutenant-Governor, or Commander in Chief of His Majesty's Province of Nova Scotia, for the time being, and all other persons whom it may concern, are to take notice and govern themselves accordingly.

(Signed)

C. GREVILLE.

(Copy)

At the Court at St. James's, 30th September, 1835.

P R E S E N T :—

THE KING'S MOST EXCELLENT MAJESTY.

Viscount Palmerston,
Viscount Melbourne,
Lord Holland,
Lord Hill,

Lord Glenelg,
Sir John Hobhouse, Bart.
Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer.

WHEREAS, the Governor of His Majesty's Province of Nova-Scotia, with the Council and Assembly of the said Province, did, in the month of February last, pass an Act which has been transmitted, entitled as follows, viz :

No. 1598 An Act respecting the Offices of Master of the Rolls and Judge of the Court of Vice-Admiralty.

AND WHEREAS, the said Act has been referred to the Committee of the Lords of His Majesty's Most Honorable Privy Council, appointed for the consideration of all matters relating to Trade and Foreign Plantations; and the said Lords of the Committee have reported, as their opinion to His Majesty, that the said Act should receive His Majesty's Special Confirmation: His Majesty was thereupon this day pleased, by and with the advice of His Privy Council, to declare his Special confirmation of the said Act, and it is hereby specially confirmed, ratified, and finally enacted accordingly—whereof the Governor, Lieutenant-Governor or Commander in Chief of His Majesty's Province of Nova-Scotia, for the time being, and all other persons whom it may concern, are to take notice and govern themselves accordingly.

(Signed)

Wm. L. BATHURST.

(Copy)

At the Court at St. James's, 30th September, 1835.

P R E S E N T—**THE KING'S MOST EXCELLENT MAJESTY.**

Viscount Palmerston,	§	Lord Glenelg,
Viscount Melbourne,	§	Sir John Hobhouse, Bart.
Lord Holland,	§	Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer.
Lord Hill,	§	

WHEREAS the Governor of His Majesty's Province of Nova-Scotia, with the Council and Assembly of the said Province, did, in the month of February last, pass an Act which hath been transmitted, entitled as follows viz :—

No. 1600 An Act to divide the County of Cape-Breton and to regulate the Representation thereof
AND WHEREAS, the said Act hath been referred to the Committee of the Lords of His Majesty's Most Honorable Privy Council, appointed for the consideration of all matters relating to Trade and Foreign Plantations, and the said Committee have reported, as their opinion to His Majesty, that the said Act should receive His Majesty's special confirmation. His Majesty was thereupon this day pleased, by and with the advice of His Privy Council, to declare his special confirmation of the said Act; and it is hereby specially confirmed, ratified and finally enacted accordingly. Whereof the Governor, Lieutenant-Governor, or Commander in Chief for the time being, of His Majesty's Province of Nova-Scotia, and all other persons whom it may concern, are to take notice and govern themselves accordingly.

(Signed) W. L. BATHURST.

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P R E S E N T—**THE KING'S MOST EXCELLENT MAJESTY.**

Viscount Palmerston,		Lord Glenelg,
Viscount Melbourne,		Sir John Hobhouse, Bart.
Lord Holland		Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer.
Lord Hill		

WHEREAS the Governor of His Majesty's Province of Nova-Scotia, with the Council and Assembly of the said Province did, in the month of March, 1834, pass two Acts, which have been transmitted, entitled as follows, viz:

No. 1548 An Act concerning certain Notes purporting to be Bank Notes, and for restraining the circulation thereof, and for other purposes.

No. 1560 An Act to dissolve the marriage of Ann Kidston with Richard Kidston.

AND WHEREAS, the said Acts have been referred to the Committee of the Lords of His Majesty's Most Honorable Privy Council, appointed for the consideration of all matters relating to Trade and Foreign Plantations, and the said Committee have reported, as their opinion to His Majesty, that the said Acts should be left to their operation: His Majesty was thereupon, this day pleased, by and with the advice of his Privy Council, to approve the said Report—Whereof the Governor, Lieutenant-Governor or Commander in Chief for the time being, of His Majesty's Province of Nova-Scotia, and all other persons whom it may concern, are to take notice and govern themselves accordingly.

(Signed) Wm. L. BATHURST.

No. 14.

(SEE PAGE, 926).

The Joint Committee of His Majesty's Council and House of Assembly, appointed to examine the Public Accounts, report as follows viz:—

TREASURER OF THE PROVINCE.

His Accounts to the 31st December, have been received; Balance in hands

£6956 11 6

COLLECTORS OF IMPOST AND EXCISE.

H A L I F A X.

His Accounts to same date, have been received; Balance of Bonds in his hands, £29856 11 10 Currency.
 £23885 5 6 Sterling or
 Ditto in Currency 1181 6 0
 Balance due on Bonds in the Attorney-General's hands 753 8 2

£31796 6 0

He has paid the Treasurer £29127, and on account of the Poor £345 3 7 Stg.
 and £84 16 5 Currency, and has Bonds for £22 16 3 Stg.

S H E L B U R N E.

His Accounts do. do. Balance of Bonds in his hands 434 0 0

Y A R M O U T H.

His Accounts do. do. do. do. 1856 16 5
 He has taken credit for £55 Currency for this amount, in British half Crowns,
 for want of an opportunity to remit, not credited in the Treasurer's Acc't.

L U N E N B U R G.

The late Collectors Acc'ts have been received to 30th June; Balance in his hands £650 12 4
 The present Collector do. 31st December do. 494 0 11

1144 13 5

L I V E R P O O L.

His Account has been received to 31st December; Balance in his hands 1172 19 8

K I N G ' S C O U N T Y.

His Account do. do. do. 152 15 4

A N N A P O L I S.

His Account do. do. do. 108 0 10

S Y D N E Y.

No Returns.—His Accounts have been received to 31st December last, incor-
 rectly stated, on examination and per statement made by the Commissioner,
 he is indebted 124 14 0

P I C T O U.

His Accounts to the 31st December, have been received; Balance in his hands 887 10 6

D I G B Y.

His Accounts do. do. do. do. 214 13 8½

A M H E R S T.

His Accounts to the same date have been received; Balance stated at £390 8 5
 He has charged paid the Treasurer in Account for 1834, £50, when only £45 was
 received 5 0 0

385 8 0

P O R T H O O D.

His Accounts to the 31st December have been received; Balance in his hands 87 13 2

C O L C H E S T E R.

No Accounts or Returns; Balance due, as reported last year 53 11 5

S Y D N E Y, C A P E - B R E T O N.

His Accounts to the 31st December last have been received; Balance of Bonds in his
 hands. The Treasurer has credited him in his Account for Duties of Excise, £1801 8 8,
 out of which sum £107 2 4 ought to have passed to the credit of his Light-House
 Account 383 11 8

W E Y M O U T H.

The former Collector remains indebted for the sum of £352, besides Costs, Execu-
 tion having been taken out, nothing has been paid
 The present Collector's Account has been received to 31st December last; Balance
 in his hands 135 6 6

H A N T S.

His Accounts have been received to 31st December last; Balance in his hands 27 13 11

A R G Y L E.

His Accounts do. do. do. do. 21 1 3
 The former Collector remains indebted for £201 8 7, Execution levied on Land,
 time of Redemption not expired

A R I C H A T.

His Accounts to the 31st December last have been received, there appears to be
 due £1379 0 5½
 He has taken Credit for Cash paid the Estate of Nicholas Paint 195 0 0
 Also, a Draft of Charles McNab, for 13 6 8

1587 7 1½

Bonds for the sum of £195, being due by the Estate of Nicholas Paint, direc-
 tions were given to have it endorsed thereon, presuming the amount was not
 paid the Draft of Charles McNab—the Treasurer knows nothing about adding
 those two sums he is indebted as above. The sum of £90 charged in his Ac-
 count will appear in the Treasurer's Account this year

WALLACE.

His Accounts have been received to the 31st December last, he has collected and paid the Treasurer £19 13 0, has no Bonds in his hands.

BRIAR ISLAND.

His Accounts have been received to same date ; Balance on his hands £12 10 10

CHESTER.

His Accounts do. do. do. 12 1 5

ANTIGONISH.

No Account current, Quarterly Returns for September & December have been received £139 10 2
He has remitted the Treasurer 36 10 9

102 19 5

BARRINGTON.

His Accounts to the 31st December have been received ; Balance in his hands 55 0 6

£47643 10 1

PASSENGER ACT.

There was received last year from Halifax, Pictou, and Cape-Breton, £177 10 9, this sum with the balance of £91 17 3, amounting to £269 8 0, has been paid. Warrants have been drawn for £361 13 6½ leaving a balance due to sundry Persons of £92 5 6½.

SAVINGS' BANK.

There has been received into the Treasury, up to the 31st December last £11800 0 0

PROVINCE BUILDINGS.

The Commissioner's Accounts have been received, amounting to £249 19 4, he has received from the Treasurer £200, leaving a balance due to sundry Persons of £49 5 4

ISLE OF SABLE.

The Commissioners Accounts have been received to 31st December last, amounting to £847 11 9½ for Wages, Supplies &c. they have given credit for £400, vote of 1834 ; also, the sum of £273 12 3, including Commissioners Salvages received for sundry Vessels, and £50 10 for freight per Michael Wallace, they have received from the Treasurer £789 18 0 at different times, leaving a Balance due by them of 400 14 3
By the following statement received of the Treasurer, it appears there is a balance remaining in his hands of 346 12 7

Paid balance due Commissioners last year	£4 11 2.	Balance due last year	£492 1 3	
Paid the Commissioners, including	} £1367 2 6.	By received of Commission'rs	254 0 7	
the above sum of £739 18 0½,		By received of the Governor		
and on account of Ship Eagle		£800 Sterling, in Bills,		
£577 4 5½ Salvage not yet set'd		Premium 10½ p. c.	972 4 5	

Vote of last year remains undrawn.

LOAN OFFICE.**ANNAPOLIS.**

The Commissioners Account have been received to the 31st December last, stating the amount due to that date on principal £266 1 6, interest, £375 15 1 £641 16 7
He has paid the Treasurer £142 10 charged in his Account for the year 1834, and £190 being the amount collected in 1835.

CUSTOM-HOUSE.

The Honorable the Collector's Quarterly Return ending the 5th January, 1835, has been received, amounting to £3471 3 2; also, his Returns ending 10th October, amounting to £9846 13 2 Stg. and an Account current to same date balance £898 13 9 Stg. which sum has since been paid. The Quarterly Return ending the 5th January, 1836, is not received, being incomplete, for want of Returns from the Out Ports. He has paid the Treasurer on Account £2400 Stg. There has been received for Crown Duties £2150 Sterling, to 10th October last.

PROVINCE NOTES.

Amount in circulation the 31st December, 1834.		£68499 10 0
Delivered the Treasurer in lieu of torn and defaced Notes		2000 0 0
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Notes destroyed by the Committee	£2000 0 0	£70499 10 0
do do in exchange for Certificates granted sundry Persons, bearing interest at 5 per cent.	£8500 0 0	
Notes destroyed by Fire in private Houses, and the amount paid by the Order of the Legislature	31 0 0	10531 0 0
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		£59968 10 0

LIGHT-HOUSES.

Halifax, collected and paid to 31st December last		£862 5 4½
Guysborough ditto ditto		42 11 3
Antigonish ditto ditto		9 14 3
Liverpool ditto ditto		139 16 11
Yarmouth ditto ditto 1834 and 1835		190 3 11
Pictou ditto ditto " "		390 4 0
Annapolis ditto ditto " "		59 10 6

Windsor	ditto	ditto	£89 2 6
Chester	ditto	ditto	5 6 8
Briar Island	ditto	ditto	60 10 3
Cumberland	ditto	ditto 1834 and 1835	34 5 8
Pugwash	ditto	ditto " "	80 14 6
Gut of Canso	ditto	ditto " "	991 8 6
Shelburne	ditto	ditto " "	69 19 3½
Digby	ditto	ditto " "	53 19 6
Argyle	ditto	ditto 1833, 1834 and 1835	66 5 10
Weymouth	ditto	ditto 1834	6 17 0
Arichat	ditto	ditto 1834 and 1835	36 6 8
Lunenburg	ditto	ditto 1834	8 18 6
Barrington	ditto	ditto 1835	82 0 0
Sydney, C. B.	ditto	ditto 1834 and 1835	575 5 7
King's County, no Returns			
Colchester	ditto		
			£3254 6 8½

YARMOUTH—By Collector's account he has received £245 3 11, and has paid the Treasurer £190 3 11, balance due £55 0 0

WINDSOR—In his account there is an error in casting up the last column of 2 0 0

BRIAR ISLAND—It appears that this sum was credited in the Treasurer's account to Collector of Weymouth, by mistake, and ought to have been passed to his credit, which made the balance collected by him for 1835, he still remains accountable for £6 17 0. Balance due per account for 1834, £4 10 17 0

PUGWASH—Balance Do. 1835 0 16 3

WEYMOUTH—Amount collected 1835 still due 7 16 9

ARICHAT—Collected for 1834 & 1835 £182 11 0, he has paid the Treasurer £36 6 8 leaving a balance due of 146 6 4

LUNENBURG—Collected for 1835 and not paid 41 5 5

BARRINGTON—Balance due for 1835, no returns between the 30th June & 31st December, 1834. 4 7 8

£268 9 5

CAPE-BRETON—Amount collected to 31st Dec. £575 5 7, paid by the Treasurer acc. £468 3 3, the balance of £107 2 3 was passed to his credit on account of Excise Duties, and is transferred.

GUYSBOROUGH—By the joint Report of the Committee in 1833, it appears that the sum of £30 18 8 was retained in his hands, which ought to have been paid, and has remained unaccounted for, no Returns have been made for the year 1833. The Committee call the attention of the Commissioners of the Revenue to his Accounts, as they are not satisfactory £30 18 8
29 6 9 King's County
£328 14 10

PICTOU—The Committee recommend that the Collector of this Port be authorized to collect the Duties for the Ports of Merigomish, Carriboo, River John, Point Bouley and Tatamagush, there being no Persons appointed for those Ports.

The Treasurer reports that, since closing his Accounts, he has received the following sums. Arichat, in Cash and Drafts £117 0 0
King's County, amount collected, 1835 29 6 9
Lunenburg do do 41 5 5
Barrington—Balance 4 7 8
£191 19 10

The Commissioner's Accounts have been received for repairs, &c. amounting to £3618 1 7. They have received from New Brunswick £200, the amount due for the support of Briar Island Light-House to 31st December last; and for the support of Seal Island £176 2 11; and from the Treasurer £2169 17 6, leaving a balance due them of £972 1 2.

HALIFAX, 9th FEBRUARY, 1836.

SAMUEL CUNARD,
HENRY H. COGSWELL,
JOSEPH ALLISON, } Committee
of
Council.

WILLIAM LAWSON,
GEORGE SMITH,
JOHN YOUNG,
S. W. DEBLOIS,
BENJAMIN DEWOLF. } Committee
of the
House of
Assembly.

1885.		1886.	
Dec. 31. To this sum appropriated on account of Roads and Bridges, and not yet drawn from the Treasury, per Abstract	£1856 3 11	By Balance in the hands of the Treasurer	£6956 11 6
Loan Certificates due sundry Persons, bearing Interest at Five per Cent.	47459 7 6	Ditto ditto on Isle of Sable Account	346 12 7
Amount due to Savings' Bank	11800 0 0	Loan to Dalhousie College	5000 0 0
Province Notes in circulation to date	59968 10 0	Ditto Annapolis County	641 16 7
Balance of Canal Vote, 4 years from 6th January, 1836	6000 0 0	Collector of Light Duty	329 14 10
Small Harbor at Seal Islands	100 0 0	Securities in the hands of the Collector of Impost and Excise, Halifax	£31796 6 0
Cross Island Light-House	100 2 0	Deduct probable drawbacks	5796 6 0
Steam Boat between Pictou and Prince Edward Island, one year,	300 0 0		26900 0 0
Western Stage Company, six months, to 30th June	150 0 0	Securities in the hands of the Out-Ports Collectors, with a statement of Money paid by each into the Treasury, including Halifax and Custom-House.	
Eastern ditto	125 0 0	CASH.	
Poor-House School, two years	50 0 0	Halifax	£29127 0 0
School House, Barrington	50 0 0	Custom-House	13298 13 1
Scattered Light-House	20 0 0	Liverpool	1025 1 11
George Burgess, for an Oat Mill	20 0 0	Pictou	727 5 8
Secretary of the Province, for Stationary	400 0 0	Lunenburg	1145 3 10½
Isle of Sable	100 0 9	Yarmouth	1109 16 10½
Annapolis Academy	328 16 8	Digby	142 10 0
Balance of Post Communication	50 0 0	Shelburne	340 0 0
Bishop Fraser	30 0 0	Barrington	76 1 4
Ferry at Canso	49 5 4	Cumberland	224 2 6
Amount due on Province Buildings	972 1 3	Windsor	346 16 3
Ditto Commissioner of Light-Houses		Argyle	31 14 0
	£139429 6 8	Sydney	21 1 3
		King's County	115 18 8
		Annapolis	307 13 7
		Weymouth	361 16 8
		Cape-Breton	27 12 7½
		Arichal	890 10 0
		Port Hood	273 8 6
		Pugwash	69 0 0
		Briar Island	19 18 0
		Antonish	16 0 7½
		Chester	36 10 9
		Colchester	12 19 3
		Light Duty	0 0 0
			£49724 9 2
			£41062 14 7
			3523 7 4
			£53247 16 6
		Out Port Collectors	£3266 8 7
		Deduct probable Drawbacks	3266 8 7
		By Balance	
			£139429 6 8

COMMITTEE ROOM, HALIFAX, FEBRUARY 9th, 1886.

S. CUNARD, } Committee of Council.
 H. H. COGSWELL, }

WILLIAM LAWSON, } Committee of the House of Assembly.
 GEORGE SMITH,
 JOHN YOUNG,
 S. W. DEBLOIS. }

ABSTRACT of Monies undrawn from the Treasury, on account of Roads and Bridges, and other Services, on the 31st December, 1835.

For that part of Main Road leading from Moor's, at Gay's River, to the Meeting-House, at Gay's River, which lies in the District of Halifax	£10	0	0
For the Road from the west side of the North West Arm to the Road between Spryfield and Herring Cove		10	0 0
For the repair of Wardrope's Bridge, on the Shubenacadie		25	0 0
On the new Road to Carriboo's, by Grant's		10	0 0
On the Road on the rear of the first division of Pictou Town Plats		10	0 0
From the County Line, back Settlement, Knoydart, to Lowden's Mills		5	0 0
For the New Road from William Chamber's to Knowles's		5	0 0
For the Road on the Mill Dam, near Hay's, in addition to the sum undrawn		6	0 0
From Falmouth Line to the Post Road to Stone Bridge, Balance		10	0 0
For the alteration of the Road from H. Messenger's, Jun. to Bruce's		20	0 0
For the Road leading from Nictau Falls to Lunenburg, to be laid out between Stephen Jefferson's to Peter Morris's		10	0 0
For the New Road from Moose River to the Hessian Line		15	0 0
For rebuilding the Bridge on the Main Road, in the District of Fort Lawrence		10	0 0
For repairing Bohaker's Bridge, in Annapolis		10	0 0
Balance remaining for Arisaig Pier		153	3 11
Road from Dexter's Mill to Morris Town		100	0 0
For clearing Saint Croix River and building Bridge		250	0 0
For Dock at Aylesford and clearing River		150	0 0
From Bear River Bridge to Indian Settlement		20	0 0
Wilmot's to Francis Smith's		17	0 0
Peter's Land to Hen's Mill		10	0 0
Geddes's to Watson's		10	0 0
Starrat's to Granville		10	0 0
For Bank Hill near Ward's		5	0 0
Road on the Peninsula of Halifax		25	0 0
From Blandford to Halifax Road		10	0 0
Windsor Road to Miller's		10	0 0
Herring Cove to Ketch Harbour		10	0 0
Ketch Harbour to Sambro		20	0 0
For the New Road round Bedford Basin		750	0 0
For Breakwater at Margarie		150	0 0
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		£1856	3 11

Committee Room, Halifax, 9th February, 1836.

S. CUNARD,
HENRY H. COGSWELL, } Committee
JOSEPH ALLISON, } of Council.

WILLIAM LAWSON,
GEO. SMITH,
S. W. DEBLOIS, } Committee of
JOHN YOUNG, } the House of
BENJAMIN DEWOLF, } Assembly.

A B S T R A C T

Of Dutiable ARTICLES imported into the Province of Nova-Scotia, between the 31st December, 1834, and 31st December, 1835; for which the Duties have been paid or secured at the Excise Office, under the Acts of the Provincial Legislature.

COUNTIES.	Flour.		Onions.		Coffee.		Bread.		Wines.		Brandy and Gin.		Rum.		Sugar.		Beet and Pork.		Apples.		Whisky.		Amount of Goods imported paying Advance Duties.		Total amount of Duties.	
	Barrels.	Cwts.	Cwts.	Cwts.	Cwts.	Cwts.	Gallons.	Gallons.	Gallons.	Gallons.	Gallons.	Gallons.	Cwts.	Cwts.	Cwts.	Cwts.	Barrels.	Barrels.	Barrels.	Barrels.	Gallons.	Gallons.	£	s		d
Halifax		122 3	130	3089 2	43259	330	403667	19825 2	1638	138	1716	£173,894	1	3	£37,497	16	2									
Liverpool		42		181	32		15121	656				7876														978 18 0
Lunenburg					80		7876	728				32910														597 3 9
Yarmouth		8	6 2	235	19		32910	737	12	21		15303														1,949 0 10
Arichat				1060 2	45		15303	1442	2762			103														1,180 5 2
Pictou		59 2		72 2	94		103		4			907														749 4 8
King's County			1 3	5 2	106	15	907	41				13648														124 6 3
Shelburne			6	6	682		1436	171	5			1436														885 1 10
Sydney, Cape-Breton		101		721			110	1 3				110														562 11 0
Hants	18						110					2258														15 18 4
Annapolis							2258	45				1372														277 18 0
Digby							1372	11				431														209 1 3
Port Hood	32						431					91														50 2 7
Argyle							91	65				230														26 10 0
Wallace				27			230	30				2155														26 16 5
Barrington							2155	242				520														165 13 2
Brier Island							520	25 2				3946														14 7 2
Chester							3946	195				1689														30 1 0
Weymouth							1689																			266 2 6
Sydney																										133 5 6
Cumberland																										283 9 11
	50	333 4	144 4	5,398	44,317	615	503,773	23,113 4	1,976	635	1,745	£205,907	11	0	£46,923	13	6									

Duties collected at the Custom-House on Brandy in Halifax 33,922 Gallons
Do. on Flour at Halifax, 8136 Barrels

£3,787 19 3
2,034 0 0

Customs £5,821 19 3
Excise 46,23 13 6

Sterling £51,845 12 9
Currency £64,807 0 11

An ACCOUNT of the DUTIABLE ARTICLES sent to the OUT PORTS, between 1st January and 31st December, 1835.

Date	Counties.	Bread Cwts.	Coffee Pounds.	Merchandise Packages	Rum Gallons.	Shrub Gallons.	Sugar Cwts.	Whiskey Gallons.	Wine Gallons.
Decemb'r. 31	Annapolis			29	595		38		107
	Cape-Breton	26	50	590	35599	60	370	28	847
	Cumberland			10	760		35		28
	Hants			11	347				
	King's			5	681		12		120
	Lunenburg			29	1565		2		126
	Pictou, District of	4		902	24301	412	832		703
	Queen's			19	727		2		117
	Shelburne			333	785		40		222
	Sydney	3		35	6540		34		150
		33	50	1959	71900	472	1865	28	2415

No. 15.

(SEE PAGE 927 & 928.)

THE Committee appointed to enquire into the merits of the several petitions for aid in the erection and establishment of a Cloth Manufactory, and report thereupon, have taken the same into consideration, and are of opinion, that the granting encouragement for the Establishment of a Cloth Manufactory, in some part of this Province, would tend more to promote industry and economy, and encourage the Agricultural interest, than the same amount granted for any other purpose; as it would give employment to a great number of the children of the poor, would put into circulation a large amount of capital, would manufacture a better quality of Cloth than is now manufactured, (and thereby induce all classes of the community to wear the same), would induce the Husbandman to rear a greater number and better breed of Sheep, and prevent a large sum of money going out of the Province annually, for the importation of Cloths. And as a number of persons are about forming a Company (provided they can get Legislative aid), for the purpose of establishing a large and extensive Factory at Kentville, in the County of King's County, one of the oldest Agricultural Counties in the Province, we recommend that this House do grant to said Company, for the purpose of assisting them to erect and complete the same, a sum of money equal to one fourth the amount expended by said Company, in its erection and completion; provided the said one fourth part does not exceed the sum of £1000, and that the said sum be not drawn from the Treasury until it is satisfactorily proved to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor or the Commander in Chief for the time being, that the said Cloth Manufactory is completed, and in full operation of Carding, Spinning, Weaving, Fulling, Dressing and Colouring the same, and that 100 yards of Broad Cloth have been manufactured therein.

(Signed)

*John Morton, Samuel Chipman, Wm. H. Roach, James Harris, Joseph Oxley,
John Wier, Alexander Stewart, Thomas Dickson.*

No. 16.

(SEE PAGE 929.)

THE Committee to whom the Petition from the Steam Boat Company was referred, report as follows, viz:—

That the Capital invested in that undertaking has been wholly unproductive, and repeated calls have been made on the Shareholders for further advances without receiving any dividend.

In consequence of this unfavorable state of the Company's affairs, thirteen Shareholders withdrew and sacrificed all they had advanced, and incurred an absolute loss of £800 each, including interest. Of so little value was the Stock considered, that the Shares sold for Five Shillings each—the total loss thus sustained by them is £10,400.

Under these circumstances, and taking into consideration the utility of this communication, which connects the Eastern part of the Country with the Town, and affords facility for Thousands on the Shores and in that Section of the Country to convey their produce to Market, and which answers nearly all the purposes of a Bridge where one in the ordinary way is impracticable—the Committee are of opinion that the application is reasonable, and well deserves the consideration and support of the Legislature.

The Committee are of opinion that another Steam Boat of the power of at least Sixteen Horses, is required to ensure a regular and constant communication with Dartmouth; but, as this cannot

be procured but by a further heavy advance of money on the part of the Company, the Committee recommend that a sum should be voted by the Legislature in aid of that object, to be paid when such additional Steamer shall be provided and put on the Ferry.

Committee Room, House of Assembly, 10th February, 1836.

(Signed)

H. Bell, James B. Uniacke, John Morton.

No. 17.

(SEE PAGE 929.)

THE Committee to whom was referred the Petition of James Dennison, the owner of the English Entire Horse, called Randolph, have had the same under consideration, and, upon examination of the facts set forth in the Petition, they report them as correct, and beg leave to recommend to the House to grant the Petitioner's request. The Committee would further recommend to the House the removal of those restrictions under which the whole of the Provincial Stud were sold; and the Bonds, which were given by the purchasers for the observance of those restrictions, should be given up.

(Signed)

Samuel Chipman, L. M. Wilkins, Felix Cochran.

No. 18.

(SEE PAGE 933.)

THE Committee to whom was referred the Petition of Garret Fitzpatrick and Joshua W. Weeks, have agreed to report as follows:

That the facts stated in the Petition are true, as far as information can be procured; and that Petitioners are entitled to relief, because indulgence was granted to Mr. Andrew Crawford Ross, for whom they became surety, whereby they were misled, imagining that the instalments were regularly paid on the Bond they had signed, at the times specified therein; and that any steps, by which Petitioners are to be deprived of liberty, should be avoided, as they might have protected themselves if the Government had proceeded regularly.

The Committee therefore recommend that the Petitioners should be relieved from the suits now pending against them, on indorsing the two Promissory Notes alluded to in said Petition to His Majesty's Crown Officers.

[Signed]

JAMES B. UNIACKE, Chairman.

Halifax, 9th February, 1836.

No. 19.

(SEE PAGE 937.)

THE Committee appointed to enquire into the operation of the present Revenue Laws, as they affect the collection of the Duties and the convenience of Trade, report as follows:

That they have carefully considered the said Acts, and have examined the Officer in Halifax appointed to collect the same, and other persons concerned in Trade, and are of opinion, that the combination of the Imperial with the Colonial Duties has been found disadvantageous in the collection of the Revenue, and is extremely harrassing and inconvenient to persons engaged in Trade, and submit that the Act, passed on the 31st March, 1834, and continued by the Act of last Session, with amendments, to 31st March, 1836, be allowed to expire on that day, and that the Act for raising a Revenue for the year ensuing should embrace the Provincial Duties only, and contain a Table of Articles subject to specific Duties and ad valorem Duties, of an higher or less rate than five per cent. in two columns, shewing the Duties, when imported from British Possessions, and when from Foreign Countries; and also, in said columns designating such Articles as are free from Duty.

That all other of whatever kind or denomination not enumerated in said Table, shall be subject to a duty of five per cent. ad valorem; and your Committee are also of opinion, that all Duties so imposed should be collected in the Money of Account in this Province; but should the Currency remain, as now unsettled, then your Committee recommend that the duties be raised and levied in British Sterling Money, as heretofore.

(Signed)

S. W. DEBLOIS, Chairman.

No. 20,

(SEE PAGE 937.)

THE Committee to whom was referred the Petitions of Edward Blanchard, Esq. and others, Freeholders of Truro, in the District of Colchester; the Petition of Hugh Denoon and others, Freeholders in the Township of Pictou; the Petition of John Ross, Proprietor of the Eastern line

of Stages, running from Halifax to Truro and Pictou ; also, the Petition of W. A. Black and others, of the Committee of management of the Western Stage Coach Company ; also the Petition of Jesse Wyman and others, on the subject of running a stage from Digby to Yarmouth,—beg leave to Report :

That the Eastern and Western line of Stages have been in useful operation for upwards of four years, the facility and convenience afforded for travelling, and keeping up a regular intercourse by Post Communication with the Capital of the Province, by the means afforded by the Proprietors, is of great importance to the Commerce of the Province, while the expenses can only be considered as a part of the annual allowance or grant to the Post-Office—the Proprietors of the Establishments have invested a very large capital, without heretofore receiving any benefit or remuneration, the community have had the advantage ; and, as far as consumption goes, a ready market is offered to the Agriculturist for Hay and Oats for about 70 Horses, employed on these lines ; and our Tradesmen and Mechanics participate alike in the expenditure.

That Establishments of this kind, in a new Country, thinly inhabited, as the country parts of Nova Scotia are, cannot be kept up well or regularly without the aid of Government ; and when the expense of the Eastern and Western Mails, are compared with that in the neighbouring State of Maine, it will be found moderate, there, as much as \$50 per mile, per annum, is paid on some parts of the Coast line, the same description of Coaches ply, and nearly the same kind of Roads to travel ; it cannot, therefore, be expected, even with great economy and good management, that parties in Nova Scotia can keep up a regular communication at a less expense.

The Committee therefore strongly recommend to the House the necessity of affording Legislative aid, as heretofore, to the Eastern and Western Stage Companies.

The Committee also recommend the Petition of Jesse Wyman and others, to the favourable consideration of the House.

(Signed) *George Smith, Chairman, Thomas Dickson, Samuel Chipman, John Morton.*

Committee Room, 13th February, 1836.

No. 21.

(SEE PAGE 939.)

THE Committee to whom the Petition of the Inhabitants of Economy and Londonderry were referred, beg leave to report, that they have considered the prayer thereof, and are of opinion, that the Act dividing the County of Halifax, not having received the assent of His Majesty thereto, it would not be expedient to annex the Two Townships at present, as it might be necessary to consider other parts of the County of Colchester, so as to make a general division of the Representation, in the event of the Bill dividing the County of Halifax being agreed to.

William Lawson, Chairman ; John Wier, W. O. Brien.

No. 22.

(SEE PAGE 939 & 940.)

THE Committee to whom was referred the Petition of John & Henry Muncey, for Bounty on Schooner J. F. M. engaged in Seal Fishery, have ascertained that there are attested Vouchers, sufficient to entitle them to the Bounty, accompanied by the Certificate of the Commissioners by Law appointed to decide in reference thereto, which renders their claim indisputable, except that the date of said Certificate was unavoidably delayed beyond the time limited by Law, by the absence of the Captain of the Vessel, whose evidence was necessary to establish their claim, and which evidence was procured as soon as could be obtained ; the Committee therefore recommend that the sum of £19 10, the amount to which the tonnage of their vessel by Law entitles them, should be paid.

Committee Room, 13th Feby. 1836.

Hugh Bell, H. Huntington, James Barsa.

No. 23.

[SEE PAGE 940.]

THE Committee to whom was referred the Petition of Patrick Conner, praying compensation for an injury sustained by him while in the discharge of his duty as a constable, have agreed to report, and do report as follows :

The Committee recommend that a small sum of money be granted by this House to the Petitioner, and that the County of Halifax be authorized by Law to include in the assessment, for the ensuing year, some additional provision for the relief of the Petitioner.

Committee Room, 15th February, 1836.

L. O. C. DOYLE, Chairman.

No. 24.

(SEE PAGE 940.)

The Committee to whom were referred the Dispatch of the Colonial Secretary, and the Message of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, relative to erecting Light-Houses on the Islands of St. Paul and Scattarie, report as follows :

That His Majesty's Ministers have formed a correct idea of the necessity of erecting Light-Houses, &c. on St. Paul's and Scattarie, and that they are of national, rather than local interest ; and should, therefore, in strictness, be supported by those Governments deriving the greatest protection to their Shipping ; but, as Nova-Scotia has always been conspicuous for institutions founded on humane feelings, and tending to promote commercial intercourse—the Committee recommend that, on this occasion, the Legislature should act liberally, and contribute to the future support of those Light-Houses.

The Committee have ascertained that two Lights, such as are contemplated in the letter of the Elder Brethren of Trinity House, and, as the sites proposed therein cannot be supported efficiently under £1000 annually, which renders the expense of erection trifling, compared with that of maintaining them, and therefore think the Government of Great-Britain should contribute a sum annually for the latter purpose. At the same time, rather than permit a work to be delayed, which every benevolent man must anxiously wish to see accomplished, the Committee recommend this Government to assure their support, on receiving from the Canadas £500, and from New-Brunswick £200 annually, which will require this Legislature to provide the remaining £250 ; and, although the sum appears large, yet, when it is considered that each Establishment will require three Attendants, and a constant supply of provisions for Shipwrecked Mariners, as heretofore ; and that this Government has, at its own expense, already erected and maintained Light-Houses on the East Coast of Cape-Breton, at Low Point, and at Canso, on the West Coast at the entrance of the Gulf of Saint Lawrence ; and, from the Geographical position, is coerced to support eleven Light-Houses—an Establishment on Sable Island, and will probably be required to contribute towards the erection of several Lights thereon : the benefits of which extend to all Ships approaching the Northern Colonies—the contribution must be considered generous. The Committee cannot recommend the superintendance of any Establishment on St. Paul or Scattarie being yielded to the adjoining Colonies, as they are parts of Nova-Scotia, and fall under the dominion of her Government ; although they admit, on reference to the record of the Shipwrecks on those Inlands for several years last past, the loss has exclusively fallen on British and other vessels destined to Ports in the Gulf of St. Lawrence and New-Brunswick, which may be attributed to the circumstance that the Mariners of Cape-Breton and Nova-Scotia are conversant with the dangers of, and are good Pilots on, those Coasts.

The Committee therefore recommend, that the Lieutenant-Governor should be respectfully requested to correspond with the Governments of the Canadas and New-Brunswick on this important subject, without further delay, hoping that a definite and equitable arrangement may be made to the satisfaction of the respective Colonies, for adopting the measures of His Majesty's Government.

JAMES B. UNIACKE, Chairman.

No. 25.

(SEE PAGE 946.)

THE Committee to whom the following Petitions were referred report as follows :—

On the Petition of G. E. Morton they recommend to be allowed the sum of £17 2 5 Currency, agreeably to the prayer thereof.

On the Petition of William Muir they recommend to be allowed the sum of £16 18 Currency, on 248 Gallons of Rum exported by him to St. John, N. B.

On the Petition of Joshua Snow they recommend to be allowed the sum of £10 12 6, agreeably to the prayer thereof.

On the Petition of Thomas Whittemore they recommend to be allowed the sum of £12 10, for Duties paid by him on Machinery.

On the Petition of James Fletcher they recommend the sum of £4 10 Sterling, be allowed him for having paid the same twice.

The Committee cannot help expressing their disapprobation of his conduct, in not reporting at the office of Collector of Impost and Excise, as by Law he was required to do ; and also, at the conduct of the Collector of the Customs at Windsor, in not granting a Certificate of the Duties having been paid at the Port of Welsh Port, by which unnecessary trouble might have been avoided.

On the Petition of Charles Starr the Committee recommend to be allowed the sum of £6 17 Currency, agreeably to the prayer thereof.

William Lawson, Chairman ; L. M. Wilkins, H. Huntington, John Morton, S. W. Deblois.

R

O U T W A R D S

PORT OF HALIFAX, NOVA-SCOTIA.

An Account of all Vessels which have cleared at this Port and District, during the year ended the 5th January, 1836.

PORTS	Great-Britain.			B. N. American Colonies, including Canada, New-Brunswick and Newfoundland.			British West-Indies.			United States. British Vessels.			United States. Foreign Vessels.			Brazil.			Pacific Ocean.		
	Vessels	Tons	Men	Vessels	Tons	Men	Vessels	Tons	Men	Vessels	Tons	Men	Vessels	Tons	Men	Vessels	Tons	Men	Vessels	Tons	Men
Halifax	39	9799	462	285	21912	1160	214	22153	1325	59	6070	315	34	4528	214	9	1255	70	1	294	29
Annapolis	1	164	8	190	11160	666	2	106	6	3	164	9									
Argyle				42	1677	128	17	1290	73	12	685	37									
Barrington				45	1643	98	2	139	7												
Cornwallis				62	2922	154	2	169	8	16	1313	60									
Cumberland	20	4341	190	57	3035	162				35	2590	127									
Digby				216	10807	552	3	168	12	49	3080	157									
Parrsborough				88	4901	270				23	2011	89									
Guysborough				13	784	39	1	90	4												
Liverpool	8	2435	104	2	96	18	41	4460	270	25	1314	100									
Lunenburg	2	618	26				27	2213	149	2	118	9									
New Edinburg	1	123	8	80	3491	308	16	1874	107	5	355	23									
Pictou	37	9278	365	165	7153	528				52	4025	213	85	14317	558						
Shelburne	11			88	4459	335	14	1123	75	2	110	9									
Windsor				156	9358	385	3	330	14	300	23796	1076									
Yarmouth				84	5627	292	53	4891	241	38	1985	115									
TOTAL	108	26738	1163	1573	88855	5099	395	38996	2291	621	47616	2339	119	18845	772	9	1255	70	1	294	29

PORTS.	Azores.			British Vessels.			St. Thomas. Foreign Vessels.			Italy. Foreign Vessels.			Spain. Foreign Vessels.			Prince Edward's Island.			TOTAL.			Total value in Sterling.					
	Vessels	Tons	Men	Vessels	Tons	Men	Vessels	Tons	Men	Vessels	Tons	Men	Vessels	Tons	Men	Vessels	Tons	Men	Vessels	Tons	Men	£	s.	d.			
Halifax	4	341	22	2	182	10	1	99	5	3	286	18			2	288	21	74	3255	176	727	70462	3827	565261	10	3	
Annapolis																						196	11594	689	12953	10	
Argyle																						71	3652	253	6681	17	6
Barrington																						47	1732	105	5088	10	
Cornwallis																						80	4404	222	8164	10	
Cumberland																						112	9966	479	19554	15	
Digby																						263	13855	721	10590	18	9
Parrsborough																						111	6912	359	4943		
Guysborough																						14	874	43	3660		
Liverpool																						76	8305	452	23507	2	
Lunenburg																						31	2949	154	12450		
New Edinburg																						102	5843	446	9541		
Pictou																						339	34773	1664	56395	8	6
Shelburne																						104	5722	419	10392		
Windsor																						459	33484	1479	5893	3	5
Yarmouth																						177	12993	767	26425		
TOTAL	4	341	22	2	182	10	1	99	5	3	286	18	2	500	19	2	288	21	74	3255	176	2914	227570	12124	780645	5	5

[Signed]

THOS. N. JEFFERY, Collector.

[Signed]

J. WALLACE, Comptroller.

Custom-House, Halifax, 12th February, 1836.

RETURN of the RECEIPTS and EXPENDITURE of the GENERAL POST-OFFICE, for the
Year ending 5th January, 1836.

CHARGE.	CURRENCY.			STERLING.			DISCHARGE.	CURRENCY.			STERLING.				
	£.	s.	d.	£.	s.	d.		£.	s.	d.					
To amount of unpaid Letters received from England during the year				1074	5	2	By Salary to Deputy Post-Master General				220	0	0		
To amount of paid Letters sent to England the same period							Do. Do. Assistant*				*70	8	2		
To amount of unpaid received, and paid Letters sent from, the Halifax Office	2672	11	4				By allowance for Office Rent, Fuel and Stationary†				†50	0	0		
To Nett Revenue remitted by Deputies, Post-Masters	1254	8	10				By paid Riding Work	2540	11	10					
To amount of Way and Ship Letters	57	17	6				By Dead Letters sent to England				512	7	3		
To this sum received from the Provincial Treasury	1171	3	4				By Letters charged against Halifax, and sent to the Interior of the Province	892	0	3					
	5156	1	0				By incidental expenses	213	17	0					
Exchange 1-10th	515	12	1								3651	9	1		
				4640	8	11	Exchange 1-10th	365	2	11					
							By Balance paid into the Military Chest						3286	6	2
													1699	6	9
													5838	8	4
				5838	8	4									

[Errors excepted.]

General Post-Office, Halifax, 1st February, 1836.

(Signed)

JOHN HOWE, D. P. M. G.

* The Clerk of this Office has always received from Mr. Howe £104 Currency ; difference between that sum and what is allowed £26 4 7. An additional Assistant constantly required and oftentimes a third.

† The Allowance for Office Rent, Fuel and Stationary, is not more than sufficient to provide for the necessary Fuel and Stationary.

No. 29.

Gentlemen—

We take the liberty of requesting any of your Board to do us the favour of having the enclosed placed before His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor of your Province, and then given to any Member of the House of Assembly, in order to its being brought forward in the usual manner.

We do not send this as Light-House Commissioners, as we cannot take the liberty of interfering in a matter so far from our particular charge, nor do we sign it as such ; but, we most sincerely hope some steps will be adopted, to enable the Trade to have the advantage of Lights.

We remain, Gentlemen,

Your most Humble Servants,

(Signed)

Thomas Barlow, John Ward, Junr., L. Donaldson.

To the Commissioners of Light-Houses of Halifax.

TO HIS EXCELLENCY

SIR COLIN CAMPBELL,Lieutenant-Governor and Commander-in-Chief in and over the Province of
Nova-Scotia, &c. &c. &c.*To the Honorable His Majesty's Council, and to the Honorable the House of Assembly for said Province.*

The Petition of the Subscribers, Merchants and others, of St. John, in the Province of New-Brunswick,

MOST HUMBLY SHEWETH—

That they are deeply interested in the lives and prosperity of the sea-faring persons belonging to this Province and Nova-Scotia, and that many of your Petitioners are largely concerned in Navigation.

That the great loss of life and property on the Isle of Sable, has induced your Petitioners thus to address Your Excellency and Honors, under the hope, that such measures may, by you, be adopted, as will result in Light-Houses being erected on that dreaded Island.

Your Petitioners are aware that it must be altogether unnecessary to make any appeal to the feelings of Your Excellency and Honors on such a subject, and they consequently confine their prayer within such terms as will merely express their ardent wishes that this matter may be fully considered.

And as in duty bound,

Your Petitioners will ever pray.

City of St. John, 26th January, 1836.

(Signed) L. Donaldson	C. M. Gore	W. H. Street
John Ward, Junior	J. G. Woodward	W. P. Runniz
Robert W. Crookshank	Noah Disbrow	Noah Disbrow, Junr.
Thomas Barlow	Jesse Ball	Benjamin L. Peters
Scovil & Summers	John Walker	L. H. DeVeber
John V. Hinegar	Samuel Gould	E. L. Thorne
H Gilbert.	John Robertson	P. Duff
J. Kinnear	Hugh MacKay	Thomas S. Estey
J. L. Bedell	D. J. McLaughlin	Chas. R. Jarvis
William Hughson	W. Leavitt	F. G. Jordan
Thomas Raymond	John Leavitt	William Parks
Stephen Wiggins	C. D. W. Ratchford	Barnabas Tilton
A. S. Perkins	S. L. Lugin	John Hammond
Peter Hatfield	J. Kirk	John Dimeon
John Wishart	James Hendricks	G. F. Ray
James Whitney	Wm. MacKay	John L. Smith
Daniel Leavitt	Zebulon Estey	Geo. E. Thomas
Francis Leavitt	Angus MacKenzie	Alex. Robertson
Edwin Kitcheran	Charles Crookshanks	Edw. W. Greenwood
J. W. M. Irsh	Sol. Nichols	Francis Pratt
Brock Wheeler	James Holman	

T. W. JAMES, Esq.

HALIFAX, 10th DECEMBER, 1835.

SIR—

The year being nearly closed, and the current expenses thereof drawing fast also to a close, enables the Commissioners of Sable Island to report to His Excellency the present state of that Establishment, as well the occurrences of the past year. The account of expenses and account current are enclosed for His Excellency's perusal, which, if not sufficiently explicit, they are ready to explain; all monies received by them for account of the Island have been paid into the Treasury as they came to their hands—this will be seen by reference to the several dates. They will also shew the state of the Island Funds, as far as we have had control over them. The Province grant for 1835 has not been drawn.

The unusual number of wrecks cast on the Island this year, has caused a considerable increase of annual expense—some of them have produced in the salvage awarded a corresponding remuneration, others again have not repaid the expense occasioned by the residence and provision necessarily expended by their shipwrecked crews. Of such is the British Brig *Albuoy*, and the American Schooner *Laban*, neither of which have produced enough to reimburse the Island for their actual expenses.

It will be seen that the ordinary expenses of the year, prior to the wreck of the American Ship *Eagle*, amounted to a little less than Six Hundred and Fifty Pounds Currency; and that the differ-

once between that sum, and the present amount, Fourteen Hundred and Twelve Pounds, has been occasioned by this accident ; for which, as yet, the Island has had no remuneration, by salvage or re-payment of incident expenses—such as money advanced for freight, provisions, labor, &c. ; but, as the Commissioners have been led to believe, that the property saved from the wreck of the *Eagle* has been placed by His Excellency's sanction, under the control of His Honor the Collector of H. M. Customs, they decline any further interference beyond the amount of salvage and expenses, to which the Province has a legal claim.

The Superintendent's Journal during the twelve months, presents a frightful list of wrecks on the Island, but no lives were lost, except in the case of the American Brig *Abigail*, where, unfortunately, the whole crew perished—they are as follows :—

- 1—Brig *Tantivy*, of N. B. November 22d, 1834, part cargo and materials saved—vessel totally lost.
- 2—Brig *James Albauy*, Liverpool, N. S. 26th December, 1834, almost a total loss—a few articles only saved.
- 3—American Schooner *Laban*, of Yarmouth, N. S. June 6th, 1835, vessel lost—a few articles and rigging saved.
- 4—Ship *Eagle*, New York, August 4th, part of the cargo saved.
- 5—Schooner *Ann*, St. John's, Newfoundland, 27th August, 1835, cargo Flour, saved, vessel totally lost.
- 6—American Brig *Abigail*, in October, total wreck—crew perished.
- 7—Schooner *Grecian*, in Company with *Abigail*, struck on the N. W. Bar same night, and beat over without any loss of lives.

The Commissioners are strongly impressed with an opinion, that, if two Light-Houses were built on this Island, the thus frequent occurrence of wrecks would no longer take place, and they are confirmed in that opinion, from a careful perusal of the Superintendent's Journal; from which it appears, that during day-light and clear weather, vessels are frequently in sight, running either East or West, from which they infer, that as many, or perhaps a greater number, pass the Island in the night, some of whom, no doubt, meet their fate on the projecting bars of sand, without being aware of their proximity ; whereas, had they the benefit of a Light to warn them of their danger, they would haul off in time and avoid them ; this is a work equally interesting to commerce and humanity, and ought not to be delayed.

One of the subscribing Commissioners was on the Island during the time the *Eagle's* Passengers were there, and was an eye witness to the comfortless manner in which they were lodged, as well as the very great inconvenience experienced by the inhabitants of the Island, who were deprived of their usual lodging places, to make room for Shipwrecked Women and Children ; they would therefore recommend the building of a comfortable house, to serve not only as a residence for the Superintendent's Family, but for the accommodation of Women, Children and Invalids, that may be thrown among them.—The present house (not having a plaistered room in it) should be kept in repair, and used as a Barrack for the reception of Sailors, and as a residence for the Male Servants of the Establishment.—They have procured a plan of such a house as they think will answer all the purposes requisite, comprising—ten good Bed Rooms with a large Kitchen and Parlour, Pantry, &c. which is submitted for His Excellency's opinion.—The Commissioners beg leave to call His Excellency's attention to the state of the present Law relating to Wrecked Property, and the necessity of an alteration, so clearly evinced by the late *Scramble* for the custody of the Property saved from the *Ship Eagle* ; they also beg leave to suggest, that either the present Law should be revised, or a new one passed, pointing out *decidedly* who should have the direction and management of Shipwrecked Goods, both on Sable and Great Seal Island, a reference is requested to the accompanying account of Wrecks on the latter Island since 1822 up to the first October, 1835 ; and although the Government Provisions furnished that Island have been expended for the maintenance of the unfortunate who may have been cast on it—and much Property saved.—the Province has not hitherto received a penny to enable them either to replace the provision or repay the sum voted for the Salaries of Hitchens and Crowell, who, for several years, received from the Public Treasury Fifty Pounds per Annum, for services rendered Shipwrecked People.—They therefore recommend that the same Law should comprise the two Islands, and place them under similar Regulations.

In closing this Report, the Commissioners have to notify Mr. Tidmarsh's wish to retire from the Commission on the Thirty-first December, and at his request we beg His Excellency will be pleased to grant him permission accordingly.

We are, Sir, your most obedient servants,

(Signed)

{ JAS. H. TIDMARSH,
E. CUNARD,
Ed. WALLACE.

In signing the above Mr. Wallace cannot agree with the Commissioners upon that part of the Report respecting Light-Houses, as it appears to him doubtful whether Lights placed upon Sable Island can be beneficial.

Inclosed you will find a Communication with His Hon the Collector, to which I beg you will refer.
Your obedient servant,

(Signed) JAS. H. TIDMARSH.

T. W. JAMES, Esq.

Dec. 18th, 1835.

		<i>The Province of Nova-Scotia to Commissioners of Sable Island</i>				<i>Dr.</i>	
				No.	£. s. d.		
1835.							
Jany.	1	To paid G. N. Russell, J. N. Shannon and J. Starr, Arbitrating Salvage in the case Brig Tantivy and Cargo		1	3	0	0
Febry.		To Deblois & Mitchell, account for Great Coats		2	21	9	6
March	4	Ditto for Pork, Bread & Beef					
		To C. H. Belcher, for Chart Nova-Scotia and Bay Fundy	£0 15 0				
		A pair Dividers 1s. Moor's Navigation 17s. Gd.	0 18 6				
		Gasper Roast for Groceries 40s. 10d. ; T. & L. Piers a Quadrant 70s.	5 10 10	4			
					7	4	4
		E. Ducket, amount paid Seamen's Wages, Schr. Michael Wallace		5	10	0	6
	31	E. Wallace, for Superintendent's and Men's Wages, to date		6	76	15	0
May	12	James Williams, Seaman, balance Wages		7	4	0	0
	13	Charles Sharp do do		8	4	0	0
	23	Gasper Roast, provisions per account		9	77	18	11
	25	J. & D. Starr, Chain Cable, Nails, &c.		10	13	14	3
June	5	George Coleman, for a Boat, Oars, &c		11	15	2	0
	17	Martin Shaffer's Wages, to 14th June		12	6	3	4
	23	Sydney Barrington do 16th June		13	3	15	0
	"	Barrack Department, for Blankets and Rugs		14	5	0	0
July	2	W. A. Black & Son, Flour, Meal, &c.		15	19	17	6
	3	E. Wallace, for Superintendent's and Men's Wages to 30th June		16	80	10	0
	"	J. Darby, for Spy Glass, &c. Schr. Michael Wallace		17	4	10	9
	"	T. Conners, for Cask and packs Blankets and Rugs		18	1	6	3
	"	J. L. Starr, for half proceeds Brig James Albuoy		19	16	5	5½
Aug.	4	B. Zwicker, Wages to 29th July		20	2	2	0
	6	D. & E. Starr, account for Bread		21	12	16	3
	10	W. A. Black & Son, Flour, Sugar, &c.		22	32	11	6½
	"	Hannay & Co. Flour, Beans and Peas		23	10	9	11½
Sept.	22	J. Fahie and others, for labor (Ship Eagle)	£7 2 6	24	11	9	0
	23	E. Ducket, for sundry demands on the Island	34 4 4½	25	29	11	0
	24	W. McGregor, 10 days work	1 10 0	26			
	"	James Smith, Seamen, 10 days do	1 10 0	27			
	"	H. C. Pridham, for Opium, Salts, &c.		28	2	17	6
	"	Richard Marshall, sundry provisions	88 13 3½	29			
	"	J. L. Starr, for 12½ bls. Pork	23 8 0	30			
	26	Daniel Kelly, 17 days Wages as Pilot to Island and back	8 10 0	31			
Oct.	1	E. Wallace, for Superintendent's and Men's Wages to 30th Sept.		32	80	0	0
		W. K. Reynolds, for a Bull		33	6	0	0
		A. McDonald, Freight to Island and back	40 7 3	34	40	0	0
	6	M. Tobin, a Side Saddle		35	2	10	0
	7	Creighton & Grassie, 5 bls. Beef	13 15 0	36			
		T. & L. Piers for a Union Jack		37	4	0	0
		Samuel Marshall, ten days work	1 10 0	38			
	12	S. Cunard & Co. hire of Lady Ogle to Island twice	150 0 0	39			
		Dechezeau & Crow, for Tin Ware		40	4	5	6
		Gasper Roast, account for Rum and Vinegar	3 17 0	41			
		Thomas Sutton, for Saddles and Bridles		42	13	4	0
		C. Creighton, Charter Schr. Victory	40 0 0	43			
Nov.	9	D. Sutherland, 2 pair Wheels		44	6	0	0
		Lewis Smith, 59 days Wages		45	14	15	0
		H. Tauney, 62 do do		46	9	6	0
		Amos Pedler, Ironing 2 pair Wheels		47	3	10	0
		J. & D. Starr, 2 Waggon Pipes		48	6	11	2
	11	Gasper Roast, account for Potatoes	13 9 10½	49			
		W. A. Black & Son, sundries, per account	25 19 6	50	18	18	3
		Deblois & Mitchell for Flour & Buckets		51			
	20	A. Primrose, for drawing agreement with Salsman, Hire of Schr. Elizabeth	1 3 4	52			
		J. M. Chamberlain, a Cooking Stove		53	8	0	0
	24	John Howe, Jun. expenses of Messenger to Country Harbor		54	2	12	6

1885.

Nov. 25	To E. Duckett, for several demands on the Island	£67 14 7	No.	£. s. d.
	Deblois & Mitchell, for ten Guns		55	7 0 0
	W. M. Allan, for Bridles and Saddles		56	3 15 0
Dec. 3	Wm. Cocken, for services at the Island	12 0 0	58	
8	Jacob Millar, do	12 0 0	59	
	J. H. Tidmarsh, sundry accounts		60	5 8 0
	E. Wallace, for Superintendent's and Men's Wages, to 31st December		61	77 10 0
		<u>£550 14 8½</u>		<u>£794 0 10½</u>
				<u>550 14 8½</u>
				<u>£1344 15 7</u>
				<u>67 4 0</u>
				<u>£1412 4 9</u>

Commission on £1344 15 7 at 5 per cent.

Dr. The Province of Nova-Scotia, in Account Current with the Commissioners of Sable Island. Cr.

July 1.	To paid for 1 Anchor 50s., a piece of Cable 40s., 1 bbl. Pok 55s.	£7 5 0	1835.	Jan. 7	By Sir Colin Campbell's Warrant on the Treasury, per Grant of the Ses- sions 1834	£400 0 0
	Bbl. Molasses 37s. 6d. ditto Bread 15s.	2 12 6		July 1	This sum awarded Sable from proceeds brig Tantiivy and Cargo	£110 17 11
	1 Bbl. Flour 25s., 23-4 bbls. I. Meal 41s. 3d.	3 6 3			Proceeds brig James Albuoy	32 10 11
		<u>13 3 9</u>		Oct. 9	This sum awarded from proceeds schr. Laban	15 0 3
4.	Cash paid the Treasury	0 13 2			Ditto from schooner Ann and Cargo	104 1 9
Nov. 16.	Ditto				Proceeds of Oils and Skins per D. & M. Sales	11 1 5
Dec. 31.	Amount of Account opposite Balance carried down	1412 0 4 409 13 3			Less Commissions, 5 per cent.	<u>273 12 3</u> <u>13 13 8</u>
		<u>£2080 11 1</u>			Freight of Goods per Michael Wallace, from schooner Laban	259 18 7
				Dec. 31	Ditto do. per schs. Brothers and Ann	12 10 0
					Checks drawn on the Treasurer of the Province	40 0 0
						1368 2 6
						<u>£2080 11 1</u>
					By Balance brought down	<u>£400 13 3</u>

(ERRORS EXCEPTED.)

Memo : Orders on the Commissioner for Labor was drawn by Mr. Tidmarsh at Sable Island, in favor of several Persons, amount to £19 15, which Orders have not come forward as yet. The Labor was on account Ship Eagle.

(Signed)

J. H. TIDMARSH, E. CUNARD,
EDWARD WALLACE.

Halifax, 31st December, 1885.

NO. 5.

(SEE PAGE 948.)

(Copy.)

LUNENBURG, 21st MAY, 1835.

SIR—

We have the honor to inclose you three Road Commissions, with a Letter to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, which we request you will lay before him at your earliest convenience, with a request, that he will be pleased to give the matter a speedy consideration, and that he will be pleased to signify to us his pleasure therein.

We have the honor to be,

With great respect, yours, &c. &c.

(Signed)

John Heckman, William Rudolf, John Creighton.

To Sir R. D. GEORGE, Bart. &c. &c. &c.

(Copy.)

LUNENBURG, MAY 21st, 1835.

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY—

By the arrival of the last Post from Halifax, the Road Commissions for this County have been forwarded to the Clerk of the Peace, and, upon examining them, it appears Your Excellency has been pleased to approve of the recommendations made by us, with three exceptions.

First—To expend the sum of £105 from Queen's County line to LaHave Ferry—we recommend Mr. Wm. Drew as sole Commissioner, but Your Excellency has been pleased to associate with him Garret Miller, Esquire.

Secondly—To expend the sum of Fifty Pounds from LaHave Ferry to the Town of Lunenburg—we recommended Mr. Provost James, and Your Excellency has been pleased to substitute Garret Miller, Esquire.

Thirdly—To expend the sum of £25 from John Beck's to LaHave Bridge, on the Annapolis Road, through Brookfield—we recommended Mr. Charles Rudolf, and Your Excellency has been pleased to substitute Garret Miller, Esquire.

The recommendations we had the honor of handing to Your Excellency, were made upon mature reflection, and with an anxious desire to select only such persons as we deemed would discharge the duty faithfully; and we are quite aware that, in making the alterations, Your Excellency could have been influenced by no other motive than what you conceived to be the Public good; but we are at the same time satisfied that Your Excellency has been misinformed, and we feel it our bounden duty to urge our objections to this arrangement.

Mr. Miller, in our opinion, has not one requisite qualification for a Road Commissioner—he has never been employed upon that service, but upon two or three occasions, and has never failed to give dissatisfaction.

The part of the Road on which the £105 is required to be expended is seventeen miles from Mr. Miller's residence, and the Commissioner and men to be employed on it must encamp near the place of their labours, and remain with their stock of provisions on the spot until the whole work is finished, as they cannot be permitted to return to their homes, without great injury to the service they are engaged in. Mr. Miller, we are quite satisfied, is not prepared to do this, nor has he hitherto been enabled to spend as much time annually, on an average in this County, as would be requisite to expend faithfully this sum of money.

The associating him with Mr. Drew is the means of our losing the services of one of the best Road Commissioners in the County, as he will not serve with Mr. Miller, or any other person, which we have this day ascertained by a personal application to him on the subject.

The three lines of Road Mr. Miller has selected for his operations, are so far removed from each other that it is utterly impossible for one person to superintend the whole—within the period the money ought to be expended; and he must, of course, employ a substitute—and it so happens that two at least of the different lines of Road he has selected are those in which he has a direct personal interest to answer.

We humbly conceive that the money voted for this County ought to be expended immediately, if the public are to derive any benefit from it; but we are fully satisfied, if Mr. Miller is to have the expenditure of it, it will be delayed as usual until the fall of the year, and he will then appoint some person to expend it for him as unfit as himself. We therefore, respectfully request Your Excellency will be pleased to re-consider this arrangement, and suffer the persons originally recommended, (with the exception of Mr. Provost James, who has refused to act, and in place of him, to substitute Mr. Philip Arenburg) to expend the various sums of money allotted to them. We make this proposal to Your Excellency with all due submission, satisfied it will tend to the public good. If it

is not acceded to, we shall most cheerfully submit to Your Excellency appointing all the Commissioners for this County in future, and we shall thereby be relieved from the most unpleasant part of our duty.

We have the honor to be,

Your Excellency's obedt. and faithful servants,

[Signed]

John Heckman, William Rudolf, John Creighton.

To His Excellency SIR COLIN CAMPBELL, K. C. B. &c. &c. &c.

(Copy)

Distribution of £610 on the Post, Main and Cross Roads, in the County of Lunenburg, for the year 1835, with the names of Commissioners recommended.

GREAT POST ROAD.

William Drew, from Queen's County line to LaHave Ferry	£105
Provost W. James, from LaHave Ferry to the Town of Lunenburg	50
Peter Strum, from Town of Lunenburg to Martin's River, and to pay expense of Survey of new line of road	50
Casper Eishaur, from Martin's River to Middle River, and to repair Gold River Bridge	50
Francis Vaughan, from Middle River Bridge to Hant's County Line	50

MAIN ROADS.

Peter Langille, from Leonard Young's to Zwicker's Block House, on the Road to Annapolis	15
Thomas C. Hallison, from Block House to Peter Lant's, and outwards on the road to Annapolis	20
Charles Rudolf, from John Beck's to LaHave Bridge, on the Annapolis Road, through Brookfield	25
John Chepley, from LaHave Bridge to Grinton Settlement, on the Annapolis Road	25
John Fancy, from LaHave Bridge to Pleasant River, on the Road to Annapolis	20
James Walker, from Crandall's to Sherbrooke	30

CROSS ROADS.

Arthur James, Thomas Ernst's to James Vienot's 300 acre Lot	15
Peter Vieno, James Vienot's 300 acre Lot, to Christopher Jodrey's 300 acre Lot, and outwards in addition to £10 unexpended and granted last year	10
George Ernst, Mush a Mush to Burgoin's Mill, and outwards	15
Francis Zwicker, Block House, North West range to Mahone Bay	10
Casper Kaulback, Meeting-House, North West range to Casper Kaulback's and outwards	15
George Wentzell, Valentine Shauffelberger's to Rose Bay	20
Rudolf Wagner, Mullok's to Adam Weinacht's and outwards	10
Henry Weinacht, John Silver's to LaHave River	10
John George Vieno, George Johnes' to North West Street	10
Thomas Fisher, Pleasant River Road, to Chelsea Settlement	10
George Crouse, son of Philip, LaHave Bridge to Western Branch	10
William Floyd, LaHave Bridge to Pernet's Ferry	10
Michael Fancy, LaHave Bridge to Camperdown	15
Henry Feener, Petit Revier to New Italy, and outwards	10

£610

(Signed) John Heckman, William Rudolf, John Creighton.

(Copy)

PROVINCIAL SECRETARY'S OFFICE, HALIFAX, 3d JUNE, 1835.

GENTLEMEN,

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your Letter of the 23d May, returning three Road Commissions, which had been sent to the Clerk of the Peace, at Lunenburg, for delivery to Mr. Garret Miller, and inclosing a Letter addressed by you to the Lieutenant-Governor, respectfully remonstrating against the disregard shewn to your recommendations, in the case of Mr. Miller's appointment as a Commissioner of Roads, and requesting His Excellency "to re-consider the arrangement, and suffer the persons originally recommended to expend the various sums allotted to them."

The latter communication was yesterday submitted by His Excellency to His Majesty's Council, and, I have it in command to acquaint you, in reply, that on a consideration of the list of recommendations furnished, as usual, by the Members of the Assembly, at the close of the Session, the appointment of Road Commissioners generally, including the arrangement of which you complain, had been determined upon, (though not published,) before the receipt of the list transmitted by you, which you will remember was not forwarded (contrary to the common practice,) until long after you had returned to Lunenburg; on the receipt of that list, however, the subject, as respects your County, was re-considered by the Lieutenant-Governor, in Council, when, with the three exceptions which His Excellency regrets to find you deem objectionable, your other recommendations were adopted, but it was thought inexpedient, and would have been (the Board concurred,) unjust to Mr. Miller to cancel his appointment, it having been intimated to him, and he being considered by all the Members of the Council, (who, for many years have been well acquainted with him,) as likely to expend the Money faithfully and judiciously as any other person who could be conveniently substituted for him.

This is still their anxious opinion, and His Excellency therefore regrets that he cannot in this instance comply with your wishes.

Mr. Miller will not, as you seem to apprehend, defer the expenditure of the sums placed at his disposal until late in the Season, and His Excellency is persuaded, from the assurances which he has received, that Mr. Miller will so discharge the duties assigned to him, as, in all respects, to merit the approbation of the Public.

I have, &c.

(Signed)

RUPERT D. GEORGE.

Wm. Rudolf, John Creighton, John Heckman, Esqrs. Members for the County and Town of Lunenburg.

No. 31.

(No. 6.)

(SEE PAGE 948.)

REPORT OF THE STATE OF THE NEW EASTERN ROAD.

The first two miles, from the Dartmouth road to Wightman's mill, was made by Wightman, a tolerable cart road, but much too narrow, and wants some rocks blasting. In many parts confined between a bank on one side and a steep descent to a lake on the other, and so narrow, for a considerable distance, that two carts could not pass one another: the next ten miles, to Hamilton's, was almost impassable. It took me six hours to ride through, frequently obliged to drive my horse before me, from the depth and rooted state of the swamp—thus far, Eleven Hundred Pounds had been spent. It is now principally cleared out and drains cut, ready for casting up—some parts still swampy—about Ninety Pounds have been spent by me upon it; and it will, I should think, require about Forty Pounds per mile to make a cart road of it. The next three and one half miles were taken through the forest, and made fit for casting up: it is chopped sixty-three feet wide to let in the sun and air, and rooted twenty-seven feet wide, that the road may be twenty-one feet wide and three feet on each side clear for drains. The soil sold by Auction at Twenty-three Pounds per mile, and can be made a good road for that sum additional. Then commences a distance of about four miles down a brook called Nuttal's: this is a most difficult part to make, as it will be, by the present route, necessary to go down the course of the brook, which is very winding, with high and rocky banks, which will require much cutting. I have, however, reason to believe, that this can be obviated by a small turn in the road, which will increase the distance about a quarter of a mile. It will be necessary to have this properly surveyed, and to have the line from Nuttal's to Peter Ogilvie's run by a Surveyor, as it cannot now be traced—distance four miles and an half. From Peter Ogilvie's to Marrh's, about three miles, the road can be made at a moderate expense; and also, from Marrh's to the Mill road, about three miles, the expense will be moderate—the road should be carried to the Mill road this year—that is to say, should be made a good cart road for the first fifteen and an half miles, which are now nearly ready for casting up, and cut and rooted. The remainder of the distance ready for casting up next year—by which plan it will have time to dry and settle, and the proper places for the small Bridges, ascertained by the direction the water has taken in the spring—thus, in another year, the road will be open for the whole of Musquedoboit, Middle and Upper Stewiacke and Pictou. By giving small sums on a road of such length, the money is sunk for many years, without any benefit to the Public, or any progress made in settling the Country, and by that means keeping the road in repair by Statute Labor.—This part of the Country has long been kept back by the road having been commenced without a proper survey, upon a line that could not be completed, and was consequently abandoned, after an expenditure of Twelve Hundred Pounds. By a rough calculation, I should estimate the probable expense at the following amounts:

To Wightman's Mill	2 Miles	£40 0 0
Hamilton's	10 do.	400 0 0
End of this year's work	3½ do.	90 0 0
Nuttal's	4 do.	100 0 0
Ogilvie's	3½ do.	105 0 0
Marrh's	3 do.	75 0 0
Mill road	4 do.	80 0 0
Bridge at Marrh's		50 0 0
		£940 0 0

The Survey made by Mr. Wightman was not completed, as the stakes placed by him were never corrected so as to cut off the angles of the survey—it will be necessary to have this done; and it would be well to have Wightman's survey continued from the farthest point of his survey, on the north side of the River. From Upper Musquedoboit there were, at a former period, two roads, partially made—neither of them properly surveyed—one called the old road, the other Wentworth Taylor's, from being surveyed by Mr. Wentworth Taylor, who was limited as to the sum to be expended in the survey, and consequently could merely find a way through. A survey of a level road has been made from a private subscription, by Mr. Crerar, from Pictou, to within three miles of Dean's, in Upper Musquedoboit—here the money failed, but, he told me he had not any doubt, from the appearance of the Country, that the line would be level the remaining three miles. This line would connect Pictou with the Main Eastern Road.—I would take the liberty of suggesting, that this road should not be directed to Guysborough, a place of no importance, and having a long water communication with Cape-Breton; but, by the most eligible route to the best crossing place to that Island, having a branch connecting with it from Guysborough, as from Pictou.

[Signed]

H. A. GLADWIN, Commissioner.

No. 32.

(SEE PAGE 948.)

No. 9.

FREDERICTON, N. B. FEBRUARY 9th, 1836.

SIR—

AT the request of the House of Assembly, now in Session, I have the honor to enclose to Your Excellency a Copy of certain Resolutions, relative to the Light-Houses to be erected on the Islands of St. Paul's and Scattarie.

Those Resolutions are so much to the point in question, as to require no further remarks from me, and I feel confident they will meet with due consideration, and even support, from Your Excellency and from the Legislature of the Province of Nova-Scotia.

I have the honor to remain, &c. &c. &c.

(Signed) ARCHIBALD CAMPBELL.

To His Excellency Major-General Sir COLIN CAMPBELL, K. C. B. &c. &c. &c.

(Copy)

HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY, NEW-BRUNSWICK, 6th FEBRUARY, 1836.

WHEREAS, on the 20th ulto. His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, by Message, laid before this House, the Copy of a Despatch from the Right Honorable the Colonial Secretary of State, with the Copy of a Treasury Minute therein inclosed, relative to the erection of Light-Houses on the Islands of Scattarie and St. Paul's; whereby it appears that the Lords Commissioners of His Majesty's Treasury will apply to the Imperial Parliament for the funds necessary to the erection of Light-Houses upon the said Islands; provided that the Colonies, whose trade will be benefitted by the measure, will engage to defray the expense of their future maintenance.

Therefore resolved—1st. That this House gratefully appreciates this additional proof of the paternal solicitude of His Majesty's Government, for the interests of the British North American Colonies:

2nd.—*Resolved*, That it is expedient, and highly desirable, to assist in giving effect to the benevolent intention of His Majesty's Government, by co-operating in the proposed measure, and for that purpose it is advisable to impose a small tonnage duty upon all Vessels entering the various Ports of the Province in the Gulf of St. Lawrence, from which fund the necessary proportion of such expenses shall be defrayed.

3d.—*Resolved*, That, from the Geographical position of Scattarie Island, the establishment of a Light-House there, would be highly beneficial to Vessels resorting to Nova-Scotia and Cape-Breton, and also to a certain, but very limited extent, useful to Vessels bound to New-Brunswick. Whereas, a Light-House on Saint Paul's Island would be of little or no advantage to Nova-Scotia, but of great importance to the trade of Lower Canada and New-Brunswick; therefore, it is advisable that the expense of supporting any Light or Lights that may be erected on St. Paul's Island should be wholly borne and defrayed by the two last mentioned Provinces, and that Nova-Scotia, assisted by an equitable proportion from Prince Edward Island, should defray the expense of supporting the Light on Scattarie Island.

4th.—*Resolved*, That Monies collected in this Province, by Act of Assembly, ought not to be placed under the exclusive management of a Body, over whose proceedings the Provincial Government and Legislature can exercise no control, and it is therefore advisable that any Light-House or Light-Houses to be erected on St. Paul's Island, being wholly supported by Canada and New-Brunswick, ought, together with the funds necessary for their support, to be placed under the management of the Trinity Board of Quebec, or any other Body to be appointed by the Government of Lower Canada; and the Commissioners of Light-Houses in the Gulf of St. Lawrence, appointed by the Lieutenant-Governor or Commander in Chief of this Province.

5th.—*Resolved*, That, if any surplus fund shall accrue from the Tonnage Duty that may be imposed for the maintenance of Lights on St. Paul's, it ought to be applied towards the support of the Establishment on that Island, for the reception of Shipwrecked persons, and, in assisting to erect and support other Light-Houses that may be required in the Gulf of St. Lawrence.

(Signed) CHAS. P. WETMORE, Clk.

(Copy)

HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY, MONDAY, 8th FEBRUARY, 1836.

WHEREAS the erection of a Light-House on the Island of St. Paul, in the Gulf of St. Lawrence, has long been felt to be a matter of paramount importance to Vessels bound to and from Canada, the Eastern Coast of New-Brunswick, and the Straits of Northumberland, and would, in a great degree, prevent the loss of lives and property, which has ensued by Shipwrecks on said Island.

And whereas, it appears by the Journals of this House, that, at various times during the last ten years, the Legislature of New-Brunswick has endeavoured, through the Provincial Government, to obtain the co-operation and assistance of Lower Canada in the erection and support of such Light-House; but, it is to be deeply regretted that the negotiations relative to this measure, which was not more desirable for the protection of the Commerce as well of Canada as of New-Brunswick, than for the interests of humanity, have hitherto proved wholly ineffectual; and this grave of countless Seamen still remains without a Beacon to warn the Mariner of his approach to destruction. And whereas, this momentous subject has recently attracted the notice of His Majesty's Government, as appears by the Copies of Despatches laid before this House by His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor; but, as a considerable time must necessarily elapse before the arrangements to be made with the neighbouring Colonies, relative to this subject, can be completed, while the danger to Seamen continues unabated; and, as it is evident that the benevolent intentions of His Majesty's Government will be most readily carried into effect by the immediate erection of a Light-House on St. Paul's Island,—this House is desirous that it should be done as soon as permission for that purpose can be obtained from the Province of Nova-Scotia, to which the said Island belongs, and this House will make provision for such erection, confiding in the well known liberality of His Majesty's Government, to make such Order relative to the expense incurred by such erection, as to them may seem just and reasonable.

Therefore resolved, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to communicate to the Government of Nova-Scotia, all the Resolutions of this House made at this present Session relative to the Light-Houses proposed to be erected on the Islands of St. Paul and Scattarie, and to request information as to the views of the Legislature of that Province on the said subject; and also, to request that permission be granted to this Province by the Government of Nova-Scotia, to erect, and jointly with Canada, or alone, to manage one or more Light-Houses on St. Paul's Island, with such other Establishments as may be considered necessary for the prevention of Shipwrecks, and the preservation of Shipwrecked Persons on said Island.

[Signed]

CHAS. P. WETMORE, Clerk.

No. 33.

(SEE PAGE 949.)

THE Committee to whom the Petition of William and James B. McNutt was submitted, praying for a sum of money to enable them to build an embankment to prevent the North River from leaving its bed, and making a course that will carry it from the present Bridge, and thereby cause a heavy expense to the Province—beg leave to report as follows, viz:—

That they have carefully considered the subject matter of the Petition, and are of opinion, that the sum of fifteen pounds should be granted in answer to the prayer of the said Petition.

[Signed]

W. O'Brien, Chairman, James Delap, W. H. Shey.

House of Assembly, February 16th, 1836.

No. 34.

(SEE PAGE 950.)

THE Committee appointed to enquire into the prayer of Jonathan Smith and others, relative to the Avon Bridge, report, that as the construction of Statutes, passed by the Legislature, is constitutionally vested in the Courts of Law, the Committee conceive, that any declaration of the opinion of this House, upon the legal effect and operation of the Act under which the Avon Bridge Company is erecting the Bridge, would be improper.

If the Company erect a Bridge without a water-way or passage, and the Act of Incorporation does not authorize such an erection, the Bridge itself can be removed by an Indictment, which any man may prefer, if, on the contrary, by the Act, the Company are legally authorized to erect a bridge upon Piers, without such water-way or passage, it would be a breach of the public faith, under which the Company have commenced their operations and invested their money, to pass any Act which would divest them of rights solemnly conferred upon them by the Provincial Legislature.

(Signed) Alexander Stewart, Chairman; Geo. Smith, R. Clements, L. O. C. Doyle.

Committee Room, 17th February, 1836.

No. 35.

(SEE PAGE 955.)

THE Committee appointed to ascertain what Security was given for the protection of the Horses imported from England, and their retention in this Province—report :

That Bonds were given to Sir R. D. George, the Secretary of the Province, that said Horses should be continually retained and used as Stallions in this Province; and that Imperial, one of said Horses, has been gelded by his present Owner, and his ability destroyed. The Bond signed for his preservation is herewith produced, also the statement of Mr. Hall, containing his reasons for performing the operation; and the Committee recommend the adoption of measures to enforce payment thereof, it being impossible to secure to the Inhabitants the services of a Stud which cost the Province a large sum of money, if such a flagrant violation of the terms of Sale be permitted to pass with impunity.

[Signed]

W. H. Roach, James B. Uniacke, Felix Cochran.

Committee Room, 19th February, 1836.

To W. H. Roach, Felix Cochran, and James B. Uniacke, Esquires, the Committee appointed by the Honorable House of Assembly, to report upon the fact of the alleged Gelding of the Horse Imperial.

The Answer of John C. Hall, the Owner, in extenuation of the above charge, is as follows :

THE Horse Imperial was gelded by the orders of J. C. Hall, in August last, with full knowledge of the object, condition and restrictions, imposed upon the purchaser, and the nature and extent of the liability, and the penalty to be incurred by any deviation from those restrictions.

The Horse Imperial was sold in March, 1831, by the Province, to W. C. Campbell, for £85, who sold him in the August after, to his present owner, for £60. The Horse being then 9 years old, and having been kept four years in the Province as a Covering Stallion.

The said Horse has ever since that period, and up to August last, been kept by his present owner for that purpose and no other—and no higher price placed upon his services than are usual and customary in the Country.

In 1832—The Horse was so far of use both to the public and his owner, as to leave no cause of complaint.

In 1833—A feeling rather against the breed of English Horses imported, (the Public generally thinking they had not been sufficient for the Country, particularly as our Mares were a small diminutive description of Animals, and the Colts produced were weak and unsound) began to extend itself throughout the Province, in consequence of which, the Horse scarcely paid his expenses during the Summer Months, leaving him in the Winter a burden and charge upon his owner.

In 1834—This feeling had so increased, that the owner, after a part of the Season had passed by, and no one seemed desirous of bringing Mares to him, was obliged to send him to Cumberland for a trifling remuneration; and he has now good reason to know, that the person having charge of him during that Summer, not only lost the sum paid to the owner, but received no reward for his labour during the time he attended him.

In 1835—The owner, seeing the character of the Horse as a Covering Stallion lost in King's County, endeavoured to get a trusty person to attend him in Annapolis, where he believed the Horse was more esteemed; but, although he actually engaged a person for that purpose, he was again disappointed, and obliged to keep him in his own stable; and during the whole of that Season (with the exception of one week) the said Horse was kept in high condition, ready upon all occasions, at a reasonable rate. During the past year the Horse did not serve a Mare.

The owner also endeavoured to sell him at a moderate rate, and, at the end of July last, offered to several persons in Wilmot, who appeared desirous of having him to exchange him for Stock and Cattle—thereby, wishing to enable them to purchase the Horse for the public benefit, and also, effect a credit to them of any time they required for that purpose.

Finding at last the public dissatisfied with the breed, and no longer desirous of using him for the purpose intended,—having kept him for the last three years without any profit, at an expense amounting to more than the sum given to Mr. Campbell; using every endeavour to carry into effect the object the Legislature had in view, and having altogether failed, the owner had no alternative remaining but to shoot or castrate him—the latter he preferred because he remained not altogether useless.

The owner also states, that, when entire, the Horse was not a safe saddle Horse, and when in high condition, and in company with other Horses, was under little or no restraint, even the most powerful bit. The Horse could only be trusted with his own groom; and the owner has at this very day the mark of a very severe bite upon his arm given by the said Horse; and upon several occasions has with difficulty assisted his own servants escaping from his bites, when they had neglected to fasten him, on grooming.

In concluding, the owner begs leave to state, that when the object which the Legislature had in view, in imposing those restrictions as aforesaid, ceased to exist, and the public no longer required the use of the Animal; although the individual violating them would *stricto jure* be equally liable as before; still, in good faith and conscience, the Province should, and ought not, exact from the individual the penalty prescribed—because, it would in fact enable that very Public to gain, or make money wrongfully, at the expense of the individual. If the Public had been disposed to assist the owner in enabling him to carry into effect their own wishes, they might complain; but, as they have prevented it, it would be hard to make them the gainers to the amount of five times the present value of the Horse. The owner having thus stated his reasons as aforesaid, requires only the justice of the Honorable House of Assembly to determine the nature and extent of his liability, with which he must be satisfied.

(Signed)

JOHN C. HALL.

No. 36.

(SEE PAGE 965.)

THE Committee appointed to enquire into the merits of the several Petitions for aid in the erection of Oat Mills; and for those which have been heretofore erected, and received no aid from the Province; and also, for aid in the erection of a Flax and Oil Mill, in the County of Cumberland, have examined the said Petitions, and are of opinion, that they are deserving of the favourable consideration of this House, and recommend that a sum of money be granted for the erection of Oat Mills in each of the following places, upon the same conditions that aid was formerly granted to Mills: To Annapolis £20; Lunenburg £20; Queen's County £20; to Salmon River Settlement, on Pictou Road, £20; Aylesford £20; for one on the Windsor Road £20; and for one at the Middle River, Pictou, £20; also, £20 for the erection of a Flax and Oil Mill in Cumberland.

JOHN MORTON, Chairman.

No. 37.

[SEE PAGE 965.]

THE Committee to whom the Petition on the subject of the License Laws were referred, have attended to that duty, and now report as follows:—

That the License Law of 1834 be adopted by the House, except the 8th Section, giving leave to grant free Licenses.

The Committee are decidedly of opinion, that Persons to be licensed should be recommended by the Grand Jury. That, on such recommendation the Justices, in Session, should appoint Persons so recommended. Your Committee consider it desirable that no Justice of the Peace should be eligible to have a Tavern or Shop License, and therefore recommend the subject to the consideration of the House.

Your Committee have not considered the License Law as applicable to Halifax, that subject having been referred to another Committee; and the Petitions referred to your Committee being on the subject of the License Laws in the Country.

Dated the 21st February, 1836.

JOHN JOHNSTON, *Chairman.*

No. 38.

(SEE PAGES 965 & 966.)

The Committee report, that they are of opinion the Lands of persons whose residence is without the Province, should be subject to a tax of at least five shillings for every hundred acres of Wilderness Lands so held—that the same should be collected by a person or persons appointed by the Governor, and, if not paid annually, so much of the Lands to be sold as will pay the tax, under such regulations as the Lieutenant-Governor thinks most expedient. The Committee therefore recommend that, in Committee of Ways and Means, the same tax should be imposed. The Committee further recommend to the House, to tax all large bodies of Wilderness Lands, say residents to pay two shillings for every hundred so owned, and no part thereof settled; say all above one thousand acres. And the Lands so taxed to be placed in the hands of the Lieutenant-Governor to appoint proper persons to collect the same. All which we humbly submit to the House.

JAMES DELAP, *Chairman.*

February 23d, 1836.

No. 39.

(SEE PAGE 971.)

THE Committee to whom were referred the following Petitions, viz :—the Petition of Edward Cunard and others, in favour of the Stage Coach Establishments; the Petition of William M. Butler and others, of Merigomishe, against aid to Stage Coaches; the Petition of Nathaniel Marsters and others, against the Eastern Stage Coach allowance; and the Petition of George Sutherland and others, upon the subject of the last mentioned Petition, have agreed to report, and do report as follows :—

1st.—That they have had all the said Petitions under their consideration, and have heard evidence as to the facts set forth therein.

2d.—That the Committee are of opinion that the Establishment of Public Stage Coaches, between the Capital of this Province and the other parts of it, has been, and will continue to be, eminently beneficial to the Commercial and other interests of this Province, and that the public money is well bestowed in aiding the Proprietors of them in maintaining such Establishments.

4th.—That, in reference to statements made in the 2d, 3d and 4th, of the Petitions above referred to, your Committee are of opinion that many of them are unfounded, particularly the assertion that it has been matter of experiment and proof, that a Coach can run on the Halifax and Pictou line of Road, on the strength of its own unaided resources; and the assertion also, that the conferring a public grant upon the Proprietors of the Eastern Stage Coach Company is an abuse of the Revenue, and not in reality required by those Proprietors to enable them to support the Establishment.

5th.—That the 2d and last of the above mentioned Petitions appear to your Committee not to have originated in a general sense of disapprobation, on the part of that portion of the people most competent to decide upon the subject of the conduct and management of the affairs of the Eastern Stage Coach Establishment, but to have been got up and prompted by the agency of two officious individuals.

6th.—That your Committee are satisfied that the present Proprietors of the Eastern Stage Coach Company—so far from having been enabled to support their Coach by their own resources, have, until the last year, when their circumstances have improved, found a balance against them, even under the favoring circumstance of the Legislative aid which they have received.

7th.—That the Proprietors appear to have earnestly endeavoured, in conducting their Establishment, to afford every accommodation to the public; and that your Committee do not find any evidence of a want of a proper economy and prudent management on the part of the Company.

8th.—That your Committee are of opinion, that in the present state of Travelling, and of the Roads in this Province, Coaches started in opposition to, or competition with, Establishments of this nature, enjoying aid from the Public Treasury, serve very materially to injure the latter, whilst they end in ruin to the Proprietors of the former.

Your Committee therefore recommend, that a further grant of public money to the said Eastern Stage Coach Company should be made by your Honorable House.

L. M. Wilkins, Chairman ; Geo. Smith, Edmund M. Dodd.

No. 40.

(SEE PAGE 974.)

Extracts from the Royal Instructions to the Governor of Nova-Scotia.

With these, our Instructions, you will receive our Commissions under our Great Seal of our United Kingdom of Great-Britain and Ireland, constituting you, our Captain General and Governor in Chief in and over our Province of Nova-Scotia; of which Province, we have in our said Commission expressly directed and declared, that the Island of Cape-Breton shall, in future, form a part; it being our intention that such Island shall no longer form a separate Government, and in and over our Island of Prince Edward, with the Islands and Territories thereunto respectively belonging, bounded as is described in our said Commission. You are therefore to fit yourself with all convenient speed, to repair to our said Province of Nova-Scotia, and being arrived there, you are to take upon you the execution of the place and trust we have reposed in you, and the Administration of the Government, and to do and execute all things in due manner that shall belong unto your command, according to the several powers and authorities of our said Commission, under our Great Seal of our United Kingdom of Great-Britain and Ireland; and these our Instructions to you, or such further powers and Instructions as shall hereafter be granted or appointed you, under our signet and sign manual or by our order in our Privy Council; and you are forthwith to call together the following persons whom we do hereby appoint to be Members of our Council for our said Province and Island respectively, to assist you in the Administration of Government, any seven of whom we do hereby appoint to be a quorum in our Province of Nova-Scotia, and any five to be a quorum in our Island of Prince Edward.

It is nevertheless our will and pleasure, that our Chief Justice for the time being in our said Province and Island, shall not succeed to the Administration of the Government upon the death or absence of our Governor or Lieutenant-Governor thereof respectively.

And you are with all due and usual solemnity, to cause our said Commission to be read and published at the said Meeting of our Council of Nova-Scotia; which being done, you shall take, and also administer, to each of the Members of our said Council, the several oath and subscribe the declaration therein required.

You shall also administer or cause to be administered the oaths above mentioned in our said Commission, to the Members and Officers of the Council and Assembly, and to all Judges, Justices and other persons that hold any office or place of trust or profit in our said Province, and you shall cause them to make and subscribe the aforesaid declaration, without the doing of all which, you are not to admit any person whatsoever into any Public Office, nor suffer those who may already have been admitted to continue therein.

Whereas, by our Commission to you, you are impowered, in case of the death or absence of any of the Members of our Council of the said Province or Island, to fill up the vacancies in the said Councils, to the number of twelve, in our Province of Nova-Scotia, and nine in our Island of Prince Edward, and no more. You, or the Commander in Chief for the time being, are, from to time, to send unto us, through one of our principal Secretaries of State, the name and qualifications of any Member or Members by you or them put into the said Councils, by the first conveyance after your so doing; and you are also to send a duplicate of the said account to the Committee of our Privy Council for Trade and Plantations for their information.

And, in the choice and nomination of the Members of our said Council, as also of the Chief Officers, Judges and Assistant Judges, Justices of the Peace and other Officers of Justice, you are always to take care that they be men of good life, well affected to our Government, and of abilities suited to their employments.

You are neither to augment nor diminish the number of our said Councils, as they are at present established, nor to suspend any of the Members thereof, without good and sufficient cause, nor without the consent of the majority of our said Councils respectively, signified in Council after due examination of the charge against such Councillor, and his answer thereto; and in case of the suspension of any of them, you are to cause your reasons for so doing, together with the charges and proofs against the said persons, and their answers thereunto, to be duly entered upon the Council Books, and forthwith to transmit Copies thereof to us, through one of our Principal Secretaries of State, and also, Duplicates to the Lords of the Committee of our Privy Council for Trade and Plantations, for their information; nevertheless, if it should happen that you have reasons for suspending any Councillor not fit to be communicated to the Council, you may, in that case, suspend such per-

son without their consent ; but you are thereupon immediately to send to us, through one of our Principal Secretaries of State, an account of your proceedings therein, with your reasons at large for such suspension, as also, for not communicating the same to the Council; and Duplicates thereof by the next opportunity, and you are also to transmit a Duplicate of such account to the Committee of our Privy Council for Trade and Plantations, for their information.

And to the end that our Councils may be assisting to you, or to the Commander in Chief of our said Province and Island for the time being, in all affairs relating to our service, you are to communicate to them such and so many of these our Instructions, wherein their advice and consent are mentioned to be requisite, and all such others from time to time as you shall find convenient for our service to be imparted to them.

You are also to permit the Members of our said Councils to have and enjoy freedom of debate, and vote in all affairs of public concern which may be debated in Council.

And whereas, by our Commission to you, under our Great Seal of our United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, you are authorized and impowered, with the advice and consent of our Council, to summon and call General Assemblies of the Freeholders, Inhabitants of our said Province and Island, under your Government ; and, with the advice and consent of the said Councils and Assemblies, or the major part of them, to make, constitute and ordain, Laws, Statutes and Ordinances, for the Public Peace, Welfare and Good Government, of our said Province and Island. It is our will and pleasure that the following Regulations be carefully observed in the framing and passing all such Laws, Statutes and Ordinances, as are to be passed by you, with the advice and consent of our said Councils and Assemblies, viz :—

That the style of enacting the said Laws, Statutes and Ordinances, be, by the Governor, Council and Assembly, and no other.

That each different matter be provided for by a different Law, without including in one and the same Act such things as have no proper relation to each other.

That no clause be inserted in any Act or Ordinance which shall be foreign to what the title of it imports ; and that no perpetual clause be part of any temporary Law.

That no Law or Ordinance whatever be suspended, altered, continued, revived or repealed, by general words, but that the title and date of such Law or Ordinance be particularly mentioned in the enacting part.

That no Law or Ordinance respecting private property be passed, without a clause suspending its execution until our Royal will and pleasure be known, nor without a saving of the right of us, our Heirs and Successors, and of all Bodies, Politic or Corporate, and of all other persons, except such as are mentioned in the said Law or Ordinance, and those claiming from, by or under them ; and, before such Law or Ordinance is passed, proof must be made before you, in Council, and entered in the Council Books, that public notification was made of the parties intention to apply for such Act, in the several Parish Churches where the Lands in question lie, three Sundays at least successively, before such Law or Ordinance shall be proposed ; and you are to transmit and annex to the said Law or Ordinance, a Certificate under your hand, that the same passed through the form above mentioned.

That, in all Laws or Ordinances for levying money, or imposing fines, forfeitures or penalties, express mention must be made, that the same is granted or reserved to us, our Heirs and Successors, for the public use of the said Province or Island, and for the support of the Government thereof, as by the said Law or Ordinance shall be directed, and that a clause be inserted, declaring that the money arising by the operation of the said Law or Ordinance shall be accounted for unto us, here in this Kingdom, and to our Commissioners of our Treasury, or our High Treasurer for the time being, and audited by our Auditor-General of our Plantations, or his Deputy.

That all such Laws, Statutes and Ordinances, be transmitted by you within three months after their passing, or sooner, if an opportunity offers to us, through one of our Principal Secretaries of State, and Duplicates thereof to the Committee of our Privy Council for Trade and Plantations, for their information, that they be fairly abstracted in the margins, and accompanied with very full and particular observations upon each of them, that is to say—whether the same is introductory to a new Law—declaratory of a former Law—or does repeal a Law then before in being ; and you are also to transmit, in the fullest manner, the reasons and occasion for enacting such Laws or Ordinances, together with fair copies of the Journals and Minutes of the proceedings of the Councils and Assemblies, which you are to require of the Clerks of the said Councils and Assemblies.

It is our will and pleasure, that you do not give your assent to any Act or Acts for raising money by the institution of any Public or Private Lotteries whatsoever, until you shall first have transmitted unto us, through one of our principal Secretary's of State, a draft or drafts of such Act or Acts, and shall have received our directions therein.

It is our will and pleasure, that you are not to give your assent to any Bill for ascertaining the duration of Assemblies—the fixing or altering the qualifications of the electors or elected—or establishing any regulations with respect thereto, until you shall have transmitted unto us, through one of our Principal Secretaries of State, the draft of such Bill or Bills, and shall have received our pleasure thereupon, or that a suspending clause, as aforesaid, shall be inserted therein.

And it is our further will and pleasure, that you do not enact any Law to which the assent of us, or our Royal Predecessors, has once been refused, without express leave for that purpose first ob-

gained from us—upon a full representation by you to be made to us, through one of our Principal Secretaries of State, and to the Committee of our Privy Council for Trade and Plantations, for their information, of the reasons and necessity of passing such Law, nor give your assent to any Law for repealing any other Law, passed in your Government, whether the same has or has not received our Royal Approbation, unless you take care that there be a clause inserted therein suspending and deferring the execution thereof, until our pleasure shall be known concerning the same.

And it is our express will and pleasure, that no Law for constituting any Court or Courts of Judicature, or for establishing the Militia, shall be a temporary Law; and that no Law for granting unto us any sum or sums of money, by Duties of Impost, Tonnage or Excise, be made to continue for less than one whole year; as also, that no other Laws whatsoever be made to continue for less time than two years, except only in cases when it may be necessary, upon any unforeseen emergency, to make provision by Law for a service in its nature temporary or contingent.

It is our will and pleasure, that you do not, on any pretence whatsoever, give your assent to, or pass, any Bill or Bills in our Province or Island under your Government, by which the Lands, Tenements, Goods, Chattels, Rights and Credits, of persons who have never resided within our said Province or Island, shall be liable to be attached for the recovery of Debts due from such persons, in any manner inconsistent with the usage and practice within this our Kingdom of Great-Britain, until you shall have first transmitted unto us, through one of our Principal Secretaries of State, the draft of such Bill or Bills, and shall have received our Royal Pleasure thereupon, unless you take care, in passing such Bill or Bills, that a Clause or Clauses be inserted therein suspending and deferring the execution thereof, until our Royal will and pleasure shall be known thereupon.

You are not to suffer any Public Money whatsoever to be issued or disposed of, otherwise than by Warrant under your hand; but the Assembly may, nevertheless, be permitted from time to time, to view and examine the accounts of money disposed of by virtue of Laws made by them, as there shall be occasion.

It is our will and pleasure, that you do not, upon any pretence whatsoever, upon pain of our highest displeasure, give your assent to any Laws, wherein the Natives or Inhabitants of the Province of Nova-Scotia or Island of Cape-Breton, are put on a more advantageous footing than those of this Kingdom, or whereby Duties shall be laid upon the Shipping, or upon the Product or Manufactures thereof, upon any pretence whatsoever.

You are also to admit appeals unto us in our Privy Council, in all cases of Fines imposed for Misdemeanors; provided, the Fines so imposed, amount to, or exceed the sum of, One Hundred Pounds Sterling—the Appellant first giving good security that he will effectually prosecute the same, and answer the condemnation of the sentence by which such Fine was imposed in Nova-Scotia, or the Island aforesaid, be confirmed.

You shall not displace or suspend any of the Judges, Justices, Sheriffs or other Officers, or Ministers, within our said Province or Island, without good and sufficient cause, to be signified in the most full and distinct manner to us, through one of our Principal Secretaries of State, and to the Committee of our Privy Council for Trade and Plantations, for their information.

It being of the greatest importance to our service, and to the welfare of our Plantations, that Justice be everywhere speedily and duly administered; and that disorders, delays and all other undue practices in the administration thereof, be effectually prevented.—We do, particularly require you to take special care that, in all Courts where you are authorized to preside, Justice be impartially administered; and that in all other Courts established within our said Province and Island, all Judges and other persons therein concerned do likewise perform their several duties without delay or partiality.

You are to take care that all Writs within our said Province and Island be issued in our name.

You shall take care, with the advice and assistance of our Councils, that proper Prisons be forthwith erected, and put into and kept in such condition as may sufficiently secure the prisoners that are or shall be there in custody.

Our will and pleasure is, that you or the Commander in Chief for the time being, do, in all civil causes, on application being made to you or him for that purpose, permit and allow appeals from any of the Courts of Common Law in our said Province or Island, unto you, or the Commander in Chief, and the Council of the said Province or Island; and you are for that purpose to issue a Writ, in the manner which has been usually accustomed, returnable before yourself and the Councils of the said Province or Island, who are to proceed to hear and determine such appeals, wherein such of the said Councils, as shall at that time be Judges of the Court from whence such appeal shall be so made to you, our Captain General, or to the Commander in Chief for the time being, and to our said Councils as aforesaid, shall not be admitted to vote upon the said appeal, but they may nevertheless be present at the hearing thereof, to give the reasons of the judgment given by them, in the causes wherein such appeals shall be made. Provided nevertheless, that in all such appeals, the sum or value appealed for, do exceed the sum of Three Hundred Pounds Sterling, and that security be first duly given by the appellant to answer such charges as shall be awarded, in case the first sentence be affirmed—and if either party shall not rest satisfied with the judgment of you or the Commander in Chief for the time being, and Councils as aforesaid; our will and pleasure is, that they may then appeal unto us in our Privy Council; provided the sum or value so appealed for unto us, do exceed Five Hundred Pounds Sterling, and that such appeal be made within fourteen days after sentence, and good security given by the appellant, that he will effectually prosecute the same, and answer the

condemnation, as also pay such costs and damages as shall be awarded us, in case the sentence of you or the Commander in Chief for the time being, and Council be affirmed; provided nevertheless, where the matter in question relates to the taking or demanding any duty payable to us, or to any fees of office or annual rents, or other such like matter or thing, where the rights, in future, may be bound, in all such cases, you are to admit an appeal to us, in our Privy Council, although the immediate sum or value appealed for be of a less value. And it is our further will and pleasure, that in all cases where, by your instructions, you are to admit appeals unto us, in our Privy Council, execution be suspended until the final determination of such appeal, unless good and sufficient security be given by the appellee, to make ample restitution of all that the appellant shall have lost by means of such decree or judgment, in case, upon the determination of such appeal, such decree or judgment should be reversed, and restitution awarded to the appellant.

It being our intention that all persons inhabiting our Province, under your Government, shall have full liberty of conscience, and the free exercise of all such modes of Religious Worship as are not prohibited by Law, we do hereby require you to permit all persons, within our said Province, to have such liberty and to exercise such modes of Worship as are not prohibited by Law; provided they be contented with a quiet and peaceable enjoyment of the same, not giving offence or scandal to the Government.

You shall take especial care that GOD ALMIGHTY be devoutly and duly served throughout your Government—that the Book of Common Prayer, as by Law established, be read each Sunday and Holiday, and the Blessed Sacrament administered according to the Rites of the Church of England. You shall be careful that the Churches, which are or hereafter may be erected in our said Province or Island, be well and orderly kept; and that, besides a competent maintenance to be assigned to the Minister of each Orthodox Church, a convenient House be built at the common charge, for each Minister; and you are to take care that the Parishes be so limited, by an Act of Assembly, and settled, as you shall find most convenient for accomplishing this good work.

No. 41.

(SEE PAGE 974.)

THE Committee to whom was referred the Petition of the Overseers of the Poor for the Township of Egerton, in the District of Pictou—beg leave to report:

That they have carefully examined the said Petition and Documents submitted to them, from all which, and from other testimony, it appears that the said Overseers have been obliged to expend the sum of £24 12s. 3d. in the taking care of two Transient Paupers, who were found in the wood much frozen, and in such state that they could not be removed without endangering their lives.

Your Committee beg leave respectfully to recommend the claim of Petitioners to the favorable consideration of the House.

[Signed]

Wm. O'BRIEN, Chairman.

Committee Room, 24th February, 1836.

No. 42.

(SEE PAGE 977.)

THE Committee to whom were referred the Petition of W. B. M'Leod and others, Angus Smith and others, of Arisaig, in the County of Sydney, praying for aid to enable the Inhabitants to repair the Pier at Arisaig, which has lately been rendered useless by a gale of wind in December last; also, the Petition of John M'Neil and others, of St. Mary's Bay, and the Petition of Peter Starratt and others, both in the County of Annapolis; the former praying for aid to complete a Pier or Breakwater at St. Mary's Bay, and the latter for aid to complete a Pier or Breakwater at Marshall's Cove, in Wilmot. The Committee beg leave to refer these several applications to the favorable consideration of the House; they are all alike deserving, as far as the Province funds will allow.

[Signed]

GEORGE SMITH, Chairman.

Committee Room, 26th February, 1836.

No. 43.

(SEE PAGES 977 & 978.)

THE Committee appointed to consider the Petition of Mr. Jonathan Archibald, have concurred in the following report:

That, in 1824, a Survey was made by the orders of the late Honorable Michael Wallace, then administering the Government, with the design of exploring a line, in the most direct manner possible, from the West Branch of St. Mary's towards the Musquedoboit River, three or four miles below Calbeck's Bridge; that this line was afterwards opened by successive Grants from the Treasury—that the Bridges were built, and several causeways formed through a tract of Country totally unsettled; the distance from Wallace Bridge on the West Branch of St. Mary's, to the Sheet Harbour road, being 29 miles—that travelling, both in Summer and Winter having been rendered practicable by these various improvements; the Legislature offered £50 as a Bounty to any individual who should build a House, and open a Tavern in some central part of this uninhabited route; that the Petitioner, induced by this encouragement, did engage in the undertaking in 1828, by clearing a small Farm, and erecting the necessary Building which he himself occupied for the accommodation of the Public, and with the prospect of benefitting himself; that, soon afterwards the Legislature ceased to regard this new route, as not deserving their attention, and withdrew from it all share of the Public Money, to the evident detriment and loss of the Petitioner; that, for the last six or seven years he has, at his own expense, removed Wind-falls, and made partial repairs upon fifteen miles of the road, in order to preserve his own communication with the Musquedoboit Settlement, and bring thither the produce of his little Farm. But on the other half of the new line to the Eastward, the road is entirely obstructed and is hastening fast to decay, so that travelling has been interrupted, and all hopes of deriving any profit from the outlay of his capital in buildings utterly disappointed; that, in his opinion, the sum of Fifty Pounds would suffice to remove Wind-falls, and make temporary repairs along the whole line of 29 miles, and thus restore the road to the use of Travellers from the Eastern Section of the Province; and that the half of the sum, judiciously expended, would renew and keep up for a while the connection between his Establishment and Musquedoboit. That despairing of any effectual aid being given to complete and extend the improvements commenced with such vigor, and for the last seven years totally suspended, he has been compelled to abandon his dwelling and remove his family, and now is under apprehensions that his expenditure, which, from first to last amounted to £250 above the Provincial Bounty, must be totally sacrificed, unless immediate and effective steps be taken by the House to prosecute the completion of this great Eastern line; that, in place of receiving a Grant of 1000 acres of Wilderness Land which may never be of any available benefit, he solicits such compensation for his losses, as the House, from its sense of justice, may be inclined to allow him.

The Committee being satisfied of the accuracy of the above details, think that Mr. Archibald's case is one of extreme hardship, and that a moderate sum should be voted as an indemnification for his losses; and further, they recommend that the Members for the County of Halifax appropriate out of the Road Money under their management such sum as may be required to keep his surveyed new route open for Travellers, as was originally intended, or that the House, by a distinct grant, provide for removing these obstructions, and repairing the Bridges and Causeways, to the extent of Fifty Pounds.

These recommendations will be much modified by the fate of those Petitions now before the House, praying for a large sum of Money to be expended on this same Great Eastern Line.

[Signed]

John Young, Chairman; James Harris, Junr, Thos. Dickson.

No. 44.

[SEE PAGE 978.]

THE Committee to whom was referred the Petition of William Duncan and Robert Greno, of Newport, owners of the Schooner Sarah Ann, complaining of the hardship and inequality [when compared with others] of a Fine imposed on them by order of the Commissioners of the Revenue, for an alleged breach of the Revenue Laws.

The Committee are of opinion, that the principal facts stated in the Petition are correct, but do not agree that the Fine is so excessively high, considering all circumstances, as to entitle the Petitioners to the relief prayed for.

This the Committee respectfully state for the information of the House.

Committee Room, 25th Feb. 1836.

(Signed)

Benjamin Dewolf, Hugh Bell, A. Stewart.

No. 45.

(SEE PAGE 978.)

THE Committee to whom was referred the Petition of Robert Greno, John Allison and William Bennett, complaining of the great hardship and inequality [when compared with others under similar circumstances] of a Fine imposed upon them by order of the Commissioners of the Revenue, for an alleged violation of the Revenue Laws.

Having duly considered the subject, and being satisfied of the facts stated by the Petitioners, are of opinion that the case is one of great hardship, and that the Fine exacted, on a Vessel of such small value, bears no proportion to those of a larger class. That being the case, and being also of opinion, that the Fine bears grievously heavy on persons in their circumstances in life; beg leave to recommend the Petitioners to the favourable consideration of the House; and that your Committee are of opinion, that the sum of Fifty Pounds be granted and paid to the Petitioners, being a return of two thirds of the amount of the said Fines.

All which is respectfully submitted.

Committee Room, 25th February, 1836.

Benjamin Dewolf, Felix Cochran, Hugh Bell, W. O'Brien, Alex. Stewart.

(SEE PAGE 978.)

THE Committee appointed to examine the various Petitions regarding Schools, have agreed for the present to confine their attention to the Act, passed in 1832, for the encouragement of Common and Combined Grammar Schools—leaving Academies and other Institutions of Learning to form the subject matter of their final Report.

The Committee are unanimous in recommending the said Act to be continued for the space of two years longer, not because they entirely approve of the principle on which it is constructed, viz : The voluntary subscription of the Inhabitants within the different School Districts, but, because they reckon that the Province is not yet ripe to assume the burden of maintaining a system of Elementary Education, by an equitable assessment on the population, according to their ability. One of the Petitions submitted to their notice, and subscribed by thirty-six Signatures, from Middle Musquedoboit, strongly argues on the insufficiency of the existing Act to accomplish the effects which are expected from it, and calls on the Legislature to take the matter into their serious and deliberate consideration, and to enact that, hereafter, the Common Schools shall be supported by a just and equal assessment on the means and property of every individual. The declaration of these sentiments, thus publicly expressed, cannot fail to be regarded as the dawning of a better and more liberal tone of thinking, which must extend and propagate among all classes, when the superior advantages of this plan are contrasted with the dubious and uncertain means which have heretofore been adopted for the support of common education ; and a hope is entertained that, during the next two years, the liberal minded, within the several Districts, will exert themselves to place their Schools on such a footing ; and in order to facilitate this end, a slight modification in the fifth clause of the Act has been suggested—“ That, when a majority, in place of two-thirds (as at present) of the Freeholders and Inhabitants shall agree at the public meeting to be held in the manner therein mentioned, to raise the several sums required to be provided for the maintenance of the Teacher, by an equal rate and assessment upon each person according to his ability then the amount shall be levied in the same manner by which the poor are now provided for.”

In recommending the mode of assessment as the surest basis of education, the Committee have looked back to the several Acts which have been passed by the Legislature, and which have been suffered to expire, either from the want of disposable funds—from a difference of opinion between the two Branches of the Government—or from a change of plan in the structure of the machinery, or in the amount of compensation. No Teacher could ever regard his appointment as of a fixed and permanent character, and this very uncertainty has deterred from that profession the only class of men who were calculated to fulfil its duties. The Master of a School, with a precarious and incompetent income, has none of the motives to prepare himself by an adequate training with the various knowledge which he ought to possess ; and the Trustees, on the other hand, with the slender remuneration they can offer, have been obliged often to hire persons who, to themselves were objectionable, either in a moral or intellectual point of view.

The Committee have not been inattentive to the systems which other Countries have established for diffusing the blessings of education ; and they have met with examples which fully justify, from their tried success, the principle of assessment.—The North American States have both their Common and Grammar Schools supported by this method, and it is found in perfect accordance with the feelings of that active and intelligent people. The immense benefits extended to the whole Community, of having permanent Institutions to train the rising generation in the Elementary Branches of Reading, Writing and Arithmetic, outweigh a hundred fold the petty inconvenience of a small portion of every man's means being taken and appropriated to so deserving a purpose ; and this plan is now so thoroughly wrought into the very frame of Society as to incur little risk of ever being abandoned. Scotland also is another memorable instance of a happy perseverance since the era of the reformation, in supporting Schools, by legal and compulsory rates ; and the experience now of three centuries has only tended to strengthen and fortify all the arguments which were at first urged at the founding of Parochial Schools, by their sanguine and zealous supporters : and to this National Institution, resisted at the beginning with a plausible vehemence and energy, has been ascribed the rapid progress of the people, notwithstanding the natural poverty and barrenness of the Country in all the arts which minister to civilization. In the very lowest ranks, rarely can a person be found incapable of reading or signing his name, or working the common rules of figures ; and this early mental cultivation, however small and limited, is universally believed to contribute greatly to the moral habits of the Nation, and to their worldly success in every quarter of the globe to which they emigrate.

The plan of these Schools is easily sketched and detailed. In every Parish one of them must of necessity be founded ; and, besides the house or apartment for teaching, a suitable

dwelling, under the same roof, or a distinct dwelling, must be provided for the Master. No part of his income is derived from the public funds, but the Freeholders in every Parish are bound to furnish him with an annual sum called the Salary, and to keep the School and his Dwelling-House in ordinary repair. The Salary varies considerably according to the size and wealth of the Parish, being in some as low as £20, and in others rising above this, by various gradations, according as Landholders are desirous of attracting men of the first talents to the instruction of their youth: but, the Salary alone is the sum which the Law compels the Inhabitants to provide, and the other emoluments, growing out of fees or wages, are paid by the parents who send their children thither for instruction. The Parish then merely gives a partial contribution to the support of the Teacher to enable him to accept a lower rate of wages from all without distinction; and also, to extend his care *gratis* to such children and orphans as could not otherwise be educated. The Freeholders, many of whom never had families, or have families grown up and settled, are not burdened with the whole cost of maintaining these Schools, but only with a small portion of it, so as to lower the rate of tuition, and to make learning more accessible to the middle and poorer classes, and accordingly, whenever their own sons and daughters are placed under the superintendance of the Master, they have to pay him the customary fees exacted from the rest of the Community. Whenever a vacancy occurs in a Parochial School, Candidates, by public advertisement, are invited to offer themselves, and a day of public examination is fixed, when such as appear undergo a comparative scrutiny, touching their qualifications and proficiency, and the Teacher best qualified is forthwith installed into the situation, not liable to be dismissed afterwards, except for misconduct. For half a century past none have been allowed to enter into competition who were not capable of teaching the higher Branches; and a thorough knowledge of the Latin Tongue, with a moderate share of the Greek, is regarded as indispensable. In Towns or Villages which rise within the bounds of a Parish, either from the introduction of manufactures or the natural growth of population, Schools of all kinds, and many of them taught by females, spring up, which all are left to their own fate, having no support, other than the fees of tuition: With these the Law in no shape interferes, but confines its requisitions to one Public School, with a Master of suitable attainments, in some central part of the Parish.

Though the Committee refrain from recommending our Common Schools to be modelled after this fashion, for as yet we neither have the Teachers, nor are able to provide for them on the same liberal scale; yet several of them are of opinion, that something approaching to it may be grafted on our present system. They would recommend the continuance of the last Legislative Grant in its amount for the general purposes of education;—but to this, whenever the majority of the Freeholders and rateable Inhabitants shall so determine, should be added a further sum, to be raised and levied by assessment upon all classes indiscriminately, married and unmarried, old and middle aged, which two sums united, should form the Salary of the Teacher; and the Trustees, when it is so determined by the majority of the Inhabitants who assemble at such public meeting, shall fix the rate of wages payable by such Parents as take the benefit of the School, and should also have the power of admitting orphans and poor children without fees.—If we follow the Scotch plan, the assessment will be confined within the limits of the School District; but, if we adopt the American, it will comprehend a whole Township, and by one general assessment will provide for all the Schools situated within its boundaries.

To give effect to the compulsory rate, the Act for the encouragement of Schools should either be perpetual or be for a long term of years, that the Provincial aid held out may be depended upon both by the Teachers and also by the rateable Inhabitants; and this permanence of the grant will both be a stimulus and security for the founding of Schools on this stable and permanent basis. Such a system is not open to the many objections which have been urged against the principle of compulsory assessment. Wealthy Freeholders, who have no children themselves, are only called upon for a moderate contribution to assist the cause of general education; while the teaching of the poor, which may be justly regarded as an exercise of the purest charity, will give to this unfortunate class the best means of earning for themselves an honest livelihood, and of neither dishonoring Society by their crimes, nor burdening it with the effects of their reckless and improvident habits. Men of easy circumstances should bear in mind that, in thus contributing their *quota*, they are multiplying the chances of bringing forward those rare talents which occasionally appear among the humbler orders, and which, in many instances, when thus receiving the advantage of early culture, have given a powerful impulse to those Arts and Sciences from which all men derive an immediate and personal gratification.

Your Committee, by four of their number, visited several Schools in the Town of Halifax, without previous notice, that they might inspect their condition and management, and judge how far the public money was properly applied. The Catholic School was well attended, both in its Male and Female department, and the number of Scholars fully justified the statement contained in the Petition, and which is as follows:

	Male School.	Tuition Money.	Female School.
Children in 1833—171		£21 12 3	167
1834—180		19 2 4	199
1835—278		30 3 8	213

The National School appeared also in a very creditable state, being attended by many children, which, from their appearance, did not belong to the higher classes, and these kept in distinct apartments, and the Master is reported as eminently qualified for the duties of his station. Besides the usual grant of £100 for this Institution, the Petition solicits from this Honorable House a further sum for the repairs of the building, as it needs a new roof, which will cost not less than £60. Formerly this establishment derived annually from a Charitable Society in England, £150 for the Master, and £75 for the Mistress, both of which sums have been withdrawn; so that, without additional aid, its friends assert, that the School cannot be kept up in its usually efficient state, and that the building, this summer, must suffer serious injury.—The Acadian, was also visited, and the Committee regret to say, that they cannot report favorably of its present condition,—The boys and girls were all collected into one apartment, and these few in number—the central range of forms being almost entirely empty: The Master explained that the attendance had much fallen off in bad weather, and that the School appeared to greater disadvantage than usual at the present time. This Institution, however, has been for so many years beneficial to the poor, that the Committee recommend the continuance of the ordinary grant, and trust that the Committee of Management will endeavor to restore its former vigor and efficiency.

A new School founded at the commencement of the present year, for the instruction solely of colored children, who hitherto have been rather overlooked by the benevolent, was another object which drew the attention of the visiting Committee. It contains already Fifty-three daily Scholars and Ninety-nine Sunday Scholars, and is placed under the charge of a Master and Mistress, who are every way, according to the Petition, qualified for these pious labors. The progress of these children in their exercises, for so short a time, was most satisfactory, and reflects great honor on the diligence and experience with which it has been conducted. A very commodious House has been built from Funds drawn from England and contributions made in Halifax, which have paid the expense of the building, with the exception of a debt of £80: There is an Annuity from England attached to this School, amounting to £40; and, if this Legislature would grant £60 more, it would be placed on a level with the other Institutions of the kind. Your Committee are aware, that room could be found in the other three Schools, for the admission of these children, were they not of African extraction; but the known repugnance of the Whites to mix with them, shuts them out from the benefit of the other Institutions; and if they are to be taught at all, they must receive their rudiments of knowledge in a separate and distinct establishment.

To the Petition from New Caledonia, in Granville, which asked the aid of the Legislature for building a House of different apartments for a Male and Female School, the Committee were inclined to reply, that the large sum required for Common Schools absorbs all that the Provincial liberality can afford, and that the Act requires the erection of a building as the first requisite for claiming any public support.

Three Petitions were also taken under consideration, presented by Schoolmasters, who complain of their being deprived of a participation in the public money in the last division made by the Board of Commissioners. Two of them came from the County of Halifax—the third from Cornwallis; and all of them would have been entitled to their just proportions, had their Returns been forwarded to the respective Clerks of the Board in proper time. Instead of providing for them by distinct grants, Messrs. Weale, Donochy and Morton, are favorably recommended to the Commissioners in their next division of the public money.

On a Memorial from the Colored People, in the Townplot of Dartmouth, it was determined that when any future application of this kind shall be made to Commissioners, they will apply part of the money at their disposal to assist the Colored population, to give the means of education to their children, although a School has been already entered on their books for that particular District; and also, that if a French or Highland Settlement desire a School to be established for teaching their children in their respective Mother Tongues, the Board in the several Counties will give effect to their wishes.

Lastly, the Committee have agreed to subjoin to this Report the actual amount of Provincial money expended in 1835, for the support of education in the Province, which comes to £6830 16s. as per Abstract, and to recommend that all the Academies now existing, and other Seminaries of Learning, pass under review, when the Documents and Papers in reference to the Union of the Windsor and Dalhousie Colleges shall be furnished to the House, in order that this vast sum, drawn from the Treasury, may be so sub-divided and appropriated as to afford to the whole population of all sects and denominations a vigorous and efficient system of General Education.

ABSTRACT—EDUCATION FOR 1835.

Common and Grammar Schools	£4711 7 4
Academies—Windsor, £444 8 8—Halifax Grammar School, £150	594 8 8
Pictou, £400—Horton, £300—Annapolis, £100—Yarmouth, £100	900 0 0
Liverpool, £50—Lunenburg, £50—Mr. Uniacke's, £100	200 0 0
Poor House, £25—Indians', Cape-Breton, £50	75 0 9
Infant School, £50—National, Catholic and Acadian Schools, £300	350 0 0
	£6830 16 0

JOHN YOUNG, Chairman.
GEORGE SMITH,
JAMES B. UNIACKE,
SAMUEL CHIPMAN,
HUGH BELL,
JOHN CREIGHTON,
W. H. ROACH,
W. O'BRIEN,
JOHN CROW,
JOSEPH OXLEY,
H. HUNTINGTON.

ABSTRACT OF RETURNS RECEIVED FROM THE COMMISSIONERS OF SCHOOLS,
 FOR THE YEAR 1835.

COUNTY OR DISTRICT.	No. of Schools.			No. of Scholars	No. of Scholars free	Amount raised by People		Amount raised from Provincial Treasury		REMARKS.
	Combined	Common	No. Total			£	s. d.	£	s. d.	
Halifax (District)	1	18	19	820	23	1000	0 0	225	0 0	The particulars for which Blanks are left do not appear from the Returns received In some instances Returns for half of the year only have been received. In such cases it has been assumed that the amount raised by the people for the period for which Returns are wanting has equalled the amount raised for the six Months, for which Returns have been received Return of Common Schools not received.
Pictou (District)	2	59	61	2,029	—	—	—	406	0 0	
Colchester (District)	3	45	48	1,177	156	1522	0 0	428	0 0	
Hants (County)	1	23	29	903	70	619	15 0	368	0 0	
King's (County)	2	28	35	1,026	5	995	0 0	426	0 0	
Annapolis Eastern District	2	45	47	1,461	213	1235	0 0	247	10 0	
Annapolis Western District	1	34	35	690	67	778	0 0	230	0 0	
Yarmouth and Argyle District	1	53	54	1,628	307	1281	0 0	227	7 7	
Shelburne (County)	1	9	10	275	33	266	0 0	156	1 0	
Liverpool (County)	3	23	26	620	52	560	10 0	352	8 1	
Lunenburg (County)	3	41	44	1,236	40	1070	0 0	432	10 0	
Cumberland (County)	3	30	33	972	—	1085	0 0	325	19 0	
Sydney, Upper District	—	—	35	783	95	785	0 0	280	0 0	
Sydney, Lower District	—	—	17	343	60	311	4 0	156	0 0	
Cape-Breton, N. E. District	1	17	18	654	32	951	14 0	205	0 0	
N. W. District	1	—	—	43	—	93	3 3	153	6 3	
Southern District	1	18	19	627	—	—	—	93	0 0	
TOTAL—	26	448	530	15,292	1,153	12433	6 3	4667	2 4	

No. 47.

(SEE PAGE 930.)

THE Committee appointed to examine Paul Lapiere's Petition, for aid to build a Dyke at Chezet-cook, have discharged that duty, and report—

That the Petitioners, dwelling around the Cove to be embanked against the Sea, represent themselves as Poor Settlers—with means too limited to fence in the hundred acres which they are desirous of gaining—and, in addition to their poverty, seem ignorant of the magnitude of the undertaking which they propose to embark in—as the dimensions and proportions of the Dyke, as specified by themselves, are quite at variance with the rules which experience has confirmed in those Counties where such works have been carried to a great extent.

The space of 140 yards exposed to the storms and heavy swell of the Atlantic, would require an embankment of treble the strength of that set forth in their Petition, and would cost a sum far beyond the conception of these people, and probably beyond the value of the acres to be reclaimed.—With such views, the Committee could not recommend a small sum for this object, as it might serve as a snare to entice this inoffensive race into an effort seemingly beyond their ability. Our finances forbid a large vote, as more urgent calls solicit the attention and care of the Legislature. All which is most respectfully submitted for consideration.

JOHN YOUNG, Chairman.

No. 48.

(SEE PAGE 931.)

THE Committee to whom were referred the Petitions of Michael McNeil, of the Big Narrows, in the Southern District of the County of Cape-Breton; also, the Petition of Hector McNeil, of the Red Island of the Southern District, in the County aforesaid, praying remuneration for the value of a quantity of Rum and Tobacco, seized at the Great Bras d'Or, in said Island, by Charles E. Leonard, Esq. Excise Officer at Sydney. It appears by Affidavit the Goods were seized while Horton McNeil was absent at Arichat, endeavouring to obtain permission to land them. The Committee are at a loss to understand why the Goods were not entered at Sydney—that Port being much nearer than Arichat; as the Property was treble the seizure, having been landed without permission of any Excise Officer; and it does not appear that there was not an intention to defraud the Revenue, the Committee cannot recommend its re-payment. But should Petitioners satisfy the House at another Session, that there was not any intention of defrauding the Revenue, the Committee are of opinion the House would give their claims a favourable consideration.

Committee-Room, 27th February, 1836.

H. HUNTINGTON, Chairman.

No. 49.

(SEE PAGE 984.)

Mr. Lawson presented to the House several Petitions, praying aid for Roads.

A Petition of George Anderson and others, of Pitiswick.
Titus L. Grant and others, of Musquodobit.
Jonathan Archibald and others, of Upper Musquodobit.
J. H. Gladwin and others, of Musquodobit.
Adams Archibald and others, of Musquodobit.

A Petition of Just Morash and others, of Green Bay, Cole Harbor, &c.

James Henry and others, of Musquodobit.
Alexander Taylor and others, of Lake Porter, Preston, &c.
George Bissett and others, of Cole Harbor.

Mr. Bell presented to the House two Petitions, praying aid for Roads.

A Petition of John Wright and others, of the Wellington Settlement.

A Petition of John Munro and others, of Portuguese Cove.

Mr. Morse presented to the House several Petitions, praying aid for Roads.

A Petition of Jeremiah Casey and others of Napan.
Martin Hoeg and others, of Macan.
Thomas Roach and others, of Port Lawrence.

A Petition of Frederick Bergman and others, of Pugwash.
George Mills and others, of Napan.

Mr. Stewart presented to the House several Petitions, praying aid for Roads.

A Petition of James Shipley and others, of Amherst.
John Crawford and others, of Wallace.
George McDade and others, of Three Sisters and Advocates Harbor.

A Petition of Robert McGowan Dickey and others, of Amherst.
Titus B. Crawford and others, of Wallace.
James M. Atkinson, of Macan.

Mr. G. Smith presented to the House several Petitions, praying aid for Roads.

A Petition of George Wightman, of Shubenacadie.
William Campbell and others, of Tatamagouche.
George Ross and others, of Earl Town.
John Wilson and others, of New Annan.

A Petition of John Lockerby and others, of Tatamagouche.
Robert Gammel and others, of Upper Stewiacke.
Robert Short and others, of West River, Pictou.
Robert Faulkner and others, of Economy.

Mr. W. H. Roach presented to the House several Petitions, praying aid for Roads.

A Petition of William Vidito and others, of Wilnot.
James Hall and others, of New Caledonia.
Elijah Roper and others, of Springfield.
James Parker and others, of Wilnot.
Samuel Campbell and others, of Digby and Clare.

A Petition of James Treahy and others, of Dalhousie Settlement.
Josiah Foster and others, of Beaver River.
Isaac White and others, of Dutch Pond Settlement.
Digby.

- Mr. O'Brien presented to the House several Petitions, praying aid for Roads.
- A Petition of Adam Roy and others, of Douglas. | A Petition of Michael Wallace and others, of Douglas.
Duncan McDougall and others, of Douglas. | Robert McDonald and others, of Shubenacadie.
Caleb Burgess and others, of Rawdon. | William Green and others, of Douglas.
- Mr. Deblois presented to the House two Petitions, praying aid for Roads.
- A Petition of John Stannage and others, of St. Margaret's Bay. | A Petition of Thomas Holland and others, of St. Margaret's Bay.
- Mr. Wier presented to the House several Petitions, praying aid for Roads.
- A Petition of Silas H. Crane and others, of Economy. | A Petition of Andrew Thompson and others, of Economy.
John Fulton and others, of Economy. | Thomas Soley and others, of Cheganoise.
David Fulton and others, of Londonderry.
- Mr. Oxley presented to the House several Petitions, praying aid for Roads.
- A Petition of Isaac Glennie and others of Minudie. | A Petition of David Purdy and others, of Wentworth.
William McNutt and others, of Little Forks. | Henry Purdy and others, of Wallace.
David Purdy and others of Wallace. | Kenneth McKenzie and others, of Fox Harbour.
Charles B. Oxley and others, of Wallace. | Stephen Tuttle and others of Wallace.
Spillar Fillmore and others, of Little River. | George Rushton and others, Westchester & Wallace.
- Mr. Delap presented to the House several Petitions, praying aid for Roads.
- A Petition of William B. Matthews and others, of M'Kenzie Settlement. | A Petition of Elias Quereau and others, of Granville.
John Van Blaricom and others, of Granville Mountain. | David Hall and others, of Granville.
James Millar and others, of Granville.
William Bell and others, of Granville.
- Mr. Budd presented to the House several Petitions, praying aid for Roads.
- A Petition of Uabel Goddet and others, of Clare. | A Petition of Christopher Troop and others, of Digby.
William G. Johnson and others, of Digby Neck. | Henry Barr and others, of Sissiboo.
Isaac White and others, of Digby.
- Mr. Blanchard presented to the House several Petitions, praying aid for Roads.
- A Petition of Edward S. Blanchard and others, of Truro. | A Petition of Alexander M'Curdy and others, of New Annan.
Andrew Huggan and others, of Upper Stewiacke.
- Mr. Rudolf presented to the House two Petitions, praying aid for Roads.
- A Petition of Moses Brown and others, of Sherbrooke. | A Petition of John Butler and others, of Dalhousie.
- Mr. Lovett presented to the House several Petitions, praying aid for Roads.
- A Petition of Alexander Wallace and others, of Annapolis. | A Petition of Cæsar Hawkins and others, of Clements.
James More and others, of Ramsay Road.
- Mr. Chipman presented to the House several Petitions, praying aid for Roads.
- A Petition of William McKittrick and others, of Horton. | A Petition of James Fulmore and others, of New Boston.
Andrew Thompson and others, of the Five Islands. | William Harrison, of Parraborough.
Archelaus Worden, of Cornwallis. | Francis Walker and others, of Sherbrooke.
Jonathan Morrison and others, of Little York. | Charles McClintock and others, of Aylesford.
- Mr. Archibald presented to the House several Petitions, praying aid for Roads.
- A Petition of Alexander Nelson and others, of Shubenacadie and Stewiacke. | A Petition of Moses Clarke and others, of Brookfield.
Isaac Smith and others, of Salmon River, Truro.
- Mr. Clements presented to the House two Petitions, praying aid for Roads.
- A Petition of John Bingay and others, of Yarmouth and Argyle. | A Petition of Mark Killam and others, of Yarmouth.
- Mr. C. Roche presented to the House two Petitions, praying aid for Roads.
- A Petition of William Anderson, of Musquodobit Harbor. | A Petition of Gilbert McKenna and others, of Round Bay.
- Mr. Morton presented to the House the Petition of James Dennison and others, of Kentville and Wolfville, praying aid for a road in the County of King's County.
- Mr. Wilkins presented to the House the Petition of George Taylor and others, of Upper District of Shubenacadie, praying aid for a Road in the County of Hants.
- Mr. B. Dawolf presented to the House the Petition of John Hibbits and others, praying aid for a Road in the Township of Uniacke.
- Mr. Dickson presented to the House the Petition of George B. Campbell and others, praying aid for building a Bridge in Antigonish.
- Mr. E. Dewolf presented to the House the Petition of James Ratchford and others, of Parraborough, praying aid for certain Roads in that Township.

No. 50.

(SEE PAGE 988.)

THE Committee to whom was referred the Petition of Thomas Miller, report that they have examined the Petitioner and his Witnesses, two of whose Affidavits they subjoin; they have also received a communication from one of the Magistrates, before whom Mr. Miller acknowledged the fact of sale, but coupled it with an assertion, that he conceived himself justified under the authority of his Tavern License—an opinion, your Committee are disposed to believe, very prevalent throughout the Province. Mr. Miller's case, from the tenor of the testimony, would appear to be one of no slight hardship. They submit the annexed documents to the consideration of the House.

Committee Room, 2d March, 1836.

[Signed]

L. O. C. Doyle, Chairman; A. S. Archibald, James B. Uniacke,
Thos. Dickson, Felix Cochran.

This day, personally appeared before me, William Logan, Esq. one of His Majesty's Justices of the Peace for the County of Halifax, Howard Blades, of Gay's River, in said County, and did voluntarily make oath, that some time since he, being sick, was desirous of obtaining a little Wine, and sent to Mr. Thomas Miller's, of Cottage Inn, for the same, and obtained a pint; then some time afterwards, deponent's wife being sick, and was desirous of obtaining some Wine as a medicine, the said deponent sent for a bottle of the same to Mr. Miller as aforesaid, and obtained it, for which I paid him for the same, &c.

HOWARD BLADES.

Sworn before me, this 29th day of February, 1836, Wm. LOGAN, J. P.

This day, personally appeared before me, William Logan, Esq. one of His Majesty's Justices of the Peace for the County of Halifax, William Dowling, of Gay's River, and did voluntarily make oath, that some time in September last past, one of his children having got a fall, which severely injured one of his arms—that deponent had to send for a Doctor, and when the Doctor arrived, the arm being so much swelled and bruised, could do nothing for it, only ordered it to be well bathed in brandy and water—that deponent went to Mr. Miller's, of Cottage Inn, about midnight, for some of the same—that Mrs. Miller, on hearing of the child being hurt, rose up out of bed and handed me some brandy in a bottle—then having to continue the process for some days, deponent had to send for some more, and obtained it for the same purpose,

Sworn before me, this 29th day of February, 1836.

[Signed] WILLIAM DOWLING.

[Signed] Wm. LOGAN, J. P.

No. 51.

(SEE PAGE 989.)

THE Committee of the House of Assembly, appointed to examine the Public Accounts, having been directed by the House to examine the Accounts of the Collector of Impost and Excise, for Halifax, on the subject of the Commission charged by him, have performed the duty, and report as follows:—

That in his Account for 1834—Commission in Currency		£627	9	4
Ditto in Sterling	£72	10	8	
Add	18	2	8	
				£718 2 8
That in his Account for 1835.—Commission in Currency		301	2	3
Ditto in Sterling	£398	18	9	
Add	99	14	3	
				498 13 5
				£799 15 8

Overpaid in 1834 £18 2 8

Ditto in 1835 99 15 8

£117 18 4

By the Act, passed in the fourth year of His present Majesty's reign—it enacts, that the Collector of Impost and Excise, at Halifax, shall be entitled to receive three and a half per cent. on the Money collected by him, provided the amount thereof does not exceed Seven Hundred Pounds, he has obtained the sum of One Hundred and Seventeen Pounds Eighteen Shillings and Four Pence more than the Act authorizes him; he is therefore bound to pay the amount into the Treasury, and the Committee recommend that he be so directed.

(Signed)

WILLIAM LAWSON, Chairman.

No. 52.

(SEE PAGE 991.)

THE Committee appointed to enquire into the Expenditure of various Monies granted for the improvement of the Roads in the County of Lunenburg, by Garret Miller, Esq. report—

That Mr. Miller expended Seven Pounds of the grant of £105 “for improving the Road from Queen's County Line to LaHave Ferry,” without the limits of his Commission, which authorized him to expend the Money upon the Road which terminated at LaHave Ferry.

Mr. Miller produced Witnesses who testified that this work was well performed, but on the other hand, Mr. Morris, the Commissioner specially appointed by His Excellency, under the Resolution of this House at the last Session, to examine the state of the Roads in that County, expressly reports “that the Money on this Section for this year has been injudiciously expended, inasmuch as the season was far advanced, and little work for the Money granted.”

The Committee further report, that Mr. Miller expended (such portion of the grant of £25 for repairing the Road from John Beck's to LaHave Bridge, as was not expended on the repair of the Bridges on that Road) after the time prescribed by Law. Mr. Miller urged in defence, that he had made ineffectual endeavours to procure Labourers earlier in the season.

Sufficient evidence was not afforded to the Committee, to enable them to arrive at a satisfactory conclusion, as to whether he expended any portion of this grant beyond the line of his Commission, or otherwise; but they are inclined to be of the opinion, that part of the Money was expended without the limits prescribed thereby.

The Committee, being of opinion that the Law reposes in the discretion of the Commissioner the right to select such parts of the Road as he may think proper on which to lay out the Money, do not consider it necessary to pronounce any opinion upon the charge against Mr. Miller, of expending the Money on the particular parts of the Road chosen by him for his operations.

Committee Room, 2d March, 1836.

[Signed]

A. Stewart, Chairman; James Bars, J. S. Morse,
Samuel Chipman, Herbert Huntington.

No. 53.

(SEE PAGE 991.)

THE Committee on the subject of Light-Houses, report, that the present Law operates well, and the Fund to defray Expense of Light-Houses increases, without burthening Trade injuriously.

The Amounts, Returns, and Vouchers, have been examined, and the Committee recommend a more rigid regard to Economy, the remuneration to Keepers appears higher than is prudent—and suggest a saving in that Department in future.

The Committee recommend the erection of a Light-House on the west side of the entrance of the Harbour of Yarmouth, it having been represented as indispensable for the protection of the Trade of that Port, which is rapidly increasing—upwards of One Hundred and Ten Vessels, thirty of which are square rigged, being owned there, and £133 Light Duty remitted to the Treasury for the past year, independent of large sums paid by the tonnage of that Port, at different places of Entry in the Province. Should such a Light-House be erected, and the Committee think the Merchants of that District are justly entitled thereto, it should be so constructed as to be easily distinguishable from that on Seal Island and Brier Island, both of which are fixed Lights.

A proposal has been made to the Committee to farm the Light Duty at the Strait of Canso, and although many arguments have been urged in favour of its adoption, yet the Committee are not disposed to recommend a change at present.

The Committee have ascertained that the Beacon on Wedge Island, in the County of Sydney, was productive of good, and saved the Mariner from danger; and they therefore recommend that the Commissioners of Light-Houses should cause a new Beacon to be erected, which will cost about £20.

The Committee report further, that the complaints of the Shipowners of Annapolis and Cumberland ought not, at the present juncture, prevail, the duties for the support of Lights and Beacons are general, and have been hitherto borne without remonstrance, and by comparison with other Countries are extremely moderate, as is clearly substantiated by the Petition from Cumberland; and your Committee cannot admit the force of those arguments to prevail, and to exonerate the Tonnage of a Country from contributing to any other Lights than those which may guide their Mariners on any one voyage, the system must always be general, they who to-day require the Lights in the Bay of Fundy, to-morrow may avail themselves of those on other parts of the Coast; and as the whole Fund raised has failed to defray the Expense of Support, the Committee think the application premature; however, at a future period, when the receipt exceeds the necessary expenditure, such reduction might be made justly, as exactions for the protection of Shipping should never be converted into sources of Revenue.

(Signed) JAMES B. UNIACKE, Chairman.

No. 54.

(SEE PAGE 993.)

THE Committee to whom was referred the Petition of the Rev. Joseph Dimock, praying for compensation for the loss of Land, occasioned by carrying the Road from Chester to Windsor, through the Land of Petitioner, and for a compensation for fencing the same—have examined into the subject matter of the said Petition, and have agreed to report as follows:—

That the said alteration took place in the year 1825, and cut off ten acres of Petitioner's Land, occasioning a loss and injury to Petitioner to the extent of Twenty Pounds, as appears by an appraisement made by three respectable individuals, well qualified to judge of the extent of the injury. That, in the year 1826, Petitioner applied to this Honorable House for compensation for the loss of Land, and a vote passed, giving him the sum of £20, but it was rejected by His Majesty's Council. That in the following year a like sum was again voted to him by this Honorable House, and again rejected by His Majesty's Council. That during the past year Petitioner has fenced off said Road at an expense of Seventeen Pounds.

Your Committee are therefore clearly of opinion, that the Petitioner is justly entitled to receive from the funds of the Province the aforesaid sum of Seventeen Pounds so expended by him; and although he has not pursued the course pointed out by Law, to obtain payment for the Land, yet your Committee are of opinion that he has a strong equitable claim to be paid the said sum of £20, and they therefore recommend his claim to the favourable consideration of this Honourable House.

Committee Room, 2d March, 1836. John Creighton, Chairman; James R. Lovett, Samuel Chipman.

No. 55.

[SEE PAGE 994.]

THE Committee to whom was referred the Petition of the Tenants on the Common of Halifax, agree in reporting, that the Petitioners having had the option at any time of either giving up or retaining said Lots; and they having preferred keeping possession of them, and the Leases having been made, like all similar Contracts, equally binding on both parties, and at the risk of each, either for loss or gain.

The Committee therefore cannot recommend, that the Petitioners should be released from their liabilities.

Committee Room, 4th March, 1836. Hugh Bell, S. W. Deblois, Wm. H. Roach.

No. 56.

(SEE PAGES 999 & 1000.)

THE Committee to whom was referred the Petition of Robert L. Gray, praying compensation for certain services performed by him, and Medical attendance and Medicines rendered and bestowed upon Shipwrecked Mariners in the County of Cape-Breton, report as follows:—

That the services stated by the Petitioner to have been performed by him were performed under the Board of Health and Magistrates, as stated in the said Petition, and for such services, the charges made by the Petitioner are moderate and reasonable. The Committee therefore recommend the House to grant to the Petitioner Fifteen Pounds Ten Shillings, the sum prayed for in his Petition.

Committee Room, 5th March, 1836.

EDMUND M. DODD.

(SEE PAGE 1000.)

In the House of Assembly, 8th March, 1886.

RESOLVED, That the sum of Nine Hundred and Fifty-seven Pounds, appropriated for the service of Roads and Bridges in the District of Halifax, be applied as follows:—

For the road from Bell's, on the Truro road, to Keys's	£100	0	0
From Keys's to Gay's river bridge	300	0	0
For the road from Moore's at Gay's river, to the Meeting-House near Calbeck's	25	0	0
To assist the Inhabitants at Meagher's Grant to re-build the bridge over the Big river, called Ditar's bridge	30	0	0
For the road from Johnson Calbeck's, in Middle Musquodobit, to Upper Stewiacke, to be expended in the District of Halifax	15	0	0
the road from William Logan's, on the Truro road, to the Guysborough road	20	0	0
the road from Murcher's Mills to the Fish Lake	15	0	0
To build the bridge and repair the road from Hutchinson's Settlement to Jon. Archibald's Mill	10	0	0
For the road from Musquodobit to Sheet Harbor, to be expended from the forks of the road to said Harbor	30	0	0
the road from head of Lake Porter to the Main Road at Stewart's on the Musquodobit road	10	0	0
the road from Middle Musquodobit to lower Stewiacke, by Sibley's, to be expended in the District of Halifax	12	11	0
the road from Cole Harbor road to the lower end of Cole Harbor, joining the Eastern Passage road to Dartmouth	15	0	0
To alter the road round Putnam's hill, on the Preston road, in addition to the sum subscribed	25	0	0
For the road on the west side Port Piswick Harbor to the Main Eastern road	10	0	0
To pay Alexander Taylor over-expenditure on bridge over Lake Porter	24	9	0
For the road at Waterman's, across Musquodobit river, towards Jedore	10	0	0
From Anderson's hill to Peter Budro's, in Chezetcook	10	0	0
For the road from Sackville to Dartmouth	10	0	0
For the road from Bell's, on the Preston road, to Great Salmon river bridge	30	0	0
To enable the Inhabitants at Porter's Lake to clear the run at the outlake, in addition to the sum subscribed	50	0	0
For the road beyond Hamilton's, towards Noel, to the District line, £15 of which to be expended between Hamilton's and Beaver Bank	35	0	0
the road from the Windsor road to the Brushy hills	10	0	0
the road from MacIntosh's bridge to Herring Cove, thence to Ketch Harbor, and from thence to Sambro, in addition to the sum of £20 and £10 remaining undrawn	20	0	0
the Post road from the head of the Hammond's Plain road to the head of Margaret's Bay	30	0	0
the road from Spryfield to Margaret's Bay, past Drysdale's	25	0	0
the road from Hosterman's Mill to Spryfield bridge	25	0	0
the road to Sambro, leading through Harriet Fields	10	0	0
the road to Margaret's Bay, by Geiser's	10	0	0
the road from the west side of the North West Arm to the road between Spryfield and Herring Cove, in addition to the sum of £10 remaining undrawn	10	0	0
the road round the Peninsula	20	0	0
the road from Musquodobit Harbor to the Main Eastern road	10	0	0
	£957	0	0

In the House of Assembly, 8th March, 1886.

RESOLVED, That the sum of Seven Hundred and Fifty Pounds, appropriated for the service of Roads and Bridges in the District of Colchester, be applied as follows:

FOR GREAT ROADS.

From Gay's River to Pictou Line, through Brookfield and Truro, and to pay Samuel Archibald £64 19 6 overexpended last year, and Thomas Miller £4 10 7 overexpended in 1834.	£273	0	0
Abner Polley's to Upper Stewiacke	25	0	0
Lydiard's to Musquodobit Line	8	0	0
Brookfield to Middle Stewiacke, by the new road	30	0	0
To Salmon River Bridge in Truro, near Mrs. Maccarters	20	0	0
Finish the new road to Oeconomy, and pay overexpenditure of last year	50	0	0
Assist in building Bass River bridge	20	0	0
From Londonderry to Cumberland Line	10	0	0
Onslow to Tatamagouch	40	0	0

From Wallace line to Pictou line (the shore Road)	£25	0	0
To secure North River bridge, to be drawn when it is certified that the work is complete	15	0	0
From Luke Upham's, Onslow, through Earl Town, to George Ross's Londonderry to Wallace	20	0	0
	25	0	0

FOR CROSS ROADS.

From Plane field at Point Brulee to the Highway	10	0	0
John Oliver's, in New Annan, to Tatamagouch, and to pay £3 due him, overexpended last year	9	0	0
Gun's in New Annan, to the Tatamagouch Road, near Robert Cock's	8	0	0
John Oliver's, Westward, through that Settlement	6	0	0
Halifax Road to Shubenacadie Meeting House	8	0	0
Robert Pollock's to Green's Creek	12	0	0
Green's Creek to the Mouth of the River	12	0	0
Green's Creek to Pleasant Valley	5	0	0
Old Barns to the Black Rock	8	0	0
Charles Moor's to Upper Brookfield	5	0	0
Stewiacke road to John Henderson's Mill	5	0	0
Jas. Gourlay's to William Irwin's	5	0	0
To aid in building a bridge over the brook between J. & D. Christie's, and J. Tucker's Mills	5	0	0
Complete the new road near Daniel Cox's	8	0	0
From Thomas Morrison's to Folly Mountain	12	0	0
Londonderry to James Cotham's	10	0	0
Portapicque to Castlereagh	10	0	0
Peter Tatten's to Widow Fleming's	10	0	0
Oeconomy towards River Philip	5	0	0
Tatamagouch road to Alexander Wilson's	10	0	0
Ephraim Blair's to Tatamagouch road	8	0	0
Barney O'Brien's to John Staples, Jun.	3	0	0
To aid in building a bridge between John Dickson's and Benjamin Lynd's	5	0	0
From John McNitt's to Peter Blackmore's	5	0	0
	£750	0	0

In the House of Assembly, 8th March, 1836.

RESOLVED, That the sum of Eight Hundred and Thirteen Pounds, granted for the service of Roads and Bridges for the District of Pictou, be appropriated as follows, viz :

£125 On the Great Eastern road from the District line of Pictou, to the line of the County of Sydney, to be applied on the following parts of the road, viz :			
From the District line to Reid's	£20	0	
Reid's to the Ten Mile House	10	0	
Ten Mile House to the bridge at Forbes's	15	0	
Bridge at Forbes's to Pictou, and to pay £11 3s. due the Commissioner	30	0	
the Ferry at Fisher's grant through New Glasgow, to Charles Brown's, on the mountain	20	0	
Charles Brown's to Sydney County line	30	0	
On the main road from the West River at Ten Mile House to the East River, £40 of this sum to be expended on the new cut from the bridge past Hatches'	45	0	
To His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor towards building bridge at Seven Mile House, lately carried away, on the road leading to the east river, by Green Hill	90	0	
To His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor to rebuild the bridges on the brook at M'Kay's, and towards opening the tenth section of the new line from Reid's, Mount Tom, to west river	17	0	
To build a bridge and make the new line of road (as approved of in General Sessions) from M'Millan's towards Pictou, on the main post road leading to Cumberland, being in aid of the sum subscribed for that purpose, being £50; this sum not to be drawn from the Treasury until the Commissioner certifies the subscriptions have been paid, and the work faithfully expended.	120	0	
From M'Millan's to John M'Cabe's, on the main road leading to river John, and to pay balance due James Elliot since last year, £17 3 9	25	0	
John M'Cabe's to the District line at Forbes's, on the main road leading to Tatamagouch	20	0	

ON THE CROSS ROADS AS FOLLOWS, viz—

Big river Carriboo, to Alex. M'Donald's, Glencos, on the gulf shore road	10	0
Alex. M'Donald's to river John	5	0
Highway to the Church at Salt Springs	5	0
John Roger's to Peter Arthur's on Dalhousie road	5	0
Dalhousie road at Roger's to Donald M'Kenzie's	5	0
Pictou road past Robert Stewart's, on Roger's hill	5	0
John Matheson's to M'Cara's	10	0

From M'Cara's to Murdoch M'Kenzie's	£5 0
Murdoch M'Kenzie's to Hugh Munro's, on the road to Earl Town	10 0
David Langill's past Donald Cameron's, on the road to Moore's	5 0
Green Hill on the road from Andrew Marshall's past M'Donald's and Collie's, and to pay Thomas Kerr £9 13 6 expended on bridge on the main road near Collie's, last year	15 0
On the road past D. Bethune's Wilkins' grant	5 0
Wilkins' grant road to the Middle river	5 0
road from the Rev. Mr. Fraser's to New Glasgow	15 0
From Angus M'Kay's past R. M'Kenzie's	7 0
Hugh Fraser's, Little Island, to the Mills on the west river	7 0
To finish the bridge at river John at Roger's, and pay Ken. M'Lean, Esq. balance due of last year	8 0
From Geo. M'Leod's upwards, including new bridge at R. M'Donald's	10 0
For repairing the mountain road to Antigonish	5 0
From D. Murray's, east side Barney's river, to Carmichael's brook	5 0
D. Murray's west side Barney's river, to Robertson's	5 0
Robertson's to William M'Kenzie's, Barney's river	5 0
From William M'Kenzie's up Barney's river	5 0
On the new line from Barney's river to Finlayson's	5 0
From Cook's, past M'Donald's mill, to Little harbour	10 0
For the road to Carriboo past Denoon's	10 0
M'Lelland's brook roads	10 0
road from Grant's mill, east river, to M'Kenzie's	5 0
To repair the bridge on east branch, east river, and the road adjoining	10 0
For Wyllies road, Mount Dalhousie	6 0
	£813 0

In the House of Assembly, 8th March, 1836.

RESOLVED, That the sum of Seven Hundred and Ninety-seven Pounds, granted for the service of Roads and Bridges in the County of Hants, be applied as follows:

For the road from Halifax County line to Lakeland	£75 0 0
From Lakeland to Three Mile Plain	50 0 0
Three Mile Plain to Avon Bridge	30 0 0
For Avon Bridge and to repair the road from thence to King's County line	30 0 0
For the road leading to Chester, & to alter that part thereof near Reddon's to avoid the hills	50 0 0
From Nelson's towards Halifax, on the Beaver Bank road	60 0 0
For the Post road from Trefry's to Shubenacadie, £15 of which to be expended in Newport, £20 in Rawdon, and £30 in Douglas	65 0 0
For the Bridge and Causeway near Salter's, at Cockmagun	80 0 0
For the road from Halifax County line, near Hall's, to Henry Blois's, including the Douglas bridge, £5 of which to be expended between the Rawdon line and Taggart's	60 0 0
For the Western Ardoice road, £4 of which to be expended on the old road, near Hunter's	14 0 0
For road from Wentworth to Seven Mile Plain leading past the Catholic Chappel	8 0 0
from Lyon's Mill towards Jess's	10 0 0
For bridges from Thomas Church's to the Province road	5 0 0
For road from Irish's Farm to the County line	10 0 0
For the Hibbet road, at Uniacke	10 0 0
From Jess's to the old Horton road	5 0 0
For the road from Petit towards Tennenape	14 0 0
Petit, round the shore, to Newport line	10 0 0
From Tennenape to Noel, in Douglas	10 0 0
For bridge over Mill Pond, at the Mouth of Shubenacadie	10 0 0
For road over the Marsh at Five Mile River, and to complete the alteration	5 0 0
From the Five Mile River, by the new alteration, to Robert McDonald's road	12 0 0
For the road from Wardrope's to Peter Grant's bridge	8 0 0
Hall's, past Fische's, thence along the Balinan road to Donald Fraser's	10 0 0
Shubenacadie to Taggart's	10 0 0
James Mosher's to Shubenacadie	25 0 0
John Dimock's to Edward Murphy's	15 0 0
From Bond's Mill to Thompson's, on the Beaver Band road	6 0 0
From Murphy's to the Township line, past Glen's Brook	8 0 0
Gordon's, past Sanford's, to Michael Wallace's	8 0 0
Coles' to Best's	8 0 0
John Dimock's to Wm. Parker's, in Newport	10 0 0
William Chamber's to Knowles'	5 0 0

From Knowles' to the Post road	£10	0	0
Kennetcook bridge to Cockmagum bridge	10	0	0
George Mosher's to Constantine's	8	0	0
For the Cross road near Ryan's	5	0	0
road near Vaughan's	5	0	0
To repair bridge near John Chamber's, Jun.	5	2	9
To repay Felix Cochran an overexpenditure of last year	3	17	3
	£797	0	0

In the House of Assembly, 8th March, 1836.

RESOLVED, That the sum of Seven Hundred and Ninety-seven Pounds, appropriated for Roads and Bridges in the County of King's, be divided and applied as follows :

CORNWALLIS.

For the road from Kentville to Aylesford line, and to complete the alteration by G. Harrington's alteration of the road by William Tupper's, being No. 15, on Elder's plan of Survey	£49	0
road leading from the new Cornwallis bridge, passing the Episcopal Church, through Canar and Bill Town to Aylesford	50	0
new road under the South Mountain from Aylesford line to the English road, by Condon's	40	0
road over the Mountain to Turner point and the Cove road	10	0
road past Stephen Dunham's to Hall's Harbor, and the shore road to Huntington point	10	0
£2 of it to be expended on the hill and bridge by North's	10	0
road at Pero from Joseph Lyon's to Huntly's	8	0
road from Loomer's to Scotch Bay	8	0
road from the Annapolis road past Graham Bowl's, and to make the alteration through Bowl's farm	8	0
road from J. Lyon's past White Water to the top of Blomidon Cape	8	0
road and bridge south of the Bill town Baptist Meeting-House, and for the road passing Brunnen's and Murphy's	6	0
alteration up the Mountain near Bently's farm	6	0
new road by the Mountain near Alfred Skinner's to John Given's	6	0
new road southerly from Given's	6	0
hills near N. Rockwell's and the road up the Mountain	5	0
road by Joseph Dunham's southerly past Bishop's mills	5	0
to complete the alteration on the road from Habitant road to the Lyon's road	5	0
the road from Benjamin Burges's, Jun. up the Mountain	5	0
From the Aylesford line by Abner Woodworth's to the black rock road near Thorn Brook and to complete the alteration by Hagerty's	20	0

HORTON.

From Halfway river to Stone bridge	30	0
To re-pay an over-expenditure on Kentville bridge last year, C. H. Rand, Esq. Commissioner	11	3
From Kentville on the Great Road to Sherbrook through Beach hill	30	0
Falmouth line on the Mount Denson road across the lower Gaspereau bridge to Sam. Peter's	20	0
Samuel Peter's to the Post Road to the late Peter Murphy's	7	10
Samuel Beckwith's to Peleg Card's on the Main Shore road	20	0
Hancock's to Scofield's bridge, on the Gaspereau river	10	0
Pittsburg to the Davison Settlement, and to build the bridge across Black river	10	0
The Post road westerly on the new road past Jonathan Allen's to Nathan Davison's	10	0
Cornwallis Town line past Coldwel Redman's, and F. Bishop's to Canaan Settlement	10	0
To the road from Waistcoat's Blacksmith's Shop to Frederick Butler's, and to repair and build the bridge by Turner's Shop on Mill Brook, and the bridge on Mill Brook on the road to Moor's	12	10
For the road from Sherbrook road past Quigly's to new Canaan Settlement	7	10
From Follet's past Cogswell's Mill to Waistcoats	10	0
For the road from John Gutrige's past Stephen Benjamin's to Jas. Coaldwell's, and to repair the bridge across Gaspereau river, near Martin's Mills	15	0
From Judah Bishop's to J. Foley's	7	10
James Calkin's to Peter Strong's, in Canaan	7	10
For the Post road leading from the Post road over the new Cornwallis Bridge to Canard, Bill Town, and to Aylesford	20	17

AYLESFORD.

From the Cornwallis Town line to the Baptist Church	14	0
the Baptist Church to Clermont	8	0
Clermont to Wilmont line	8	0
Samuel Parker's southerly to Sherbrook, and easterly to Cornwallis line	12	0
Lunenburg line through Sherbrook Settlement, in King's County, to Annapolis County line, and to Aylesford	8	0

From the Cornwallis Town line, westerly, by Welton's to William Morton's, on the Great road from the Bason of Mines to Bridgetown, and for the Morden road, from the Church to the Bay	£10 0
William Morton's by Willis Foster's and Thomas Tupper's, Esq. to Wilmot line, and to open and make the alteration from Dugan's, by Willis Foster's, as by Elder's Plan and Survey	20 0
the Post road on the Bishop's road to the Bay	6 0
the Post road on the Clermont road to the Bay	10 0
the Post on the Ormsby road to the Mountain, and for the road from the Ormsby road by Woodworth to Cornwallis	7 0
the road under the Mountain by Selfredge's to the Bay	5 0
the Post road by Keaton's mills and George Niely's to the Canaan road and westerly on said road by Messenger's farm to Wilmot line	10 0
the Post road by Spinney's to the Canaan road, and for the Glebe road	7 10
the Post road by Nicholl's mills to the Jackson road, and for the road from Jackson's on the road to the Sherbrook or Parker road	3 0
<i>PARRSBOROUGH.</i>	
From the Halfway river by Oman and Caleb Lewis's place to the County line near Hanney mill, and the road to Five Islands, near C. Lewis's place	17 0
For the Great road from Partridge Island to Cumberland line, and for to open and improve the alteration made by Survey on said road	50 0
From the Cumberland road on the Advocate road to Hughes's	10 0
Hughe's past Tate's to Spicer's, at Spenser's Island	10 0
Spicer's through the flat over the new bridge to Advocate	10 0
the Cumberland road through the Two Island Settlement to Five Islands	13 0
For the west Macan road leading from the Five Islands	11 0
the east Macan road leading from the Five Island Settlement	9 0
From the Cumberland line past Rusco to Cranberry lake	6 0
For the new road from Partridge Island to Diligent river past Robinson's	15 0
the road and bridge over Partridge Island river by G. Newcomb's, and for the bridge on the Dickerson road, by McDonald's	8 0
	£797 0

In the House of Assembly, 5th March, 1836.

RESOLVED, That the sum of Eight Hundred and Thirty-one Pounds, appropriated for the service of Roads and Bridges in the County of Annapolis, be applied as follows, viz:

MAIN ROADS.

For repairing the bridge at Oakes' in Wilmot	£15 0 0
the road from Reuben Balcomb's Farm to Leonard's	5 0 0
repairing the bridge near Aseph Rice's	5 0 0
repairing Round Hill bridge	10 0 0
repairing Allen's River bridge	30 0 0
repairing Bear River bridge	20 0 0
repairing Lee's Bridge	20 0 0
repairing the bridge and road near McNeil's Mill, St. Mary's Bay	15 0 0
Sissiboo bridge, £75 of which to be expended in opening the road leading thereto on the North side the River	} 200 0 0
repairing Montegan bridge	20 0 0
repairing Salmon River bridge	20 0 0
the road through Long Island	10 0 0
repairing the bridge near Hall's Mills, £5 of which to be laid out on the bridge near Andrew Bohaker's, in Granville	} 20 0 0
repairing Bayard's bridge	30 0 0
repairing Woodbury's bridge	20 0 0
the Liverpool road (by Nictau,) from the Dalhousie Settlement	20 0 0
the Liverpool road from Annapolis	20 0 0
the Military road through the Dalhousie Settlement, £17 of which to repay the Treasurer for an overexpenditure on said road in 1835	} 50 0 0
the road from Dalhousie to the Grinton Settlement	10 0 0
the Canaan road	10 0 0

CROSS ROADS.

repairing the road from Dodge's to the Breakwater	15 0 0
repairing the road from Stronach's to Margaretville Cove, on the Bay	15 0 0
repairing the road from the Main road under the Mountain to Marshall's Cove	10 0 0

For the New road near Bridgetown, over the Mountain, to the Bay Shore	£10 0 0
the Beales' road from the Buskirk farm to Liverpool road	15 0 0
the Morse road leading from Bridgetown to Dalhousie Settlement	10 0 0
the Perot road from John Baker's to the Ten Mile River	10 0 0
the Ramsay Road from Dalhousie to James Morse's farm	5 0 0
the Lunenburgh road from Stephen Jefferson's to Peter Morse's farm, in addition to £10 appropriated in 1835	8 0 0
the McKenzie road leading from the Main road in Granville to the Bay Shore	8 0 0
the Johnston road leading from the Main road in Ganville to the Bay Shore	8 0 0
the Parker road leading from the Main road in Granville to the Bay Shore	9 0 0
the Covert road leading from the Main road in Granville to the Bay Shore	8 0 0
the Chase road leading from the Main road in Granville to the Bay Shore	8 0 0
the Bridgetown road leading from the Main road in Granville to the Bay Shore	10 0 0
the bridge over Moose River to the Guinea Settlement	15 0 0
the Cross road between the Hessian and Waldeck lines by John Wilson's	10 0 0
the road leading from the south range road to Morgan's Mills	10 0 0
the road from Moose River to the Hessian Line along the River in addition to £15 unexpended last year	5 0 0
To continue the alteration from the Sea Wall, Digby Neck, Westward	25 0 0
For the Cross road near Haine's farm to the south range	10 0 0
the road leading to the Duck Pond Settlement, Sissiboo	10 0 0
the road at the line between the Townships of Digby and Clare	8 0 0
the road leading from the upper Church, Clare, to the Yarmouth road, to commence where the Commissioner left off last year	20 0 0
the road from the Yarmouth Road to Corning's Brook	10 0 0
the road leading from the Main Road near Billevo's Cove to the Yarmouth road	10 0 0
	£831 0 0

In the House of Assembly, 8th March, 1836.

RESOLVED, That the sum of Eight Hundred and Twenty-nine Pounds, granted for the service of Roads and Bridges in the County of Shelburne, be applied as follows :

GREAT ROADS.

From Beaver River to Starr's corner	£15 0 0
Starr's to Vickray's	10 0 0
Vickray's to Salmon River	15 0 0
Salmon River to Tusket Village, and to repair Tusket bridge	10 0 0
Tusket bridge to the Roman Chapel	15 0 0
To alter the road from Joshua Frost's to Ryder's Brook	125 0 0
From Strawberry Point to Walter Larkin's, and to repair Pubnico bridge	14 0 0
Walter Larkin's to Thomas West's	23 0 0
Thomas West's to Sargent's Mill	20 0 0
Sargent's Mill to Clyde River	10 0 0
To repair Clyde River Bridge and the road from thence to Shelburne bridge	35 0 0
Shelburne bridge and Jordan bridge, and the road between the two bridges	22 0 0
From Jordan bridge to the bounds of Queen's County, and to rebuild Sable River bridge	100 0 0

CROSS ROADS—YARMOUTH.

From Samuel Hilton's to Porter's Mill	20 0 0
Porter's Mill to Pleasant Valley bridge	18 0 0
Pleasant Valley bridge to Carleton, (or Temperance Settlement)	12 0 0
Settlement at Carleton to the old Kemptville road	18 0 0
Head of Lake Carleton to Kemptville	15 0 0
Jacob Tedford's to Salmon River	10 0 0
Joel Allen's to Yarmouth line	20 0 0
Sea Shore to N. Allen's, Jr. at Lake George	12 0 0
the Tusket road up the West side of the River to Lake Carleton	10 0 0
Wm. Thurston's to Foot's Cove	10 0 0
Churchill's Mill to Widow Suleran's, including £3 10 9 to be paid John Patten, overexpended by him last year	11 0 0
Samuel Foot's, over the Dyke, to Rose's road, including £1 7 3 to be paid to Z. Chipman, overexpended by him in 1834	10 0 0

BARRINGTON.

From Cæsar's Farm to Hibbert's Brook	20 0 0
Eldad Nickerson's to Shelburne road	8 0 0
James Snow's to Baker's run	8 0 0

From Neal's Brook to Wood's Harbour	£15	0	0
Wood's Harbour to Pubnico	12	0	0
Gideon Nickerson's to the old Town line	12	0	0
To repair the bridge over the French Mill Stream	8	0	0
<i>ARGYLE.</i>			
From Purdy's to Tusket Wedge Point	10	0	0
To repair Gaul's bridge	10	0	0
From the Head of Eel Lake to the Main Road at Eel Brook	10	0	0
Ricker's brook to the Main road near Forbes'	10	0	0
Stephen D'Entrement's to Pubnico Point	10	0	0
Simon De'Entrement's to Pubnico Beach	10	0	0
To repair the bridge at Robert's Island	13	0	0
From the Parade to Gairl's	10	0	0
<i>SHELBURNE.</i>			
From Shelburne bridge to Ohio Settlement	25	0	0
To repair Round Bay bridge and road adjoining	15	0	0
From Wm. Dunlap's to Richard Wall's	10	0	0
Clvde River Bridge to North East Harbour	10	0	0
Thompson's Corner to Jones' Point	10	0	0
Holder's, East side of Jordan River to Lock's Island	13	0	0
	£829 0 0		

In the House of Assembly, 8th March, 1836.

RESOLVED, That the sum of Six Hundred and Ninety-five Pounds, voted for the service of Roads and Bridges in Queen's County, be applied as follows :

From Lunenburg County line to Mill's Village, and to repair the bridge at that place	£50	0	0
Mill's Village to Herring Cove	25	0	0
Herring Cove to Salmon Island bridge	25	0	0
Payzant's Mill to Broad River bridge	45	0	0
Broad River bridge to Portmuttoon	15	0	0
Portmuttoon to Port Jolly	25	0	0
Port Jolly to bounds Shelburne County	50	0	0
Cowie's Tan Yard to Milton	10	0	0
Milton to Middlefield	75	0	0
Middlefield to Brookfield	30	0	0
Mrs. McClarmen's to Annapolis bounds	50	0	0
Brookfield to Pleasant River	20	0	0
For the bridge at Pleasant River and the road to Lunenburg County line	25	0	0
From Middlefield to Wellington	25	0	0
Brookfield to Harmony road	20	0	0
Luxton's, in Caledonia, through Duncannon	15	0	0
Arthur's, in Whiteburn, past Davises' farm	20	0	0
Caledonia road to Harmony Mill	15	0	0
Harmony Mill through Kempt	25	0	0
Portmidway to Herring Cove	50	0	0
South West Cove to Mills Village	20	0	0
Herring Cove to Blueberry	30	0	0
McGill's farm to Westernhead	10	0	0
Munrow's to Colp's	10	0	0
Paul West's to White Point	10	0	0
	£695 0 0		

In the House of Assembly, 8th March, 1836.

RESOLVED, That the sum of Seven Hundred and Sixty-two Pounds, appropriated for the service of Roads and Bridges in the County of Lunenburg, be applied as follows :

On the road from Queen's County line to Pernet's Ferry, at LaHave, £25 to be expended from Queen's County line to Broad Cove, £65 from Broad Cove to Pernet's Ferry	}	£90	0
LaHave Ferry to the Town of Lunenburg, £20 to be expended between LaHave Ferry and Shauffelburg's, £20 from Acker's mill to Town of Lunenburg	}	40	0

Town of Lunenburg to Martin's River, £25 to be expended from Lunenburg to Mader's Cove, £15 from Mader's Cove to Martin's River	} £40 0
Martin's River to Chester and to avoid hills	50 0
Chester to Hants County line, and to avoid hills	80 0
To Casper Eisenhaur for an overexpenditure on Gold River bridge last year	20 10
Chester to Halifax County line	10 0
Leonard Young's to the Block House	20 0
Block House to Annapolis, £10 to be expended from Block House to Zwicker's mill, £10 from Zwicker's mill to Robar's mill, £10 from Robar's mill to Hirtle's Grant, £25 from Hirtle's Grant to Annapolis, and to build a bridge	} 55 0
Lunenburg to Annapolis, £10 to be expended from Jno. Beck's to Jno. Langille's, £10 from Jno. Langille's to Arenberg's bridge, £10 from Arenberg's bridge to LaHave bridge, £15 from LaHave bridge to Peter Mackie's, £15 from Peter Mackie's to New Germany	} 60 0

CROSS ROADS.

North West street to James Vieno's 300 acre lot	20 0
Peter Vieno's 300 acre lot to Everhard Silver's 300 acre lot	10 0
Mush-a-Mush to Burgoine's mill	15 0
Block House North West range to Mahone Bay	10 0
Melchior Zwicker's North West range to Mahone Bay	10 0
Meeting-House North West range to Casper Kaulback's	10 0
Valentine Shauflberger's to Rose Bay	15 0
Rose Bay to Abraham Mosman's, Kingsburg	5 0
Mulloch's to Nicholas Crouse's and outwards	10 0
John Silver's to LaHave River	10 0
Silver's Road to the Lake near Eicle's	10 0
North West Street to George Lohnes's	10 0
LaHave Bridge to Pleasant River	20 0
Pleasant River Road to Chelsea Settlement	10 0
LaHave River to Western Branch	10 0
LaHave Bridge to Pernette's Ferry, Dublin Shore	20 0
Pernette's Ferry to Petit River, round Dublin Shore	10 0
LaHave River to Camperdown, £7 10s to be expended from LaHave River to Conquerall, £7 10s from Conquerall to Camperdown	} 15 0
Petit River to New Italy and outwards	10 0
Crandall's to Sherbrooke and Dalhousie	30 0
West side Gold River to Borgelt's and Eisenhaur's Farm	10 0
From Windsor Road to Canaan Settlement	10 0
Windsor Road to Church's Mill	5 0
Blandford to Halifax Road, in addition to £10 granted in 1833 and unexpended	6 10
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	£762 0 0

In the House of Assembly, 8th March, 1836.

RESOLVED, that the sum of Six Hundred and Ninety-Six Pounds, appropriated for the Service of Roads and Bridges in the County of Cumberland, be applied as follows:--

For the Main Post Road from the bounds of Londonderry to River Philip	£20 0
From River Philip to Amherst	50 0
The bounds of King's County to Napan Bridge, to include £6 expended by Hance Baker, Commissioner, to complete a Bridge on said Road	} 60 0
For Main Road from Dewer's Bridge to Wallace Bridge.	15 0
Planking and Railing Wallace Bridge	8 0
Main Road from Forshner's to Pugwash.	20 0
Main Road from North End of Folly Lake to William Angevine's	20 0
From William Angevine's to Forshner's	15 0
For the Main Road from Forshner's to Black River Bridge, on the Main Post Road to Amherst, to include the rebuilding of the Bridge over the River Philip near Dickson's	} 80 0
From the Aboiteau in Amherst to Fort Lawrence, in addition to £10 already granted for a Bridge on said Road	} 35 0
£25 to be paid James Shipley, in part payment for a sum expended by him on Macan Bridge	25 0

CROSS ROADS.

From Macan to River Philip	10 0
McIver's, on the Gulf Shore to Mark Bigneys	15 0
Amherst to Goose River	25 0

For Leicester Road	£15 0
From Horton's to Tignish Bridge	10 0
Gabriel Purdy's to Beebee's	15 0
Beebee's to Wallace Harbour, to include the repairing the Bridge at Purdy's Mill	20 0
The Gulf Shore to Tuttle's	5 0
Forks of Macan to Stewart's	7 0
The Goose River Road to the Leicester Road, by Thomas Smith's	10 0
The Leicester Road to Tate's, River Philip	10 0
Leicester Road to John Fillmore's, River Philip, by Thomas Johnston's	10 0
Grey's to River Philip	5 0
Main Road to Salt Springs	10 0
Gabriel Purdy's to W. D. Black's	12 0
The Little Fork Bridge to David Herrett's	12 0
David Herrett's to Salt Spring	10 0
Head Fox Harbour to Oxley's, in Wallace	10 0
The Macan Road to David Gildroy's, by George Smith's	8 0
Malgash Point to McNab's	10 0
Pugwash to Indian Point	10 0
Kenneth McKenzie's to Wallace Harbour	5 0

CROSS ROADS.

To be paid Andrew McKinnon, being the amount expended by him on the Bridge at the head of Wallace Harbour	10 17
From Town Plat, Wallace, to the Bridge at the head of Wallace Harbour	10 0
Goose River Settlement to Shenemacaises Ferry	5 0
Goose River to Black Ferry	5 0
James Holt's to George Mill's, at Little Fork	5 0
Napan to Main Post Road, near Napan Bridge	5 0
To be paid James M. Atkinson, in part payment of a sum expended by him on a road in Macan	5 0
To aid in building a Bridge over East Brook, near Furlong's, in Macan	15 0
From Cyprian Stevens' to Wallace River, by the way of James Ryan's	5 0
Fox Harbour to the head of the Bay, commonly called the Fanningsborough Road	7 3
Napan to the Main Post Road, near Calvin Bent's	5 0
Widow Palmer's to Gray's Road	5 0
Barronsfield to Lower Cove, South Joggins	5 0
Pugwash to Abraham Brown's	5 0
Three Sisters to Advocate Harbour	5 0
To be paid Alexander McFarlane, for an over-expenditure	5 11
	<hr/> £696 0

RESOLVED, That the sum of Eight Hundred and Twenty-three Pounds, appropriated for the service of Roads and Bridges in the County of Sydney, be applied as follows, viz:

There shall be placed at the disposal of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, to carry into effect such alterations and improvements as are contained in the Survey and Report made by his order, on the Great Post Road from Guysborough to Antigonish, and thence to the County Line, Gulf Shore; (the sum of £21 expended by R. N. Henry on the Manchester Road last Fall, to be paid thereout)	£600 0
To rebuild the Bridge at Campbell's on the Mountain Road	18 10
To complete the alteration from the Mountain Road, Knoydart, towards the Gulf Shore, and to build the Bridge thereon	15 0
From Dorchester to the Ohio, to rebuild the Bridges and repair the same on said line	35 0
The County Line down the West Branch of St. Mary's River	20 0
The Lower South River Bridge to Pomket Forks	10 0
Pomket Forks to Little River, now travelled by the Post	20 0
Big Tracadie Bridge to the Gut	20 0
The West River Bridge, by the Salt Springs, to County Line	16 10
The County Line to William McKeen's	15 0
William McKeen's to Sherbrooke	30 0
Dorchester to the Town Point	20 0
New Harbour Road to Torbay, and to pay an over-expenditure thereon	3 0
	<hr/> £823 0

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FIRST PART.

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DOWNING-STREET, 31st AUGUST, 1829.

SIR—

I have lately had under my consideration the state of the Colleges for Public Education, which have been established under your Government, and I am happy to find, by a Letter which has lately been received from Mr. Cochran, the Secretary to King's College, that the causes which originally led to the foundation of a distinct College, have, in a great degree, ceased to operate; and that the difficulties which have hitherto prevented their being united under one Establishment may be considered to exist no longer.

There can be no question as to the propriety of adopting this measure;—the funds for the support of two Establishments of this kind are not forthcoming in the Province, nor do I understand that the number of Students is such as to require it. The first step therefore, as it appears to me, is to dispose of the Collegiate Building, which has been erected by, and called after, Lord Dalhousie; and to appropriate the funds which still remain, and which were set apart for the purposes of this College, to the improvement of the other and more ancient Establishment—To this arrangement no objection can possibly be made on the part of the Trustees of Dalhousie College, and indeed it is understood that this course would have been taken by Lord Dalhousie himself, had the tests of admission to King's College not rendered it desirable, in his estimation, that an establishment of a less exclusive character should be formed for the education of the youth of the Provinces. I am not aware of the sum which Dalhousie College would fetch at a Public Sale, nor whether there are any Provincial purposes to which it could be applied with advantage. As, however, there is a debt of £5000 to the Assembly, which has been incurred by the Governors of the College, you will propose to the Assembly, should no more eligible course present itself to you when this question is brought before them, that the building should be taken in satisfaction for the amount, for which I presume it may be considered nearly a fair equivalent. The sum of £6000, which still remains in trust for the use of Dalhousie College, will then become applicable to the use of King's College. I have been informed that the distance of Windsor from the Seat of Government is by some considered to be an objection to it as a place of Public Education, and that a situation, within a short distance of Halifax, would be preferred. Upon this point I must request that you will let me hear from you in detail, and whether the building which has been prepared for Dalhousie College might not be turned to better account, by adopting it to the purpose of King's College, rather than by selling it for an adequate sum. Should the removal of the College from Windsor, to a spot nearer to Halifax, be an object with the Assembly, they may perhaps be induced to remit altogether the loan which has been advanced for Dalhousie College, or to vote an increased annual sum for the maintenance of that which it is proposed to enrich by the mode I have suggested. In either case the means at your disposal will be materially increased, and it may be a question whether it may not be desirable to break up the Establishment at Windsor also, (as I hear that the buildings there are of a perishable nature, and therefore liable to frequent repair,) and to erect in their stead a more substantial building, on a limited scale, and in a more convenient situation.

In the propriety however of entertaining this project at all, you must be entirely governed by the means at command, either present or such as can be securely relied upon. I can hold out to you no hope of assistance from home, and I need not point out to you the serious inconvenience of embarking in schemes too expensive for the purposes in hand, when you have it so strongly exemplified in the case of Dalhousie College. It is my earnest wish that, under an improved system, a seat of Learning may be established in Nova-Scotia, where the youth of the Province may be instructed, without being subject to restrictions, which, in my opinion, are wholly unnecessary, and such discretion should be employed in adapting the means to the end, as may prevent those pecuniary difficulties, which must always follow, where too extensive a scale is adopted in the outset.

I have, &c. (Signed) G. MURRAY.

LIEUT. GENERAL SIR P. MAITLAND, K. C. B.
&c. &c. &c.

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DOWNING-STREET, 30th JANUARY, 1832.

SIR—

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your Dispatch of the 27th Sept. last, stating that you would avail yourself of an early opportunity of communicating with me in detail, on the subject of the union of King's and Dalhousie Colleges.

In my Dispatch of the 31st July last, I informed you that the Parliamentary Grant of £1000 per annum to King's College, would, after the present year, be reduced to £500 per annum. A vote for that sum will therefore be proposed to Parliament next year; but His Majesty's Government having had the Estimate for the Province of Nova-Scotia under their consideration, do not feel that

they would be justified in proposing any vote for the College, after the year 1833. Under these circumstances, I am most anxious to receive from you, with as little delay as possible, the Report which you announced your intention of forwarding to me, upon the measures which it will be advisable to adopt, in order to secure to the Province of Nova-Scotia the advantage of a plan of Education in the higher branches of learning, in such a manner as may be best suited to the wants and feelings of the Province, and best calculated to secure to the Institution the cordial support and attachment of those for whose benefit it is intended.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient humble servant,

(Signed) GODERICH.

Lieut. General Sir Peregrine Maitland, K. C. B. &c. &c. &c.

DOWNING-STREET, 25th NOVEMBER, 1833.

SIR—

With reference to my predecessor's Dispatch of the 30th Jany. 1832, relative to the proposed union of King's and Dalhousie Colleges, I am desirous of directing your attention to the promise of the House of Assembly, that the subject should be taken into consideration by them at an early period.

The necessity of arriving at some decision upon this question has become still more urgent, from the cessation of the Funds by which King's College has been supported, and the consequent embarrassment which will be entailed upon the President and other Officers belonging to the College, who, for a number of years, filled important stations on the Establishment.

The subject has so often engaged the attention of this Department, that it is not necessary to enter in detail into the arguments which may be urged in favor of an union of the two Colleges.—The difficulties which stand in the way of the completion of this measure seem to me so easy of removal, that I can scarcely allow myself to suppose that they will not be overcome when the subject has been duly considered by the Assembly.

You will therefore take an early opportunity of bringing it again under their notice.

There is only one point which it occurs to me to suggest, connected with this subject—it is, that the Presidency of the College should be thrown open to all Candidates, like the other appointments, whenever the present holder, (Dr. Porter) may vacate the Chair. Such an understanding would greatly facilitate the satisfactory arrangement of this important question.

I have, &c.

(Signed) E. G. STANLEY.

The Acting Governor of Nova-Scotia, &c. &c.

DOWNING-STREET, 30th APRIL, 1835.

SIR—

I have had the honor to receive your Dispatch of the 18th February last, addressed to my predecessor, on the subject of the union of King's and Dalhousie Colleges, in the Province under your Government, and explaining the reasons by which you had been deterred from making to the Legislature of Nova-Scotia the communication which was recommended to you by Lord Stanley, and which had been previously more than once indicated to your predecessors in the Government of the Province, as the only means of escape from the difficulties with which the question is surrounded. I have perused your Dispatch with very serious regret, because the repugnance which appears from it to be felt by the Governors of King's College, to adopt the only measure, upon condition of which the assent of the Legislature to the union of the Colleges can be obtained, seem likely to preclude the possibility of an amicable arrangement. After the most attentive and anxious consideration of the question, and after reverting to the correspondence which has heretofore taken place upon it, I can discover no other solution of the difficulty than that which has been thus frequently suggested. The subject has, I am sorry to observe, become so much complicated by the length of time during which the controversy has lasted, as to be no longer a question of Collegiate discipline, but to involve the existence of any College at all in the Province.

I need hardly recall to your recollection the correspondence which has taken place upon this subject—since, during the last five years, it has occupied a prominent place among the questions connected with the Province of Nova-Scotia, to which the attention of the successive Secretaries of State has been devoted. In the month of August, 1832, Lord Goderich, who, at that time, held the Seals of this Department, recommended that the two Colleges should be united, and that the framing of the Constitution should be conceded to the Legislature—following in this suggestion the opinion of the Attorney-General of the Province, as stated in Sir Peregrine Maitland's Dispatch of 19th March, 1832. Lord Stanley, who appears to have adopted the same view of the case, in a Dispatch, dated the 25th November, 1833, recommended to the Acting Governor the throwing open of the Presidency of the United College to all persuasions, after the expiration of Dr. Porter's tenure; and pre-

vously to your proceeding to the Province, he repeated that recommendation to yourself. I have every reason to believe that my immediate predecessor in this Office adopted the same views. It may therefore be confidently stated, that on the part of the Ministers of the Crown, there has been no reluctance to meet the wishes of the Legislature of Nova-Scotia upon the subject. On the contrary, had their suggestions been followed, it is probable that the controversy might long ere this have been permanently and satisfactorily arranged.

You state that the Governors of King's College consider it essential that the head of the United College should always be a Clergyman of the Established Church, in full Orders; but you at the same time admit that the House of Assembly would not sanction the desired union, so long as any restriction of this nature should be allowed to exist. Apprehending, therefore, that no good result could, under such circumstances, be expected from bringing the subject before the Legislature, but, on the contrary, that a revival of it might induce the Assembly to require the repayment of the sum of £5000 lent to Dalhousie College, you abstained from making to them the communication which Lord Stanley had directed. The Assembly, however, have themselves originated the question, by renewing their demand for the payment of this debt—a demand which, if enforced, could only be met by a sacrifice of the greater portion of the Funds invested for the endowment of Dalhousie College. Under these circumstances you recommend that the debt should be paid, and that, whatever should then remain of the endowment of Dalhousie College, should be applied to the support and improvement of King's College. In this suggestion I cannot by any means concur, since it seems to me to hold out but little prospect of overcoming the difficulties with which these Institutions have at present to contend. Those difficulties have arisen from the want of a sufficient resort of Students to them. To take, therefore, a step which, altho' it might confer a small present endowment upon King's College, would leave intact the causes of the dissatisfaction with its Constitution, while it must at the same time utterly destroy the younger and more popular Establishment, would be a proceeding but little calculated to conciliate the good will of the inhabitants of the Province. The great majority of those inhabitants are stated to be Dissenters from the tenets of the Church of England, and, as it was for *their advantage that the Colleges were originally founded*, so it is upon their support that they must ultimately depend.

Considering the unrestricted facilities for Education which are to be found in the neighbouring Provinces of the United States, it appears to me impossible that any Establishment should succeed in Nova-Scotia, unless in its character and discipline it be consonant to the general feelings of the community. However anxious, therefore, I may be to respect the conscientious scruples of the Governors of King's College, and I assure you that upon no light grounds should I venture to disregard them, I must yet consider that it is my duty, at the stage at which this question has arrived, to endeavour to follow out what appears to have been the original object of these Establishments, and which certainly was the motive for the modifications of the Charter of King's College. I must consider that when the question to be decided is, the existence of any Collegiate Establishment at all in Nova-Scotia, no concessions can be withheld which are not repugnant to the great principles of Religion and Morality.

Acting upon the principles which I have thus explained to you, it is my duty to instruct you to convey to the Governors of King's College the earnest recommendation of His Majesty, that they should surrender the Charter which they at present hold. If, as I confidently anticipate, they should be ready to meet the wishes of His Majesty, you will make a communication on the subject to the two branches of the Legislature at their first meeting, and you will instruct the Attorney-General of the Province to prepare the Draft of a Charter for uniting the two Colleges, to be submitted to the Legislature for their consideration and approval. When this Charter shall have been approved by them, you will transmit it to me, for the signification of His Majesty's pleasure; you will at the same time transmit a Message to the Assembly, expressing to them the earnest hope of His Majesty's Government, that, after such concessions to the expressed desire of the community, they will abstain from pressing the repayment of the debt due to them from Dalhousie College, or, should that debt have been already exacted, you will appeal to their liberality to provide for the United College, either by repaying the sum received from Dalhousie College, or in any other way that may seem most suitable to themselves. I cannot doubt that such an appeal would be successful. Both Sir P. Maitland and my predecessor in Office appear to have been convinced that if the Colleges could be united under a Constitution divested of all restrictions, on account of Religious opinions, the Assembly would be willing to forego this claim; and the readiness with which they have repeatedly suspended its exaction, so long as there appeared any prospect of compassing the union, is sufficient evidence of such a disposition.

With respect to the minor points connected with this subject, it is of course my wish that the judgment of the Assembly should be left entirely unfettered; but it appears to me that the advantages to be derived from a central situation, as well as from the commodious and permanent nature of the buildings erected for Dalhousie College, naturally suggest the expediency of removing the Establishment from the distant Town of Windsor to Halifax. By this means, and by throwing open the Collegiate Classes to all who should be willing to attend them, whether Members of the College or not, a source of instruction would be opened to many whose professional avocations might otherwise preclude them from literary or scientific pursuits. In a Town, situated like Halifax, such a plan could hardly fail to be successful, and its success would not only confer upon the Institution considerable pecuniary advantages, but would secure it in a great degree the good will and attach-

ment of all classes of the Inhabitants. There is another source also from which I conceive that considerable assistance might be derived to the College. I allude to the endowment in Land, amounting to 20,000 Acres, possessed by King's College. I do not discover, from the Despatches of your predecessors, whether any or what revenue is derived from this Estate. You will have the goodness to furnish me with a detailed Report upon the subject, pointing out any measures which may appear to you calculated to render it more productive or useful to the Institution.

As soon as the preliminary steps towards the union of the Colleges shall have been taken, you will report the circumstance to me, in order that I may communicate with Dr. Porter, the late President of King's College, with a view to securing his services as President of the United College. That Gentleman was, in the course of last year, allowed to retire upon a Pension of £400 per annum, in conformity with the guarantee made to him at the time of his original appointment. It is therefore highly desirable, from considerations of economy, that he should be induced to return to Nova-Scotia, and to resume, at the Head of the United College, the situation which he has so long held at King's College. His experience also, in Collegiate affairs, would render his assistance particularly valuable upon the first Establishment of a new Institution, and I have no doubt that his re-appointment would be acceptable to the Governors of King's College,

I need hardly point out to you the importance of avoiding any further delay in the settlement of this long pending question; and I shall await with anxiety your Report of the progress which may be made in it.

I have, &c.

(Signed) GLENELG.

Major-General Sir Colin Campbell, K. C. B. &c. &c. &c.

*EXTRACT of a Dispatch from SIR PEREGRINE MAITLAND to VISCOUNT GODERICH,
Dated 27th Sept., 1831.*

"I have also had the honor to receive your Lordship's Dispatch of the 31st July, relative to the union of King's and Dalhousie Colleges,—and it will be my duty to communicate with your Lordship in detail on that subject, as soon as I have had an opportunity of conferring with the Governors and Trustees of the two Institutions, several of whom are at present absent from Halifax.

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GOVERNMENT-HOUSE, HALIFAX, 19th MARCH, 1832.

MY LORD—

I have the honor to transmit to Your Lordship a Resolution* of the Governors of King's College, relative to the union of King's and Dalhousie Colleges, with Copies of the Minutes of the respective Governors of the two Institutions, on the subject of the proposed union.

I have, &c.

(Signed) P. MAITLAND.

The Right Honorable Viscount Goderich, &c. &c. &c.

*Vide Minutes, 13th January, 1832.

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GOVERNMENT HOUSE, HALIFAX, 18th FEBRUARY, 1835.

MY LORD—

PREVIOUSLY to my departure from England, my attention was called by Lord Stanley to the embarrassments of King's College, in this Province, and to the consequent necessity of effecting at as early a period as possible, the union which had been long contemplated between that Institution and the Dalhousie College; and I was instructed to take an early opportunity of reminding the House of Assembly of their promise to resume the consideration of this subject.

Lord Stanley appeared to think, that the difficulties in the way of completion of this measure, were of easy removal, and suggested, with a view of facilitating the settlement of this important question, that the Presidency of the College should be thrown open to all Candidates, like the other appointments, whenever the present holder, Dr. Porter, may retire from that office.

To such an arrangement, I found on my arrival here, the Governors of King's College (with one exception perhaps) have an insuperable objection—though, at the same time, they are sincerely anxious to meet the desire that has been expressed for an union of these Institutions, on liberal terms; and this objection will not, it is hoped, be deemed unreasonable, when it is considered, that all that King's College now possesses, including a valuable Library, and the Philosophical Apparatus, with its Provincial Grant, and little property in the funds, were procured solely on account of its connection with the Established Church—its total separation from which would, assuredly, be a very serious evil. In fact, its constitution now is of a very liberal character. All its Professorships and Honors, with the exception of the office of President, and Degrees in Divinity, are attainable by all Candidates properly qualified, without any reference to their religious opinions or requiring any religious tests whatever; the Students are permitted to attend such places of Public Worship as may be pointed out by their friends—and two Baptist Ministers have already graduated there; thus, no complaint can reasonably be made of the exclusive character of the Institution; but the Governors are of opi-

nion, that to preserve the characteristic feature of the primary Institution, as shewn by the Provincial Act of 1789, and by the Royal Charter and Statutes, it is essential that the head of the United College should always be a Clergyman of the Established Church, in full orders—though none but Members of that Church should be compelled to receive any part of their Theological Education from him; Students of all denominations of Christians being permitted to obtain their religious instruction from such sources as their Parents or Guardians may desire.

While any restriction, however, of this nature exists, the House of Assembly being composed chiefly of Dissenters, would not, I was confidently informed, sanction the desired Union; and I have therefore thought it prudent to abstain from sending any Message to them on the subject—having reason to know that it would lead to no good result—and fearing that it might occasion a demand which has often been threatened, for the re-payment of the loan of £5,000 advanced by the Province in 1823, to assist in completing the Building intended for the Dalhousie College. This demand, I regret to say, has notwithstanding been made, and as the College stock in the funds, amounting to about £9000, is pledged as a security for the loan—there will remain, after paying it off, so small a sum at the disposal of the Governors of that Institution (which though founded in 1819, has never yet been opened for want of funds,) as to exclude the slightest hope of its ever getting into successful operation. Under these circumstances it may be hoped, that the Earl of Dalhousie, the Founder and Patron of the College, and in whose name the Stock is invested, will acquiesce in the views of Sir George Murray, as explained in his Despatch to Sir Peregrine Maitland, of the 31st August, 1829, and consent to appropriate the funds which will still remain to the support and improvement of the other and more ancient Establishment.

With this assistance, and with that which I earnestly trust His Majesty's Government will continue to extend to King's College, by providing for the President's Salary; the means of maintaining one efficient Collegiate Establishment will be obtained, which, if conducted as King's College now is, on liberal and economical principles, is all that the Province can possibly require for ages to come.

But should this small Government allowance be withdrawn, (and here I may be permitted to remark, that Lord Goderich's Despatch of 30th July, 1831, appears to contemplate a permanent allowance from home of £500 per annum,) it is my duty not to conceal from your Lordship, that the usefulness of this Institution will be, if not wholly destroyed, so greatly abridged, as to inflict a most serious injury upon the Colony.

These considerations, and a just regard to the claims of the eminent Scholar, who presides at the College, and who was induced to come from Oxford to take charge of it nearly thirty years ago, in full confidence of a permanent and undiminished income, will, I doubt not, induce your Lordship to approve of Dr. Porter's continuing to draw for his Salary as he did last year, until some certain and permanent equivalent can be obtained from other sources.

It is understood, indeed, that Dr. Porter obtained, when lately in England, an assurance or pledge, that should this grant be discontinued, he should receive a retiring allowance, equal to two thirds of his present Salary, so that in that event, which would be attended with inevitable ruin to the College, a saving of only £166 13s. 4d. would accrue to the Government,

I have, &c.

[Signed C. CAMPBELL.

THE RIGHT HONORABLE THE EARL OF ABERDEEN, &c. &c. &c.

SECOND PART.

At the Annual Meeting of the GOVERNORS of KING'S COLLEGE, held in the COLLEGE LIBRARY, on Monday, the 22d day of September, 1823.

THE acting Secretary read to the Board a Letter from the Rev. Dr. Inglis, to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor; and also, a Letter from the Rev. the President, relative to a projected union between King's College and Dalhousie College, at Halifax; and it not appearing to the Board, provided the union can in other respects be effected, that the removal of King's College to Halifax would be an insuperable objection thereto:

It is therefore resolved, That the President and the Rev. Dr. Inglis, be a Committee to meet a Committee of the Dalhousie College, to consult upon the proper means of effecting the proposed object, and forthwith to report thereon.

The Board adjourn till to-morrow, 12 o'clock, 1823, September 23.

The Board of Governors having met in the College Library, pursuant to their adjournment.

The Committee appointed to meet a Committee of the Dalhousie College, (viz—the Speaker and the Hon. Michael Wallace, Treasurer of the Province,) to consult upon the most proper means for effecting the union of the two Colleges, report to the Board their joint proceedings, with a sketch of the principal regulations and alterations of the Statutes proposed to be adopted.

At a Meeting of the Governors of the College, held at the Government-House, at Halifax, on Saturday, the 3d January, 1824.

The Secretary, Mr. Cochran, having read the minutes of the last Meeting, and to the Board the following SUGGESTIONS for accomplishing the union of King's and Dalhousie Colleges.

NAME.—The United Colleges of King's and Dalhousie.

SITE.—Halifax.

GOVERNORS.—The same as those of King's College, with the addition of the Treasurer of the Province.

PATRON.—The Archbishop of Canterbury.

VISITOR.—The Bishop of Nova-Scotia.

COLLEGE.—To consist of one President, three or more Fellows, three or more Public Professors, and twelve or more Scholars.

- INTERNAL GOVERNMENT OF THE COLLEGE.**—To be vested in the President and Fellows exclusively.
- THE PRESIDENT.**—Must be a Clergyman of the Church of England in full orders, and must have taken the Degree of Master in Arts, or Bachelor in Civil Law, in a regular manner, in Oxford, Cambridge, Dublin, or King's and Dalhousie.
- THE FELLOWS.**—Shall be elected by the Governors—unmarried men—Bachelors of Arts, at least in one of the before named Universities, who shall have subscribed the 39 articles—shall be resident in the College, and, with the President, shall have the private Tuition of the undergraduates.
- THE PUBLIC PROFESSORS.**—Shall be chosen by the Governors, upon satisfactory proof of sufficient qualification, without respect to their Country or University, except the Professor of Divinity. They shall not be required to reside within the College, and shall deliver Public Lectures, which shall be open to all persons, whether Members of the University or not, who shall have obtained the permission of the Professors for their attendance.
- LODGING.**—All Undergraduates shall reside within the College, or in the houses of their Parents or Guardians, or of persons appointed by their Parents or Guardians, and approved by the President.
- DIVINE SERVICE.**—All resident Undergraduates shall attend the College Prayers morning and evening.
- RESIDENCE.**—No term shall be kept or shall reckon towards a degree without Academical residence during the whole term. The Academical residence of the Undergraduates living within the walls of the College, shall consist in Lodging and Boarding in the College—in wearing the proper habit, in attending the Chapel Lectures and Exercises, and in complying with all other Collegiate Regulations according to the Statutes. The Academical residence of those undergraduates who lodge out of the College, shall consist, in wearing the proper habit, in attending Lectures and Exercises, and in complying with other Collegiate Regulations.
- DEGREES.**—It shall be required of every person before a Degree be conferred on him :—
- 1st.—That his name shall be upon the Matricula of the University.
 - 2nd.—That he shall be a Member of the College.
 - 3rd.—That he shall be of the standing required by the Statutes.
 - 4th.—That he shall have kept the residence required by the Statutes.
 - 5th.—That he shall have attended the Lectures, and performed the College Exercises appointed by the Statutes.
 - 6th.—That he shall be a Man of good principles and morals.
 - 7th.—That he shall have performed the proper exercises for his Degree.
 - 8th.—That he shall have undergone an examination, and shall have received a Testimonium from his Examiners, in all cases in which the Statutes have directed the Candidates to be examined.
 - 9th.—That he shall have taken the Oaths required at the time of his Matriculation.
- Of Bachelor and Doctor in Divinity.—Every person before he be admitted to either of these Degrees shall have subscribed the 39 articles.
- STATUTES.**—To be formed from those now in use at King's College, with an understanding, that all those which may interfere with these suggestions shall be omitted or modified.
- PROPERTY.**—Funds—There shall be an entire union of the Lands, Monies and Funds, of the two Colleges ; and all bequests and donations, which heretofore have been made or given to either of the said Colleges, shall become the Property of the United College.

OBSERVATIONS.—The suggestions for accomplishing an union between King's and Dalhousie Colleges, have been offered upon a supposition that there is a general desire among the Patrons and Governors of the two Institutions, to preserve, as much as possible, whatever may be deemed the primary objects of each.

Especial provision for the sound instruction of the Members of the Established Church; and particularly of those who are intended for holy orders in that Church, is considered the primary object of King's College.

Provision for the Complete literary instruction of all who dissent from the Established Church, without controul, as to their peculiar views on religious subjects; permission to reside with their Parents, or the friends of their Parents, and opening the Public Lectures to all who may wish to attend all or any of them, are considered the primary objects of Dalhousie College.

It is also considered that several sacrifices will be necessary from both, but an ample return will be attained by putting an end at once to all rivalry; the tendency of which would inevitably be, to keep both in poverty and insignificance, because it must be evident that one College will be ample for the literary wants of Nova-Scotia, and perhaps of the adjoining Provinces, for several centuries; and it is equally evident that it is scarcely possible to obtain the Funds that are essential to the competent and liberal support of one College.

COLLEGE.—All the private Tuition, as well as the internal government of the College, is to be in the hands of the President and Fellows; and as these will especially regard the Residents, who will be chiefly, if not entirely, composed of the Sons of Members of the Established Church, and Candidates for Holy Orders—it is considered necessary that those Offices should be filled by Members of the Church.

And it is hoped that no objection can be made to this, as ample provision will be made for complete toleration of all other persons whose religious instruction may be regulated by the Parents or Friends with whom they shall reside.

DEGREES of Bachelor and Doctor in Divinity.—As it is impossible that more than one system of Religion can be maintained in the same Institution, it has been thought necessary that Degrees in Divinity should be confined to those who are Members of that Church, according to the principles of which, the religious instruction of the College will be regulated.—But all the instruction and honors of the Institution, with this necessary exception, are given to Dissenters, who will take all other Degrees, and be Members of Convocation.

And as a very small portion of the Clergy, of any religious persuasion, take Degrees in Divinity, this exception need not discourage those who are intended for Dissenting Ministers, from obtaining their Education in the United College.

STATUTES.—As the Statutes of King's College are grounded upon a Royal Charter and are sanctioned by high authority in England, and many of them are essential to the primary objects of King's College, it is considered more desirable to retain as many of them as may be suitable to the proposed Institution, than to frame a new body of Statutes, especially as all the Statutes which would interfere with the Material objects of the intended union, and all that may be obnoxious, from their mode of expression, are to be omitted or so altered as to be unexceptionable.

tion. The Secretary read to the Board a Letter from the Right Honble. the Earl of Dalhousie, addressed to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, by whom the foregoing "suggestions" and "observations" for accomplishing the union between the two Colleges had been transmitted to His Lordship, in which His Lordship states his approbation of the same.

The Secretary also read a Letter, addressed to him by the Rev. Dr. Cochran, the Vice President, stating his inability, from ill-health, to attend the present meeting, and giving his reasons for objecting to the removal of the Seminary from Windsor, although he concurs in the union of the two Colleges.

The Board proceeding in the discussion of this important subject, when the Chief-Justice, who had not been present at the last meeting, stated that the removal of King's College, to Halifax, is, in his opinion, an insuperable objection to the proposed union.

The other Governors are of opinion, that, by an union of the two Colleges, and fixing them in Halifax, upon the principles set forth in the foregoing "suggestions" three most important points would be accomplished, namely:—The Institution would be open to all Religious Persuasions, without any distinction whatever. The advantages of open Lectures would be obtained to which young Men of the Army and Navy, of the different Learned Professions, Strangers, and others in Halifax, might resort; these Lectures in a remote Village like Windsor, would be nearly useless; and lastly, the Funds of the two would be united, which, taken separately, would be insufficient for the preservation of either College in a state of respectability.

Whereupon, it was *resolved*, That the Attorney and Solicitor-General be a Committee to Draft a Bill for accomplishing the union of the two Colleges, in the mode proposed in the foregoing "suggestions."

And that the Rev. the President and the Rev. Dr. Inglis, be a Committee to make such alterations in the Statutes of King's College, as may be necessary, in conformity with the views stated in the foregoing "suggestions."

The meeting was then adjourned.

January 7th, 1824.

At a Meeting of the Governors of the College, held at the Government-House, in Halifax, on Wednesday, the 7th day of January, 1824.

The Attorney-General read to the Board the " Draught of a Bill, to be entitled, An Act for uniting King's College, at Windsor, and Dalhousie College, at Halifax."

The President and Dr. Inglis read to the Board the alterations which, in their opinion, are necessary to be made in the Statutes, in conformity with the views stated in the "suggestions for accomplishing the union of King's and Dalhousie College."

The Secretary was directed by the Board to submit the said Draught of a Bill, together with the alterations of the Statutes to the Governors, individually, for their consideration previously to their being transmitted to the Earl of Dalhousie, at Quebec.

The Chief-Justice transmitted to the Secretary his reasons for objecting to the proposed union of King's and Dalhousie College, which he requested might be entered on the Minutes of the Board, as follows:—

"I think the objections to the removal of the University from Windsor to Halifax, and its proposed union with Dalhousie College insuperable.

1st—Because the Royal Charter is predicated on the Establishment of the University at Windsor, where the Seminary from which it sprung, is by Law fixed, and united with the College, mutually aiding and assisting each other.

2d—Because it appears to me that any attempt, or the manifestation of a wish on the part of the Trustees, to disturb the Institution, or to shake the foundation of the Establishment they are appointed to promote and protect, are too nearly allied to a breach of Trust to be adopted.

3d—Because the change of residence from the serenity and quiet of a pleasant country place, to a crowded Sea Port Town, in which Troops are always kept; an expensive Dock Yard provided, and the Harbour peculiarly suited and prepared as a Station for His Majesty's Navy, are of themselves insuperable objections. The Population, in such a Town, must be mixed and incongruous—the habits of life variant—the manners and fashions fluctuating—and the inclination and addiction to dissipation irresistible, as the opportunities and incitements to it are increased: a situation and circumstances necessarily opposed to the duties, studies, and sober habits, of every Member of the Institution; and requiring a stricter vigilance and care over its youth, while the greater difficulties will be found to good discipline, and the facilities increased of evading its regulations.

4th—Because the University of Windsor, by its Institutions and Statutes, takes the example from the University of Oxford, perhaps the noblest and most exalted Seat of Learning known in the ancient or modern World. This University is placed in a retired part of the Kingdom, where its Professors, Fellows and Students, enjoy learned leisure with dignity, and pursue and perfect their Studies, undisturbed by the turbulence of a noisy populace—the hurry and bustle of Trade, and the dissipation, extravagance, and bad example of the idle; and it is rash to abandon this pattern of excellence, which has hitherto been happily followed, for one untried, from which the good results are yet to be learned.

5th—Because, by this change and removal, it is attempted to engraft the University of Windsor upon a College of a dissimilar design; and Classical Literature, the basis of the elder Establishment, may be made subservient to Lectures, Studies, and diffusive acquirements; and it is to be feared that in the end, Classical Education may be lost, in the more showy and dazzling employment of experiments and amusing pursuits.

6th—Because the University of Windsor, established on the foundation of the Church of England, and the only Institution of the kind in the Country, and from which cause it receives the succour and support of the British Government, the Universities and other Societies in the Parent Country, its munificent Patrons, may feel the loss of these advantages, in the overthrow and desertion of the principles in which it was established.

7th—Because the proposed union might obstruct the increase of the Church of England, and its interests in this Province, which are now materially promoted and extended by the Members which the University

sends abroad, educated under its auspices and in its principles; and would strengthen and encourage Institutions which are adverse to it, and would rejoice in its fall, and rise on its ruin.

8th—Because the situation of Windsor, pleasant and healthy, may, by means of its Water Communication, be considered as central to the Province and New-Brunswick, from which last mentioned Province nearly one half of its Students has been supplied, and with which the Communication is cheap and convenient. The removal of the Institution to Halifax will add nearly One Hundred Miles of Land Carriage out and home, and additional expense, which few are disposed to incur; and the inducement to Parents in that Province to send their Sons abroad will be thus partially removed. To this should be added, that there is already at Fredericton, in that Province, a Chartered College, to which Parents will be well disposed to send its youth, when the present advantages of sending them to Windsor shall be removed; and thus will a division be formed, and a rival Institution encouraged, while the United Members of the Provinces are scarcely sufficient for the maintenance of one such Establishment.

9th—Because one change will naturally awaken fears and anxiety of another, to which it furnishes an example, if future Trustees should be governed by similar inclinations; and the mortifying reflection to every Graduate that his "Alma Mater," the seat of his Education and Literary acquirements, from which he has derived his Academical Honors, and to which he is accustomed to look with sentiments of affection and interest, has become extinct, must be injurious to the University, for it is this spirit and these sentiments which are the life and principle of all Institutions—without which none can expect to flourish or endure.

10th—Because, if the proposed Union arises from a desire to unite the pecuniary funds of the two, and an advantage is expected thereby to the University of Windsor, it should be considered that the Dalhousie College is yet in a very unfinished state, and the Building, as well as the Funded Monies belonging to it, stand pledged for the Loan of Five Thousand Pounds—for the payment of which, the Building, and a large part of the Stock, will be ultimately sequestered and lost.

11th—Because the benefits at present enjoyed may be directed to objects which do not accord with the intention of those by whose munificence they were given; and the liberality and donations of future Benefactors may be prevented, and their zeal and interest in its success abated, by the fickleness of its Guardians.

12th—Because the supposition on which much stress has been laid, that the Government in England refuses to increase its aid, as it will not encourage two separate Establishments for Learning—will no longer refuse it when the two shall be united, is unfounded and fallacious: for the University of Windsor claims the attention of that Government, as its peculiar Patron, and may reasonably hope for any aid it is disposed to bestow.

13th—Because the Dalhousie College, as declared by its Founder, was not intended to interfere with the University of Windsor; its object being, to afford the means to young men who had not, or could not obtain, a Collegiate education, of deriving advantages, that a course of Lectures, on the higher branches of Learning and moderate improvements in Arts and Sciences, might afford, without obstructing the habitual occupation and engagements to which their time was necessarily devoted; and the Union proposed might encumber its management, by subjecting it to rules incompatible with its purpose; but could not, as I think, facilitate its objects nor promote its welfare.

14th—Because, to sum up the objections, it is proposed to effect an Union by means approaching to a breach of Trust, in which a present and acknowledged good is to be sacrificed, for uncertain and future advantage.

(Signed)

S. S. BLOWERS.

Halifax, January, 1824.

At a Meeting of the Governors of the College, held at Government-House, on Wednesday, the seventh day of April.

The Secretary read to the Board a Letter of the 13th March, addressed by the Earl of Dalhousie to His Excellency the Governor, conveying His Lordship's approbation of the two Draughts of a Bill, to be entitled, "An Act for uniting King's College, at Windsor, and Dalhousie College, at Halifax," which had been prepared by the Attorney-General and Dr. Inglis, and transmitted by the Lieutenant-Governor to the Earl of Dalhousie, for his consideration—whereupon,

It was resolved, That the Solicitor-General be requested to frame from the said two Draughts, one to be adopted by the Board; and that His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor be requested to submit the same to Earl Bathurst, His Majesty's Secretary of State for the Colonies; and that Dr. Inglis be requested to transmit a Copy of the same to the Lord Bishop of the Diocese, who is at present in England, to be submitted by His Lordship to His Grace the Archbishop of Canterbury, the Patron of the College.

The Meeting was then adjourned.

At a Meeting of the Governors of King's College, held at the Government-House, in Halifax, on Friday, the 11th November, 1825.

The Lord Bishop stated to the Board that, during his residence in England, he had used his best exertions to promote the interests of the Institution, by making known its objects and circumstances, and thereby endeavouring to excite an interest in its behalf. That he had made application to His Majesty's Government—the Societies for Propagation of the Gospel in Foreign parts, and for promoting Christian Knowledge, and numerous Individuals; and had solicited donations and subscriptions in aid of its general objects throughout the Kingdom. That the Society for Propagation of the Gospel in Foreign parts, had granted the sum of Five Hundred Pounds in aid of the general designs of the College, and will make a similar grant annually, till His Majesty's Government place the Institution on such an Establishment as to render that assistance unnecessary.

The Lord Bishop further stated that the Society for Promoting Christian Knowledge had a difficulty in making a Grant in aid of the general designs of the College, as the Funds of the Society are limited to religious objects; and that they had therefore granted the sum of Five Hundred Pounds, to be employed in providing for two or more Tutors, whose especial business it shall be to superintend the Morals and Religious Instruction of the Divinity Students, under the direction of the Lord Bishop of the Diocese.

His Lordship lastly stated, that from various sources, including the two Grants from the Societies, he had been enabled to procure subscriptions in aid of the General Designs of the College, to the amount of nearly £4000,—part of which he had received and deposited with the Agent of the Governors in England, to be invested in Exchequer Bills: having first deducted the amount of certain Bills for Philosophical Apparatus and Books, which His Lordship had undertaken to procure for the College.

At a Meeting of the Governors of King's College, Windsor, held at the Government-House, on Friday, the 13th day of January, 1832.

The Governors having resumed the consideration of Viscount Goderich's Dispatch to Sir Peregrine Maitland, of July 31, 1831, which had been laid before the Board by His Excellency: It was resolved unanimously, that the Board has every inclination to meet the desire which has been expressed by his Lordship, for an union of King's College, at Windsor, with Dalhousie College, at Halifax. *Resolved*, (the Attorney-General, who is also Speaker of the Assembly, not concurring, and referring to the Paper following these Resolutions as his opinion and reasons for his dissent,) That, in making the arrangements which may be necessary for effecting this measure, it is desirable to have as much regard, as possible to the original and primary objects of both Institutions.

Resolved, (the Attorney-General not concurring, and referring to the Paper above mentioned,) That this Board will cheerfully concur in opening the Honors of the united Colleges, when formed into one University, (as they are now opened in the University of King's College,) excepting only Degrees in Divinity, to all candidates who shall be duly qualified, without reference to, and without requiring any, religious tests.

Resolved unanimously, That the Professorships should be equally open to all well qualified Candidates, and the Lectures should be open to all who may obtain the Professors permission to attend, and pay the regulated Fees, whether they be Members of the University or otherwise.

Resolved unanimously, That Students should be allowed to reside in the Houses of their Parents, or of such other Persons as may be chosen by their Parents or Guardians, and approved by the President.

Resolved unanimously, That, as the Students in this Country generally enter College at an early age, it is necessary to prepare them by private Tuition, for attendance on Public Lectures, and therefore that a course of Instruction, similar to that which is now adopted in King's College, should be introduced for the benefit of all who may wish to avail themselves of it, into the united Colleges.

Resolved, (the Attorney-General not concurring and referring to the Paper before mentioned, the Solicitor-General also not concurring,) That the Theological Instruction of those Students, who are Members of the Church of England, should form a part of the private Tuition, and be assigned to the President of the College, who, for this reason, as well as to preserve the characteristic feature, as shewn by the Provincial Act of 1799, and by the Royal Charter and by the Statutes of the College, should continue to be a Clergyman of the United Church of England, and Ireland, in full orders.

Resolved, (the Attorney-General not concurring and referring to the Paper before mentioned, the Solicitor-General likewise not concurring,) That as it is intended to give the full advantages of the Institution to all the various denominations of Christians in the Province—none others than Members of the Church of England, shall be compelled to receive any part of this Theological Instruction; and all others should be permitted to receive their Theological Instruction from such sources as their Parents or Guardians may direct.

The following is a Copy of the Paper referred to by the Attorney-General in the foregoing Resolutions, which was submitted by him to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, as President of the Board, previous to the present meeting.

I have considered, with much attention, the Dispatch of Lord Goderich, on the subject of the Colleges, and I am desirous of giving effect to His Lordship's views, as far as it is in my power, but I am unwilling, at this early stage of the proceedings, to pledge myself, as a Governor of the Colleges, to any particular measure upon a subject which must ultimately come before the House of Assembly, of which I am the Speaker, where it will be discussed and examined in all its bearings.

His Lordship's Dispatch appears to me to contemplate the permanent settlement of the Academy at Pictou, which has so long remained without any Provincial aid, as a previous step, and should a satisfactory arrangement take place as to that Academy, I think that, notwithstanding many difficulties, which at first view present themselves, one efficient College might be established at Halifax, to be supported by the Funds of King's and Dalhousie Colleges, as stated in His Lordship's Dispatch; but the Constitution of such a College must be established by an Act of the Colonial Legislature, and will not be left to depend upon the present Constitution of either of those Colleges; and it is not to be expected that the Legislature will limit the government of such an Institution to the Church of England, or to any other particular denominations of Christians, nor that they will establish therein any religious distinctions, or any exclusions or restrictions whatsoever.—Should the proposed College be established upon broad and liberal principles, I think it probable that the debt due to the Province by Dalhousie College might, in the mean time, be suspended, or perhaps relinquished. I do not think any advantage would be gained by the Governors submitting the Draft of a Bill on this subject to the Legislature, could they agree in the proposed measure, as the Assembly would be more influenced by the general wishes of the country, than by any opinion intimated by the Governors.

(Signed)

S. G. W. ARCHIBALD.

January 6th, 1832.

At a Meeting of the Governors of King's College, Windsor, held at the Government-House, in Halifax, on Thursday, the 21st of June, 1832.

The Visitor read the Draft of a Memorial to the Right Honorable Viscount Goderich, which was agreed to, and ordered to be engrossed, and was as follows:

To the Right Honorable Viscount Goderich, His Majesty's Principal Secretary of State for the Colonies.

The Memorial of the Governors of King's College, at Windsor, in Nova-Scotia,

RESPECTFULLY SHEWETH:

That the Institution under their care is of Royal Foundation, and from its origin was intended to be at all times a Bond of Union between this Colony and the Parent Kingdom.

That, with this view, its Charter and principal endowment were solicited and obtained from His late Majesty King George the Third, who was pleased to take a personal interest in the Institution, and frequently condescended to enquire of its welfare.

That, as it was known in England, as well as in Nova-Scotia, that the endowment would be continually required for the support of the Institution, and the preservation of its connection with the Parent Kingdom, the Government not only encouraged an expectation of the permanence of the annual allowance, first allotted, but expressed an inclination to increase that allowance, if the wants of the Seminary should require it, and its usefulness should justify the measure.

That accordingly, in the year 1824, when the wants of the Institution were urgent, and the evidence of its extensive usefulness was very satisfactory, the Governors applied for some additional support, and their claim was most graciously received. But the time was so unfavorable to any increase of expenditure by the Government, that the Grant for a larger allowance, which was admitted to be necessary, was postponed, and the Society for the Propagation of the Gospel most kindly agreed to afford temporary relief to the College, until it should be less inconvenient to the Government to make the requisite addition to its permanent income.

That, even if the wants of the Institution were less urgent than they are, your Memorialists would consider it alike injurious to the Colony and the College to loosen the connection which now happily unites the Seminary with the Parent Kingdom, and with the Government—a connection whose great importance will be readily acknowledged, when it is recollected that the Sons of the large majority of the principal men in the Country receive their principles, and their Literary attainments and Honors, at this Institution; from which, many of the first Offices in the Colonies have already been filled with Gentlemen and Scholars, who are alike creditable to the College and useful to the Government and the Country.

That, if evidence were now wanting of the importance of the Institution in this respect, it might be supplied by the following extract from an application lately made to the Governors by the Venerable Vice President of the College, when, after a service of more than forty years, he requested some indulgence which his age and infirmities required.

“That your Memorialist hopes he may assume that his labours have not been altogether without benefit to the public; since he reckons amongst his Pupils, now living in these His Majesty's North American Colonies, one Bishop, one Archdeacon, very many Missionaries, and other Preachers of the Gospel, one Chief-Justice, six Judges, one Attorney-General, two Solicitors-General, and very many eminent Barristers, besides many of great worth in other Professions, still living; and others, who, after useful and honorable lives, have gone to their rest before their Instructor.”

That in a Colony like Nova-Scotia, where a majority of the People are not Members of the Established Church, it is a matter of some delicacy and difficulty to secure any advantages to that Church, however desirable it may be on every account to obtain them; and yet, this College, although diffusing its general benefits among all denominations of Christians, has uniformly proved, as it was always designed to be, an efficient hand-maid to the Church, and happily, without expense to others.

Its Honors, with the single exception of Degrees in Divinity, are now alike open to all, and the more substantial benefit of its instruction has been dispensed, without any exception, for more than forty years.—It supplies a well educated Clergy, acquainted with all the peculiarities of the Country, and prepared for its difficulties, whose moderate expectations and desires are easily gratified; who, while dispensing the blessings of a pure Faith to their own Flocks, in thankful contentment, seldom fail to obtain the respect and esteem and affection of all others. For this eminent advantage to the Church, so remarkably calculated to soften prejudice and conciliate regard; it would be vain to look, if the King's College were destroyed, and its destruction would be inevitable if the favor and support of the Government were withdrawn.

Your Memorialists further submit respectfully to your Lordship, that any interruption of the important connection which has hitherto subsisted between King's College and the Parent Country, the Church and the Government, might even be regarded an abandonment of the original implied engagement, upon which the friends of the Institution have uniformly relied. The first Act of the Provincial Legislature, on behalf of the College, created this connection.

The express provisions of the Royal Charter, as well as its whole spirit, confirm it. All that it has received from the Bounty of Individuals, its valuable Library and Apparatus; the munificent contributions in England, which, in the year 1825, amounted to several Thousand Pounds, by which the present Building has been repaired, and the commencement of a fund for a new Building has been formed, were solicited and procured upon the ground of such connection, which was prominently urged as a chief motive to those contributions.

That, in addition to all these powerful considerations, your Memorialists are bound, by a sense of duty, to urge upon the notice of your Lordship, the circumstances in which the present respectable Officers of King's College are placed.

They depend entirely upon the Grant from Government for their Salaries; and if that Grant be withheld, before some equivalent for it be provided, they must be thrown upon the world without the means of support.

That, with due regard to the very important connection which has already been pressed upon the attention of your Lordship, the Governors of the College persevered, through many difficulties and disappointments, in their endeavours to procure a President for their College from the University of Oxford. The Gentleman who now holds that Office, was distinguished even in that eminent Seat of Learning, by the respectability of his character, his attainments in general knowledge, and his critical taste and accuracy in Classical Literature: His early prospects, before he heard of Nova-Scotia, were encouraging; but these were relinquished for the station he has held, with great credit and usefulness, for more than twenty-six years, in King's College, and they were so relinquished upon a belief, well justified at the time, that the connection of the College with the Government, and the support which it derived from the Royal Bounty, were to be perpetual. The still longer services of

the Venerable Vice-President have already been alluded to, and those of the other Officers, though not of so long continuance, ought not to be overlooked.

Your Memorialists are satisfied that the bare mention of these facts will be sufficient to secure your Lordship's regard for these meritorious Individuals, and your Lordship's protection of them from the ruin which must immediately overwhelm them, if the support, which the Institution has hitherto received from the Government, should now be withheld.

That, while your Memorialists, from a sense of the duty they owe to the valuable Institution immediately under their care, and also to the Colony in which they dwell, and to the Parent Country, and to the Government, and to the Established Church, have earnestly endeavoured to press the condition and prospects of King's College, upon the notice of your Lordship; they are desirous to offer assurances of their due sense of your Lordship's kind desire to uphold the Institution, as manifested by your Lordship's suggestions for the improvement of the Wilderness Lands which were granted by His late Majesty King George the Third, for the benefit of the College, and also for an Union of Dalhousie College with King's College, that their joint resources may be made applicable to the respectable support of one University.

That, in reference to the first of these objects, your Memorialists feel bound to do every thing in their power for the immediate improvement of the Landed Property, and have accordingly made enquiry as to the best mode of attempting this, but they would only delude themselves and deceive your Lordship, if, regardless of a full conviction upon their minds, produced by intimate local knowledge of the Country, and by the result of their enquiries, they encouraged any expectation of the profitable cultivation of these remote Lands, which are entirely in a state of nature, without considerable expense, and a long lapse of time; for the period is yet distant when any certain income may be derived from them.

That, with regard to the Union of the Colleges, your Lordship is already in possession of evidence which will confirm the assurance, your Memorialists now readily repeat, of their desire to meet the views of your Lordship, as far as it may be possible on their part.

There are some difficulties, however, which they have no power to remove, and, if they should happily be overcome by the Legislature, who alone possess the power to surmount them, your Memorialists will gladly avail themselves of all the advantages which the Union may afford.

But it is incumbent upon them to state with candour their full persuasion, that these advantages cannot be so great as wholly to supersede the necessity for direct assistance from the Government; and indeed, they trust, your Lordship will be satisfied, it is very undesirable that the immediate connection with Government, which such assistance happily maintains, should ever be removed.

That your Memorialists are therefore bound to repeat their very earnest Petition to your Lordship, that no part of the support that King's College now receives from Government may be withheld, until a full equivalent be provided from other sources; and that its most important connection with the Government may never be dissolved by the total removal of the Royal patronage and support.

And as in duty bound, your Lordship's Memorialists will ever pray.

{Signed}

P. MAITLAND,
JOHN NOVA-SCOTIA,
S. S. BLOWERS,
S. G. W. ARCHIBALD,
CHARLES R. FAIRBANKS,
RUPERT D. GEORGE.

At a Meeting of the Governors of King's College, Windsor, held at the Government-House, in Halifax, on Thursday, the 20th day of June, A. D. 1833.

Resolved, That the Visitor, the Chief-Justice, and the Secretary of the Province, be appointed a Committee to forward a Copy of the Memorial addressed to the Secretary of State for the Colonies, in the Month of June, 1832, to the Patron, with a respectful request that his Grace will be pleased to present it, and press its prayer upon the favorable consideration of Government. And that the same Committee do also address a Letter to the Secretary of State, to explain the altered condition of the resources of the College, and the inevitable ruin that must immediately overtake it if all aid from the Government be withdrawn: and likewise, to Sir Peregrine Maitland, explaining the cause of the Letter to Mr. Stanley, and begging the earnest co-operation of His Excellency.

At a Meeting of the Governors of King's College, Windsor, held at the Government-House, at Halifax, on Wednesday, the 6th day of November, A. D. 1833.

The Visitor then called the attention of the Board to the unhappy diminution of the income of the College, by the withdrawal of the Grant of One Thousand Pounds Sterling, which they have hitherto received annually from the British Parliament. And also, by a loss of a temporary Grant of Five Hundred Pounds per annum, which has been obtained for several years from the Benevolence of the Society for the Propagation of the Gospel, (a loss occasioned by the withdrawal of the Parliamentary Grant to that Society.

The Board gave their serious consideration to this important subject, and, after a minute examination of all their resources, were compelled to resolve that they could only offer the limited salary of One Hundred and Fifty Pounds Currency, per annum, to the Professor of Grammar, Rhetoric and Logic, and the like sum to the Professor of Mathematics, with an unanimous resolution that, if it shall at any time be in their power to make an addition to this Salary, it shall immediately be made.

At a Meeting of the Governors of King's College, Windsor, held at the Government-House, in Halifax, on Friday, the 14th day of March, 1834.

The Visitor called the attention of the Board to the appalling situation of the College, now deprived of the Parliamentary Grant, and the assistance heretofore afforded by the Society for the Propagation of the Gospel, and so left with no other income than the Provincial Grant of £400 per annum. He suggested the propriety of moving His Honor the President, in whatever way might be thought most expedient, to bring the whole subject under the favorable consideration of the Legislature now in Session : but, after full consideration of the matter, and especially, after hearing the opinion of the Speaker and the Solicitor-General, it was agreed, that the present time is most unfavourable for any application to the Legislature, now embarrassed by several difficult subjects, which call for large expenditure, and, therefore, that an application should be postponed.

At a Meeting of the Governors of King's College, Windsor, held at the Government-House, in Halifax, on Tuesday, the 31st day of March, 1835.

The Visitor requested the attention of the Governors to the declining state of the College, chiefly owing to the loss of the Grant from the Government, and the consequent uncertainty of its support, which withholds young men from entering the College. It was unanimously resolved, to repeat the application of the Board to His Majesty's Secretary of State for the Colonies, and anxiously urge the necessity for some permanent aid,—the reasonable expectation of which was encouraged when the Charter was obtained, and is now as necessary as it was when the College was founded.

The Visitor was requested to prepare a Memorial, to be addressed to the Secretary of State for the Colonies, for the consideration of the Board ; and it was determined by the Board to make every possible exertion, through every difficulty, to sustain the character of the Institution and promote its usefulness.

At a Meeting of the Governors of King's College, Windsor, held at the Government-House, in Halifax, on Wednesday, the 24th June, A. D. 1835.

The Board immediately went into the consideration of this Dispatch, and, after continuing some time in deliberation, adjourned until Friday, at 11 o'clock, to give the Members an opportunity of fully considering a subject of such vital importance to the Institution.

At a Meeting of the Governors of King's College, Windsor, held at the Government-House, in Halifax, on Friday, the 26th day of June, A. D. 1835.

The Board resumed the consideration of the Right Honorable C. Grant's dispatch, dated 30th April, 1835, and thereupon, resolved, that the Visitor, the Judge of the Vice-Admiralty, the Solicitor-General and Mr. Jeffery, be a Committee to prepare a Statement in answer thereto.

At a Meeting of the Governors of King's College, Windsor, held at the Library of the College, on Wednesday, the 30th day of September, A. D. 1835.

The Visitor reported that, owing to the absence of some of the Members of the Committee appointed to prepare a Statement in answer to the Dispatch of the Right Honorable C. Grant, dated 30th April, 1835, on their official and other duties, the Committee had not yet been able to prepare such a Statement.

At a Meeting of the Governors of King's College, Windsor, held at the Government-House, in Halifax, on Monday, the 9th day of November, 1835.

The Visitor, as Chairman of the Committee appointed to prepare a Statement in answer to the Dispatch of the Right Honorable C. Grant, His Majesty's Principal Secretary of State for the Colonies, dated 30th April, 1835, made his Report as follows :

The undersigned, Members of the Committee appointed by the Board of Governors of King's College, Windsor, to consider of, and prepare a Statement in answer to, the Dispatch of the 30th

April, 1835, received by His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, from the Right Honorable Lord Glenelg, His Majesty's Principal Secretary of State for the Colonies, and by His direction communicated to this Board on the 24th June last, have agreed to report as follows :

That the unavoidable absence of several Members of the Committee from Halifax, on official duties, prevented their assembling together until a recent day, for the consideration of the very important subjects of the Dispatch referred to them, yet, in the interval, each Member of the Committee has not failed to bestow his most anxious attention on that communication ; and, at their Meeting, the various matters to which their notice was necessarily drawn by it, have been discussed under the deepest sense of the consequences, which the views of his Lordship, as expressed in that Dispatch, must, if acted upon, inevitably produce, not only to the Institution of which the Members of this Board are officially the Trustees and Directors, but, as the Committee apprehend, to the great interests of Religious and Public instruction in this Province.

At the same time the Committee perceive throughout the Dispatch the same anxious desire on the part of his Lordship, which has ever been manifested by all his predecessors, to maintain and preserve those important interests, and to afford to them the benefit of his countenance and support. This favorable disposition—the time and consideration which, amid the pressure of the multitude of other and higher claims on His Lordship's attention, he has been pleased to devote to the affairs of our Establishments for Education, demand from the Board its most grateful acknowledgments ; and at the same time justify the belief, that when all the circumstances of the existing Institutions—the purposes and mode of their Establishment—the situation in which they are now placed—and the causes that presently operate upon, and will continue to influence, their success and usefulness, are distinctly placed before him, when his Lordship is put in possession of those details which appear essential to the full consideration of that most interesting question, “By what measure will the cause of useful and general education, *under the existing circumstances of the Province*, be most effectually promoted,” that his Lordship will be induced to review the conclusions which appear to have been adopted, and to excuse the hesitation, which the Board could not possibly avoid entertaining, to comply with his request for the surrender of the Charter of King's College.

The Committee have therefore prepared a statement, detailing those particulars which appeared most essential to be submitted to his Lordship ; and referring also to the modification which the Committee would earnestly recommend to be adopted, for the purpose of rendering the establishment of King's College more extensively useful,—not departing from those objects which are too intimately incorporated with the principles on which its foundation rests, to be abandoned without a degree of moral responsibility, which Trustees ought not to incur. But to accommodate it more closely to the wants and even to the prejudices of the people—*or opening its doors, widely as possible, to all who seek the benefit of Collegiate Instruction,—and rendering the Honors, as well the advantages of science, attainable by persons of every class.* This recommendation, on an occasion such as the present, they think it necessary to make in the most distinct terms : for, when they bring before his Lordship the motives which actuate them in the course they are bound to pursue, they consider it due to him to point out also the methods, in their view of the subject, most directly conducive to the accomplishment of what appears to be his Lordship's most anxious desire,—“That the Province should immediately possess a Collegiate Institution, founded on liberal principles—adequately endowed—competent to supply the wants of the people, and accessible to all denominations.” An object which, if not to every purpose, certainly to a great extent, may, in the opinion of the Committee, be secured by means of the existing Establishment at Windsor.

This Statement, the Committee propose, should be transmitted to the Colonial Department, accompanying a respectful Memorial to the Secretary of State, entreating his favorable consideration of the whole subject ; and that, in the measures hereafter to be taken, he will be pleased to afford his continued protection to an Institution—established under a Provincial Statute and a Royal Charter—permanently, although in too limited a degree, endowed—actually, and during a long series of years, in useful operation—possessing the affectionate attachment of a vast number of most respectable and influential Individuals, who are indebted to it for their Education—limited at the present moment in its usefulness, principally by the withdrawing by Parliament of the annual grant of £1600, which was originally considered a permanent provision ; but also, by the compulsory abandonment, resulting from the reduction of the Parliamentary grant to the Society for Propagating the Gospel,—of the twenty-four Scholarships and Exhibitions, they had founded, as well as by the opinion prevailing, in consequence of these privations, that its dissolution was inevitable ; yet, even under its present circumstances, but unquestionably under those changes which the Board has been anxious to make—capable of accomplishing all the objects of an University in this Province, and above all, indispensable to the preservation of the Doctrine and Establishment of the Church of England here, by the Ministry of the native youth of the Colony,—a bond of connection with the Parent State, to which this College has mainly been indebted for its pecuniary support, and for the great benefit which it has already been the means of conferring on this part of His Majesty's Dominions.

From such a Memorial and Statement, the Committee cannot but anticipate a favorable result, both to the Institution under the care of the Board—to those great and paramount objects to which it was originally indebted for its existence, and to the true interests of general education. For it must be apparent to the Colonial Department, however desirable a different course of proceeding

might be, were the subject of founding and erecting a Provincial College taken up for the first time—that now Establishments are to be dealt with, in whose favor respectively, not only the interests, but the justifiable partialities, as well as the prejudices of no inconsiderable portion of this Community have become so deeply interested as to render it exceedingly doubtful that the abandonment of either or both would be followed by the erection of a Provincial College. On the contrary, the Committee cannot but anticipate, as the necessary consequence of the dissolution of King's College, that a more universally useful and acceptable Institution would remain for many years a subject merely of expectation.

[Signed] JOHN NOVA-SCOTIA,
CHARLES R. FAIRBANKS, Judge Vice-Admiralty,
THOS. N. JEFFERY.

November 9th, 1835.

Statement accompanying the Report of the Committee of the Governors of King's College to the Board.

The Principal Establishments for Education in Nova-Scotia are the King's College and Collegiate School at Windsor; Dalhousie College, and the Grammar School in Halifax; the Pictou Academy, in the Eastern part of the Province; the Annapolis Academy in the Western; and the Baptist Academy, at Horton—with Grammar Schools in several other places. Of these, only the first three have any permanent endowment.—To the Institution at Pictou, the Legislature in 1832, granted £400 per annum for ten years; but only annual appropriations have been made to the others, which provisions must therefore be considered wholly precarious.

The College at Windsor owes its origin, it is believed, to the anxiety entertained by many of the numerous Gentlemen of education and talent, who adopted this Province as their Home, on the Establishment of the Independence of the United States of America, that their children should obtain on the spot the advantages of a liberal education: For this object, a Collegiate Establishment was regarded as indispensable. Among them, the most zealous and unwearied was, that eminent and venerable Person who was then the first Bishop of Nova-Scotia, and, by his instrumentality were adopted, those measures which, in a short time, led to the Foundation of that Seminary by the Local Legislature.

On referring to the Proceedings of the General Assembly, in November, 1787, it appears that the Lieutenant-Governor, by Message, informed the House of Assembly that he had received from His Majesty, the following Instruction, which he recommended to their consideration.

“It is our Will and Pleasure that you recommend to the Assembly within your Government to make due provision for the erecting and maintaining of Schools, where youth may be educated in competent Learning, and in knowledge of the principles of the Christian Religion.”

On this Message, a Committee were named to take it into consideration, and, from their report the following Extracts are made; premising however, that the Grammar School in Halifax had been established and endowed in 1780, with £150 yearly.

“That the Committee conceive it indispensably necessary that a Public School be established as soon as possible, in some commodious and central situation in this Province, for the purpose of instructing the rising generation in the principles of sound Literature and the Christian Religion.

“And, as they conceive it necessary that the Master or Head of such School should be thoroughly qualified and accomplished for that important Trust, they recommend that an exemplary Clergyman of the Established Church, well skilled in Classical Learning, Divinity, Moral Philosophy, and Belles Lettres, be provided, and placed at the head of said School; and, as an encouragement for such a one so qualified to accept of the employment, that a sum not less than £200 Sterling per annum, be allowed him.

“They also recommend that a Professor of Mathematics and Natural Philosophy be likewise provided for the said School, with an allowance of £100 Sterling per annum; and the Right Rev. the Bishop of Nova-Scotia be requested to endeavour to procure two Gentlemen of the above qualifications, for those purposes.

“The Committee conceive that the Neighbourhood of Windsor will be the properest place for this School, and recommend that a commodious House should be hired there for that purpose, until, upon experience of the propriety of the situation, the Province shall find it expedient to erect a more suitable Building, or to enlarge their plan of Education.

“The Committee, in deliberating upon this subject, having duly considered and lamented the wretched state of Literature in this Province, and having been unavoidably led to contrast it with the state of Literature in the Neighbouring Republics, beg leave earnestly to recommend to the consideration of the House, whether it would not be proper, as soon as it can be found practicable, to erect a College or University in this Province, to prevent, as early as may be, the Youth of this Country (now panting after knowledge) from rushing into the various Seminaries already established in the United States of America; by which means their attachment to their native Country may be in danger of being weakened, and principles imbibed unfriendly to the British Constitution.”

The Committee further remark, that these are consequences of a very serious nature, and, after dwelling on the advantages possessed by the Province conclude, by recommending that the different Members may be requested to consult their Constituents on the subject, and to ascertain what resources may be obtained from the several Counties, for the purpose of effectually establishing and endowing such an University, and to come prepared at the next Session to give the fullest information on the subject.

This Report the House adopted, and *resolved*, that a sum not exceeding £400, be granted for the purpose of hiring a House in the Neighbourhood of Windsor, for an Academy; and also, for paying the Salary of the President and a Professor for one year. And, by another Resolution, the Lieutenant-Governor, the Right Reverend the Bishop of Nova-Scotia, the President of His Majesty's Council, and the Speaker of the Assembly, were desired to take upon themselves the government and general management of such Academy.

In accordance with the request thus made, the Reverend the Bishop took immediate steps for obtaining the proper Tutors, by opening a correspondence with the then Lord Archbishop of Canterbury, Dr. John Moore, and other eminent Persons; and their favor and support were not only immediately signified, but a respectable Clergyman, and excellent Scholar, was actually engaged to preside over the new Academy; but peculiar circumstances continuing to prevent his coming, competent Persons were engaged in the Province, and the Academy was opened at Windsor, on the 1st of November, 1789; the Principal having been ordained by the Bishop, and a set of very excellent regulations drawn up for its government, among which, is one which appoints daily Prayers for the Academy, to be selected from the Liturgy of the Established Church of England.

In the year 1789, the Provincial Act for founding, establishing and maintaining, a College at Windsor, was passed. On this Act, it is proper to remark, that its Preamble recites—"That the permanent establishment and maintaining a College at Windsor, may, by the blessing of God, become of the greatest public utility to this Province and to His Majesty's Neighbouring Colonies." That it grants the yearly sum of £400 Sterling from the Public Treasury forever, payable quarterly to the Governors of the College, towards its maintenance and support, and the payment of the Salaries of the President and Professors. That it constitutes the Governor, the Lieutenant-Governor, the Bishop, the Chief-Justice, the Secretary, the Attorney-General, and the Solicitor-General for the time being, Governors of the College. That it incorporates those official Persons and their Successors, as a Body Politic, with perpetual succession, by the name of the Governors of King's College of Nova-Scotia, with all usual Corporate Privileges, and declares their duty and authority empowers them to appoint the President and Professors under the Proviso, that "the President is always to be a Clergyman of the Established Church of England, duly qualified for that Office." Appropriates from the Treasury the further sum of £500 for the purchase of such Lot of Land in the Township of Windsor, as the Governors may choose and think requisite and proper for the purpose of founding and establishing such College, and finally, sanctions the appointment of a Temporary President and Professors; and the payment of the expenses of the Temporary Establishment from the Annual Grant, until a sufficient Building shall be erected, and a Charter obtained from our Most Gracious Sovereign, to authorize the opening of the College in due form.

In the meantime the Academy had been opened, and was already in useful operation, when, in May, 1790, the late most respected Vice-President of the College, the Rev. Dr. William Cochran formerly of Trinity College, Dublin, was called to preside over the Institution, receiving Ordination at the hands of the Bishop, before his appointment. From that period, until the Royal Charter was obtained, the Institution, bearing the name of the College, was numerously attended, being resorted to from all parts of this as well as from the neighbouring Colonies, for the benefit of his most able instruction; and to his eminent qualities as a Teacher, an extremely large number of the principal persons in the Province and its vicinity, are happy to acknowledge themselves indebted for their acquirements in useful knowledge, while they hold his memory in the highest respect.

In the same year, 1790, the Governors, under the direction of the Act, purchased a Lot of Land, containing about 80 acres, in a most favorable situation near the Town of Windsor, and there erected a Building of large dimensions for the purposes of the College.—It was soon prepared to be occupied, and although, from the then state of the Province, necessarily constructed of wood, competent workmen not being to be obtained, it was completed in so substantial a manner that about ten years ago it was found worthy of a thorough repair, which it received, and on a very recent examination, by competent persons, it has been found to require no important expenditure—and that, for all the purposes of a Collegiate Building, it may yet continue to be occupied during a very long period with convenience and comfort.

Devoted to the accomplishment of the object on which his most cherished hopes were fixed, the Reverend the Bishop had early communicated with the Colonial Department, with the view of obtaining the support of His Majesty's Government, and his representations were successful, for it appears by a Letter, addressed to him by Mr. Secretary Grenville, dated the 5th June, 1790, that His Majesty, on the Provincial Act for establishing a College being laid before him, had not only "been pleased to express his entire approbation of this design," but that, as a mark of the attention of Parliament towards the encouragement of Religion and Learning within the Colonies, a sum

of £1000 was included in the year's estimate, and had been voted by the House of Commons for the erection of a College in Nova-Scotia."

The Secretary of State proceeds "I have also received His Majesty's Commands to consider of further steps to be taken for the prosecution of those salutary objects to which this Establishment is directed. With this view His Majesty has been graciously pleased to declare his intention of granting to this College a Royal Charter, and of vesting in it such Grants of Land within the Province as may form a permanent and increasing fund for its support, in addition to the Grant made for that purpose by the Act to which I have already adverted—and I am, therefore, to desire that you will consider and report to me your opinion with respect to such Lands, now ungranted, as may be proper for that purpose; and, as His Majesty conceives that it will be of the utmost benefit, both for the Education and for the maintenance of Religion within the several Provinces of His Dominions in North America, that the Ecclesiastical Benefices there, should be filled by Persons properly instructed in the principles of the Church of England, His Majesty has directed me to prepare, and submit for his consideration, a plan for establishing, within the two Universities of this Kingdom, foundation for the maintenance of a certain number of young men, being Natives of His North American Dominions,—these persons are to be elected from the College in Nova-Scotia, or from any similar Establishment which His Majesty may be pleased to found by His Charter, in any other British Colony in America,—they are to be sent to England to finish their Studies at an English University, and are to be entitled to the benefit of such foundation, as I have mentioned, for a certain number of years; at the expiration of which, they will, if properly qualified, be admitted into Holy Orders, that they may supply such vacancies as may occasionally arise in the Ecclesiastical Establishments in British America."

This Letter, after some further details of the plan, concludes, by desiring the Bishop to transmit information on various points, in order to its being carried into effect, and throughout evinces the warm interest taken by His Majesty in the Institution at Windsor.

Another Communication addressed to His Grace the Duke of Portland, then Secretary of State, was made by the Bishop and others of the Governors, in December, 1794, detailing the progress of the Building—its dimensions—the application of the Funds granted, and soliciting further aid for its completion. A Copy of this Letter is annexed to this Statement, and exhibits the progress already made with the College.

In September, 1802, His Majesty's gracious intentions in favor of the Institution were fulfilled by the arrival of the Royal Charter, by which the Establishment of the College was completed.

This Instrument was published in the presence of the Governors and Officers of the College, and measures were immediately adopted for preparing the Bye-Laws and Statutes which were requisite under its provisions, and for procuring the necessary Officers for discharging the more extended duties arising from its new character of "*The Mother of an University*," endowed by the Bounty of Parliament with the yearly Grant of £1000 Sterling, in the permanency of which allowance, every circumstance connected with it, induced both the Governors and the Public entirely to confide.

It is to be observed that the terms of this Charter, although more enlarged than those contained in the Provincial Statute, do not in any manner contravene the latter. Additions are made to the Governors—ampler powers conferred, and the character and objects of the Institution rendered more definite. The Statute and Charter are perfectly compatible with each other, and the two combined must be considered the basis of the Corporation.

It is also to be borne in mind that, when that Act was passed, the Church of England was not only the Church established by Law, but that its Members formed the most influential portion of the Population. The Dissenters, though then numerous, possessed not so many organized Congregations as at present, though the number of these had certainly increased when the Charter was granted; still the principal Inhabitants, including all the Officers of Government, were connected with the Church. The Governors of the College, until very recently, were invariably of that persuasion:—It is, therefore, no matter of surprise, that an Institution which owed its conception and birth to the influence and exertions of the head of the Establishment, and which was fostered, both here and in the Mother Country, from a conviction of its indissoluble connection with the Church of England, and capacity to render the Youth of the Province qualified Candidates for its Ministry, should practically have followed the pattern of the English Universities, and been esteemed equally a hand-maid to the Church, and a Seminary for general Instruction to the People, without any question being raised as to the effect this combined character might eventually produce on the dissenting part of the Population. And certain it is that, until after the publication of the Statute, no feeling of dissatisfaction was ever noticed—no objection was raised on the ground of that character, on the part of those who, not being Members of the Church, desired to obtain for their Sons the advantages presented by the College.

In preparing the Statutes, those of the University of Oxford were chiefly copied. In many respects, perhaps, that imitation was judicious.

But it is not too much at the present day to admit, that a large proportion of the Regulations still constituting the Bye-Laws of the College, might advantageously be dispensed with; or to pronounce with respect to the Bye-Laws which required subscription to the 39 Articles at Matriculation, and which confined the Degrees and Professorships solely to Members of the Church of England, were not only unnecessary, but have proved, if not the chief sources of the opposition the Institution has been exposed to here, at least, most detrimental to its success and general usefulness.

For the direct tendency of such Provisions was not only to stamp on the College a character of exclusiveness, not to be traced in the original Act or Charter, but to excite a spirit of hostility to it, which augmented even after that subscription was dispensed with, and led to measures of which the consequences are still operating injuriously against it.

However, the Statutes then drawn up were acted upon for a few years, and the Governors having procured from England a President, and appointed other Officers, the College began, though by very slow degrees (for, during a long time, there were but few Under-Graduates) to rise to that Station as the chief place of Education in these Provinces, to which it subsequently attained, after the arrival of the Reverend Gentleman and accomplished Scholar who has presided over it since 1806; and that some just view may be taken of the extent in which, under the exclusive system of Bye-Laws, it has diffused the benefits of a liberal Education—the following Statement is inserted—

There are on the Matricula, 166 Names—of these the first was entered 17th December, 1803, and the last in December, 1834.

Of these—53 are of the Clerical Profession.

10 ditto Medical ditto

56 ditto Legal ditto

39 in the Army or Navy, or without Professions.

8 on whom Honorary Degrees have been conferred.

166 Total.

The general dissatisfaction which was early shewn, with respect to the character of exclusiveness, attached to the College by its Bye-Laws, and especially by that particular one requiring subscription to the 39 Articles at Matriculation, was almost immediately met by efforts to repeal it, as well as to remove other objections; and, about the year 1806, this obnoxious Statute, which, from the first had been strenuously objected to by the Visitor, was annulled by His Grace the Patron, while the discussions continued on the other part of the Bye-Laws, against which the Visitor had protested.—But the mischief done had been great, and the impression once made remained unchanged, that the Students were still required to subscribe that test.

Viewing the limited means of common instruction existing in the Province, and the necessity for a preparatory School where Students might be properly qualified for the University, the Grammar School or Academy, previously in operation, was continued after the Charter had been obtained, until the augmentation of Scholars rendered it necessary to provide a new Building for their accommodation, and that of the Master and his Family.—This undertaking was aided by a liberal grant from Funds at the disposal of the Executive, and a large stone edifice erected in 1819, on the College Grounds, at an expense of nearly £8000, in which, until very lately, a large School has been successfully maintained, and from which constant accessions have been made to the Inmates of the College.—That this School is now suspended, is owing to the difficulty of procuring a competent Teacher, and in some degree to the causes which affect the former.—But it proved a most useful and necessary appendage to the University, and, while the Parliamentary Grant to the Society for the Propagation of the Gospel enabled it to continue its munificent Establishment of twelve Exhibitions at this School, and twelve Scholarships for Divinity Students in the College, was found productive of the most important and useful results.

Having thus far detailed the origin, objects and progress, of Windsor College, it is now necessary to advert to other Institutions.

About the year 1815, local circumstances led to the Establishment of an Academy at Pictou, where the Population was very numerous, and then almost exclusively consisted of Dissenters from, and Members of, the Church of Scotland.

Their distance from Windsor, the expense of a Collegiate Education there, the attachment of the people to the principles on which the Scotch Universities were founded, and above all, the exclusive character then attaching to the University, awakened a desire to raise that Academy to the distinction of a College, and obtain for it a public and permanent endowment.—Liberal aid was granted to it by the Legislature, but its objects unhappily became the source of great dissensions in the Province, which were only put at rest by the arrangement effected in 1832.

The discussions connected with these claims, and a belief on the part of the Earl of Dalhousie, then Lieutenant-Governor of this Province, that the principles upon which the Windsor College had been established or conducted, were of a nature to preclude a large portion of the Inhabitants from the advantages it professed to confer, induced him to anticipate great public benefit from a College to be established in Halifax, upon the principles of those in his native Country, while he probably expected that it would satisfy the reasonable wishes of those who were supporting the Pictou Academy, and thus terminate the contests which the latter had given rise to.—His Lordship accordingly decided on appropriating to the erection and endowment of Dalhousie College, a large sum which His Majesty's Government had placed at his disposal, for public objects in this Colony.—A site in the central part of Halifax was provided, a large edifice of stone erected, and finally completed at a great expense—the Provincial Legislature in the first instance making a gift of £2000, and subsequently a Loan of £5000 towards its completion; and in 1820 an Act was passed for incorporating the Institution as a College, on the plan of the University of Edinburgh, without any test or restriction, though without the power to confer Degrees.

But as yet this Establishment has proved a total failure; no attempt has been effectually made to put it into operation.—The Rents produced by the occupation of its apartments are of small amount, and with the Dividends on the Stock invested for its support (£8,289 9 6, in the three per cent. Consols) have (with the exception of a part of the latter, lost by the failure of the Agent) been applied, until very recently, in the repairing the Building and discharging the balances remaining due for its erection; while as well the sum invested in the Building itself, and the Ground on which it stands, are subject to the debt of £5000 to the Province, the repayment of which, at its last Session, the House of Assembly decided to require.

Subsequent to the erection of Dalhousie College, and at a comparatively recent period, the very numerous and respectable body of Dissenters of the Baptist connection, became desirous of possessing an Institution for the education of their own Ministry and People.—Their objections to the Windsor College, under its existing management and regulations, precluding resort thither, they proceeded to found an Academy

at Horton, which has received from the people a great degree of support, and from the Legislature that pecuniary assistance which, if not equal to their desires, was thought justly due to their weight and influence in the Country, and the proportion their numbers bear to those of other denominations.

To a certain degree the Dalhousie College and Pictou Academy were, in the first instance, viewed as rival Institutions to King's College, and apprehensions of the effects of that rivalry, as well as other causes then operating unfavorably against King's College, and the continuing inadequacy of its endowment to the accomplishment of all the objects desired from it, induced the Governors, in 1821, to present its claims for additional support, both to His Majesty's Government and the benevolence of the various Religious Associations, and other Public Bodies and Individuals with whom the merits and wants of the College might be subjects of interest.—In this arduous task the services of His Lordship, the present Bishop of this Diocese, were obtained, and Letters addressed with this object in various quarters.—The claims of the University on the parties applied to, were urged on the ground of its being a Seminary for General Education, founded on the principles of the English Universities, and the ties which connected it with the Established Church.

These claims, the moment that connection was satisfactorily shewn, were immediately acknowledged by a long train of Men, eminent in public station and for private worth; and contributions, to the amount of about £4000 Sterling, were munificently made in support of the Institution, and were received under the pledge that it was on a College, inseparable from the Church of England, that their Bounty was bestowed. To the unwearied exertions of His Lordship is to be attributed this valuable accession to the Funds of the College, and by his care, the special purposes for which they were received have been secured by their investment in the Public Funds, with the accumulating dividends.

Notwithstanding the various obstacles to its advancement, the College had still been prospering; and the results which have just been stated, presented the means, in due time, of extending the sphere of its usefulness. But the time arrived, when His Majesty's Government found it necessary to signify their intention of withdrawing the Parliamentary Grant of £1000, the main dependence of the College.

The announcement of such a measure was sufficient to affect most deeply an Institution to which a permanent provision, and that Grant was justly deemed so, is all important; and when the reduction actually occurred, and the endowment from the Society for Propagating the Gospel had been withdrawn, it must be acknowledged, the possibility of the Institution being entirely destroyed by the failure of its chief means of support appeared so evident, that the usual resort of Students to it could no longer be expected; and such, in fact, has been the result.

The belief that some fundamental change was to take place in the College—that it would be removed from Windsor, or that the necessary Funds could no longer be procured, was too generally entertained, and the College was reduced to four Students.

It is not here desired to impeach the justice of leaving a Colonial Establishment to be supported by the Funds within the controul of the Colony, or to controvert its ability to confer such endowment; but it is intended merely to show to what extent those measures have proved injurious to the College, and how far the fears they naturally excited have operated in impairing its usefulness; while, in reality, it still continued competent to many of the great objects of its erection. This, the following Statement will establish.

The Annual Income of the College is as follows :

Amount of the Provincial Grant,	£400 0 0
Allowance Yearly from the Society for the Propagation of the Gospel, of uncertain continuance	500 0 0
Dividends on £3323 14 9d.—3 per cent. Consols, produce of Subscriptions. Building Fund,	114 14 3
Dividends on £1673 10 7d.—Library Fund in 3½ per cents.	58 11 5
Interest on £550—Provincial Certificate at 5 per cent.	£27 10 0
Interest on £1000 lent to Commissioners of Streets	50 0 0
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Currency	£77 10 0
Deduct	7 15 0
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	Sterling £1143 0 8

EXPENDITURE.

(Salary of the President supposed to be provided by His Majesty's Government.)

Vice-President, Professor of Grammar, &c.	£220 0 0
Professor of Mathematics	220 0 0
Principal of Academy	200 0 0
His Assistant	100 0 0
The Secretary	22 10 0
Steward	60 0 0
Four Scholarships, £20 each	80 0 0
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	£902 10 0
Deduct	90 5 0
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	812 5 0
Librarian	10 0 0
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Surplus over Expenditure—Sterling

£320 15 8

This, of course, is wholly exclusive of the 20,000 Acres of Land granted to the College, which are yet entirely unproductive.

With these Funds, however inadequate, the College can, it is evident, be supported, though with impaired usefulness, and neither in the manner due to a place of Learning, useful and necessary, nor in accordance with the anticipations excited by the distinguished Patronage by which it was first honored. But its condition is certainly not so low as to justify its abandonment by its natural Protectors.

Now, under the circumstances which have been so much at large detailed, with respect to the origin, actual state and prospects of King's College, and the other Establishments here, the Right Honorable the Secretary of State has expressed his opinion—

“That the controversy relative to the union of King's and Dalhousie College, has lasted so as to be no longer a question of Collegiate Discipline, but to involve the existence of any College at all in the Province,” and has therefore “conveyed to the Governors of King's College the earnest recommendation of His Majesty, that they should surrender the Charter which they at present hold.”

To a recommendation, so directly and strongly urged, the Governors would necessarily be prompt to yield a ready obedience, if the measure were, in point of fact, practicable, or could be thought compatible with their duties as Trustees of a Public Charity. They act as Governors, merely in consequence of the official appointments they hold—their resignation, unless strictly legal, could not bind their Successors, nor affect the Corporation; and, as the Corporation, even if the Charter were resigned, would continue to exist under the Provincial Statute, it is humbly conceived that, by an Act of the Legislature alone, can they be empowered to relinquish their Office as Governors, or to dissolve the Corporation they were appointed to maintain. The same authority which created, they apprehend, must be resorted to for terminating the Corporate existence; and, as the Incorporation of the Governors of Dalhousie College is also by a Statute, the same concurrence of the Legislature will be necessary to discharge them.

Viewing this legal impediment, and feeling that, in conscience, Trustees who destroy the very subject they were appointed to protect, incur a grave responsibility—it would certainly be desirable that the sanction of a Statute should be obtained to the acts required of the Board.

And, in connexion with this, the Committee find it difficult to perceive any beneficial result from such surrender, were it in their power to make it.—The loss of the Provincial Grant of £400 per annum, would immediately be incurred, the Institution be broken up, its Officers dismissed, and all the Property of the Corporation be left without a legal owner; while no other Institution existed to supply even the limited advantages which the College continues to afford; besides the endowment from the Society would be irretrievably lost, with all hope of the revival of the Scholarships so essential to a College, and the Governors would still be morally responsible to the very benevolent individuals whose donations are still unexpended, for the breach of the conditions on faith of which they were so liberally bestowed.

To the Establishment of one general and acceptable Collegiate Institution, it will be found indispensable to sacrifice either Dalhousie or Windsor College, to decide which of these two should be dissolved, has been a subject of difficulty to the successive Secretaries of State, and, as it appeared at different times, the abandonment of each has been recommended in its turn. But, it must be frankly stated, that a strenuous opposition may be expected whenever the selection is made. For King's College the partialities and attachments of a very numerous and influential body of Men are awakened.

They will not understand that it ought to be deprived of its existence, because in its institution and progress it has been connected with the Church, and supported by Churchmen, and provides from the body of the People Ministers for the Altar.

On the other hand, the Inhabitants of Halifax perceive that many benefits may be realized to them were Dalhousie College in operation; that the expense of Education in the higher branches would be diminished to the Poor; and the Lecture Room become the resort of those who are now deprived of instruction.

But let that selection depend merely on the advantages presented by the situation of each building, without reference to the prejudices of any party, there will still be found no great unanimity on the subject. The English and the Scotch systems have equally their Advocates and Opponents, and both parties adduce strong reasons for their preference.

If the condition of the two buildings be referred to, as deciding this question, then this Committee feel bound to state that the College at Windsor, and the Academy, are far more valuable and useful buildings than Dalhousie College can ever be made; and that it is probable the repairs of the latter will be fully commensurate with those of the former; while at Dalhousie College the accommodations are very limited, and its chief Officers and all the Students must find apartments out of it.

But there are considerations entitled to great weight, which the Board are bound to urge, Dalhousie College has never been put in operation. Its endowment (were even the Provincial claim abandoned,) will produce but £240 Sterling, per annum, while the rents of the building are only of moderate amount. King's College possesses perpetually £643 Sterling, unincumbered. It is fully established, and ready to receive as many Students as choose to come, and affords an Education no where else obtainable in the Province. The contrast in every point of view, between the two is so great, that the Committee cannot but fear that some singular misapprehension exists in the Colonial Department with respect to their relative situations.

For the union of Dalhousie College with that of Windsor, the Board have never urged, nor are they anxious. Perceiving no probability of the former being applied to the purposes it was designated for, and feeling that its funds, useless for these purposes, might extend the usefulness of Windsor, they thought the latter entitled to be endowed with them, so that at least one College, practically beneficial, might exist and flourish in the Province. At the suggestion, as some of the Committee believe, of His Excellency Sir James Kempt, negotiations for an union were therefore opened a few years ago, and many propositions agreed to for the united College, without materially changing the principles of that of Windsor.

But the arrangement failed, chiefly from causes altogether distinct from the merits of the union, after concessions had been so far made, as to comprehend even the removal from Windsor to Halifax; a removal, however, against which the late Chief-Justice entered a strong protest.

In the existing circumstances of the Province, it may be greatly doubted that the Legislature will be disposed to enter actively upon the subject of establishing or endowing a new College. The subject of the Common Schools is one of more interest to the People at present, and must necessarily be discussed immediately. But in the meantime, the Committee conceive the object of His Lordship, the Secretary of State for the Colonies, may be more effectually accomplished by modifications of what exists, than by a new and as yet untried Institution. The Committee are satisfied that by many the College is still thought to bear a character too exclusive; to meet this opinion, the Governors have already made important alterations in their Statutes—degrees, except in Divinity, have been opened to all, without Reli-

gious tests. The Students are permitted to attend such places of Religious Worship as their Parents may desire; and the Committee recommend to the Board carefully to revise the Statutes, with a view to make these alterations most clear and explicit, to improve the whole discipline of the College—to open the Professorships, except that of Divinity, to Persons duly qualified, without requiring subscription to the thirty-nine Articles—to allow the Students to reside in or out of College, as their Parents may choose, and open the public Lectures to those who may not be able to reside. But here the Committee think that the Governors of an Institution, whose distinctive character is established by Statute, Charter, and the practice under them, must stop, unless they are prepared to violate the principles upon which they conceive the College to have been established, and to lose the greater part of their funds, without hope of an equivalent from any other source.

The Committee trust they have evinced an anxiety to concur with His Lordship in any practicable measure that can be devised for making the College efficient to the purposes originally contemplated by its Founder, to render it unrestricted and of general utility; this, they are persuaded, can be done without prejudicing materially its connection with the established Church, or excluding from it the Candidates for Holy Orders, or rendering it, as a place of preparation for the Ministry, displeasing to Dissenters; but they cannot recommend to the Board any change by which the College will be deprived of its character as a Seminary of Religious Instruction; because they conceive that to do so would be to violate their duty as Trustees—forfeit the pledges given to the Contributors to its support—alienate the affections of a great body who are now warmly attached to it—and eventually incur the risk of destroying an Establishment to which the Province is already deeply a Debtor.

In conclusion, the Committee remark, that to obviate some of the difficulties connected with the question of Dalhousie College, it might be expedient and possible to arrange a plan for its union with Windsor College, as a part of that University, and in such a manner as to afford to Students the advantage of Lectures in Town, and an interchange of Professors, while the Funds and Government of both Institutions should be blended together; but the detail of an arrangement of this nature would necessarily require much ampler space than can now be given to them. The suggestion, however, of this mode of meeting some of the important questions connected with the union, the Committee have felt themselves bound to present.

Papers annexed to the foregoing Statement.

1st.—Act for founding, establishing and maintaining, a College in this Province—Vide 1 Vol. Pro. Laws, p. 269-9.

2d.—Report from the Engineer Department, as follows:—

MEMO.—Repairs found necessary to the buildings of King's College and Academy at Windsor, according to an inspection made on the 8th October, 1835.

COLLEGE.—The building, in general, is straight and perpendicular—there is a trifling settlement in the front cornice, over the centre door, but it appears to be of long standing.

The following repairs appear requisite.

OUTSIDE.—The Entrance Steps, Platform and Columns, are decayed, and require to be renewed; the Door-casings, Weather-boarding adjoining the Window-frames, and the Cornice under the eaves, require repair; the whole outside of the building requires painting.

INSIDE.—The Floors, Stairs, and Plaistering of the passage, require partial repair; the Cieling and Walls to be white-washed or coloured, and the Woodwork painted. The whole of the rooms are nearly in the same state—the Floors require repairing, the Doors in general need to be renewed, but some may be partially repaired; new Locks are wanted throughout.

The Closets require repair, and also, the Hearth, Jambs, backs of Chimneys and Plaistering—the Cielings to be white-washed—the Woodwork and Side Walls to be painted.

		<i>Probable expense.</i>			
Outside.	{	Repairs	£65	0	0
	}	Painting	70	0	0
Inside	{	Repairing Rooms	338	0	0
	}	Painting & Colouring	144	0	0
Total			£617	0	0

ACADEMY.—This Building appears straight—a defect in the foundation has caused a settlement, which, however, does not seem to have materially injured the Building, as it has long remained in the same state.

OUTSIDE, EAST FRONT.—The Arches turned over the basement story Windows have settled, and may ultimately require to be re-built, but it is not deemed essentially necessary at present. The Sills and Heads of four of the principal story Windows are broken, and require to be re-placed.

A few joints in the wall have opened, and require repointing.

NORTH ENTRANCE.—Door Steps and Platform of wood, are decayed, and need renewal.

An opening of the joints in the wall, about six feet from the North-east corner, requires repair and pointing, and the Sills and Heads of two Windows are broken, and require to be replaced.

WEST SIDE.—An opening in the joints of the wall, five feet from the corner, requires repair and pointing, and the Sills of four Windows replacing.

SOUTH ENTRANCE.—The Porch to Kitchen requires repair.

ROOF.—It is essentially necessary to continue the covering of the stone gutter, under the eaves, with Lead or Copper, to prevent the water from penetrating the walls of the Building.

INSIDE, SCHOOL ROOM.—Floors, Doors, Dados and Writing Desks, require repair; the Hall, Sitting Rooms and Bed rooms, Floors, Doors, Windows, Plaistering and Fireplaces, require repair; and also, Whitewashing, Colouring and Painting.

EAST ENTRANCE.—New inside Doors—passage to the School Room Floor and Dado require repair.

PANTRY.—New Flooring, and repairs to or replacing Door Locks.

CELLAR.—Floors and Doors require repair.

KITCHEN.—The Floor, Plaistering, Hearth and Fireplace, require repair—Cielings Whitewashing, and Walls Painting

		<i>Probable expense.</i>			
Outside	{	Repairs	£82	0	0
	}	Roof & Gutters	60	0	0
Inside	{	Repairs	90	0	0
	}	Painting	57	0	0
Total			£289	0	0

(Signed)

EDWARD PRYOR.

3rd Paper attached to the Statement—The Letter from the Governors to the Duke of Portland.

HALIFAX, IN NOVA-SCOTIA, DECEMBER 26, 1794.

MY LORD—

The management of the Seminary at Windsor, in His Majesty's Province of Nova-Scotia, and the application of the Money granted by Government for building a College, having been committed to us, we beg leave to lay before your Grace a brief statement of the Disbursements made of that Money, and of the present condition of the Edifice.

It was our original intention that the Building should be of Stone, and with this view, we procured the Materials, Stone and Lime, and each of the best quality; but, when the foundation was laid, and the cellar story raised, we found that the Masons employed, though the best this Country afforded, were incompetent to the undertaking. We next endeavoured to procure proper Workmen from Europe, but none could be induced to come without an expense on our part, that far exceeded our limited funds.

Disappointed thus, yet anxious to execute a design which would be of the utmost importance to this and the adjacent British Colonies, we were obliged to abandon our first plan, and, as the only expedient in our power, to substitute Wood instead of Stone for the superstructure.

Accordingly we engaged two skillful Carpenters, and contracted with them to erect the College in wood. The Building is now raised and completely covered in—the Windows are sashed and glazed—the outside painted, and the Chimneys nearly carried up; the Timber is deemed of the best kind—the work appears to be faithfully executed, and the Building may, with care, last for a century and upwards; the structure is of the same dimensions that were first proposed, namely, 201 feet long, by 96 wide, and three stories high, exclusive of the Cellars, to contain a large Hall on the ground floor, and a Library Room over it, besides 24 rooms for Study, and 48 Bed-Chambers; two rooms and four Bed-Chambers are in forwardness, and will be finished early next Spring, to receive a President and some of the Students; but this will exhaust the whole of our funds; as will appear from the annexed *General Account*. According to the most accurate Estimates that could be obtained before the Building was begun, we had reason to believe that the sum of £3000, granted by Government, would be sufficient to finish it, and probably that sum would have been so had no accident intervened, for great care and frugality were observed in all Contracts and Expenditures; but some loss was unavoidably incurred by changing our original plan, with respect to materials; and the present War has occasioned a considerable advance in the price of labour and of all materials; from these circumstances, and from probable calculations of the work yet to be done, it appears that the sum of £1500 will be required to finish the Building; and we earnestly request Your Grace's interposition for obtaining that sum, as we shall otherwise be unable to proceed further.

We beg leave at the same time humbly to represent to Your Grace, that the very circumscribed means of instruction in our power have hitherto been greatly prejudicial, for the Institution cannot, with a Head and Assistant only, however able and diligent, fully answer the ends that were proposed, until His Majesty's Gracious purpose of granting a Charter, which will introduce the necessary regulations, and give authority to confer degrees, is carried into execution, together with the founding of Professorships, and establishing the other arrangements that were in contemplation.—Permit us to request Your Grace's favourable attention to these particulars also.

We feel ourselves much interested in the prosperity of this Seminary, calculated as it is to diffuse sound principles of Religion and Government equally with useful knowledge in the liberal arts, among His Majesty's American Subjects, as also, to prevent the Youth of these Colonies from going for Education to the Seminaries of the American States, where they can scarcely fail to imbibe principles that are unfriendly to our happy Constitution in Church and State; even in its present imperfect condition, it has been already beneficial in these respects, so that no doubt can be entertained of its more extended and salutary effects when brought to maturity. Perhaps it is needless to add that these are objects of no small moment, in times like the present, when a spirit of anarchy and misrule is so prevalent, and threatens to subvert all order and good Government.

We shall not trespass on Your Grace's time further than to acquaint you that we have in our possession the proper Vouchers for the several sums contained in the above general Account, which shall, if required, be transmitted to England; and that, with the additional sum now requested, the College can be completely finished in the course of next Summer.

We have the honor to be, my Lord,

Your Grace's most obedient and most humble Servants,

HIS GRACE THE DUKE OF PORTLAND.

6th Paper attached to the Statement—Resolution of 7th December, 1821, and Bishop's Circular Letter, viz :

It is resolved, on the motion of the Chief-Justice, that, in the absence of the Lord Bishop of the Diocese, the Rev. Dr. Inglis, the Ecclesiastical Commissary, and a Member of this Board, be requested to assist the objects of the Memorial of the Governors of King's College to the Right Honorable the Earl Bathurst, by writing to the Universities in the Parent Kingdom—the Societies for the Propagation of the Gospel and for promoting Christian Knowledge, and the Church Missionary Society, and to other Public Bodies and Individuals, and, by explaining and arguing the merits and wants of the Institution, in such manner as, in his judgment, may best conduce to the obtaining the patronage and active assistance of all who may be disposed to promote the prosperity of King's College.

LETTER,

HALIFAX.

In pursuance of the above Resolution, I have the honor of addressing you in behalf of the College to which it refers.

Sir Scrope Bernard Morland, Bart, of Pall-Mall, who has kindly undertaken the Office of Agent for the College, will have the honor of forwarding to you a Copy of its Statutes, which contain Security for the principles of the Institution; and also, a Copy of a Memorial lately forwarded to Earl Bathurst, which details its present condition and its wants.

It can hardly be necessary to dwell upon the importance of this Institution to the prosperity of the Established Church in these Colonies: This was the primary inducement to the first efforts for its Establishment; and it now prompts the exertions that are renewed for its advancement.

Of twenty-four Missionaries from the Society for the Propagation of the Gospel, now in the Province of Nova-Scotia alone, thirteen were educated at Windsor, where more than twenty Candidates for employment are now receiving Instruction; and, experience has fully shown that Persons educated here, are, on every account, the best qualified to discharge their arduous duties of Missionaries in this Country.

The evident insufficiency of King's College, in its present limited condition, has led to the contemplation of forming several similar Establishments in these Colonies; and the inevitable effect of thus dividing the means which are essential to the respectability and sufficiency of one University, will be, that the whole must remain for a very long period inefficient and in low repute, while one properly extended and supported would be ample for the wants of the Colonies, and might be raised to eminence.

A still greater evil is already threatened, for, in consequence of the depressed state of King's College, two Seminaries have been founded in complete separation from the Established Religion.—One in this place, upon the model of the University at Edinburg, and the other at Pictou, in this Province, which is altogether in the hands of Seceders from the Kirk of Scotland.

In the fullest hope, therefore, that the University of King's College may be thought worthy of your countenance, I beg leave most respectfully to solicit such assistance as you may think proper to afford, and, in such manner, as may appear most desirable.

All contributions for the Institution, of whatever description, from Public Bodies and from Individuals, will, as we have reason to hope, be readily received by the Society for the Propagation of the Gospel, and by the Agent of the College, in Pall-Mall; and we

trust it is not too much to hope that, by the Blessing of God, upon the assistance which may be afforded by the benevolent, this Institution, however depressed at the present time, may soon become a very important bulwark of pure Religion, sound Learning, and steadfast Loyalty, in these extensive Provinces of the British Empire, and thus make ample returns to the Parent Kingdom for all the expense which its establishment and support may require.

7th Paper attached to this Statement—Chief-Justice Blowers' Protest, *Vide ante*.

4th Paper—The Charter of the College.

5th Paper—An Act to Incorporate the Governors of the Dalhousie College, at Halifax, *Vide 3d Vol. Prov. Laws, pgs. 117-8-9.*

THIRD PART.

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No. 1, 2, 3.

(Copy)

HALIFAX, DECEMBER 14th, 1817.

MY LORD—

I have felt the duty imposed upon me, of suggesting the appropriation of the sum arising from the Duties levied at Castine, on the Coast of the United States, as one of the highest importance; and, with His Majesty's Council, I have endeavoured to give the subject the most mature consideration, before a Report should be made to Your Lordship.

I think it unnecessary to state the various ideas which have been suggested.—We are unanimously agreed in the following proposal, as one which will distribute its benefits to every class of Society, and in no degree interfere with any Establishment already formed.

A Seminary for the higher branches of Education is much wanted in Halifax—the Capital of the Province—the Seat of the Legislature—of the Courts of Justice—of the Military and Mercantile Society.—It has occurred to me that the founding a College or Academy on the same plan and principle of that at Edinburgh, is an object more likely than any other I can think of, to prove immediately beneficial to this young Country.

The Edinburgh College provides for the higher classes of Greek, Latin and Mathematics—Professors are appointed on small Salaries, having the privilege of Lecturing in open class to Students, who take their Admission Tickets at one, two or three Guineas for the whole course or term.

These classes are open to all sects of Religion—to strangers passing a few weeks in Town—to the Military—to young men of the Law, in short, to all who choose to devote an hour to study in the forenoon.—The Professors are able and diligent, as on their personal exertions depends the character of the class, and of the individual himself who presides in it.

Such an Institution in Halifax, open to all occupations and sects of Religion, restricted to such branches only as are applicable to our present state, and having the power to expand with the growth and improvement of our Society, would, I am confident, be found of important service to the Province.

The amount of Castine Duties, after deducting a payment made to General Gosselin, is £10,750 Currency; from that sum I would set aside £1000 for another purpose.

I would apply £3000 to a Building, and sink the remainder as a Fund for the support of the Professorships.—I am aware that this would not be sufficient, without the Legislature of the Province aided us by an annual vote.

As a situation for this Institution, I would suggest that Area in front of St. Paul's Church, now the Grand Parade.

As Trustees of the Institution, I would suggest Officers, ex-officio, high in rank, and always present.—The Lieutenant-Governor, the Chief-Justice, the Lord Bishop of Nova-Scotia, the Speaker of the House of Assembly, the Treasurer of the Province, the appointed Minister of the Scotch Church in Halifax.

I set aside £1000 of the sum for another object. It ought not to be forgot, that the large Funds now at our disposal, were obtained by the Military from this Command, and, I do think, a small part may be appropriated as a tribute of acknowledgment to that branch.

An object at this moment offers appropriately, in aid of the Establishment just begun, of a Military Garrison Library, similar in plan to that at Gibraltar.—I would therefore propose £1000 in this manner, as to an Institution essentially tending to the improvement of the public service of this Province.

This plan, my Lord, I submit most respectfully, and with the unanimous approbation of His Majesty's Council here, to your Lordship's consideration, entreating your Lordship's favorable reception of it.

I have the honor to be,

Your Lordship's most obedient, and most faithful,

(Signed) DALHOUSIE.

The Earl of Bathurst, K. G. &c. &c. &c.

No. 4.
(Copy)

DOWNING-STREET, FEBRUARY 6th, 1818.

MY LORD,

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of Your Lordship's Dispatch of the 14th December last, transmitting your suggestions with respect to the appropriation of the sum arising from the Castine duties, and to acquaint you that, having submitted the same to the consideration of the Prince Regent, His Royal Highness has been pleased to express his entire approbation of the funds in question being applied in the foundation of a Seminary in Halifax, for the higher Classes of Learning, and towards the Establishment of a Garrison Library, as recommended by Your Lordship, with the unanimous concurrence of His Majesty's Council.

I have the honor to be, My Lord,

Your Lordship's most obedient, humble servant,

(Signed) BATHURST.

Lieutenant-General the Earl of Dalhousie, G. C. B. &c. &c. &c.

No. 5, 6, 7.

COLLEGE, EDINBURGH, 1st AUGUST, 1818.

MY LORD,

I have had the honor of receiving Your Lordship's Letter, as to the projected Establishment of a College at Halifax, and will feel great pleasure if any statement of the principles and Rules adopted in respect to the University of Edinburgh, shall prove useful in suggesting beneficial hints for digesting the Plan of a Constitution for the new Seminary.

My Colleague, Dr. Brown and I, have had several conversations on the subject of Your Lordship's Communications to us, and he has drawn up the result in a detailed explanatory letter which we have jointly subscribed, and which is transmitted by the same Packet which brings the note to your Lordship.

We having taken the liberty to transmit also some Printed Volumes, containing the History of the University, and some detached Printed Advertisements and Notices, as to the different parts of Academical business. From these documents, your Lordship will be enabled, we trust, to form some conception of the manner in which the University is constituted, and in which its literary discipline is conducted.

I regret that there is no formal written constitution of the University, which we can put in your Lordship's hands—none ever existed. King James VI was partial to Edinburgh, whose Magistrates were often useful to His Majesty; he gave some funds to them for the purpose of erecting and endowing a College in the City, but the arrangement of its form, and all the patronage of its Officers, were confided to the Town Council.

At first (1583) one Professor was chosen by them, and he constituted for some years the whole University in his own individual person, teaching all the branches of both Languages and Philosophy. As the number of Students progressively increased, another, and another Professor was added, but still no formal Constitution for the Academical Body was ever framed; and the only Constitution under which we at this day act, has grown out of precedents and occasional resolutions of the Patrons. Both by ancient and more recent Acts of Parliament, however, the University is vested with all the rights and privileges possessed by any of the other Universities in the Empire,—your Lordship will derive some idea of what is our Constitution, in practice, from the Printed Volumes transmitted herewith, and from the joint Letter, by Dr. Brown and myself, on that point—therefore, I shall not presume to encroach on your time by further details.

But there are some general principles connected with our University arrangements, which it seems right to bring briefly into your Lordship's view on this occasion.

1.—The University of Edinburgh has not the patronage or power of nomination to any one office belonging to the Body; this total want of power and patronage I hold to be, without exception, the greatest excellence of the University System—give the Senatus Academicus a right to these, on every vacancy there would be party canvassings and contentions excited, which would be equally disturbative of our peace, credit, comfort and prosperity.

While your Lordship bestows the whole exclusive direction of the internal discipline and police of the new College on its Professors, allow me to press on your consideration the expediency of providing that the Election to all its Chairs should be vested in the Crown, or in some Individual or Body, totally and entirely distinct from the College itself.

2.—The fixed official Salaries allowed to the Professors by both the Town Council (the General Patrons) and by the Crown, (which has exercised its prerogative in erecting several Regius Professorships) are very limited. The localities of Halifax (where the Students in attendance may not be so numerous, as it is possible to render them here,) will, perhaps, require larger Salaries than are enjoyed at Edinburgh. But your Lordship will not lose sight of the importance of allowing a Professor to depend in some degree on the popularity acquired by his learning, talents and exertion.

The Professor of Chemistry in this University has a Salary of £30 per an.—He had last Session 500 Pupils, and his emoluments were not less than 2,000 Guineas.

The Regius Professors have, in general, £100 per an.—Two who draw no fees.—(The Professor of Church History, and of the Law of Nature and Nations) have £200 per an.—The Professors named by the Town Council have from £50 to £80, but the addition of a House and other official allowances, raise the Salary of some Chairs to £100 or £150.—By the fees, however, of 2000 Pupils (last Session 2,200) divided among the different classes—the emoluments of each Professor are found far from inadequate.

3.—No test of Religious Persuasion is enforced upon the Students at entering to the University. With a view to support and increase the College Library, every Student must enrol his name and place in the Album of the University, before he can obtain a Ticket from any Professor he may mean to attend; for this enrolment he pays 10 shillings, of which sum 3s. is applied for defraying the expense of College Police, and the remainder is added to the Library funds. His name is subscribed on the occasion to a Sponsio Academica, of which I transmit a copy, and he receives a Library Ticket, one of which I also transmit; this Ticket entitles him to borrow Books, under certain regulations—upon depositing the value of the Volumes in the hands of the Librarian.

There are farther transmitted copies of the general Sponsio Academica, subscribed by Candidates on receiving the Degree of M. D., and of the particular one subscribed by Candidates, who are Quakers, whose religious principles lead to decline an oath.

But I fear that I am in danger of allowing the interest I feel in your Lordship's enlightened and patriotic plan, to lead me into unsuitable minuteness and prolixity in this individual communication; I shall, therefore, only permit myself to add, that there are two deficiencies in our University system here, which I regret, and which probably your Lordship may judge it advisable to prevent at Halifax.

We have no Chapel or place of Worship connected with the College for the accommodation of the Students who might choose to attend it.

We have no Garden or Park (as they have at Glasgow,) for affording to Students opportunity of walking and exercise.

Without troubling your Lordship farther at present, I beg leave to remain, with the highest respect,

My Lord,

Your Lordship's

Most obedient humble Servant,

GEO. W. BAIRD.

His Excellency the Earl of Dalhousie, &c. &c. &c.

No. 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14.

COLLEGE, EDINBURGH, 1st AUGUST, 1818.

MY LORD—

In executing the pleasing office committed to our care, we have felt an equal desire to justify the confidence reposed in us by your Lordship, and to contribute all the means in our power, that may assist you in securing the credit and usefulness of an Institution, admirably calculated, in our opinion, to reflect honor on the Founders—to render essential benefit to the Province of Nova-Scotia, and to rise to eminence in the New World.

For this purpose we take the liberty of transmitting, for your Excellency's consideration, a History of the University of Edinburgh, lately published by a person who had access to some of the Public Records—a collection of Documents, printed by Dr. Duncan, Senior, a very old and worthy Member of the Senatus Academicus—a copy of the Sponsio Academica, and a few of the latest notices of the courses of Lectures delivered both in the Winter and the Summer Session of the College.

From these papers we are persuaded that your Excellency would readily gather, without any direction from us, all the practical information necessary to guide your judgment in framing the Fundamental Constitutions of the intended Seminary.—But we could not hold ourselves excused

in thus dismissing the subject from our thoughts, and are therefore willing to incur the hazard of appearing somewhat to exceed in zeal, by subjoining the following details, in order to bring the present state of our University, in all its leading features, more distinctly under your Excellency's view.

1st.—Progress of the University instituted in 1583, by James VI, and so very slenderly endowed, that only one Professor was established.

We feel no little pleasure in opening our Report by saying, that the University of Edinburgh rose, like the Institution contemplated for Nova-Scotia, out of small beginnings; and, grew to its present size by gradual additions to the original design, as the state of the nation called for them, or as the increase of its prosperity and its love of learning supplied the means.

At first it was little more than a higher School or Academy, in which one or two Regents carried forward their Pupils through the leading branches of a learned education, in a course of study continued for three years.—Each Regent was in use to teach the whole of the subordinate departments of Science, and to consign his class to the care of a Rector or Principal, who completed their instruction for the business of active life.

Receiving at its foundation a special reference to the service of the Church, the University assumed, at its second stage, the form of a College subsidiary to the Science of Theology; and prepared the Students of Divinity by a course of Academical Discipline, prescribed in the Acts of the General Assembly, for entering on trials before Presbyteries, as Candidates for Preaching the Gospel.—This, accordingly, was the only one of the learned professions in Scotland for which a specific term of attendance at a University was required; the Practitioners of Surgery and Medicine being left to the forming influence of an Apprenticeship, and a voluntary course of study, and the doors of the Faculty of Advocates being open, at the present day, to all respectable Candidates who may offer themselves, though their names may never have been enrolled on the Album of a University.

2.—Present distribution of the Senatus Academicus.

It was reserved for the last age to witness the complete organization of the four Faculties, into which the Senatus Academicus is now distributed—and yet only partially distributed, as we shall shortly explain.

1.—The Faculty of Arts—comprehending the Professors of Humanity or Latin, Greek, Logic, Rhetoric, Mathematics, Ethics and Natural Philosophy.

2.—The Faculty of Law—comprehending the Professors of Civil Law, Scots Law, and the Law of Nature and Nations.

3.—The Faculty of Medicine—comprehending the Professors of Anatomy, Chemistry, Botany, Materia Medica, Theory and Practice of Medicine.

4.—Faculty of Theology—comprehending the Principal in his capacity of Primarius Professor of Theology—the Professor of Theology on the original foundation of the College—the Regius Professor of Divinity and Church History, and the Professor of Oriental Languages.

Many of the Professors, however, as already intimated, though more immediately connected with some of these Faculties than others, are left loose or unassociated, being Members of the Senatus Academicus only, and entitled, in that capacity, to deliberate and vote in all acts or deeds proposed by the different Faculties, but without a radical voice in shaping the business of that Faculty, to which they seem naturally to belong: thus the class of Universal History, originally appropriated to the illustration of Roman Antiquities, and particularly of the Antiquities of the Civil Law, and always held by a Member of the Faculty of Advocates, has no hold on the Law Faculty of the University: thus, too, the Professors of Astronomy, Natural History, and Agriculture, have not yet obtained a place in any Faculty; and the same observation applies to all the Regius Professorships, recently endowed, with a special regard to subordinate departments of Surgery and Medicine.

3.—Patronage of University—Officers, consisting of twenty-seven Professorships, of which eighteen are in the gift of the Patrons, and nine in the gift of the Crown.

In all the Faculties alike, the appointment of the Professors belongs exclusively to the Patrons and the Crown.—As yet we have not a single private Patron for any Chair; and even the late Sir William Pulteney, who endowed the class of Agriculture, and named the first Professor, resigned all the posterior nominations to the Lord Provost and Magistrates.—In more than one of the Faculties, however, vacancies are supplied out of a restricted list, sent in to the Patrons by other public bodies. The Faculty of Advocates has thus a voice in the appointment to the Humanity or Latin class, and the opinion of the College of Justice is regarded in filling up some of the Law Chairs. The University itself, as a University, has no influence whatever in these Elections; and the Members belonging to it have only that indirect influence which the Patrons may be disposed to allow to their attestations in favour of particular Candidates. By the Charter, the Ministers of Edinburgh have the right of giving opinion or advice to the Patrons, in the exercise of their powers; but, when this advice is given, their duty is discharged, and may not stay that act of patronage to which they have stated objections.

4—Exercise of Internal Police or College Discipline.

When regulations of a general nature, respecting the Police of the University, or its interior arrangements, become necessary, the *Senatus Academicus* has recourse to the Patrons, and their sanction gives effect to the modification or change of the old usage. The Patrons may thus be considered as the first Estate in all University legislation—the Historian of the College ascribes higher powers to them, as an Executive Authority within the walls of the University, than they are understood by judicious men to possess; and nothing is hazarded in affirming that none of the present Patrons would think of taking some of those steps on which their Predecessors ventured in earlier times, when the learned body had little of the stability and importance which it now enjoys. The *Senatus Academicus*, accordingly, now exercises, unchallenged, the whole powers of internal discipline, admonishing the thoughtless among the Students—subjecting the refractory to penalties—and inflicting, in cases of extremity, the sentence of expulsion. Every thing relating to the mode of dispensing Literary honours is ordered by their judgment, and no thought of interfering with its freedom is any where entertained.

5—Method of Teaching the Classes.

A similar immunity is enjoyed by the separate Professors in arranging the business of their respective Departments. At one period, a scheme or outline of the branch of Science, committed to particular chairs, was made out by the order of the Patrons, and entered on the University Record, as a fixed directory for teaching the Class. In later times the Universities of Scotland agreed among themselves to prepare apart a complete plan of Study or Curriculum Academicum, and to institute a joint Committee of the whole to draw out of the different contributions a standard course, to be adopted as a National system of Learned Education:—this project failed; and fortunately perhaps, for the progress of improvement in the Universities. By the discretionary power committed to the Professor, he is enabled to make such alterations in the general plan of his course, or in the distribution of its parts, as may suit the discoveries which have been made, or the new turn which enquiry is taking; to drop irrelevant discussions—to dwell on what is useful—and to give such a complete view of all that has been done in his Province—and of what is actually doing, as may facilitate the advance of discovery. Not a little of the activity, usefulness and reputation, of the University, has been ascribed to this cause; which, from the slender amount of the Salaries attached to the Chairs, and the sole dependence of the Professor, on the merit of his course of Lectures, co-operates powerfully with better motives in prompting to unwearied exertion.

6—Terms of the Admission of Students.

The gates of the University are open to all Persons indiscriminately, from whatever Country they may come, or to whatever mode of faith or worship they may be attached. In fact, we do not know that any other disqualification for admission to the privileges of the University exists, than the brand of public ignominy, or a sentence of expulsion passed by another University. Nothing further, in the shape of pledge or engagement, is exacted from the general Student, than that he take the *Sponsio Academicæ*, binding himself to observe the regulations relative to public order—to respect his Teachers, and maintain the decorum becoming the character of a Scholar. Hence, under the firm Establishment of the Scottish Church, the Scottish Universities educate, without distinction, all the Youth of all Religious Sects designed for the learned Professions; and all the Clergymen of all the Sects, till they attain the standing, when they are placed under the direction of a Professor of Divinity, appointed by the body itself. Not a few of these Sects, however, have instituted no peculiar profession of Divinity, and the young men who offer themselves for trials to their Presbyteries, produce, as their title, the Certificate of the Theological Faculty of the University of Edinburgh. The indulgence of this part of our body is carried so far, that the Divinity Hall is open to Students of every Religious Denomination, whose names, we believe, the present Professor enters in a private book of his own, as they have no right to claim the benefit of a public enrolment. By this exercise of liberality, they have the advantage of hearing the prolections of the Divinity Chair, and the very instructive criticisms, delivered by the Professor, on the different discourses produced by the Students.

This, we conceive to be a leading feature in the character of the Literary Institutions of our Country, those of Holland and Geneva were at no time more free. We have learned to venerate the confidence with which our illustrious Founders opened the Fountains of Knowledge to all the Inhabitants of the Land, as one of their strongest claims to our affection, and we may not presume to enumerate the advantages which have resulted from a distinction so truly enviable. While all denominations of men are permitted to draw at will from the common well-springs of Learning, we are persuaded that, instead of having sustained injury or loss by this beneficent arrangement, our Church, our Dissenters, and our unlettered Population, through all their ranks, have derived from it incalculable benefit. We have no hesitation in stating it as our firm conviction, that to the generous principle on which our Parish Schools and our Universities have been established, Scotland is indebted for much of that praise bestowed by enlightened men on the general intelligence, sound moral principle, and steady integrity of her People.

We have thus, my Lord, fulfilled our purpose, and we fear rather too diffusely, though we are not unwilling to hope that our exceeding may be ascribed to its true causes, our sincere respect for your Lordship, and our warm interest in your meditated undertaking, but, we cannot yet close our Communication. A few reflections have occurred to our thoughts, partly from the account we have given, and partly from your Excellency's description of Halifax—which as subsidiary to the object in view, we beg leave to submit with all deference.

1. In Reviewing the progress of our University, and the gradual accessions of strength by which it has reached its present state of maturity, we are persuaded that, in the infancy of a similar Institution, in a Province so rapidly expanding on all sides as that committed to your Lordship's care, great benefit might be derived from combining in the business of one Chair, as many of the kindred branches of the Science, to which it is set apart, as it is possible to include in the course of one Session—or even of two Classes, a

first and a second, taught at different hours by the same Professor. Thus, for example, the Professor of Logic might be appointed to teach the general Doctrines both of Logic and of Philosophical Criticism, as is still done in the Universities of St. Andrew's and Glasgow. The Professor of Moral Philosophy, in like manner, might teach both the Science of Ethics and Political Economy, according to the present practice of Glasgow, and the late practice of our own University. The Professor of Mathematics too, who, with us, teaches three Classes a day, in three separate hours, might finish, in the first, the Elements of Euclid, Plain and Spherical Trigonometry, and a portion of Algebra; in the second, Conic Sections, the higher Calculus and their Applications to Mensuration, Navigation and Geography; and in the third, the principles of Astronomy. In English America too little attention, perhaps, has as yet been paid to the interesting and useful science of Natural History, in its four leading divisions, of Botany, Mineralogy, Meteorology and Zoology. In speculation at least, it is not difficult for us to conceive that an adequate Salary might call forth from this Country a Teacher well qualified to explain the Linnæan System in its most improved state, to give a judicious account of the materials that compose the crust of the Globe, and a comprehensive outline of the provinces of Meteorology and Zoology. As the duty of such a Teacher must necessarily be spread, partly over the Winter and partly over the Summer Months, we are sanguine enough to hope, that it might be in his power to point out the process of Agriculture, best suited to the Soil of America, both in its cleared and uncleared state, and to enrich his prelections with an instructive view of Gardening, for which, we suppose, the new World to be nearly ripe. From the interest which this branch of science excites among us, we are prepared to conclude that such an appointment might contribute as much as any other, to make Nova-Scotia, in the new World, what Scotland is in the old, the general resort of the ingenious youth of its own hemisphere.

2.—From the short notice of the state of Halifax in your Excellency's Letter we could have inferred, without that local knowledge which one of us happens to possess, that, by attaching the Institution to the Capital, you secure, in addition to all other objects, the exclusive advantage of calling forth, as soon as the demands of the Country may require it, a body of volunteer Labourers in three of the learned Professions, whose desire of usefulness and distinction will be sufficient to engage them in preparing a course of public instruction, on some branch of Science, connected either with their own immediate pursuits, or their favorite private Studies. This is an advantage, of which we have reason to believe the University of Harvard has long deplored the loss,—if that Seminary, the first without dispute in the New World, and never sufficiently to be praised for its zeal in advancing the interests of science and sound principle, had been planted on the Peninsula of Boston, or in the Village of Charlestown, instead of being removed to Cambridge, Science would, long before this period, have flourished to an extent which it is not easy to calculate.

The Clergymen of Halifax may be supposed, like their Brethren in other Churches, to have their exclusive literary pursuits; and it will not surely be thought incompetent of them to communicate of their Treasures to the Youth who are anxiously cultivating their minds for the public trusts of their Country. Dr. Blair, the third private Lecturer on Rhetoric and Criticism in Edinburgh, obtained from the Crown an endowment for that system of Doctrine and precept, which was understood to form a valuable addition to the College course.

In the vacation of the Courts of Law, and the general leisure which the practice of the bar allows, it would not be difficult for a person who had studied his Profession scientifically, to prepare a body of Lectures, on the Municipal and Criminal jurisprudence of the Province, tracing the sources from which it has been derived, and the specialties which have grown out of local circumstances.

A similar inducement is held forth to the Practitioners of the Healing Art, whether they be permanently settled in the Capital or attached to the Garrison. If any of these Gentlemen excelled in Anatomy or Chemistry, or Surgery or Medicine, they would alike, easy and pleasant, to give a plain and practical view of the Science they had fully explored, such a view as would suffice to unfold its general doctrines—to explain the legitimate modes of investigation or experiment—and to give both an impulse and a direction to study, which are all that young men need to conduct them to the attainment of knowledge. In the Poor House of Halifax, once familiar to one of us, a fortunate basis appears to be laid for establishing a practical School of Surgery and Medicine. For this it is only to open the Wards of the House, set apart to those who have suffered by accident, or who labour under Acute or Chronical Diseases, to all the Practitioners disposed to take part in the Medical treatment, with a right to deliberate publicly on difficult cases, and of entering the whole treatment in a book accessible to a Public Teacher and his Pupils; under such a regulation, the operations ought to be performed in public—that is, in the presence of the Medical Attendants and their Pupils, which would ensure part of the benefits resulting from the Medical Practice of the Royal Infirmary of this City.

We beg indulgence for trespassing so deeply on your Excellency's patience, and overstepping so far the limits that seem to be marked out for our communication—mere hints may have their use at the foundation of a Seminary, of whose destiny we are disposed to augur well. And, on the subject of private Lecturing we wished to speak decidedly, because we know that strong prejudices prevail among privileged Teachers against the practice; on this point the experience of our University of Edinburgh may be instructive. We have private Lectures in Chemistry, Botany, Anatomy, Surgery, Materia Medica and Medicine; and their labours, instead of being injurious to the College Professors, tend materially to augment the number of their Pupils, by the great confluence of Students which they draw to the City from all the Countries, both of the Old World and the New.

If further intelligence be desirable on any part of this long detail, or on any collateral subject which may have escaped our notice, we shall cordially co-operate in transmitting it. Having the honour to be, with great respect,

My Lord,

Your Lordship's most obedient,
And most humble Servants,
GEO. W. BAIRD, ANDREW BROWN.

His Excellency The EARL OF DALHOUSIE, Governor of Nova-Scotia, &c. &c. &c.

No. 15.

LONDON, 8th JANUARY, 1820.

MY DEAR LORD—

Mr. Atcheson, our Colonial Agent, having called upon me on Thursday last, with a Document signed by Your Lordship, the Chief-Justice, the Treasurer, the Speaker of the House of Assembly, the Rev. Dr. Grey—requesting at the same time my signature, before it was presented through the hands of My Lord Bathurst to the Prince Regent, for His Royal Highness's sanction. I think it incumbent upon me to inform Your Lordship, and the Gentlemen whose names are annexed to it, that, in the situation I am placed, I cannot conscientiously comply with the request. There is already one Chartered University in the Colony, of which I am, ex-officio, one of the Governors and the Visitor, and am, therefore, bound to render King's College every assistance in my power, and being credibly informed that the College is in a ruinous state, and that Funds are immediately wanted for an entire new Building, every exertion on my part must be made. From many years residence in the Province, and the harmony and friendship in which I have lived with the Clergy of every denomination during that long period, Your Lordship will learn that I am no bigot, but that I revere and esteem every sincere Christian, although he may differ from me in regard to his Religious Creed; and I hope and trust that what I have advanced will convince Your Lordship and the other Gentlemen, that it is a strong sense of duty which weighs with me to act in the manner I have done. With entreating Your Lordship to offer my most respectful compliments to Lady Dalhousie.

I have the honor to be, with high respect, my dear Lord,
Your Lordship's very grateful and faithful humble Servant,
ROBERT NOVA-SCOTIA.

His Excellency the Earl of Dalhousie, &c. &c. &c.

No. 16, 17, 18.

HALIFAX, NOVA-SCOTIA, 15th MAY, 1820.

SIR—

We beg to address you, as Public Trustees of an Institution of Learning, now in commencement in the Town of Halifax, in this Province; and, in order that you may fully comprehend the object of this application, it becomes necessary for us in the first place briefly to detail to you the nature of the Seminary which is about being formed, with the approbation of His present Most Gracious Majesty, and which will soon receive his Royal Charter, under the title of the Halifax College.

This College is intended for the instruction of Youth and others in the higher branches of the Classical and Philosophical Learning and in the Arts and Sciences; and, on account of the state of Society in this Province, as respects the various modes of Religious Persuasion, is proposed to be modelled after the University of Edinburgh, being open to all persons whatsoever professing the Christian Religion—to Strangers resident for a time in Halifax, and to the Military, and all other Classes of Society. No other Test of Religious Persuasion, than that they are Christians, or other engagement will be required of the Students, than the Sponsio Academica, binding them to observe the regulations for public order—respect to their Teachers, and the decorum becoming Scholars. The appointment to all College Offices, and the nomination of Professors and Teachers, will be vested in the Crown; and it is intended, whenever the funds of the Institution will admit of it, to establish three Professorships—the Persons filling which are to form the Senatus Academicus—the number to be increased with the increase of our means. 1st. The Professor of the Greek and Latin Classics, is to preside as Principal of the Seminary. 2d. The second Chair is to be held by the Professor of Mathematics, Natural and Experimental Philosophy. 3d. And the third by the Professor of Moral Philosophy.

The rate of Tuition to be paid by the Students is to be fixed by the Trustees, which Body is composed of the following Persons, ex-officio, viz: The Lieutenant-Governor, the Lord Bishop of Nova-Scotia, the Chief-Justice, the Speaker of the House of Assembly, the Treasurer of the Province, and the appointed Minister of the Scotch Church in Halifax, who are entrusted with the power of making such Rules and Bye-Laws for the government of the College as may from time to time become necessary. The whole internal regulation and management will be committed to the Senatus Academicus.

Such is the outline of the proposed Establishment, but, as our means are at present limited, we must commence on a smaller scale than was at first intended, and are therefore obliged at present to confine ourselves to providing a single Professor, who shall hereafter preside as Principal—uniting the Classical and Mathematical Lectureships, as we consider those the most essential branches of Education in the present state of the Colony; and there is an excellent Grammar School in Halifax, which will always provide an annual supply to those Classes.

In furtherance of the important public Trust thus confided to us, we now venture, Sir, to address you, whom, from your high station and character in the University of Cambridge, we judge the fittest person to recommend a young man duly qualified, in point of character and acquirements, to fill the above responsible situation; and we trust that the importance of the subject will be considered as a sufficient apology for the trouble we are imposing upon you, in requesting you to undertake an Office which we, as Trustees, from the distance at which we are placed from the Seats of Learning in the Mother Country, are, ourselves, unable to discharge.

It is a matter of much consequence in this rapidly increasing Colony, to introduce, as far as is practicable and consistent with the constitution of our College, an uniformity in the mode of instruction—a certain standard in the pronunciation of the Learned Languages, and an immediate connection with the Established

Seminaries of Great-Britain Such are the motives which have induced us in the present case to solicit the assistance of your ancient and celebrated University.

The encouragement we are at present enabled to offer is a fixed Salary of £300 a year ; but we trust that the emoluments to be derived from the Classes will soon amount to an equal sum, if not more, in addition; and it is the great object and principle of the Establishment, to stimulate the zeal and industry of our Professors to fill their Classes, which will better reward them than our limited means will yet enable us to do by a fixed allowance.

Mathematical Learning has hitherto been much neglected in the Province, except in some of its inferior and practical branches; it is therefore most necessary that the Person filling the situation should be fully proficient in that department of Science, as well as in the Greek and Latin Languages.

The Building which is now being erected for the College, will be ready for commencing Lectures in the early part of Winter ; but we think it better that the Principal should not come out before March or April ensuing, by which time we are in hopes of being able to adhere more nearly to the intended plan of the Institution. It will here be proper to obviate any mistakes that might arise, by stating, that the Building, though large, will only contain Rooms for Lectures and other public purposes; and that the Professors will be obliged to provide themselves with apartments at their own expense. At present, however, House Rent here is moderate.

A reasonable allowance will be made to defray the expenses of the Gentleman who shall come out, after his arrival in Halifax; and although we do not make it a positive condition, we should much prefer he should be a Clergyman, if one of the sacred Profession could be procured without difficulty, who unites a thorough knowledge of the requisite branches of Learning, or, if any one intended for Orders should be found willing to come out, it would be advisable that he should obtain Ordination before he leaves England : this is of much consequence, as opportunities of his procuring an additional provision by a vacancy in some clerical appointment here.

It is also proper to observe, that there will be the chance of a further profit arising from the Board, of some of the Students, if the inclination and circumstances of the Principal should correspond in enabling him to add to his emoluments in that way.

We have the honor to remain, Sir,

Your most obedient Servants,

(Signed)

DALHOUSIE,
S. S. BLOWERS,
MICH. WALLACE,
S. B. ROBIE.

To PROFESSOR MONK, &c. &c. &c.
Cambridge University, England.

No. 19, 20.

HALIFAX, 31st MARCH, 1830.

DEAR SIR—

It is, with much satisfaction, that we have it in our power to inform you that, in consequence of a Resolution of the Assembly of this Province, passed in their present Session, the heavy public demand against the Dalhousie College is suspended for a period of three years, for the purpose of allowing the Governors to carry into operation the important objects of the Institution.

In consequence of the above measure, the Governors have had a meeting, at which your Letter, of the 29th January last, was laid before them ; and, having taken into consideration the present state of the Institution, and being led to hope, from the tenor of your Letter, that you might still be enabled to take charge of it, we were unanimously of opinion that you should be requested so to do : We therefore, now, beg leave to make you an offer of the situation of Principal of the College, and trust, that state of uncertainty in which we have hitherto been kept, may not have led you to form other engagements which may deprive us of your assistance and co-operation in effecting objects so intimately connected with the advancement of useful knowledge, and the best interests of this increasing Colony.

Your correspondence which has been submitted to us, leads us to believe that you are quite aware of all the difficulties of our present circumstances—that you fully appreciate the importance of the objects in view, and that, if still free from other engagements, you will be willing to devote yourself to the laudable attempt of establishing our Infant Institution upon a respectable and permanent basis.

It is but just that we should express ourselves grateful for the interest you have evinced, and the sacrifices you have expressed yourself willing to make for the advancement of the undertaking.

It only remains for us to assure you that, should you accept the situation, no effort will be wanting on the part of the Governors of the College to render the office satisfactory to yourself and useful to the public ; and that, in whatever the best interests of the College, or your individual comfort is concerned, you will find us ever ready to lend our constant and cordial assistance.

As respects pecuniary arrangements you are already aware that the Salary which we have it in our power to annex to the situation of Principal of the College is £300 per annum, exclusive of whatever emoluments may result from the conducting of classes.

We have transmitted to W. Smith, Esq. our Agent at Liverpool, a competent sum to defray your expenses to this Country, and also to enable you to provide such Philosophical Apparatus as you may think it expedient to bring with you under present circumstances.

In the hope that we may soon receive a favorable reply. We remain, dear Sir, with sentiments of esteem and respect,

Your very obedient servants,
(Signed)

P. MAITLAND,
S. S. BLOWERS,
MICHAEL WALLACE,
S. G. W. ARCHIBALD.

To Dr. Memes, Ayr.

No. 21, 22.

AYR, OCTOBER 1, 1831.

MY DEAR SIR—

Though I trust, almost before this can reach Halifax, to have the honor of personally expressing to you my deep sense of your kind condescension throughout our correspondence, it yet appears proper that you should previously be informed of my motions. On the 12th inst. I purpose to embark for Halifax, on board the brig Mercator, which, by advice from Messrs. Kidston, has arrived in the Clyde, and will sail again, weather permitting, on the above date.

My reasons for preferring this passage are chiefly the advanced season, which renders the first, the best Ship, and the comparative lessening of expense, by avoiding the Transport of luggage to Liverpool. On this subject permit me to observe, that I have observed the strictest economy, and have felt the more anxiety from the absence of personal responsibility, it was this consideration which induced me to postpone sending my books and other packages to Liverpool, as formerly advised. I regret the late period of the year, but found it impossible, for reasons I shall explain, to avail myself of an earlier opportunity. Meanwhile, with a good passage, I shall still be in excellent time for opening the University Classes; and the Hon. the Trustees may take such steps for advertising the arrangements as they may deem fit. The Classes which will certainly be opened will be the Greek and Latin, in both Junior and Senior divisions—Rhetoric and Logic Class, and the Mathematical Classes, both Junior and Senior; it will probably be found impossible to open others, indeed it would scarcely be advisable, as the above are introductory to Natural Philosophy, and Moral Science, but it may be stated generally, that the Trustees will be guided by circumstances, as to the propriety of a further extension of the course. I have just returned here after a tour of some weeks examining and proved my apparatus. I find, however, the sum at my disposal too limited to venture farther than the absolutely necessary Mathematical Instruments, and think it better to save, rather than expend, the whole, which I might do not so judiciously as after one Session, when the necessities of the Institution and its resources will be more clearly understood.

I have the honor to be, with every respect, my dear Sir,

Your most obedient and faithful Servant,
(Signed) J. S. MEMES.

To the Honorable Michael Wallace, &c. &c. &c.

No. 23.

At a Meeting of the Governors of Dalhousie College, at Government-House, on Saturday, the 11th April, 1829.

PRESENT :

His Excellency Sir PEREGRINE MAITLAND, K. C. B. Lieutenant-Governor; the Honorable the Chief-Justice; the Honorable and Right Reverend Dr. Inglis, Lord Bishop of Nova-Scotia; the Honorable the Treasurer; S. G. W. Archibald, Esquire,
Speaker of the Assembly.

His Excellency laid before the Board a Resolution of the House of Assembly, passed on the 9th day of April, instant, requiring that the sum of £5000, advanced to the Governors of the Institution, by way of loan, by the Legislature, in the year 1823, be collected and paid into the Treasury of the Province.—Whereupon, the Board proceed to the consideration of the measures necessary to be taken for the repayment of the said sum of £5000; and it is *resolved*, that the Governors will take every step in their power to raise the money from the Lands and Buildings pledged for that purpose. The Meeting was then adjourned.

No. 24.

At a Meeting of the Governors of Dalhousie College, at Government-House, on Monday, the 4th day of October, 1829.

PRESENT :

His Excellency Sir PEREGRINE MAITLAND, K. C. B. Lieutenant-Governor; the Honorable the Chief-Justice; the Honorable the Right Reverend the Lord Bishop of Nova-Scotia;
the Honorable Michael Wallace, Treasurer; the Speaker of the Assembly.

The Honorable the Treasurer lays before the Board a Letter from Lord Dalhousie, respecting the Institution, which is read.

The Governors proceed to consider the proper means to be adopted, in order to raise Funds for the repayment of the Loan of £5000 from the Province, required by the Resolution of the House of Assembly in the last Session.—Whereupon, it was *resolved*, that the Governors will be prepared to pay the sum of £500 immediately, and the further sum of £500 annually, until the whole £5000 be paid; and that they have not any means by which they can make other or greater payments, unless by the Sale of the Lands and Buildings, which would be attended with many difficulties and long delay.

No. 25, 26, 27.

At a Meeting of the Governors of Dalhousie College, at Government-House, on Friday, 13th January, 1832.

PRESENT :

His Excellency Sir PEREGRINE MAITLAND, K. C. B. Lieutenant-Governor; the Honorable the Chief-Justice; the Honorable and Right Reverend the Lord Bishop of Nova-Scotia; the Speaker of the House of Assembly; the Treasurer of the Province.

The Governors having resumed the consideration of Viscount Goderich's Dispatch to Sir Peregrine Maitland, of July 31, 1831, which had been laid before the Board by His Excellency, at the previous Meeting:

It was resolved unanimously, That this Board has every inclination to meet the desire which has been expressed by His Lordship, for an union of King's College, at Windsor, with Dalhousie College, at Halifax.

Resolved, (The Speaker of the House not concurring and referring to the paper following these resolutions, as his opinion and reasons for his dissent); that, in making the arrangements which may be necessary for effecting this measure, it is desirable to have as much regard as possible to the original and primary objects of both Institutions.

Resolved, (The Speaker not concurring and referring to the paper above mentioned,) that this Board will cheerfully concur in opening the Honors of the United Colleges, when formed into one University, (as they are now opened in the University of King's College,) excepting only Degrees in Divinity, to all Candidates, who shall be duly qualified, without reference to their religious opinions, and without requiring any religious tests.

Resolved unanimously, That the Professorships should be equally open to all well qualified Candidates, and the Lectures should be open to all who may obtain the Professors permission to attend, and pay the regulated fees, whether they be Members of the University or otherwise.

Resolved unanimously, That, as the Students in this Country generally enter College at an early age, it is necessary to prepare them, by private tuition, for attendance on Public Lectures; and therefore, that a course of instruction, similar to that which is now adopted in King's College, should be introduced into the United Colleges, for the benefit of all who may wish to avail themselves of it.

Resolved, (The Speaker not concurring, and referring to the paper above mentioned,) That the Theological Instruction of those Students, who are Members of the Church of England, should form a part of the private tuition, and be assigned to the President of the College, who, for this reason, as well as to preserve the characteristic feature of the primary Institution, as shown by the Provincial Act of 1789, and by the Royal Charter, and by the Statutes of the College, should continue to be a Clergyman of the United Church of England and Ireland, in full Orders.

Resolved, (The Speaker not concurring, and referring to the paper before mentioned,) That, as it is intended to give the full advantages of the Institution to all the various denominations of Christians in the Province, none others than Members of the United Church should be compelled to receive any part of the Theological Instruction, and all others should be permitted to receive their Theological Instruction from such sources as their Parents or Guardians may direct.

The following is a copy of the paper referred to by the Speaker of the House of Assembly, in the foregoing Resolutions, which was submitted by him to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, as President of the Board, previous to the present Meeting.

I have considered, with much attention, the Dispatch of Lord Goderich on the subject of the Colleges, and I am desirous of giving effect to His Lordship's views as far as it is in my power, but, I am unwilling, at this early stage of the proceeding, to pledge myself, as a Governor of the Colleges, to any particular measure, upon a subject which must ultimately come before the House of Assembly, of which I am the Speaker, where it must be discussed and examined in all its bearings.

His Lordship's Dispatch appears to me to contemplate the permanent settlement of the Academy at Pictou, which has so long remained without any Provincial aid, as a previous step, and, should a satisfactory arrangement take place as to that Academy, I think, notwithstanding many difficulties which at first view present themselves, one efficient College might be established at Halifax, to be supported by the funds of King's and Dalhousie Colleges, as stated in His Lordship's Dispatch; but, the constitution of such a College must be established by an Act of the Colonial Legislature, and will not be left to depend upon the present constitution of either of those Institutions, and it is not to be expected that the Legislature will limit the Government of such an Institution to the Church of England, or to any other particular denomination of Christians, or that they will establish therein any religious distinctions, or any exclusions or restrictions whatever.

Should the proposed College be established upon broad and liberal principles, I think it probable that the debt due to the Province by Dalhousie College, might, in the mean time be suspended, or perhaps relinquished.

I do not think any advantage would be gained by the Governors submitting the draft of a Bill on this subject to the Legislature, could they agree in the proposed measure; as the Assembly would be more influenced by the general wishes of the Country, than by any opinion intimated by the Governors.

(Signed)

S. G. W. ARCHIBALD.

January 6th, 1832.

No. 28.

At a Meeting of the Governors of Dalhousie College, at Government-House, on Monday, the 20th day of April, 1835.

PRESENT—

His Excellency Sir Colin Campbell, K. C. B., Lieutenant-Governor; the Honorable the Chief-Justice; the Treasurer of the Province.

Resolved, That the Secretary of the Board be directed to address a Letter to the Right Honorable the Earl of Dalhousie, and the Honorable S. S. Blowers, the late Chief-Justice, informing them that

the House of Assembly had, in their last Session, passed a Resolution requesting His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor to take the proper measures to refund the sum of £5000, lent by the Province, to the Dalhousie College, on the Security of the Money invested in the English Funds, and of the Real Property belonging to the Institution; also, that His Excellency had forwarded a memorandum of said Resolution to the Right Honorable the Secretary of State for the Colonies, and requesting that Lord Dalhousie and the late Chief-Justice would direct a transfer to be made of the Monies belonging to Dalhousie College, in the British Funds now standing in their names, to the Corporation of the College, to enable them to meet the payment of the amount due the Province, to pay off the remaining debts due by the Estate of the late Honorable Michael Wallace, for the completion of the Building; and also, to meet the expenses of such repairs as are now absolutely required.—The Meeting was then adjourned.

No 29.

GEORGE, EARL OF DALHOUSIE, the HON. SAMPSON SALTER BLOWERS, and the HON. MICHAEL WALLACE.

Dr.

Cr.

1830.	£ s. d.	1830.	£ s. d.
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Dec. 28—Postage	0 2 6	Half year's dividend on £8289 9d 6s 3 per cent. Consols	124 6 10
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		" 9—Dividend on £8289 9s 6d, Consols	124 6 10
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		Balance	£1255 18 11

No. 30.

ABSTRACT of the Expense in building the DALHOUSIE COLLEGE, up to the 12th June, 1822.

John Trider's Account for Stone, Lime and Sand, as Contracted for	£2669 15 6
Johnston, Alexander and Kerr, for Mason Work, and Free Stone furnished, per Contracts	5525 15 9
James Dechman, for Carpenter's Work, per Accounts, Nos. 1, 2 and 3	730 5 10
George Brockley's Account, for Plumber and Copper Smith's Work, Nos. 1 and 2	429 4 2
Merrick & Boyer, for Painting and Glazing	29 16 11
	£9384 15 1

DISBURSEMENTS BY THE ACTING TRUSTEE.

For payment of Labourers' Wages	£586 5 2
For square Timber, Boards and Plank	655 13 1
For Bricks,	277 6 8
For Slates and Copper for Roof, Ironmongery, Blacksmith's Work, and various incidental Expenses	779 6 0
For Trackage and Cartage	101 13 11
For wages of Sawyers	20 19 1
	£2421 3 11
	£11806 2 0

No. 31.

DALHOUSIE COLLEGE.—MEMO:

This Building cost	£13707 13 3
The Funds in England, in the 3 per Cent. Consols, amount to	8289 9 6
There is now due from Dividends, up to 1st January, 1826	992 14 8
There remains in the hands of the late firm of Messrs. Duckett, Moreland & Co. on the 1st Jan. 1832, £1255 18 11, from which a Dividend is expected of 12s. 6d. in the Pound, amounting to	784 7 6
The rents arising from letting of Shops, Rooms, &c. may be estimated at about, per annum	100 0 0
Amount of debts due various Persons	797 9 9
Amount of Province Loan	5000 0 0

I Certify the foregoing to be true Copies of the original Documents, Minutes and Accounts, of the Board of Governors of Dalhousie College.

Halifax, 24th February, 1836.

J. W. NUTTING, Secretary of the Board.

(SEE PAGE 1007.)

1st. PART.

Extract from the Minutes of the Proceedings of the Governors of King's College, Windsor, at their Meeting, held at the Government-House, in Halifax, on Monday, the 9th day of November, A. D. 1835.

On reading the Report of the Committee on the Dispatch from the Right Honorable the Secretary of State, and the Statement accompanying this Report,—The Judge of the Vice-Admiralty desired that, in explanation of the Sentiments under which he had joined in it, the following Note should be entered on the Minutes—and is entered accordingly.

The undersigned, Member of the Committee, conceives that the Founders of King's College, at Windsor, had two separate objects in view :

The one—To provide, in a central situation, for the Youth of this Province and its vicinity, a Seminary where they might obtain Instruction in all branches of Education, usually taught in Universities.

The other—To secure the means of preparing for the Ministry of the Church established in these Colonies those Individuals who might devote themselves to its service.

That these objects were totally distinct from each other, but entirely compatible in the same Institution ; both considered equally essential, but neither having a preference over the other.

That the adoption of any test or restriction, by which any of the Population could be excluded from the advantages or honors of Education in the College, was never, in the remotest degree, contemplated by its Founders.

That this exclusion was first effected by the Bye-Laws of 1803, requiring, among other objectionable innovations, subscription to the Thirty-nine Articles at Matriculation, and on taking degrees, and excluding from the Professorships all but Members of the Church of England.

That all the hostility to which King's College has been subject originated in these unwise and unjust regulations, which have limited its usefulness, and brought it into disfavor with the Country.

That the impression which has prevailed so long against it can be removed only by the abrogation of the Bye-laws, and the establishment of a new, and, in these respects, unobjectionable Code.

That this removal ought to be effected by means of a Provincial Statute, in which the basis and principles of the University should be distinctly declared, and every necessary provision made to guard against any possible return to the exclusive system, and to secure the Youth attending the College against improper efforts to attract them to any particular denomination of Christians, in preference to the others.

That, conformably to this Legislative Declaration of the principles of the College, new Bye-Laws should be framed, and he thinks, with this provision, the Offices of Visitor and Patron, may, with great benefit to the Institution, still be retained.

That the course of Instruction should be greatly enlarged, to be on a par with the progress of Modern Science and the requirements of Society.

That under alterations of this character, the University would be restored to its primitive design—lose its character of exclusiveness—regain the affections of the Community generally; and even become a subject of the cheerful bounty of the Legislature, which would have then obtained satisfactory and permanent pledges for its usefulness.

He is further of opinion, that if the desire now apparently existing on the part of the various denominations of Christians in the Province, that each shall possess its own Seminary, directed by its own Members, and in which its peculiar tenets will be taught, should be generally acted upon, then, that the Members of the Established Church should be left to the enjoyment, exclusively, of the advantages supplied by Windsor College, and be allowed to maintain it by the funds they possess, or can obtain, on the ground of its being solely an *Handmaid to that Church*.

But he is persuaded that, on the plan he has referred to, all the benefits of an University will be realized eventually at Windsor.

And he feels convinced, that whatever may be found at Windsor, under its improved Establishment, exceptionable to some individuals, may be remedied, and the difficulties as to Dalhousie College wholly overcome, by annexing this College to the University of Windsor, under the same Government, but as a distinct Member, placing it under a separate head—establishing Professorships, some of them more adapted to its locality, and opening Lectures as originally intended ; while the terms kept at the one, should be reckoned with those kept at the other, and degrees be conferred for Studies pursued at either or both of them. A Provincial University thus formed, of the United Colleges, would, in his opinion, be supported with a small additional endowment to their present separate funds, and thus not only provide for all reasonable demands for Education, but terminate, satisfactorily, the differences which result from their present condition.

The undersigned has referred more pointedly to the Bye-Laws and their unjust provisions, because he was the first individual who was injured by their operation.

In 1803, he had been five years at the Academy in the College, and was supposed entitled to enter the latter as a Student. The Bye-Laws of that year, for the first time, limited the age for Matriculation to fifteen, which he had not attained, and required subscription to the Articles of the

Church of England. The removal of the first impediment would have been waited for, but the last could never be overcome. His Family having always been as they still are—Members of the Congregation in Halifax, connected with the Established Church of Scotland; he was, therefore, compelled to abandon the College, and all the distinctions which it was expected to confer.

Religious instruction in the great doctrines of Christianity, he is prepared to maintain, ought ever to form part of Collegiate Education; but, as the purchase of the benefits of an University, he deems it equally useless and unjust to exact from the immature judgment of Youth, the formal adoption of any particular opinions founded on the deductions of fallible men, from particular portions of the volume of Scripture; because, the final choice among those tenets, by conscientious persons, will assuredly be made at a more advanced period of life.

(Signed)

CHARLES R. FAIRBANKS.

Halifax, 9th November, 1835.
(A true Copy)

JOHN C. HALLIBURTON, Secretary.

2d Part.

Extract from the Minutes of the Proceedings of the Governors of King's College, Windsor, at their Meeting held at the Government-House, in Halifax, on Thursday, the 28th day of January, A. D. 1836.

Reasons for not uniting in the Report and Statement made by the Committee of the Governors of King's College, in answer to the Dispatch of the Right Hon. the Secretary of State for the Colonies, dated 30th April, 1835.

FIRST—The Reply to the Dispatch of Lord Glenelg, is, I conceive, really if not in terms founded on the alleged ground that the *primary* object in the Foundation of King's College, in connexion with Literary Instruction, was the support of the Church of England—the Education of its Ministry, and the benefit of its Members.

This view has been stated to be in accordance with the early correspondence on the subject, and to be supported by the Charter granted in 1802; and, by the fact of many and large donations having been made to the College, in consequence of the connexion it held with the Church; and to be confirmed by the practice followed in relation to the College since its first Institution.

It appears, however, that the origin of King's College is to be sought at a much earlier period than the Charter, and is clearly to be traced to the Message of our late Gracious Sovereign, George the Third, in 1787, to the Assembly of Nova-Scotia; and its first Establishment rests on the Act of Assembly of 17 , when the Governors of King's College received their Corporate character and authority.

Seeking evidence of the primary design of King's College, from these original sources, it is found that the object of the Royal Message is to recommend provision to be made “*for the erecting and maintaining of Schools where Youth may be educated in competent Learning, and in knowledge of the principles of the Christian Religion.*” That the Committee of the House of Assembly, appointed to consider the Message, speak of the object as one for “*Instructing the rising Generation in the principles of sound Literature and the Christian Religion.*” That His Majesty's Council, on the same occasion, describe the purpose as being for “*the well educating the Youth of this Province;*” and that the Act of Assembly designates the Establishment of the College, “*as, by the Blessing of God, likely to become of the greatest public utility to this Province, and His Majesty's neighbouring Colonies.*”

The original object in the Foundation of the Institution at Windsor, seems, therefore, to have been the general diffusion of Education among the Inhabitants of the Province, without limitation or preference, and the only restrictive regulation that appears is a provision that the President should be a Clergyman of the Church of England.

Although the Colony was founded on principles of Religious Freedom, yet, it is well known that, at the period under consideration, and long after the Members of the Church of England, in great measure, engrossed the Literature and influence of the Province; and it is not matter of surprise, that the Establishment at Windsor should have received its impress from the opinions of its early promoters, and the prevailing sentiments of the higher ranks of Society: The same cause may, in some degree, account for the appointment which appears in the Charter of 1802, of Patron and Visitor, which are not to be found in the Act of Incorporation of 17 ; and for the still more striking fact that, after the Charter, a majority of the Governors were found willing to go the length of passing a Statute, which closed the entrance into the College, even for the purpose of Instruction, against any Youth who did not sign the 39 Articles, and (after that Statute was repealed) for a much longer period continuing to deny the Honors of the College to such of its Students as refused the same test, however worthy, as Individuals or distinguished Scholars.

These restrictions are now removed, but other regulations and authorities exist under the Charter and Statutes, which essentially circumscribe the broad basis originally laid for the Institution, by the Royal Message and the Act of Incorporation; and which diffuse around it an influence that many who dissent from the Church of England would not be willing to expose their youth to.

Therefore, without presuming to determine the equities resulting from the donations by Members of the Church of England to the College, or to discuss the questions which might be raised as

between the Inhabitants of the Province generally, on the one hand, and the Members of the Church of England on the other.

But considering the great importance of the subject, and the high interests involved in it, and tracing in the Dispatch now under the consideration of the Board, as well as in those of Lord Stanley, Lord Goderich, and Sir George Murray, when respectively holding the Seals of the Colonial Department, the disposition of His Majesty's Government is to favor the Establishment of one College in the Province—on principles less restricted than those of King's College, as a matter both of propriety and policy; and believing that public benefit would result from acting upon those principles, in a judicious manner, I am not prepared to unite in the reply on that ground which forms its basis.

SECONDLY—The reply of the Committee offers certain modifications in the management of the College, but fails to propose the abolishing of the Offices vested by the Charter, *ex-officio*, of Patron, in the Archbishop of Canterbury, and of Visitor in the Bishop of Nova-Scotia, to which length the proposed modifications ought at least to have gone, for the purpose of effecting the objects of His Majesty's Home Government on this subject, for the following reasons:—

1st. Because it cannot be supposed that their Graces the Archbishops of Canterbury will be competent to judge of themselves of the Laws best adapted to the regulation of a Seminary of Learning in a distant Colony, with humble means, and a mixed population of diversified habits and feelings, and therefore, it must be presumed they will exercise their authority upon the information of those most likely, on such a subject, to have their confidence; and that the veto of the Patron will, in effect, be added to the power of the Bishop of the Colony.

2d. Because the authority of Visitor, added to that of a Governor of the College, and to the more indirect influence above referred to, with the extensive power derived from his station, must give to the Bishop of Nova-Scotia, in effect, the chief control over the Institution.

3d. Because, these powers and authorities are calculated to excite in the Dissenting portion of the Community, only suspicion and prejudice, and are in fact in no manner necessary for the efficient government of the College, as a Seminary of Learning, nor appear to have been so considered when the Act of Incorporation passed.

THIRDLY—Because the reply, professing to review the History of the Establishments of Education in the Province, fails to convey, as I conceive, an adequate view of the subject, or justly to exhibit the preponderating influence in this particular, of the Church of England, and the very uncertain tenure on which Provincial support, in favor of an Establishment for Education, not under the influence of the Church of England, must generally be held, and is, in fact, held by the Academy at Horton, in consequence of the views of a large portion of His Majesty's Council.

FOURTHLY—I object to the reply, because, while it professes to maintain the principle, that King's College is and ought to continue a part of, and auxiliary to, the Church of England, in this Province, it yet refers to the union of Dalhousie College with King's College, as a measure at least possible. Whereas, justice to the large portion of the Population, not connected with the Church of England, I think, required that the reply should have stated, in terms that, so long as King's College preserves its exclusive character, the union of Dalhousie College with it would be inconsistent with the just rights of Dissenters, inasmuch, as the Property and Funds of Dalhousie College are unfettered by any Religious preferences, and are the only means to which Dissenters can look for obtaining the benefits of a higher order of education, on terms consistent with their Religious principles, so long as King's College continues under any decidedly partial government and influence.

FIFTHLY—Because, I conceive, much injustice may arise from representing to His Majesty's Government Dalhousie College as a failure, without thoroughly examining and explaining the causes, apparent and latent, which have prevented its establishment and success.

SIXTHLY—Because, I believe, the establishment of one University in the Province, on liberal principles, yet combining the Instruction of Students designed for the Ministry of the Church of England, in Divinity, is practicable; and that such an Establishment, if placed in Halifax, would command support, and diffuse benefits very extensively, and might be hoped to end those jealousies under which the cause of Education has suffered so deeply in this Province.

(Signed)

J. W. JOHNSTON, Solicitor-General.

Halifax, 9th November, 1835.

(A true Copy.)

JOHN C. HALLIBURTON, Secretary.

No. 60.

(SEE PAGE 1011.)

THE Committee to whom was referred the Petition of James Farrell, of Manadieu, praying remuneration for Boarding, Lodging, &c. furnished to some Shipwrecked persons, have investigated the subject to them referred, and report that they are satisfied the statements of the Petitioner, set forth in his Petition, are correct; and, conceiving the amount of his claim for the articles furnished and the services performed by him, as per annexed account, to be very reasonable, beg leave to recommend the House to provide for the same.

(Signed)

THOMAS DICKSON, Chairman: W. O'BRIEN, JOHN YOUNG.

March 1st, 1836.

No. 61.

(SEE PAGES 1011 & 1012.)

THE Committee appointed to take into consideration, the expediency of extending the jurisdiction of Magistrates, in Summary Trial of Actions, in collecting debts, have given it their attention; and your Committee do report that, however, desirous it may be to lessen the expenses of Law, in the collection of small debts, yet your Committee are of the opinion, that at present it is inexpedient to make any alteration in the Law for that purpose, until some more efficient mode can be devised.

(Signed)

SAMUEL CHIPMAN, Chairman.

No. 62.

(SEE PAGE 1016.)

THE Committee to whom was referred the Petition of Thomas Robertson and others, report that they have seen the Regulations made by the Sessions, respecting the Fishery in Sackville River, and cannot perceive that the Petitioners have any just cause of complaint, they recommend the Petition to be withdrawn.

(Signed)

S. W. DEBLOIS, H. BELL, L. O. C. DOYLE.

No. 63.

(SEE PAGE 1025.)

THE Committee to whom was referred the Petitions of George McKenzie and John Geddes, Overseers of the Poor for the Township of Pictou, for the years 1829, 30, 31, 32 and 1833, praying to be paid a sum of money advanced by them for the relief of Transient Paupers during that period.

Your Committee have attentively examined the Documents accompanying the Petition, and obtained from them and other sources the information that tends to the conclusion, that the said Overseers have been extremely negligent, in not having given up their office at an early period, or by other means have brought their Accounts to a close; but, by that neglect, have allowed a debt to accumulate for the support of Transient Paupers, to the amount of £141 13s. 2d. That the Inhabitants consented, in Town Meeting, to vote the said amount to be assessed on the Town, which assessment was subsequently quashed in the General Sessions, on the ground of illegality. The Petitioners, therefore, are unpaid, and have been subject to Law-suits and imprisonments, and are yet liable for the balance.

Your Committee are therefore of opinion that the said Overseers should be allowed a part of the said sum, and recommend to the House that they be allowed the sum of Seventy-five pounds, and no more.

All which is respectfully submitted,

(Signed) JAMES S. MORSE, BENJAMIN DEWOLF, JOHN MORTON,

No. 64.

(SEE PAGES 1029 & 1030.)

THE Committee to whom the several Petitions on behalf of the proposed new line from Dartmouth to the Gut of Canso, were referred, have agreed to the following report:

That this road has, for many years, engaged the attention of the Legislature, and has received from time to time grants of Money, which have been expended, either in its survey or its partial execution; but the magnitude of the undertaking, joined to the steady perseverance which alone can command success, has hitherto baffled the irregular efforts that have been brought to accomplish it. At no period has its utility been questioned—and the delays which, up to the present day, have retarded its completion, seem only to have enkindled a warmer zeal, and to have excited all parties in its favor. It has not the character of a novel speculation, struck out in the heat of fortuitous circumstances, or recommended by any new posture of affairs; but, it is pressed on the notice of the House, after it has been maturely weighed—after every argument operating for or against it has been examined, in all variety of shapes; and after the people, living along its whole line, and at both its extremities, have come to the deliberate conviction, that it is essential to the general interests of the Province no less than to their particular advantage. That the opening of this route to Cape-Breton has of late grown in popularity—that its benefits are more highly and uni-

versally appreciated, can be gathered from the tone of the Petitions which have been presented this year. Without awakening the interest which must be felt for it in Cape-Breton, and bringing its large population to bear, by their signatures, on the question, upwards of Eight Hundred pray the House, that the great work may be commenced, and this too at a time when these Petitioners are aware that we are not burdened with overflowing funds; and that nothing could induce us to it but the supreme and commanding necessity that exists for such a communication. It is an appeal founded on the immediate, recognized, and widely felt urgency, of doing something on a grand scale to connect Cape-Breton and the Eastern Section of the Province with the Capital, and to enliven and facilitate the intercourse which our new relation with that important Island has created and is daily extending. The Petitioners, fully assured of the value of the end, apply without any misgivings for the means, and appear fully persuaded that the requisite Capital, however raised, will be well expended, and will open future sources of Revenue, in the increase of Settlers, in the establishment of various works, and in the activity of trade and industry. It would be reprehensible to check such enthusiasm and to crush such hopes—and the Committee, catching a portion of this ardent feeling, cannot refrain from contemplating this new line of road with a high degree of favour, and beg leave to comprise in a succinct view the chief benefits that must accrue from the projected undertaking. And here they are happy to acknowledge the assistance they have derived from some Letters, by a Road Maker, published in the last Nova-Scotian, in which the distances by the old and new routes have been calculated, and the saving in miles accurately pointed out. The same results are set forth in one of the Petitions, so that on a comparison of the two roads, every Traveller from Ship Harbour, in the Gut of Canso, to Halifax, would shorten his distance by 44½ miles and another starting from Arichat would save 73 miles—while to the Inhabitants of Guysboro' Manchester, Wilmot and Milford, 62 miles would be cut off the journey—not to mention the increasing shortening of the distance to the Settlers at St. Mary's, Country Harbour, and the various other stations along the whole range of the Southern Coast.

When we have recourse to figures to estimate the economy in expense which would be effected by lopping off so many miles from the respective distances, as above enumerated, and when we take Twenty Shillings per day, as an average charge for Man and Horse in travelling, and forty miles as about the medium which can be daily accomplished, on a long and continuous journey, it is wonderful to discover what an immense sum would be annually saved by the New line, to all from Cape-Breton and the Eastern section of the Province, who would visit the Capital,—the 44 miles to one class of travellers would effect a reduction of expense in going and coming, to the extent of £2 4s. The 62 miles to another class would leave unexpended £3 2s.; and the 73 miles, calculated from Arichat, would leave no less on the whole journey than £3 13s. The same writer proceeds to add these several items together, and reckoning the number of persons who would have occasion every year to use this road at 800, he concludes that the gross sum of £3500, for the charge of travelling, would be saved; and that a further benefit to the extent of £1500 more would be derived from the transport of Country produce to the Town, and of British and West India Goods back to the interior.

But the Committee, little anxious to overstrain these calculations, which actually seem to be bounded within the limits of probability, would assume a lower and more moderate position, and estimate the gains of the new route, to the eastern population, at half of the above amount, or at £2,500 a year; and this would be a sufficient warrant to the Legislature to vote the sum needful to complete this great thoroughfare and £3000 a year until this work could be completed, would be a manageable and prudent expenditure.

The Committee having so far discharged their duty, in illustrating the immediate advantages to Cape-Breton and the Eastern Section, which would be available on the opening of this road, will conclude, by setting in order one or two considerations that ought not to be overlooked in this Report.

It is a fact, too true and universally admitted, that the trade of the Western Counties has been of late years leaving Halifax, and centering in St. John, New Brunswick. It is equally clear, that by far the greatest part of the Revenue is collected and paid in Halifax, as shewn by reference to the Public Accounts of 1835.

Paid by Collector of Excise Halifax	£29,127	0	0
of Customs	13,298	18	0
of Light Duty, say Halifax	1,600	0	0
	£44,225	18	0
Collectors of Excise, Outports	£7298	16	0
of Light Duty	1347	4	0
	8,646	0	0
	£52,871	18	0

If, then, the trade of the Capital shall continue to decline, if facilities of communication to the Eastward are not encouraged, to serve as a counterpoise to the falling off to the Westward, the Revenue collected in Halifax must become less and less, and be found quite inadequate to meet the annual expenditure. It is then the interest of Members, from whatever parts of the Province they come, to keep up the trade here, where the Duties are most productive, and most rigidly enforced and levied. The new line would give a fresh impetus to the Commerce of the Capital, as it has been discovered.

in England, that a livelier activity and enterprize have uniformly attended any additional means of communication.

It may be further noticed, that Cape-Breton and the Eastern Section of the Province, require some little attention from the House, to develop their peculiar resources by the opening of this road, when it is considered that heretofore very large sums have been laid out upon the Great Roads to Annapolis and to Pictou.—True, all the inhabitants of Nova-Scotia have participated in the common benefits of these improvements ; yet, still the residents either on or near these great lines, have principally reaped the fruits of these heavy out-lays—whereas, neither the inhabitants of Cape-Breton nor those of Sydney have ever enjoyed the advantage of a single extra vote for the amelioration of those roads.—This new line has long been a prominent object of their attention, and they account it of essential importance to their future advancement—No act of the House would be received as a greater boon ; and the rejection of these Petitions, so numerously signed, so strongly urged, will be regarded by them as a grievous calamity.

But the annexation of Cape-Breton to Nova-Scotia, requires some connecting chain by which the three populous Districts of that Island shall be more immediately linked to the metropolis of the Province.

The present road from the Gut by Tracadie, is in a most wretched state, and a circuit of 73 miles from Arichat to Sydney, presents no very cheering prospects to those Gentlemen who must attend here on the public business. All these views have been fully and seriously weighed by the Committee, and their combined effect has been an irresistible conviction of the pressing necessity of this road.

Several other arguments, leading all to the same conclusion, have been adduced in the Petitions so fully, that the Committee deem it quite useless to dwell on them at length. The new line certainly would open an easy communication to all the Fishing Settlements along the East Coast—it would give free access to the Capital, when contrary winds might detain Vessels coming hither from Canada, Newfoundland, P. E. Island ; and Masters, Passengers, Owners of Property and Consignees, would naturally avail themselves of a good practicable road ; and lastly, many excellent Farms, now hid in that great Eastern Forest, would be opened up and placed within the reach of Settlers, which, without such road, must lie for many years in an unreclaimed state ; these and many like advantages are too apparent to need any elaborate discussion.

The Committee therefore recommend that a competent sum be placed at the disposal of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, to be borrowed at 4 or 4½ per cent. and paid in as the progress of the work may require the advances.—That His Excellency be authorized to employ a competent Superintendant, who shall divide the whole line into Sections, write out the necessary specifications for each, and let those by Contracts ; and that Surveys, whenever required, shall precede the Workmen, in order to obtain the best and most suitable levels.

(Signed) *John Young, Chairman ; S. W. Deblois, Hugh Bell,
L. M. Wilkins, Edmund M. Dodd.*

No. 65.

[SEE PAGE 1031.]

DOWNING-STREET, 23rd NOVEMBER, 1835.

(Copy)

SIR—

Among the subjects which have recently engaged the public attention in this Country, none has occupied a more prominent place, or is more intrinsically important, than the establishment of proper Regulations for securing an effective Prison Discipline. During the last Session of Parliament a Committee of the House of Lords was appointed to enquire into the state of the Gaols and Houses of Correction in England and Wales. After a minute and laborious investigation, their Lordships adopted a series of Reports, of which copies are herewith enclosed for your information ; and an Act, of which a copy is also enclosed, was subsequently passed by the Imperial Parliament, for the purpose of carrying out the principles elicited by their enquiries. It is the object of my present Dispatch to call your attention to the general subject of Prison Discipline, as far as regards the Colony under your government. From the nature of the investigation undertaken by the Committee of the House of Lords, some of the observations in their Reports, and of the recommendations embodied in their Resolutions, are necessarily of a local and exclusive nature ; but, there are many others which are of general application, and which, with such modifications, only as are demanded by local circumstances, might probably be advantageously introduced into the Colony under your government. I have, therefore, to desire that you will bring the enclosed Documents under the consideration of the Legislature of Nova-Scotia, and to solicit their early attention to this important subject. I have also to request that you will, at your early convenience, procure and transmit to me a Report upon the state of the Prisons in the Colony under your government. The principal heads into which it is desirable that this Report should be divided, are :—

1st.—The number of Gaols or Houses of Correction actually existing in the Colony.

2d.—The number of Prisoners which each is capable of containing, and the average number of Prisoners confined in each.

3d.—The Regulations adopted for maintaining the internal discipline of the Prison—the authority by which such Regulations are established or revised—the nature and extent of the punishments permitted to be inflicted on Prisoners—by what authority the general Rules for punishments are made; and also, by what authority the punishment appropriated in each case is appointed.

4th.—Whether any and what species of compulsory labour is enforced.

5th.—In those cases where compulsory labour is used the average amount of the earnings of each Prisoner and its application.

6th.—The amount of the daily allowance of food to each Prisoner—the allowance of clothes or bedding—under what authority provided, and the average annual expense of such supplies.

7th.—What provision is made for the Medical Treatment of such Prisoners, and for holding Inquisitions in cases of death.

8th.—The nature and extent of classification which is established—more especially with reference to the separation of Men from Women—of the young from the old Prisoners—of Criminals from Debtors, and of persons committed for trial from those who have been convicted.

9th.—The provision made for the instruction of the Prisoners—whether a Chaplain is appointed—and whether Bibles or other Books are furnished to the Prisoners.

10th.—What means are adopted for securing the visitation of the Prisons by the local Magistracy and other authorities—whether those visits are only at stated and pre-arranged periods—or whether the Magistrates are in the habit of visiting the Gaols at irregular periods—and when their visits would not be expected.

11th.—Whether any means exist for allowing the Prisoners to enjoy exercise in the open air.

On these and any other points which may appear to you deserve notice, I have to request that you will transmit to me the fullest information which it is in your power to furnish, and you will also inform me whether any alterations and improvements, upon the system at present in use, are in the contemplation of the local Legislature.

I have only to observe, in conclusion, though it is hardly necessary to do so, that the information now called for is not intended in any degree to supersede the similar annual Returns which are comprised in the Blue Book.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

GLENELG.

No. 66.

(SEE PAGE 1033.)

THE Committee to whom was referred the Petitions from the Public Libraries of Lunenburg and Pictou, have given their best attention, not so much to these Petitions as to the general subject of encouraging the establishment of Public Libraries over the whole Province. The Committee acknowledge, in submitting to your Honorable House their views on this subject, that the claim of Schools upon the public bounty, may be fairly argued, as a prior but not as a superior one, because by their means the use of the necessary tools for acquiring general knowledge is chiefly obtained.—But the ability to use the instruments of any arts, if not put into operation, is of little advantage to the possessor. Without access to books, from which nearly all general and useful knowledge comes, the utility of Schools is fearfully lessened.

Those, therefore, who only advocate that portion of cultivation which is afforded by the Common Schoolsystem, and which, in general, is only the art of reading without understanding—the art of writing, and a few rules of Arithmetic, do very much miss the road to the great objects of an Education.

An answer to this may occur to some, that, if Schools are in part provided from public funds, individuals ought to provide books for themselves.—The reply is simple—it is returning the people's contributions in the most rational manner, and is the only mode of making them rational beings.—The taste for reading is acquired by habit, and the habit must be produced by external influence.—Parents in older and richer Countries can, to a considerable extent, provide mental food for their Children—but in this very young and poor Country there is neither ability nor desire, and it is to be feared that unless the Legislature step in with its fostering aid, Nova-Scotia may soon stand far in arrears of every other part of the civilized world.

The Committee respectfully suggest to your Honorable House, that they deem it worthy of consideration, whether the itinerating system of Libraries could not be profitably introduced in connection with Schools.

If the public funds be insufficient to promote this object at present by a special grant, your Committee are of opinion that it would greatly enhance the utility of the usual grant for Education, if a part of it, say ten per cent. were allowed to go to the gradual introduction of books for the use of Schools.

In a former year a Committee of this House recommended a Drawback of the Duty upon all Foreign Books imported for Public Libraries—and your Committee are of opinion that such a measure would greatly promote the improvement of the Province, with exceedingly little loss to the Revenue; and they strongly recommend it to the consideration of your Honorable House.

The Committee further suggest the question of the propriety of an Address to His Majesty's Government for a change in the Imperial Act imposing the Duty on Foreign Books.

(Signed) J. BLANCHARD, Chairman.

No. 67.

(SEE PAGE 1037.)

(Copy)

*HIS MAJESTY'S PACKET RINALDO,
HALIFAX, DECEMBER 20th, 1833.*

SIR—

I think it my duty to inform you that H. M. B. Packet Rinaldo, under my Command, was, on making this Coast, in great danger of going on shore, from mistaking Lunenburg Light-House for Sambro, not being aware of any Light-House between Sambro and Liverpool we ran on, making it with the utmost confidence, and only discovered our error when close to the Light-House, and then bore up, under an impression it was Liverpool, until an observation convinced us to the contrary. Had it been thick weather, or late in the day, we should have been placed in imminent danger—and I think any vessel observing the Light-House, unless well acquainted with the land about Halifax, might be placed in the same situation.

I have the honor to be, &c. &c. &c.

JOHN HILL, Licut. Commanding.

His Honor the President, &c. &c. &c.

(Copy)

HIS MAJESTY'S PACKET ECLIPSE, DECEMBER 22d, 1834.

SIR—

I beg to acquaint you, for the information of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, that, on making the land on the evening of the 18th inst. in H. M. Packet under my Command, I observed a Light-House to the eastward of me which I supposed to be Sambro.—I made my arrangements accordingly, and stood off the first part of the night, (I then being to leeward)—towards the following morning I stood in for the land, and not having seen the Light during the night, I conceived it might be through neglect, or from a haze over the land—at dawn of day I observed the same Light-House to leeward of me, and still considering it to be Sambro I bore up, and as I thought was running for Halifax Harbour, but, as I approached the land, and day-light advanced, I discovered my mistake, and found the Light-House I supposed Sambro to be a new Tower intended to bear a Light, erected on Cross Island, near Lunenburg.—This mistake was the means of detaining me a night longer at Sea, and might have been the cause of running the ship into great danger.

I am of opinion that, from the local situation of the Light-House on Cross Island, bearing such a strong resemblance to Sambro, Ships making the land, and not having had observations for three or four days (which was the case with myself) may be led into serious error, particularly strangers not acquainted with the features of the land.

I have the honor to be, &c. &c. &c.

Wm. FORRESTER, Lieut. and Commander.

Sir R. D. George, Bart. &c. &c. &c. Halifax.

(Copy)

HALIFAX, 30th DECEMBER, 1834.

SIR—

WE beg to state that several complaints have been made, in consequence of the Light-House at Cross Island being mistaken for Sambro Light-House.—We would, therefore, respectfully submit, for the consideration of His Excellency, that some measures should be taken to light this Building in such a manner as to distinguish it from Sambro, which we think can only be done by erecting another Tower, and making a double Light, otherwise the present Building should be removed, as it is calculated to lead Vessels, approaching the Coast, into danger.

We have the honor to be, &c. &c.

S. CUNARD,
JAS. H. TIDMARSH, } Commissioners
THOS. MAYNARD. } of
Light-Houses.

Sir R. D. George, Bart. Provincial Secretary, &c. &c. &c.

HALIFAX, N. S. 16th MARCH, 1835.

(Copy)

GENTLEMEN—

ON our passage from Bermuda to this Port, in the Brigantine "Lady Cockburne," I made the Cross Island Light-House on Friday last, the 13th inst. at 10 A. M. bearing N. N. West—at half past 10 there came on a snow storm taking it for Sambro I shaped my course N. E. by N. at Meridian, it lighted up a little, then the Light-House was bearing W. N. West, distant about three miles, when I found it was not Sambro. Hauled off with the wind S. by E., and barely weathered the South West Ledge. If it had been blowing heavy, and any Sea on, she never would have weathered it;—and, it being thick, could not get a Pilot, if it had not lighted up as it did, I would have run down in the Bay, thinking the land to the North and East was Chebucto, and of course would have been embayed, and had to have come to an Anchor on a lee shore. I am of opinion that the Light-House erected on Cross Island is of no use, and is very apt to deceive any one coming from Sea, bound to Halifax.

BENJAMIN O. BECK, Master of the Lady Cockburne.

To the Commissioners of Light-Houses, Halifax.

(Copy)

GENTLEMEN—

HALIFAX, 16th MARCH, 1835.

Running in for the land on Friday last, 13th inst., I made Cape Sable, and bore up E. N. E. with a stiff breeze from the Westward, it being thick over the land, I could not see Roseway or Liverpool Light. On Saturday morning, the 14th inst. supposing to have run the distance for Sambro, hauled in one point at Day-light, made the land, and saw the Light-House bearing N. by W. supposing it to be Sambro, I hauled my wind, to beat it, but it blowing hard, and having split my Jib, could not make way to windward, I hauled off on the other tack, and lost sight of the land. At 4 P. M. it moderated, I tacked Ship and stood in for the Light-House; again being light wind and baffling, did not make it until Sunday, at 9 A. M. bearing N. W., when, still thinking it was Sambro, hauled in for it and did not find my mistake until it bore about W. N. W. when, not seeing the Sisters break, I ran in a short distance further, and then, for the first time, saw the Cross which is painted on it:—If the wind had chopped round to the Southward we must have gone on shore.

This House is very apt to deceive persons coming in from Sea, as there is very little difference in the latitude of it and Sambro, which makes me of opinion that it will be of no use to Vessels bound to this Port; but, on the contrary, is apt to lead them astray.

I have, &c.

DANIEL R. WILLIAMS, Master Brig James.

To the Commissioners of Light-Houses, Halifax.

HALIFAX, 17th MARCH, 1835.

(Copy)

SIR—

For the information of His Excellency, we beg leave to transmit Copies of two Letters received yesterday from the Masters of the Brigs Lady Cockburne and Tamer, addressed to the Commissioners of Light-Houses, shewing the imminent danger of those Vessels making our coast, in consequence of the ill-advised situation of the Cross Island Light-House.

The Commissioners beg leave to call His Excellency's attention to a former communication on this subject, in December last, representing the necessity of either building another Tower or taking down the present one, to avoid the danger which ships are exposed to in making the Western Coast. The small difference of latitude, about five miles between Sambro and Cross Island, renders the site ineligible for a Light-House, and extremely dangerous to the Stranger approaching our Shores. The Legislature, in its last Session, having declined granting the sum necessary for building another Tower, the Commissioners are of opinion that, to avoid future Shipwrecks, the present Light-House should be razed, and the Iron Lantern, which is of superior workmanship, be removed to the Light-House at Sambro, where it will be of real use; whereas, in its present situation, is worse than useless.

If His Excellency does not accord with this proposal, the next best thing we can suggest is, the painting the Tower and Keeper's House Red or Black—the former color we think is preferable.

The Commissioners have no hesitation in stating it as their firm conviction, that if some change, either by razing or altering its present appearance, is not adopted, sooner or later some dreadful accident will occur that will draw down public censure on their Board.

We have the honor to remain, &c. &c.

THOS. MAYNARD, JAMES H. TIDMARSH.

To Sir R. D. George, Bart. &c. &c. &c.

(Copy)

PROVINCIAL SECRETARY'S OFFICE,
HALIFAX, 21st MARCH, 1835.

GENTLEMEN—

So numerous have already been the instances in which the Cross Island Light-House has been mistaken for that of Sambro, owing to the proximity of the two stations, and the small difference of

latitude between them, that, upon a consideration of your Letter to me of the 17th instant, inclosing copies of Letters from the Masters of the Ludy Cockburne and Tamer on this subject, the Lieutenant-Governor and His Majesty's Council, though not feeling themselves at liberty to authorize the taking down of the former Light-House, as you have recommended, without the sanction of the Legislature, are fully convinced of the necessity of doing all that may be possible to distinguish the one Light-House from the other.

His Excellency is therefore pleased to approve of your having the Cross Island Light-House painted either Red or Black, as you may think best—giving notice in the Newspapers of the intended change.

With respect to your proposal for removing the Cross Island Iron Lantern, which is useless in its present position, to Sambro, where it could be eminently useful, I am directed to add that, though this measure appears to have been recommended on a supposition that the Tower itself was to be pulled down, His Excellency would still approve of the removal of the Lantern, if, under present circumstances, and, on a consideration of the expense with which it would be attended, you should deem it advisable.

I have, &c.

RUPERT D. GEORGE.

The Commissioners of Light-Houses, Halifax.

No. 68.

(SEE PAGE 1038.)

THE Committee to whom the Petition of H. A. Gladwin and others, was referred, report :

That this House cannot consistently express any opinion on the Bill now before His Majesty, for the division of the County of Halifax.

That the privilege of voting for Town and County Members, complained of by the Petitioners, is enjoyed by the People of the Province, without distinction, and it is inexpedient to make any partial change.

That the introduction of Vote, by ballot, in the opinion of the Committee, will not secure freedom of Election, and is contrary to the practice in Great-Britain.

That the Committee herewith hand to the House, a Statement presented to the Committee by H. A. Gladwin, Esquire.

*James B. Uniacke, Chairman ; H. Huntington,
J. S. Morse, Thomas Dickson.*

Halifax, 10th March, 1836.

No. 69.

(SEE PAGE 1039.)

THE Committee to whom was referred the Petition of the Grand Inquest for the District of Colchester, praying a declaratory enactment in alteration of the Laws relating to the support of the Poor, so far as regards the assessment of Inhabitants in two or more Townships or Settlements, in cases where such Inhabitants may be possessed of Property in such Townships or Settlements, report as follows :

That, having fully investigated the subject referred to them, they are clearly of the opinion that the Law, as it at present stands with respect to such assessment, is sufficiently plain and explicit, and that the same, in connection with the Law relating to the Settlement of the Poor, can, in the opinion of the Committee, only be construed to make Inhabitants liable to be rated or assessed for the support of the Poor of that Township or Settlement in which such Inhabitants actually reside.

The Committee therefore deem it unnecessary for the House to take any further proceeding on the said Petition.

Thomas Dickson, Chairman ; A. S. Archibald, John Morton.

March 17, 1836.

No. 70.

(SEE PAGE 1043.)

THE Committee to whom the Bill for the payment and security of debts incurred in the purchase of Real Estate, and erection of Buildings for the use of the Town of Halifax, report,

That there are Debts contracted and due to sundry Persons, the sum of £3829 10s. for principal and interest. That there are no other Funds towards the payment of the above Debts, but what arises from the

Rents of other Town Property—that, after paying for repairs and other necessary charges, not more than sufficient will be left to pay the interest.—The Committee are of opinion that it is not expedient or necessary to mortgage any other part of the Town Property for the Security of said Debts—but recommend that the Grand Jury and Magistrates be authorized, if they deem it for the interest of the Town, to sell the whole or any part of the said Property so pledged, or to assess the Town for any amount that may remain due thereon, in such sums, from year to year, as may be prudent, until the whole amount is discharged and paid.

The Committee cannot refrain from expressing their disapprobation of the conduct of the then Magistrates, as to the purchase of the Ordnance Property, and the Building there erected, it appearing to them to have been altogether unnecessary, as not being prudent or judicious, having no Funds at their disposal or any Law to authorize them to make such purchase or to build thereon.

William Lawson, Chairman ; S. W. Debois, H. Bell.

No. 71.

(SEE PAGE 1043.)

THE Committee to whom was referred the Petition of Thomas Dunlap and others, proprietors of the Lower Marsh, at Truro, praying an Act of the Legislature, for enabling such proprietors to make regulations respecting such Common Field, in respect to Fences, Fence Viewers, &c. having investigated the subject referred to them, report:

That, upon examining the Acts now in operation, the Committee perceive by the Act 10th, George 4th, Cap. 27, as amended by 2, William 4th, Cap. 62, the most ample powers to make regulations respecting the ordering fencing and improving of any Common Field, are already vested in the proprietors; and unless some defect were disclosed by the Petition, which is not the case, as peculiarly affecting the Common Field in question, the Committee cannot recommend any further enactment which it appears is not required.

Committee Room, 21st March, 1836.

J. Blanchard, Chairman ; A. S. Archibald, John Wier.

No. 72.

(SEE PAGE 1045.)

THE Committee appointed to examine and report upon the Post-Office Accounts and Disbursements of the last year, and all Petitions on matters connected with that Department in this Province, having examined the several matters and things to them referred, report as follows:

1st. That, having examined the Accounts and Disbursements of the Post Communication within the Province for the last year, the Committee find them, as stated by His Majesty's Deputy-Post-Master-General, to be correct and conformable to the scale of allowances heretofore granted for similar services.

2d. That, having considered the Petition of Matthew Maddock, the Committee recommend the House to grant him the sum of Ten Pounds, to remunerate him for the loss of his Horse, as stated in his Petition.

3d. That, having considered the Petition of Jonathan Greaves, the Committee, while they are satisfied of the truth of its statements, do not feel at liberty to recommend any grant to the Petitioner, inasmuch as he should have stated his case at the time, either to this House or the Deputy-Post-Master-General, and in the event of not receiving any remuneration, had it in his option to have given up the Office.

4th. On the Petition of Edward Joyce, the Committee state that, compared with the services of other Couriers for similar services, as stated to be performed by him, they conceive the sum at present paid him sufficient.

5th. That having compared the Petition of John Campbell and others, praying the Establishment of a Post Communication between Whycomagh and Baddock, with the report of the Committee in 1833, on the Post-Office Accounts, [see Appendix to Journals, 1833, No. 53], the Committee are of opinion that the wants of the Petitioners are provided for in that report, which, if not carried into effect, the Committee are of opinion should be attended to, and therefore, on this Petition, recommend, if it be required, the £5 be granted as heretofore specified, to ensure the object of the Petitioners.

6th.—That the Committee are of opinion that £20 should be granted to Angus McLellan, to reimburse him in full, from this House, for sums paid for the conveyance of the Mail from the Mouth of Mabou to Whycomagh, for four years, that being about one third of the sum expended by him.

7th.—That, having examined the accounts and vouchers of the Eastern Stage Coach Company, for various sums from time to time paid by them to the owners of the Steam Boat Sir Charles Ogle, for Ferriage across Halifax Harbour, &c.—The Committee are satisfied that the said Stage Establishment have paid the sum of £123 14 10 for the above mentioned services, and being of opinion that said Stage ought to have gone free of such expense, the Committee recommend the application of the Proprietors of the said Stage Coach to the favorable consideration of the House.

8th.—That, having considered the various Petitions and applications, whereby an extension of the Post Communication is sought, and, in connection therewith, the sum necessary to keep the same as at present established throughout the Province, the Committee recommend and report as follows:

For the Post Communication as at present-established	£1,171 13 4
To extend the same through Newport, in the Township of Newport and Kempt, as far as Petit agreeably to the prayer of the Petition of Francis Parker and others	20 0 0
To effect the same service for Bridgetown, in Annapolis, to Digby Gut, through Granville, agreeably to the Petition of James Hall and als.	20 0 0
To effect the same service to the Settlements of Mainadieu, Louisburg and Catalogne, agreeably to the Petition of Charles McAlpine and al.	20 0 0
To effect the same service through the Township of Cornwallis, agreeably to the Petition of Luther Porter and als.	20 0 0
To effect the same service from Guysboro' to the Gut of Canso, agreeably to the Petition of the Inhabitants of the Township of Milford, in the County of Sydney.	10 0 0
To effect the same service from Parrsborough to Advocate Harbour, agreeably to the Petition of the Inhabitants at and between the said places.	20 0 0
To Leonard Gildert, or such person as may perform the service of conveying the Mail from Windsor to Shelburne, on condition that the same be transmitted between Liverpool and Shelburne once in each week, instead of once in each fortnight, as heretofore, the further sum of	40 0 0
And if required, as heretofore mentioned, in reference to the Petition of John Campbell and others, the further sum of	5 0 0
And in addition thereto such further sum as may be required to pay the Postage of Letters and other Communications of Members of different branches of the Legislature during the present Session of the General Assembly, estimated at	340 0 0

£1666 13 4

The Committee lastly beg leave to recommend to the House a general view of the whole internal Post-Office Establishment of the Province at the next Session of the Legislature, and for the purpose of acquiring the information necessary to act upon, the Committee would further suggest the propriety of the House appointing a Committee to wait upon His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, and respectfully request him to direct His Majesty's Deputy-Post-Master-General to keep, during the next year, a detailed account of the Receipts and Expenditures at the several Post-Offices established in the Province, and the amount paid at such Offices to the several Couriers, in addition to the sums allowed by this House, and report the same, for the information of the Legislature.

Committee Room, House of Assembly, March 22d, 1836.

*Thomas Dickson, Chairman; Benjamin Dewolf, James B. Uniacke,
W. O'Brien, W. H. Roach, Samuel Chipman.*

No. 73.

(SEE PAGE 1047.)

The Committee of the Post Office Bill Report as follows :—

That the Bill, transmitted to this House by His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, is, in the opinion of the Committee, well adapted, with some modification, to accomplish its object; and if the House shall deem it judicious to assume the Post-Office Establishment, they recommend that any act to regulate the Post-Office should be triennial—and thus the House will ascertain the practical operation of the system, and be enabled to remedy defects,—that the penalties in the Bill should be reduced to one fifth.

That the appointment of the Post-Master-General should vest in the Governor of the Province for the time being, as he will always be more conversant with the character and abilities of persons qualified to discharge the duties of that Office.

That the sum required to be contributed by His Majesty's Government, viz :—£1250 Sterling should be granted annually, and never exceeded, unless specially required; and that such new routes shall from time to time be established, as the increasing population and exigencies of the Country may demand, without additional contribution from this Province. The adjoining Colonies of New Brunswick and the Canadas having declined adopting the Bill before the Committee, they cannot recommend the Legislature to pass any Bill during the present Session, but have been thus explicit to apprise His Majesty's Government of the motions of this branch of the Legislature. The Committee cannot close this report, without remarking on the inadequate allowance to the Deputy-Post-Master-General of Nova Scotia, who is compelled to expend a large portion of his moderate Salary to defray the expense of Clerks and Assistants, which leaves him dependant on the receipts of his Printing Establishment for a moderate competency. And it is singular to contrast the inequality of Salaries in the Colonial Post-Office Department. Whilst the Officer at Quebec receives an enormous sum annually, and the Deputy at New Brunswick a liberal compensation, the Post-Master of this Province who has for many years conducted his Office with despatch, urbanity and fidelity, scarcely receives the means of subsistence, although a large sum is paid annually into the Military Chest.

They therefore recommend, that the Committee appointed to wait on His Excellency with this

report, should call his attention to the circumstance, and respectfully solicit him to urge His Majesty's Government to make an additional allowance from the Postage Fund to that Gentleman, or adopt such measures as will ensure to him a reasonable remuneration for his services, and a compliance with the wishes of this House.

Committee Room, 23d March, A. D. 1836.

James B. Uniacke, Chairman ; A. Stewart. Samuel Chipman,
George Smith, Thomas Dickson.

No. 74.

[SEE PAGE 1052.]

THE Committee to whom were referred the Plans, Estimates and Surveys, of the state and required alterations and repairs of the Main Post Roads, obtained by His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, at the request of this House in the last Session ; and sent to this House this Session by His Excellency, to audit and report upon the expenses of the same—to enable the House to provide for the payment thereof, having taken the subject referred to them into consideration, report as follows :

That the Documents laid before the House contain much useful information, but the Committee are at a loss to ascertain correctly the exact amount which the House ought to provide for the services performed, inasmuch, as in very many instances, the persons employed have not sent in their Accounts. The Committee, however, in pursuance of the duty imposed on them, have examined such Accounts as have been rendered, and taken evidence respecting others, which enables them to state, for the information of the House,	
That, for the services performed by Mr. Crerar, and the Report, Plans and Estimates, made by him and returned to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, and now before the House, Mr. Crerar is entitled to the sum of	£39 2 6
That, for the services performed by Mr. Taylor, and the Reports, Plans and Estimates, returned by him, as above specified, the Committee think him entitled to the sum of	15 0 0
That, for the like services, and the Report, Plans and Estimates, returned by Thomas Holland, the Committee think him entitled to the sum of	10 0 0
That, for the same services, and the Report and Estimates returned for Cape-Breton and the Windsor road, by John Munro, he is entitled to the sum of	42 17 6
That, for the like services, and the Report and Estimates returned by J. G. Purdy, he is entitled to the sum of	5 0 0
That, for the services and the Report and Estimate returned by Whitman Freeman, he is entitled to the sum of	10 0 0
That, for the like services, and the Report and Estimates returned by J. R. Lovett, he is entitled to	10 0 0
That, for the like services, and the Report and Estimates returned by Charles Budd, he is entitled to	8 0 0
That, for the like services, and the Report and Estimate returned by James Songster, he is entitled to	10 0 0
That, for the like services, and the Report and Estimates returned by Herbert Huntington, he is entitled to	10 5 0
That, for the like services, and the Report and Estimate returned by H. A. Gladwin, he is entitled to	7 10 0
That, for the like services, and the Report and Estimates returned by Wm. S. Morris, he is entitled to	10 0 0
That, for the like services, and the Report and Estimates returned by Thos. Johnston, he is entitled to	8 15 0
That, for the like services, and the Report and Estimates returned by Jno. Elder, he is entitled to	4 10 0
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Amounting in all to the sum of One Hundred and Ninety-one pounds, and which the Committee recommend the House to grant, and place at the disposal of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, to be by him appropriated in payment of the above named persons, for the Services, Reports, Plans and Estimates, by them respectively made, done and returned, and now before the House.

THOMAS DICKSON, Chairman.

Committee Room, March 24th, 1836.

(SEE PAGE 1054.)

POLICE CHAMBERS, 16th MARCH, 1836.

SIR—

For the information of His Excellency, I send you the accompanying Extracts and Copies, relative to the state of the Bridewell. Should it be deemed expedient to continue the Establishment, immediate provision is requisite, as its funds are entirely expended; there are not Supplies to last the present week, and such reluctance in Town to credit the Institution, that I have been under the necessity of procuring, on my own responsibility, sufficient for its support, until His Excellency's pleasure shall be known.

As many inmates as could with safety be set at liberty, have been discharged—some to the Country, and others to Foreign Parts, but upwards of thirty desperate characters still remain.

A Bill has been laid before the Assembly to re-model the course of Discipline, and institute a Penitentiary connected with a House of Industry, which, if made a Provincial Establishment, might become a source of Revenue, but nothing has yet been done.—The Grand Jury have refused to assess the Town for so ineffectual a Prison, and for a sum so disproportionate to the number of Criminals sent from every part of the Province.—I have, on the part of the Magistrates, to request that our present exigencies may be relieved—and have the honor to be, &c. &c.

(Signed) W. Q. SAWERS, Custos Rotulorum.

Thomas W. James, Esq. Deputy Provincial Secretary.

WEEKLY RETURN OF COUNTY BRIDEWELL, 1836, MARCH 14th.

From His Majesty's Supreme Court	8
From do. do. Quarter Sessions	13
Under sentence	—21
Persons under the Vagrant Act, &c.—George Donovan, John Kam, Henry Harford, William Hogan, Ann Burke, Cornelius Murphy, Elias Pensua, Samuel Street, Patrick Fagen, John Gourley, Mary Parker, Michael Nowlan.	12
Total	—33
Discharged—none	
Ran away, on the 12th inst. Patrick Fagan, (a Vagrant)	1
Present number	—32
Sick—none	
Confined, to say solitary, John Richardson	
Prisoners committed since last Return	5
From Sessions 3, viz :—John McDonald, Mary Ann Stewart and William Sheldon.	
Vagrants 2, viz :—Mary Parker and Michael Nowlan.	

(Signed) RODERICK O'BRIEN, Keeper.

Extracts from Presentment of Grand Jury, December Sessions, 1835.

With respect to the Bridewell, the Grand Jury beg leave to refer the Worshipful Court to their Presentment of September last, in which they expressed their opinion that that Establishment should be abolished, being a heavy burthen on the County—with a Building scarcely habitable from decay, and possessing no Regulation, whereby the labour of Criminals is made available to their support—they have accordingly voted a sum to meet the present demands, and a further sum of £100 only for its future maintenance.

The Bridewell Accounts, including the expenditure of this vote, have been audited and passed.

(Signed) W. Q. SAWERS.

Extract from Presentment of March Term, 1836.

On the subject of the Bridewell the Grand Jury have to state, that the Solicitor-General has laid before them the Draft of a Bill to be submitted to the Legislature, which has met the full concurrence and approval of the Jury.—It may be proper to add, that the Grand Jury coincide in the opinion of their Predecessors in office, as to the inexpediency of further continuing the present inefficient Establishment at the expense of the County.

After the outline of this Bill was drawn, it was, by vote of a Special Sessions, submitted to the Crown Lawyers.

(Signed) W. Q. SAWERS.

Copy of a Letter from the Chairman of the Committee for the Management of Bridewell.

HALIFAX, 15th MARCH, 1836.

SIR—

I beg leave to report to you that all the Monies appropriated for the support of Bridewell, is expended, and that there is not sufficient provision remaining on hand to last the Prisoners one week, nor can any be obtained on credit, unless some responsible person becomes security for the payment, which I request you will be pleased to represent to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, or to the Grand Jury, as you may deem most expedient.

I am Sir, your obedient servant,
[Signed]

J. ALBRO.

William Q. Sawers, Esq. &c. &c. &c.

On receiving this Communication the Grand Jury were requested to reconsider the matter, and among other things, it was suggested by the Sessions, that a small sum might be voted or pledged for present aid, until it should be known what the House had done.—They retired, and after discussion, presented their ultimatum as follows :—

[Signed] W. Q. SAWERS.

The last Communication of Grand Jury on the subject of the Bridewell.

Upon considering the subject matter of the Letter of John Albro, Esq. to his Worship the Custos, relative to the want of Funds to support Criminals in Bridewell, the Jury instruct me to state to the Court, that they adhere to the views entertained by their Predecessors and themselves, as communicated through their several Presentments.

Sessions, 15th March, 1836.

[Signed] W. Q. S.

No. 76.

(SEE PAGE 1054.)

HALIFAX, MARCH 23d, 1836.

SIR—

I have received your Letter of the 19th inst. requesting that I would signify to you, for His Excellency's information, the Order or Orders in Council, or other authority, by which the Fees of the Chief-Justice are levied and collected by that Officer, and the Puisne Judges in this Province.

In reply thereto, I must state that I have not been able to discover by what distinct Order in Council or other authority Fees were originally granted to the Chief-Justice of this Province. The origin of ancient usages is often involved in some obscurity, and when this is the case, long established practice is usually considered sufficient authority for them.

I find by a reference to the Records of the Council, that on the 13th of December, 1742, the very first year of the establishment of the Government, the Governor and Council, then the Legislature of the Province, created themselves a Court, under the name of the General Court, and established Fees for the Clerk, the Provost Marshall, and the Attornies, with this addition,

Fees not mentioned in the last to be ascertained by the Court.

His Majesty was subsequently pleased, in the exercise of His Royal Prerogative, and as the fountain of Justice, to establish a Supreme Court in this Province, and a Commission was issued, appointing Jonathan Belcher, Esquire, Chief-Justice of that Court in 1754.

Whether the General Court, under the above Order of the 13th December, 1740, had previously established Fees for the Governor, as the presiding Judge, to which, Mr. Belcher, when he was placed at the head of the Administration of Justice, may have felt himself entitled, or whether he was authorized by His Majesty to pursue the course which the Superior Courts at Westminster adopted on their establishment, and regulated the Fees of this Court himself, I have not been able to ascertain.

The Records of the Supreme Court have been twice exposed to the ravages of fire. In the last instance, which took place about forty years ago, they were lodged in the third story of the building, where the Clerk's Office was, and it was with great difficulty that any of them was preserved, many of the Documents still bear the marks of the flames, and the circumstance may have increased the difficulty of tracing the origin of these ancient Fees. But that Fees were established, and have continued to be taken from an early day to the present hour, without the sanction of any Act of the General Assembly, by the Governor, the Chief-Justice, the Secretary of the Province, the Surveyor General, the Attorney-General, and other Public Officers, is most clear.

The Records of the Council for the years 1784 and 1785 contain Tables of Fees for these Officers. Why they were formally recorded upon the Council Books is not mentioned. It is not improbable that the great increase of population that took place about that period, owing to the influx of the Loyalists from the late Colonies, (now the United States,) and the consequent increase of business in the Public Offices and Courts of Justice, may have suggested the propriety of making this Public Record of them.

The Chief-Justice is, I believe, the only Officer among those above enumerated, whose Fees have received a Legislative recognition. In two instances, in 1787 and 1788 a grant of £200 in each of those years was made to him by the General Assembly, in lieu of his fees for those years. The Journals of the House of Assembly shew that the proposal for the commutation originated with the House itself, who appointed a Committee to negotiate it with the then Chief-Justice.

On the death of Chief-Justice Pemberton, this commutation was discontinued—no such offer appears to have been made to his Successor, Sir Thomas Strange, and from that day to the present, these fees have been invariably collected. Mr. Robie, now a Member of His Majesty's Council, and for many years Speaker of the House of Assembly, informs me that he was once appointed by the House to negotiate with my predecessor for the permanent commutation of their fees; but Mr.

Blowers, then Chief-Justice, declined entering into any such negotiation; probably, upon the ground that he had no right to make any permanent bargain which would affect the emoluments of an Office in the gift of His Majesty.

Even so late as the last Session of the General Assembly, when a Resolution was introduced into the House of Assembly, declaring those fees unconstitutional—that Resolution was negatived.

His Majesty has been graciously pleased to grant to me the Office of Chief-Justice of Nova Scotia, under the great Seal of the Province, together with all the rights, profits, privileges and emoluments, thereunto belonging, in as full and ample a manner as any of my Predecessors have heretofore held and enjoyed them; and, as these Fees form a very important part of the profits and emoluments of the Office which has been thus solemnly granted to me, I deem my right to them to be as firmly established as it is to the Salary or to the Office itself, so long as it may be His Majesty's Royal pleasure to continue me in it.

It is well known that, from the earliest history of the Judicial Establishments in the Mother Country, fees formed an important part of the income of the Chief-Justices. This continued to be the case until the Reign of His late Majesty King George the Fourth, when it was deemed advisable by the Government to substitute an increase of salary in lieu of them. An Act of Parliament was passed to effect that object, under which Act the Fees formerly paid to the Chief-Justice are now paid into the King's Exchequer. Should it be His Majesty's pleasure, it would be my duty to submit to a similar arrangement.

In answer to the enquiry of His Excellency, as to the authority under which the Puisne Judges receive their Fees, I beg leave to inform you that they are collected in the several Counties—to be paid by the Clerks of the Court to the Chief-Justice, at the end of each Term. My Predecessor, when he did not travel the Circuits himself, always relinquished them to the Judges, who, in his absence, held the Courts in the respective Counties in which they were collected, and I have pursued the same course. This, therefore, is a matter of private arrangement between the Chief-Justice and his Brethren, which has no tendency whatever either to increase or diminish the Fees paid by the Suitors.

I cannot conclude without expressing my concern that this subject should have been introduced into the House of Assembly, without any communication with the Chief-Justice—without any offer of commutation, for which there were so many precedents—or without any direct intimation to him, that these Fees, after having been so long quietly collected, had become the subject of complaint.

It is, certainly, a subject for regret, that one of the highest Officers in the Government, in whose integrity it is not desirable to shake the confidence of the People, without sufficient cause, should be accused of making illegal exactions, merely on account of his continuing a practice which he firmly believes was established before he was born—which all his predecessors adopted—the origin of which is beyond the memory of the oldest member of the profession; and which, even if he were inclined to relinquish, he ought not to do so without the sanction of his Sovereign.

The agitation of this question has, I admit, been painful to me. I have no unbecoming desire for popularity—but I do not feel indifferent to public esteem. The high office I have the honor to hold, and the arduous duties it imposes upon me, render it very desirable that I should possess the confidence of the public. It has been my earnest endeavour to discharge my duties on the Bench of the Supreme Court, where I have been seated for thirty years, in a manner to acquire it, and I hope that I have not been altogether unsuccessful. But it would be as useless, as it would be unjustifiable, to seek for a continuance of it by an unconditional surrender of the long established emoluments of a very important Public Office, involving a sacrifice of income, without which I could not maintain the respectable station which my predecessors have always held in this community, and thus inflicting a serious injury upon myself and my successors. I rejoice that the consideration of this subject is about to be submitted to His Majesty, upon whose justice I have the firmest reliance, and to whose decision I shall most cheerfully submit.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your very obedient servant,

BRENTON HALLIBURTON,

Chief-Justice of Nova-Scotia.

T. W. JAMES, Deputy-Secretary, &c. &c. &c.

I beg leave to subjoin the following extract from the Commission issued by His Majesty to Mr. Belcher, the first Chief-Justice of the Province, dated October 14th, 1754.

“To have, hold and execute, and enjoy the said Office or place, of Chief-Justice, in and over our said Province, with all and singular the rights, privileges, profits, advantages, salary, fees and perquisites, unto the said place belonging, in the most full and ample manner.

B. H.

At a Council holden at Halifax, 1st September, 1785.

PRESENT :

His Excellency the Governor; the Honorable Richard Bulkeley, &c. &c. &c.

The following Fees were established for the Chief-Justice and Puisne Judges of the Supreme Court, viz :—

For the Chief-Justice.

For every Writ issued returnable to the Supreme Court,	£0	2	6
Entry of every Action, if for £10 or upwards,	0	10	0
If above £3 and under £10,	0	5	0
Every trial,	0	6	8
Every Judgment,	0	3	4
Taxing Bill of Cost,	0	2	0
Every Writ of Error issued,	0	2	6
Fiat for Writ of Certiorari or Supersedeas,	0	2	6

For any of the Judges who shall at times do the business.

For every Recognizance or Special Bail, to be paid to the Judge before whom the same is acknowledged--each person,	0	1	8
For all Affidavits, to be paid to the Judge before whom the same is taken, and endorsing the Writ,	0	3	6

Extract of the Commission of His Majesty KING GEORGE the SECOND, to EDWARD CORNWALLIS, Captain-General and Governor in Chief of the Province of Nova Scotia, dated 6th May, 1749.

“And we do, by these presents, give and grant unto you, the said Edward Cornwallis, full power and authority, with advice and consent of our said Council, to erect, constitute and establish, such and so many Courts of Judicature and Public Justice within our said Province and Dominion as you and they shall think fit and necessary, for the hearing and determining all causes, as well Criminal as Civil, according to Law and Equity, and for awarding of Execution thereupon, with all reasonable and necessary powers, authorities, fees and privileges, belonging thereunto.”

No. 77.

(SEE PAGE 1054.)

PART FIRST.

(Copy.)

CASTLE OF ST. LOUIS, QUEBEC, 8th March, 1836.

SIR—

IN compliance with an Address of the House of Assembly of this Province, I have the honor to transmit herewith, for your Excellency's information, and that of the Legislature of Nova-Scotia, Copies of certain Resolutions passed by the House, expressive of their desire to co-operate with the Imperial Government and the neighbouring Colonies, in giving effect to the liberal proposals that have recently been made to them by the Government, respecting the erection of Light-Houses on the Islands of Scattarie and St. Paul.

By the inclosed Resolution your Excellency will perceive that the Assembly of Lower Canada are disposed to pass an Act this Session, appointing a Commissioner to act with such Commissioners as may be named by the other Provinces, for the purpose of ascertaining the fittest sites for the proposed Light-Houses, and of apportioning the annual expense of maintaining the Lights.

I need hardly assure your Excellency that this humane and highly beneficial undertaking shall not fail to receive my best attention and support.

I have the honor to be, Sir, &c. &c.

(Signed) GOSFORD.

His Excellency Major-General Sir Colin Campbell, K. C. B.
&c. &c. &c. Halifax.

HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY, FRIDAY, 4th MARCH, 1836.

RESOLVED, That it is expedient to repeal an Act, passed in the 10th and 11th years of the Reign of His late Majesty George 4th, Cap. 34, entitled, “An Act to appropriate a certain sum of money towards the erection of a Light-House on the Island of St. Paul, and to provide for the maintenance thereof.”

Resolved, that this House gratefully appreciates and returns its thanks for the enlightened liberality of His Majesty's Government, contained in the Despatch of the Right Honorable the Colonial Secretary of State, dated Downing-Street, 4th November, 1835, by which it appears that the Lords Commissioners of His Majesty's Treasury will apply to the Imperial Parliament for the Funds necessary to the erection of Light-Houses upon the Islands of Scattarie and St. Paul, provided that the Colonies, whose Trade is to be benefitted by the measure, will engage to defray the expense of their future maintenance.

Resolved, That it is expedient to accept of the benevolent offer contained in the said Despatch, and to co-operate with the Imperial Government and the neighbouring Colonies, in carrying the same into effect.

Resolved, That it is expedient to pass an Act, during the present Session of the Legislature, appointing a Commissioner, on the part of this Province, to arbitrate and determine with such Commissioners that may, for the same purpose, be authorized on the part of the Province of Nova-Scotia, New-Brunswick and Prince Edward's Island, respecting the fittest sites upon the said Islands for the proposed Light-Houses, and the sums of money required for the erection of the same, as well as for their future support; and, under whose management and control the yearly expenses of the said Light-Houses ought to be placed; and also, to apportion the sum of money which this Province ought to contribute annually towards the maintenance of the said Light-Houses, according to the tonnage of Vessels trading to or from this Province, as compared to the tonnage of Vessels trading to or from the other Provinces above mentioned, or to the benefit which each of the said Provinces respectively may be expected to derive from the said Light-Houses.

Resolved, That it is expedient to appropriate a sum of money, not exceeding One Hundred Pounds, to defray the necessary expense of the said Commissioner.

Resolved, That, as soon as the Commissioner on the part of this Province, and the Commissioners on the part of the other Provinces, above mentioned, shall have reported upon the matters referred to them, respecting the said Light-Houses, it will be expedient to pass an Act to provide the necessary funds for that part of the expense, towards the annual support of the said Light-Houses, which they may award to Lower Canada, and which, being just and equitable, ought to be borne by this Province.

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor in Chief, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to communicate the foregoing Resolutions to the Government of Nova Scotia, New Brunswick and Prince Edward Island.

Ordered, That Mr. Power, Mr. LeBoutillier, Mr. Caren and Mr. Huot, do present the said Address to His Excellency the Governor in Chief.

Attest,

(Signed)

W. B. LINDSAY, Clerk of Assembly.

Report of a Special Committee of the House of Assembly of Lower Canada, respecting the erection and maintenance of Light-Houses in the Gulph of the St. Lawrence.

Your Committee, after having taken into their most serious consideration the Message of His Excellency the Governor in Chief of the 20th January last, and the Documents and Correspondence which accompanied it, relative to the erection of a Light-House and Buildings for the shelter of shipwrecked persons on the Island of St. Paul; and, after having proceeded to the examination of the various Documents and Messages laid before Your Honorable House during each successive Session of the Legislature, since the year 1828, on this subject, and examined several witnesses thereon, were about to report their opinion upon the difficulties and misunderstandings which hitherto tended to retard the co-operation of the Legislatures of Nova-Scotia, New-Brunswick and Prince Edward's Island, with the Legislature of this Province, towards the conclusive arrangement of this deeply interesting object, when the Message of His Excellency the Governor in Chief, of the 3d instant, with a copy of a Despatch from the Secretary of State for the Colonies, dated Downing Street, 4th November, 1835, and other Documents respecting the erection of Light-Houses in the Gulph of St. Lawrence, were referred to them, which rendered all further inquiry into those difficulties and misunderstandings unnecessary.

By this last mentioned Message and Despatch, Your Honorable House are informed that the Lords Commissioners of His Majesty's Treasury have endeavoured to obtain the opinions of scientific persons experienced in the dangerous navigation of the Gulph of St. Lawrence, and acquainted with the circumstances of the neighbouring Provinces, and that the result of their inquiries appears to be "that if Light-Houses were erected upon the Islands of Scattarie and St. Paul, off the Coast of Cape-Breton, many of the Shipwrecks which now occur might be prevented, and that, anxious to contribute, as much as possible, to an object which their Lordships consider as of national rather than local interest, they have announced their readiness to apply to the Imperial Parliament for the funds necessary to the erection of Light-Houses upon those Points; provided the Colonies, whose trade is to be benefitted by the measure, will engage to defray the comparatively light expense of their future maintenance."

Your Committee, with the most grateful sentiments (in which they have no doubt Your Honorable House will concur) for this liberality of His Majesty's Government, are of opinion that it is expedient to accept of the benevolent offer contained in this Despatch, and to co-operate with the Imperial Government, and with the neighbouring Colonies, in the proposed measure so interesting to humanity, and tending to prevent the disastrous Shipwrecks and consequent loss of lives and property that yearly occur in and near the Gulph of St. Lawrence.

Your Committee have to observe that the Legislature of this Province, by its Act, passed in the 10th and 11th years of the Reign of His late Majesty Geo. 4th, cap. 34, granted the sum of £2000 to enable the Government of this Province, conjointly with the Governments of the Provinces of Nova-Scotia, New-Brunswick and Prince Edward's Island, to cause a Light-House to be erected on the Island of St. Paul; and provided also, that one half of the annual expense to be incurred in maintaining and keeping in repair the said Light-House should be defrayed out of the Funds of the Trinity House of Quebec, appropriated by Law to the improvement of the Navigation of the River St. Lawrence. Your Committee perceiving that the Act above mentioned, owing to the difficulties and misunderstandings already alluded to, has not been carried into effect, and that no part of the said sum of money has been expended, are of opinion, that it is necessary to repeal the said Act, and, in lieu thereof, to pass another, appointing a Commissioner

on the part of this Province to arbitrate with such Commissioners as may for the same purpose be appointed on the part of the Provinces of Nova-Scotia, New-Brunswick and Prince Edward's Island, and estimate the sum of money which this Province ought to contribute to the annual expenses of these Light-Houses, in proportion to the Tonnage of Vessels trading to or from this Province, as compared to the Tonnage of Vessels trading to or from the other Provinces already mentioned. The whole nevertheless humbly submitted.

W. POWER, Chairman.

22d February, 1836.

PART SECOND.

FREDERICTON, N. B. MARCH 14th, 1836.

(Copy.)

SIR—

At the request of the House of Assembly of this Province, I have the honor to transmit to your Excellency a Report made by the Chairman of the Committee of Light-Houses, for the Islands of St. Paul's and Scattarie; as also, a Document that will shew the train in which they leave those marks of humanity and utility during the recess, in order as they are concerned, that no interruption may take place towards their accomplishment.

I have, &c.

[Signed] ARCHIBALD CAMPBELL, Lieutenant-Governor.

His Excellency Major-General SIR COLIN CAMPBELL, K. C. B &c. &c. &c.

(Copy.)

HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY, NEW BRUNSWICK, 10th MARCH, 1836.

Whereas, by a Report of the Committee of the House of Assembly of Nova Scotia, to whom were referred the Despatches of the Colonial Secretary, relative to the erection and maintenance of Light-Houses upon the Islands of St. Paul and Scattarie, it would appear that they do not contemplate the erection of more than one Light-House on St. Paul's Island; when, from information before this House, it is believed that not less than two Light-Houses will afford due security to Vessels navigating that dangerous Coast, and that one alone will be of little benefit; and also, that Bells and Guns will be indispensable at such Light-Houses, during the frequent fogs which pervade the Gulf of St. Lawrence.

And whereas, it also appears by the same Report, that the Committee do not consider it advisable to recommend that the management of any Light or Lights, to be erected on St. Paul's Island, should be surrendered to any other Body than the Board of Commissioners in Nova Scotia, but have proposed that the said Board shall assume the sole management—and pay all expenses of supporting two Lights, viz: one on St. Paul's and one on Scattarie—and of a constant supply of provisions for the use of Shipwrecked Persons, upon condition of receiving annually from Canada the sum of Five Hundred Pounds, and from New Brunswick Two Hundred and Fifty Pounds, the total annual expense being estimated at One Thousand Pounds.

1st.—Therefore, resolved, as the opinion of this Committee, that measures should immediately be adopted by the said Board of Commission, to ascertain the number, proper site, and description of Lights which it may be necessary to erect on St. Paul's Island, in order to afford sufficient protection to Vessels passing that Island.

2nd.—That, although Light-Houses in equally remote and exposed situations, which are under the care of Commissioners in this Province, are properly and efficiently maintained during the whole year, for an annual sum of not more than Two Hundred and Fifty Pounds each, and the Lights on St. Paul's Island should consequently require a much smaller sum for its support, it being unnecessary to keep up the Lights for more than Eight Months in the year. Yet, as this Committee are anxious that a measure of such vast importance to the interests of Commerce and of humanity, should be effected without further delay, they recommend if two good and sufficient Light-Houses, with Bells and Guns, be erected in proper situations, and maintained by the Board of Commission in Nova-Scotia, on the Island of St. Paul, and also, one Light-House on Scattarie Island; and if the Establishment at present on St. Paul's Island, for the preservation and comfort of Shipwrecked persons, which has hitherto been exclusively supported by this Province, be also continued and maintained by the said Board of Commission of Nova-Scotia, then that this Province shall pay or contribute towards the same the annual sum of Two Hundred and Fifty Pounds.

3rd.—That, as it is supposed that the Government of Great-Britain may hereafter be induced to contribute an annual sum towards the maintenance of the Lights to be erected on St. Paul and Scattarie Islands, it is just and equitable, and is fully expected, that, in such case, a proportionate deduction shall be made from the amount now proposed to be annually contributed by this Province.

(Signed) CHAS. P. WETMORE, Ck.

(Copy)

HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY 14th MARCH, 1836.

Whereas, His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor did, on the 25th January last, communicate by Message to this House, a Dispatch from Lord Glenelg, His Majesty's Principal Secretary of State for the Colonies, with sundry other Documents, conveying the gratifying assurance that His Majesty's Government are ready to apply to Parliament for the Funds necessary to erect Light-Houses upon the Islands of Saint Paul and Scattarie, at the entrance of the Gulf of St. Lawrence; provided that such of the North American Colonies, as would be benefitted by such Establishment, would engage to defray the expense of maintaining the same;

And whereas, this House, with a view to meet the liberal and humane purpose of His Majesty's Government, has pledged itself, by a Resolution passed on the tenth day of March, instant, to contribute annually towards the maintenance of Light-Houses on the Islands aforesaid, the sum of Two Hundred and Fifty pounds :

And whereas, this House entertain a confident hope that the Canadas, Nova-Scotia and Prince Edward's Island, will readily furnish such other sums as will be necessary for the maintenance of such Light-Houses, and that the same may, in consequence, be erected in the course of the ensuing Summer.

And whereas, it is expedient that persons should be appointed, to whom might be communicated, during the recess, such information relative to the erection and maintenance of such Light-Houses, as His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor may receive from His Majesty's Government or the Sister Colonies :

Therefore, *resolved*, that the Honorable Joseph Cunard, and Alexander Rankin, and William Abrams, Esqrs, be appointed a Committee to receive all such Communications as His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor may think necessary to transmit to them during the recess, with a view to every facility being given to the erection of said Light-Houses, so necessary to the protection of Commerce and the cause of humanity.

And further, *resolved*, that an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to convey to His Majesty's Government the deep sense which is entertained by this House of this additional mark of liberality, on the part of His Majesty's Government, and for the anxious solicitude which it has, as well in the present instance, as, upon all former occasions, evinced for the welfare and prosperity of His Majesty's North American Dominions.

(Signed) P. WETMORE, Ck.

No. 78.

[SEE PAGE 1057.]

THE Committee to whom were referred the Bill, to be entitled, "An Act to enable the Freeholders of the Township of Pictou to assess themselves for arrears of Poor Rates," and also three Petitions in opposition to the said Bill, have received, at considerable length, statements of the manner by which the accounts connected with the Poor Rates, for the years mentioned in the said Bill, became involved ; but do not consider it necessary to trouble the House with their details. The principal fact upon which the Committee rests this Report, is, that it is a local Bill, and called for by the unanimous vote of a general meeting of the Freeholders of the Township to which the Bill alone applies, and which was called by the Sheriff, after requisition, for the purpose of adopting means to bring to a close the matters which the present Bill concerns. At that meeting the following Resolution is reported in the published account of the meeting, as having been unanimously passed: that Messrs. Anthony Smith, John McLean and James Primrose, be appointed a Committee to investigate the claims against the Inhabitants of this Township, incurred by George McKenzie and John Geddes, while Overseers of Poor, and not considered by a previous arbitration—and that George Smith and Jotham Blanchard, Esquires, be requested to procure the passage of a Law, enabling the Township to assess themselves for such sum, as by those gentlemen shall be found to be justly due."—The three gentlemen above named have held a public investigation of the claims against the Inhabitants of the Township, incurred by the Overseers aforesaid, and not considered by a previous arbitration. It also appears by the published Report of the Committee as follows : that the sum of £164 18s 3d was due by the Township.

If the Petitioners had any thing to allege against this balance being due by the Township, or that the Overseers had committed fraud, they should, by affidavit or otherwise, have adduced testimony thereof, and it would have received the consideration of the Committee.

The Committee cannot see any injustice which can be done by passing the Bill, but much, if it does not pass. No assessment can be made under authority of it, except by a vote of a majority of the payers who will not be likely to sanction a second payment of the same sums. The Committee have no hesitation in recommending to your Honorable House to pass the Bill in question.

H. BELL, J. BLANCHARD.

No. 79.

(SEE PAGE 1063.)

THE Committee to whom was referred the Petition of James N. Crane and others, have agreed to report thereon as follows :

That, whereas a new Bridge is to be erected the ensuing Summer across the River Avon, near the Town of Windsor—a new line of Road will be indispensably necessary for the carrying His Majesty's Mail, and for the convenience of Public Travelling; and as it is an acknowledged principle, that, in all cases where old Roads are to be improved, by making alterations, or new roads laid out, accurate surveys and estimates should be made in the first instance, to insure to the Public the best possible line to be adopted at the least expense—your Committee therefore recommend that His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor be requested, by a Resolution of this House, to order and di-

rect a survey to be made from the site of the said Bridge about to be erected to the Lower Gaspereau Bridge, and from thence to Wolfville, in Horton, following, as near as may be found practicable, either the Mount Denson or the Shore Road. Your Committee are induced to recommend this line, from a conviction that it will afford the most level and direct line of road that can be adopted, and at the least expense, as, in the opinion of your Committee, not many expensive alterations on either of these lines would at present be found necessary; add to this the advantage of having a road through a populous and growing Settlement, where Statute Labor will be nearly sufficient to keep the road in repair; and the Petitioners having subscribed liberally towards accomplishing this desirable object, the Committee deem it but just and right that so large a proportion of the Inhabitants should have the benefit of a Post Communication in common with the other parts of the Province, and most strongly recommend the prayer of the Petitioners to the favorable consideration of the House.

JAMES HARRIS, Chairman.

No. 80.

(SEE PAGE 1069.)

THE Committee appointed to examine and report upon the Accounts and Papers laid upon the Table, respecting the Maps of the Province, prepared by order of the Legislature, have gone through the business referred to them, and report:

That they find the Accounts submitted regularly vouched and correct, and that there remains due to William Mackay, the principal Draughtsman, a balance of £172 19s 0^d, which sum they recommend the House to provide for. The Committee also recommend, that the Papers headed "*Abstract of the several sums granted on account of the Provincial Maps, and the Appropriation thereof,*" and "*Return of the distribution of the Maps of the Province*" as containing information, which the Committee think will be hereafter beneficial to the Legislature, be entered on the Appendix of the Journals of the House. The Committee cannot refrain from expressing their entire approbation of the manner and ability with which the Provincial Maps have been executed, and they are unanimously of opinion, that Mr. Fairbanks, the Master of the Rolls, who must necessarily, as Chairman of the Committee appointed to superintend the work, have devoted much time and attention thereto, and who has drawn and paid all sums of money from time to time, granted to defray the expenses thereof, and all without making any charge, is, therefore, well deserving the thanks of the House.

Committee Room, March 28th, 1836.

Thomas Dickson, Chairman; H. Bell, H. Huntington.

No. 81.

(SEE PAGE 1069.)

STATEMENT of Expenses incurred in respect of the preparing the PROVINCIAL MAPS, &c. since the 31st March, 1833, when the balance due, including the Draughtsman's services to that date, amounting to £239 6s. 2d. was provided by a grant of that sum.

See Journal of 1833, Report, No. 53, Pages, 486 and 487, Grant, 493, 505—Also, Resolution as to Maps, p. 504.

Dr.—The Province of Nova-Scotia.

1833—Dec. 31st	No. 1	For services of Draughtsman, Mr. Wm. McKay, from 31st March to 31st Dec.—208 days, 12s. 6d.	£130	0	0	
1834—Dec. 31st		For services of do., to date, 261 days	163	2	6	
						£293 2 6
	No. 2	For Cash paid by Chairman, for certain incidental Expenses, to date	14	8	8½	
1835—May 8	No. 3	For Cash paid, pursuant to Resolution of House of Assembly, to Proprietor of Small Map of Cape-Breton	30	0	0	
July 7	No. 8	For Cash paid to Mr. C. H. Belcher, his Acct. for engraving Maps, &c.	140	2	10	
Oct. 24	No. 9	For Cash paid C. H. Belcher, his Acct. for preparing and mounting the County and Township Maps, &c.	6	15	0	
	No. 10	For Cash paid Malcom & Anderson, their Account for cases, frames, presses, &c. for mounting and securing Maps, &c.	26	0	0	
	No. 11	For Cash paid to Mr. William McKay, for his services in arranging the Maps for being mounted, preparing Indexes, &c. including services at beginning of year	12	10	0	
			£229	16	6½	£293 2 6
Cr.						
1835—April	No. 12	By amount received £350, the grant on Account for this service this year (Accounts, p. 21,) after examined by Chairman of Public Accounts, copy of Report herewith thus paid	£229	16	6½	£120 3 5½
		Balance to be provided for, being amount remaining due to Mr. William McKay				172 19 0½

CHARLES R. FAIRBANKS, late Chairman of Committee.

ABSTRACT of the several Sums granted on Account of the PROVINCIAL MAPS, and the appropriation thereof.

Date.	Sum granted.	Special purpose	Survey.	General expenses.
1828				
31st Jan.	Granted this Session, (Acts. of 1828, p. 6) For providing and engraving a Portable Map, for general information, (History of Nova-Scotia) For preparing Map, Expense of Paper, &c.	£50 0 0		£50 0 0 300 0 0
1829				
5 th Feby.	Granted this Session For defraying Expense of Surveys, and towards completing Maps		£400 0 0	
1830-1831	Granted this Session, (see Act, p. 26.) To discharge balance due on Accounts, reported for Maps To pay Mr. Charles Morris, Junior, for his services, to 31st Dec. 1830, as reported by Committee, £150 paid to him			278 17 3
	Total granted	£1028 17 3	£400 0 0	£628 17 3
	To discharge balances of Surveys Towards prosecution of work, to the end of 1831		£66 10 0	£221 2 9
1833				
7th Feby.	Granted this Session, (page 10) To discharge balance due for Provincial Maps, as reported			289 0 2
	Total granted	576 9 9	£66 10 0	£510 8 11
1835				
	Granted this Session, (page 21) Towards discharging balances due for Map, and for procuring 134 Engraved Copies, &c.	£50 0 0		£350 0 0
	Balance due to Mr. William McKay	172 19 0½	£2128 6 0½	
	Sum granted to C. Morris, Junior, as above		150 0 0	
	Total Expenditure		£2278 6 0½	

Date.	EXPENDITURE.	Special purpose.	Surveys.	Incidental Expenses.	Wages of Draughtsman
1828—Dec. 31—	Paid for Paper and Sundries to date			£53 6 9	
	“ For Surveys		£91 9 4		
	“ Mr. William McKay, Draughtsman				£90 0 0
	“ Mr. Garland	£13 13 2			
		£13 13 2	£91 9 4	£53 6 9	£90 0 0
1829—May 8—	Paid Mr. Charles Morris	75 0 0			
	“ For Paper and Sundries			29 16 6½	
	“ For Surveys		237 12 0		
	“ Mr. William McKay				111 0 0
		£88 13 2	£329 1 4	£83 3 3½	£201 0 0
1830—July 21—	Paid Sundry Expenses			7 13 8	
	“ Mr. William McKay				139 2 6
Sept. 13—	“ Mr. William McKay				10 0 0
		£88 13 2	£329 1 4	£90 16 11½	£350 2 6
Dec. 21—	Due to William McKay, to 21st July				78 17 6
	To Do. to date				77 10 0
	Paid Clement H. Belcher			18 15 9½	
	Total expended, £1028 17 3	£88 13 2	£329 1 4	£109 12 9	£501 10 0
1831—Dec. 31—	Paid balance due on Surveys		£66 0 10		
	Incidental Expenses			£4 0 7	
	Due to Mr. McKay to date				£190 10 0
1832—Dec. 31—	Paid Incidental Expenses			8 11 9	
	Due to Mr. McKay to date				187 10 0
1833—Feb. 16—	Paid for Incidental Expenses			0 18 7½	
	For Cloth, &c., mounting Maps			78 5 11½	
March 31—	Due to William McKay to date				45 12 6
	Further expended, £576 9 9		£66 0 10	£86 16 5	£423 12 6
Dec. 31—	Due to William McKay to date				£293 2 6
	Paid Incidental Expenses				
1835—	Paid Proprietor Map, Cape-Breton	£30 0 0		£14 8 8½	£1218 5 0

Date.	EXPENDITURE.	Special purpose.	Survey.	Incidental Expenses.	Wages of Draughtsman.
Paid	Clement H. Belcher, for Maps, &c.			£140 2 10	
"	Do. Incidental Expenses			6 15 0	
"	Malcom & Anderson			26 0 0	
"	William McKay			12 10 0	
	Further expended, £350	30 0 0		199 16 6½	120 8 5½
	Due to Mr. William McKay	£118 13 2	£395 2 2	£596 5 8	£172 19 0½

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Received from England, 125 Engraved Maps of Nova-Scotia, mounted as below, (9 others delivered at Public Offices, in England.)	In Mahogany Cases with Spring Barrels.	On Cloth and Rollers with Spring Barrels.	On Cloth and Rollers, varnished.	On Cloth folded in Cases.
	5	10	100	10
<i>Thus distributed:</i>				
His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, Government-House	1			1
The Chamber of the Council	1			
The Chamber of the Assembly	1			
His Excellency the Governor-General, Quebec	1			
His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, New-Brunswick	1			
	5			
To the several Members of His Majesty's Council				12
To the Speaker of the Assembly		1		
To the Representatives of the Counties and Towns				43
James B. Francklin, Esq. (by request,) late Clerk				1
Mr. Justice Bliss, late Member for Hants				1
The Chairman of the Committee, on Maps		1	1	2
R. Smith, Esq. late Member for Hants, and Surveyor				1
Mr. Crerar and Mr. Henry Crawley, Surveyors			1	1
Mr. William McKay, Draughtsman			1	
<i>To the Public Offices, viz:</i>				
The Office of the Secretary of the Province		1		
Treasurer		1		
Surveyor-General		1		
Collector of Impost		1		
Collector of Customs		1		1
Admiralty-House		1		
Engineer's Office			1	1
Commissariat-Office		1		
Quarter-Master-General			1	1
Brigade-Major			1	1
Adjutant-General of Militia			1	
Solicitor-General				1
King's College Library			1	
Garrison Library			1	
To the Lieutenant-Governor, Prince Edward's Island		1		
To the Offices of Clerk of the Peace and Registrars, viz:				
At Halifax. Clerk of Peace, James S. Clarke				1
Colchester. Clerk of Peace, Thomas Brown				1
Registrar, George Dill				1
Pictou. Clerk of Peace, James Skinner				1
Registrar, Hugh Denoon				1
Guysborough. Clerk of Peace, W. O. Heffernan				1
Registrar, Thomas Cutler				1
Dorchester. Clerk of Peace, Robert N. Henry				1
Registrar, John Cunningham				1
Cumberland. Clerk of Peace, Silas C. Morse				1
Registrar, P. Baker, Esq.				1
Hants. Clerk of Peace, Benjamin Dewolf, Esq.				1
Registrar, Asa Torrey				1
Cornwallis. Clerk of Peace, W. H. Chipman				1
Registrar, Wm. Campbell				1

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	Numbers distributed brought over			In Mahogany Cases with Spring Barrels.	On Cloth and Rollers with Spring Barrels.	On Cloth and Rollers, varnished.	On Cloth folded in Cases.
	5	10	81				
Received from England, 125 Engraved Maps of Nova-Scotia, mounted as below, (9 others delivered at Public Offices, in England.)							
Horton. Registrar, (sent to E. Dewolf, Esq.							1
Parrsborough. Registrar. do.							1
Queen's County. Clerk of Peace, James Rogers							1
Registrar, James Knaut							1
Lunenburg. Clerk of Peace, Charles Owen							1
Registrar, George Solomon							1
Annapolis. Clerk of Peace, Samuel Cowling							1
Registrar, E. H. Cutler							1
Sissiboo. Registrar, C. Jones							1
Yarmouth. Clerk of Peace							1
Registrar, H. G. Fartish							1
Shelburne. Clerk of Peace							1
Registrar, Cornelius White							1
Cape-Breton, N. E. District. Clerk of Peace. C. R. Ward							1
Registrar							1
S. E. District. Registrar, — Turnbull							1
Clerk of the Peace							1
N. W. District. Clerk of Peace and Registrar, Louis Tremain							1
The Society in London for Propagation of the Gospel, by special request							1
Total Maps 125	5	10	100				10

The large Map of the Province.—This is drawn on the Scale of 20 chains to the inch. The greater part of it laid out from actual Surveys made for the purpose, and by the same Draughtsman, and with the same Instrument. It forms the ground work of all the others, and was designed to receive all future Surveys as they were made. It is deposited in the Office of the Surveyor-General, in a press made for the purpose. The Sheets properly mounted and connected, and numbered, with a regular Index, so that all Grants and Locations of Land may readily be laid down on it.

The same Press contains various Surveys of Roads and County Lines, with Plans arranged; 2230 miles of Roads and 500 miles of Boundaries, &c. protracted thereon.

The large County Maps.—These are drawn on the scale of forty chains to the inch, being reduced from the Great Map. They are properly mounted and placed in boxes, with their respective Township Maps, in readiness to be delivered to the Members, and to be deposited by them in the Registry Offices of each County, according to the following List, viz :

- Map of Halifax County, delivered to Surveyor-General.
- Map of District of Colchester, with plan of Township of Truro, scale 20 chains
- Plan of part of do. 10 chains, with plan of Township of Londonderry, 20 chains. 6 small plans of Marsh Land in same Township—of which, 4 are on scale of 10 chains, and 2 on scale of 5 chains. Also, a Book of Reference.
- Map of District of Pictou.
- Map of County of Sydney.
- Map of County of Lunenburg, with Plan of Township of Lunenburg and New Dublin, on scale of 50 chains.
- Map of County of Queen's.
- Map of the County of Shelburne, with Plan of Yarmouth Township, on scale of 30 chains.
- Map of the County of Annapolis, with four Plans, bound together, viz :
- Plan of Digby Township, on scale of 40 chains.
- Annapolis and Clements Township, scale 80 chains.
- Clements and part of Annapolis, scale 40 chains.
- (old) of Annapolis Township, scale 20 chains.
- Maps of King's County, with Plan of Cornwallis and Aylesford, scale 40 chains.
- Plan of Horton Township, marked No. 1, scale 30 chains.
- part of Horton Township, marked No. 2, scale 10 chains.
- Map of Hants County, delivered to Asa Torrey, with three Plans bound together, viz :
- Plan of Falmouth Township, scale 20 chains.
- Newport Township, scale 20 chains.
- part of Windsor Township, scale 20 chains.

The small County Maps.—These are drawn on a scale of 60 chains to the Inch, being reduced from the Great Map. They exhibit all that is contained on the larger Maps, and, being intended for reference to by the Members of the Assembly, have been mounted on slides in a table case, deposited in the Assembly Room.

The Maps of Nova-Scotia.—These are drawn on a scale of 160 chains to the inch, reduced from the Great Map. They are framed, and one Copy deposited in the Assembly Room, and the other in the small Council Chamber.

The small Map of Cape-Breton.—Scale three miles to one inch. One Copy of the Map was framed and deposited in the Province Building.

Copy of the Report of William Lawson, Esq. Chairman of the Committee of Public Accounts—on which Warrant for £350 issued.

Original Report filed in Secretary's Office.

I HEREBY CERTIFY, to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, that, pursuant to the terms of the Grant of the Legislature, placing the Sum of Three Hundred and Fifty Pounds at His Excellency's disposal, to enable him to apply the same towards defraying certain accounts and charges connected with the Provincial Maps, I have examined the accounts herewith, which have been submitted to me by the Chairman of the Committee of the House on that subject; and I report that, under that vote, there will be payable the following sums, viz :—

No. 3	The compensation to the Proprietor of the small Map of Cape-Breton, as stated in the vote	£30	0	0
No. 1	To Mr. William Mackay, the amount of his account herewith, to 31st December last from 31st March, 1833, for which there is a satisfactory Certificate	293	2	6
No. 2	To the Chairman, for Incidental Expenses paid, for which Vouchers have been produced to me	14	8	8½
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		£337	11	2½
	And I find that there will be payable to Mr. Clement Belcher a sum of Money for Copies of the engraved Map, now on their way from England, amounting, by his Estimate, to	160	3	0
	But which cannot be correctly ascertained until the Maps arrive and the charges are settled	<hr/>		
		£497	14	2½

(Signed)

WILLIAM LAWSON.

Halifax, 7th April, 1835.

Dr. *No. 1.*
THE PROVINCE OF NOVA-SCOTIA,

To WILLIAM MACKAY.

1833.

Dec. 31 For my Services in compiling and preparing the Provincial Maps, under the Direction of the Chairman of the Committee of the House of Assembly, during the following Terms, viz :

In April,	26	days		
May,	27			
June,	25			
July,	27			
August,	26			
September,	26			
October,	27			
November,	25			
December,	27			
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Days	236			
Less absent	28	208 Days,	12s. 6d.	
		£130	0	0

1834.

Dec. 31 For my Services as above, during the following Terms, viz :

In January,	27	Days
February,	24	
March,	26	
April,	26	
May,	27	
June,	25	
July,	27	
August,	26	

In September,	26 days		
October,	27		
November,	25		
December,	27		
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Days	313		
Days otherwise employed	20—293		
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Less absent in September	20		
in October	12—32	261 days	£163 2 0
E. E.			<hr/>
			£293 2 6

Halifax, 31st December, 1834.

WILLIAM MACKAY.

No. 2.

THE PROVINCE OF NOVA-SCOTIA,

To CHARLES R. FAIRBANKS.

For the following Sums paid for Sundries connected with the preparation of the Provincial Maps, viz :

1833.				
Oct. 23	Cash paid for Cord of Wood and Truckage, (for Room)	£1 2 0		
Dec. 31	Anderson and Malcom their bill	1 7 6		
	Mr. C. Belcher's Bill, for Paper, &c.	0 14 0		
	A. M'Kinlay & Co. for Sundries	2 8 2½		
		<hr/>	5 11 8½	
1834.				
Feb. 13	Cash paid for Cord Wood, Truckage and sawing, for Room	1 5 6		
14	For Wood, Truckage, &c.	1 2 0		
13	Messrs. M'Kinlay's Account	1 9 6		
	Mr. Belcher, for repairing and re-binding set of Desbarres' Charts, used for construction of Maps	5 0 0	8 17 0	
			<hr/>	£14 8 8½

The above is a correct account of the Sums by me actually paid as Chairman of the Committee, in respect of the Maps.

CHARLES R. FAIRBANKS.

Estimate by Mr. Belcher of Expense of Engraving, Printing, Mounting and Importing Maps agreed for.

HALIFAX, FEBRUARY 6, 1835.

To 9 Maps of Nova-Scotia, 6s. 10d.	£3 1 6		
Mounting 4 on Cloth Rollers, spring barrels	7 0 0		
5 on Cloth, and Rollers varnished, 35s.	1 5 0		
	<hr/>	11 6 6	
Remittance of Exchange, 8 per cent.	0 15 1		
Exchange 11 1-9	1 7 2		
	<hr/>	2 5 3	13 11 9
125 Maps of Nova-Scotia, 6s. 10d.	£42 14 2		
Mounting 10 on Cloth, to fold in case, 3s.	1 10 0		
Ditto 100 on Cloth Rollers, varnished, 5s.	25 0 0		
Ditto 10 on Cloth and Rollers, with spring barrels, 35s.	17 10 0		
Ditto 5 ditto in Mahogany cases, 48s.	11 0 0		
	<hr/>	97 14 2	146 11 3
Advance, 50 per cent.		48 17 1	<hr/>
			£160 3 0

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