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# JOURNAL

OF THE

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OF

PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND;

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BY HIS EXCELLENCY

**SIR HENRY VERE HUNTLEY, KNIGHT,**

Lieutenant Governor and Commander in Chief in and over Her Majesty's Island Prince Edward, and the Territories thereunto belonging, Chancellor, Vice Admiral and Ordinary of the same, &c., &c., &c.

H. V. HUNTLEY,  
Lieutenant Governor.

## A PROCLAMATION.

**W**HEREAS the General Assembly of this Island stands prorogued to Tuesday the Twenty-second day of June instant:

I have thought fit, further to prorogue the said General Assembly, and the same is hereby prorogued until Wednesday, the Twenty-fifth day of August next, of which all persons concerned are required to take notice, and govern themselves accordingly.

Given under my hand and the Great Seal of this Island, at Charlottetown, in the said Island, this Twenty-first day of June, in the year of our Lord One thousand Eight hundred and Forty-seven, and in the Eleventh year of Her Majesty's Reign.

By Command,

T. H. HAVILAND, Secretary.

*God save the Queen.*

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Lieutenant Governor.

## A PROCLAMATION.

**W**HEREAS the General Assembly of this Island stands prorogued to Wednesday the Twenty-fifth day of August instant:

I have thought fit, further to prorogue the said General Assembly, and the same is hereby prorogued until Wednesday, the Twentieth day of October next, of which all persons concerned are required to take notice, and govern themselves accordingly.

Given under my Hand and the Great Seal of this Island, at Charlottetown, in the said Island, this Twenty-third day of August, in the year of our Lord One thousand Eight hundred and Forty-seven, and in the Eleventh year of Her Majesty's Reign.

By Command,

T. H. HAVILAND, Secretary.

*God save the Queen.*

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H. V. HUNTLEY,  
Lieutenant Governor.

## A PROCLAMATION.

**W**HEREAS the General Assembly of this Island stands prorogued until Wednesday the Twentieth day of October instant:

I have thought fit, further to prorogue the said General Assembly, and the same is hereby prorogued until Wednesday, the Twenty-second day of December next; of which all persons concerned are required to take notice, and govern themselves accordingly.

Given under my Hand and the Great Seal of this Island, at Charlottetown, this Nineteenth day of October, in the year of our Lord One thousand Eight hundred and Forty-seven, and in the Eleventh year of Her Majesty's Reign.

By Command,  
T. H. HAVILAND, Secretary.

*God save the Queen.*

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BY HIS EXCELLENCY

SIR DONALD CAMPBELL, BARONET,

Lieutenant Governor and Commander in Chief in and over Her Majesty's Island Prince Edward, and the Territories thereunto belonging, Chancellor, Vice Admiral and Ordinary of the same, &c., &c., &c.

DONALD CAMPBELL,  
Lieutenant Governor.

## A PROCLAMATION.

**W**HEREAS the General Assembly of this Island stands prorogued until Wednesday, the Twenty-second day of December instant:

I have thought fit, further to prorogue the said General Assembly, and the same is hereby prorogued until Thursday, the Twentieth day of January next; of which all persons concerned are required to take notice, and govern themselves accordingly.

Given under my Hand and the Great Seal of this Island, at Charlottetown, this Twentieth day of December, in the year of our Lord One thousand Eight hundred and Forty-seven, and in the Eleventh year of Her Majesty's Reign.

By Command,  
T. H. HAVILAND, Secretary.

*God save the Queen.*

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DONALD CAMPBELL,  
Lieutenant Governor.

## A PROCLAMATION.

**W**HEREAS the General Assembly of this Island stands prorogued until Thursday the Twentieth day of January instant:

I have thought fit, by and with the advice and consent of Her Majesty's Executive Council, further to prorogue the said General Assembly, and the same is hereby prorogued until Tuesday, the First day of February next, then to meet for the DESPATCH OF BUSINESS; of which all persons concerned are required to take notice, and govern themselves accordingly.

Given under my Hand and the Great Seal of the said Island, at Charlottetown, this Seventh day of January, in the Year of our Lord One thousand Eight hundred and Forty-eight, and in the Eleventh year of Her Majesty's Reign.

By Command,  
T. H. HAVILAND, Secretary.

*God save the Queen.*

**JOURNAL**  
OF THE  
**HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY**  
OF  
**PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND.**

Second Session of the Seventeenth General Assembly.

**TUESDAY, February 1, 1848.**

**T**HE House having, by several Proclamations, been prorogued until this day, then to meet for the dispatch of business:

And being met—

A Message from His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor, by Henry Palmer, Esquire, Usher of the Black Rod:

Mr. Speaker;

His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor commands the immediate attendance of this Honorable House at the bar of the Council Chamber.

Accordingly, Mr. Speaker and the House went up to attend His Excellency in the Council Chamber—and being returned,

Mr. Speaker reported, that when the House did attend His Excellency this day in the Council Chamber, His Excellency was pleased to make a Speech to both Houses of the Legislature, of which Mr. Speaker said he had, to prevent mistakes, obtained a copy, which he read to the House, and is as followeth:

*Mr. President, and Honorable Gentlemen of the Legislative Council :*

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

Our Gracious Sovereign having been pleased to appoint me to the Government of this Island, I have much satisfaction in meeting you in your Legislative capacity, at this early period after my arrival, and I avail myself of the first opportunity of communicating

to you my earnest desire to administer the Government upon those just and impartial principles, which, whilst they will give me a claim to public confidence, will enable me, with your assistance, to contribute to the happiness and prosperity of this interesting and thriving Colony.

It devolves upon me now to submit for your consideration, several matters of much importance to the present and future welfare of the Colony. Among the most pressing of these, is the state of the Island Currency, a wholesome reform of which is urgently required. To assist your deliberations in effecting this desirable object, I shall direct to be laid before you the views entertained by Her Majesty's Principal Secretary of State for the Colonies, both as to the cause of the present state of the Currency, and its proposed remedy. To these views I must claim your serious and earnest attention.

The future management of the Post Office in the British North American Provinces, will also occupy a prominent position in your deliberations; Her Majesty's Post Master General being prepared to surrender to the Provincial Authorities the control of this department, so soon as by concert between the several Legislatures arrangements shall be matured for securing the advantages of an efficient and uniform system. The several communications upon this important question, together with the able Report of the Commissioners, appointed by the Provinces of Canada, Nova Scotia, and New Brunswick, shall be laid before you.

The unfortunate sickness and distress which prevailed among the Emigrants from Ireland last year, has induced Her Majesty's Government to propose to the several Provincial Legislatures the enactment of

a law to afford additional security against the recurrence of similar misfortunes. The views of Her Majesty's Government, as communicated to the Right Honorable the Earl of Elgin, will be submitted for your information and guidance.

A revision of the laws regulating Elections, is also a matter well deserving your attention, and I would recommend for your consideration whether a law upon the same principle as that which was lately passed in the Province of Nova Scotia, and which is also in force in the Province of New Brunswick, might not be adopted with advantage in this Colony.

I will communicate to you by Message, such other matters affecting the general interests of the Island, as it may be deemed necessary to bring under your consideration during the Session.

It will be gratifying to you to learn the prosperous state of the Revenue for the past year. Although burdened with an unforeseen and extraordinary expenditure, exceeding £3000, in providing seed grain for the necessitous settlers at the commencement of the season, and in supporting the sick and destitute Emigrants, it will still be found to exhibit a considerable surplus beyond the charges of the year. Encouraging as this favourable state of the Revenue appears, I must press upon you the necessity of exercising the strictest economy in its disposition, by a systematic perseverance in which, we may hope to relieve the Colony from its existing liabilities.

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

I shall order the Public Accounts to be submitted to you without delay, the classification which has been made by the Auditors, as suggested by the House of Assembly in the last Session, will prove a saving of time and labour, by affording facilities for their examination.

The estimates for the Supplies of the current year will also be laid before you, and I have every confidence that you will grant the necessary provision for the Public Service.

As the Act for levying an assessment on all Lands in the Island, will shortly expire, it will be for you to consider whether, in the present circumstances of the Island, it will not be advisable to continue this Act, or even to raise a larger proportion of the Colonial Revenue from this source, so as to enable you to reduce other duties, with a view to the encouragement of the Trade of the Colony.

I would, however, suggest, for your consideration, whether it will be expedient to continue the distinction between improved and unimproved lands.

*Mr. President, and Honorable Gentlemen of the Legislative Council :*

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

Being sensibly impressed with the conviction, that our co-operation is essential to the advancement of the public interests, I invite you to an unreserved communication upon all occasions, and you may rely upon my ready concurrence, in such measures as are calculated to develop the resources of the Colony, and to promote the peace, good order, and welfare of the people.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, that since the termination of the last Session, he had received a communication from two Members of the House—Mr. Rae and Mr. Whelan—informing him that a vacancy had taken place in the representation of the First Electoral District of Queen's County, in consequence of the acceptance by George Coles, Esqr., of a seat in the Executive Council; and that he had complied with the Law, by giving a notification thereof to the Lieutenant Governor, in pursuance of which a Writ was issued for the election of a Member to represent the said District, to which Writ no return had been made.

Mr. Speaker also acquainted the House, that he had likewise received a communication from four Members—Messrs. J. H. Conroy, Haviland, Montgomery and D. Maclean—intimating that a vacancy had occurred in the representation of the First Electoral District of Prince County, in consequence of the appointment of James Warburton, Esqr., to a seat in the Executive Council; and that he had given the necessary notification to His Excellency, who had replied by a letter, enclosing the written opinions of the Attorney and Solicitor General, and which he now begged to lay before the House, as they appeared to him materially to affect its privileges.

His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor's letter, and the enclosure, were then read at the Clerk's Table, and are as follow :

GOVERNMENT HOUSE,  
January 22nd, 1848.

SIR ;

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 16th inst., informing me that a vacancy has happened in the House of Assembly, by James Warburton, Esq., one of the Members thereof, having been called to Her Majesty's Council, and reporting the same to me, in order that a new Writ for the election of a Member to fill up such vacancy may be issued.

I have now the honor to enclose for your information, the copy of a Letter from the Law Officers of the Crown, expressing their opinion, that Mr. Warburton's seat in the House of Assembly, has not, by the existing Law of this Colony, become vacant, in consequence of his acceptance of a seat in the Executive Council, and that therefore I cannot legally cause a Writ to be issued for the election of a Member in his place.

You will perceive therefore, that acting in accordance with the above opinion, it is not in my power to issue the Writ in question.

I have the honor to be, Sir,  
Your most obedient servant,  
DONALD CAMPBELL,  
Lieut. Governor.

The Hon. the Speaker  
of the House of Assembly,  
&c. &c. &c.

CHARLOTTETOWN,  
January 21st, 1848.

SIR ;

We have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your Letter of the 19th inst., enclosing us a letter from the Honorable the Speaker of the House of Assembly, to His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor, informing His Excellency "that a vacancy has happened in the Assembly, by James Warburton, Esq., one of the Members thereof, having been called to Her Majesty's Council, and reporting the same to His Excellency, in order that a new Writ for the election of a Member to fill up such vacancy, may be issued," and requesting our opinion "whether the fact of Mr. Warburton's having been appointed a Member of the Executive Council does, by Law, cause his seat in the Assembly to become vacant, and authorise His Excellency to issue a new Writ." We beg leave to report it as our opinion, for the information of His Excellency, that Mr. Warburton's seat in the House of Assembly has not, by the existing Law of the Colony, become vacant in consequence of his acceptance of a seat in the Executive Council, and that therefore His Excellency cannot legally cause a Writ to be issued for the Election of a Member in his place.

We have the honor to be, Sir  
Your most obedient servants,  
ROBERT HODGSON,  
Attorney General.  
JAMES H. PETERS,  
Solicitor General.

The Hon. T. H. Haviland,  
Colonial Secretary,  
&c. &c. &c.

Mr. J. H. Conroy moved, that the House do now resolve itself into a Committee of Privileges and Elections, to take into consideration the question of the right of the Honorables George Coles and James Warburton to seats in this House.

Mr. Rae moved, by way of amendment, that as the opinion of the Attorney and Solicitor General of this Island, published by order of the Executive, most decidedly expresses that there is no Law in this Island requiring a Member of the Assembly to vacate his seat in consequence of accepting a seat in the Executive Council, and as in the instances which did occur previous to last Session, the Assemblies then existing never declared vacant the seats of such Members, therefore the continuing to act on the erroneous interpretation made last Session, in so far as respects the seat of the Hon. George Coles, is inexpedient.

Mr. Speaker declined receiving the motion, stating as his reason, that it was a question of privilege involving the right of two Members to seats in this House, and ought to be referred to a Committee of the whole House on Privileges, according to Parliamentary usage.

An appeal being made to the House from Mr. Speaker's decision :

The House divided on the question :

For sustaining the decision :

Mr. J. H. Conroy,	Mr. H. Macdonald,
Mr. Palmer,	Mr. F. Longworth,
Mr. Haviland,	Mr. Thornton,
Mr. J. Longworth,	Mr. N. Conroy,
Mr. D. Maclean,	Mr. Montgomery.

Against it :

Mr. Rae,	Mr. Mooney,
Mr. Jardine,	Hon. Mr. Warburton,
Mr. Macintosh,	Hon. Mr. Coles,
Mr. LeLacheur,	Mr. Whelan,
Mr. D. Macdonald,	Mr. Clark.

A motion being made that the names of Mr. Coles and Mr. Warburton do not appear on the division, they being interested parties:

The House again divided:

YEAS:	
Mr. J. H. Conroy,	Mr. Haviland,
Mr. Palmer,	Mr. J. Longworth,

Mr. <i>D. Maclean</i> ,	Mr. <i>Thornton</i> ,
Mr. <i>H. Macdonald</i> ,	Mr. <i>N. Conroy</i> ,
Mr. <i>F. Longworth</i> ,	Mr. <i>Montgomery</i> .

NAYS :

Mr. <i>Rae</i> ,	Mr. <i>LeLacheur</i> ,
Mr. <i>Jardine</i> ,	Mr. <i>Mooney</i> ,
Mr. <i>Macintosh</i> ,	Mr. <i>Whelan</i> ,
Mr. <i>D. Macdonald</i> ,	Mr. <i>Clark</i> .

So it was carried in the affirmative.

*Ordered*, That His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor's Letter, and the enclosure, be referred to the Committee on Privileges and Elections.

*Ordered*, That the Colonial Secretary be desired to attend this House forthwith, with the Poll Books and Writ of Election, for the First Electoral District of Queen's County.

*Ordered*, That the said Committee have power to send for persons, papers and records, and to examine all persons that may come before them, on oath.

And then the House resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. Jardine took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chairman reported, that the Committee had made some progress, and had directed him to move for leave to sit again.

*Ordered*, That the said Committee have leave to sit again to-morrow.

Then the House adjourned until to-morrow, at Ten o'clock.

## WEDNESDAY, February 2, 1848.

**M**R. *Rae* moved, that a Committee of five Members be appointed to prepare and report, with all convenient speed, the draught of an Address in answer to the Speech of His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor, delivered yesterday to both Houses of the Legislature.

Mr. *J. H. Conroy* moved, by way of amendment, that the Order of the Day be now read.

Mr. *J. H. Conroy* then moved for leave to withdraw his motion, which the House agreed to.

The question being then put on the main motion, it was agreed to by the House.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Rae*, Mr. *Warburton*, Mr. *Jardine*, Mr. *N. Conroy* and Mr. *John Longworth* do compose the said Committee.

The Order of the Day for the House in Committee of Privileges and Elections, being read:

The House accordingly resolved itself into said Committee.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. Jardine took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chairman reported, that the Committee had made some progress, and had directed him to move for leave to sit again; which the House agreed to.

Then the House adjourned for one hour.

And being met—

*Resolved*, That a Committee of three Members be appointed to receive Tenders for the printing of the Journals of this House for the present Session, and to report thereon to the House.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Thornton*, Mr. *Haviland* and Mr. *Montgomery* do compose the said Committee.

*Resolved*, That a Committee of Seven Members be appointed to examine and report on the Public Accounts, with power to send for persons, papers and records.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Rae*, Mr. *F. Longworth*, Mr. *D. Macdonald*, Mr. *Clark*, Mr. *Thornton*, Mr. *N. Conroy* and Mr. *Jardine* do compose the said Committee.

*Resolved*, That a Committee of six Members be appointed to keep up a good Correspondence between the two branches of the

Legislature, and to report their proceedings from time to time, with power to send for persons, papers and records.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Thornton*, Mr. *Rae*, Mr. *Jardine*, Mr. *D. Macdonald*, Mr. *Le Lacheur* and Mr. *Clark* do compose the said Committee.

*Ordered*, That the said Resolution be communicated by Message to the Legislative Council.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Thornton* do carry the said Message to the Council.

*Resolved*, That a Committee be appointed to examine Bills to be engrossed, or that have been engrossed.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *D. Macdonald*, Mr. *Jardine*, Mr. *Warburton*, Mr. *Haviland* and Mr. *J. Longworth* do compose the said Committee.

*Resolved*, That a Committee be appointed to provide Stationery for the use of the House.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Thornton*, Mr. *Montgomery* and Mr. *H. Macdonald* do compose the said Committee.

*Ordered*, That a copy of the Journal of this House be sent to His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor, each day, as soon as may be after the adjournment.

*Resolved*, That this House do now resolve itself into a Committee of Privileges and Elections.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. *Jardine* took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chairman reported, that the Committee had made some progress, and had directed him to move for leave to sit again.

*Ordered*, That the said Committee have leave to sit again to-morrow.

Then the House adjourned until to-morrow at Ten o'clock.

## THURSDAY, February 3, 1848.

**R**ESOLVED, That a Committee be appointed, to examine what Laws have lately expired, or are near expiring, with power to report from time to time, by Bills or otherwise.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *J. Longworth*, Mr. *Thornton* and Mr. *D. Macdonald* do compose the said Committee.

*Resolved*, That a Committee be appointed to revise the Journal of each day, after the adjournment.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *D. Macdonald*, Mr. *Le Lacheur* and Mr. *Thornton* do compose the said Committee.

The Hon. Mr. *Warburton* in his place, presented to the House the Impost Accounts for the District of Cascumpec.

*Ordered*, That the said Accounts be referred to the Committee appointed to examine and report on the Public Accounts.

The Order of the Day for the House in Committee on Privileges and Elections, being read;

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. *Jardine* took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chairman reported, that the Committee had made some progress, and had directed him to move for leave to sit again.

*Ordered*, That the said Committee have leave to sit again to-morrow.

Then the House adjourned until to-morrow, at Ten o'clock.

## FRIDAY, February 4, 1848.

**MR. N. Conroy**, in his place, presented to the House, the Light Duty Account for Cascumpec, for the past year.

*Ordered*, That the said Account be referred to the Committee appointed to examine and report on the Public Accounts.

The Order of the Day, for the House in Committee of Privileges and Elections, being read;

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. Jardine took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

Mr. *Jardine* reported, that the Committee had come to two Resolutions, which he was directed to submit to the House whenever it shall be pleased to receive the same.

Mr. *Jardine* also acquainted the House, that in the course of debate, in the Committee, the following words were used by Mr. D. Maclean—"he was told the letter was a forgery, and he believed it to be a fact,"—and he, the Chairman, had been directed by the Committee to take them down, and report the same to the House.

*Ordered*, That the Report of the Committee be now received.

The Resolutions reported from the Committee, were then read at the Clerk's Table, and are as follow :

1. **RESOLVED**, That the permission hitherto allowed by this House to the Hon. *George Coles*, to take a seat within the Bar, during the discussion of the matters pertaining to the Return made by the Sheriff to the Writ for the return of a Member for the First Electoral District of Queen's County—the said Hon. *George Coles* not having been returned by the Sheriff—is not in accordance with the known usages and Privileges of the Imperial Parliament, or of this House; and that such permission shall not be considered, or in any manner deemed a precedent, to bind this House upon any future occasion.

2. **WHEREAS**, it appearing to this Committee, that the Writ issued on the twenty-seventh day of April last, for the return of a Member to serve in the General Assembly of this Island, for the First District of Queen's County, in room of the Hon. *George Coles*, having been made returnable on the tenth day of May then next; and at the Election held thereunder, that objections had been taken by the said Hon. *George Coles*, a Candidate thereat, and entered against the votes of forty persons who had voted as electors at the said election; and that objections had been taken by James M'Callum, Esquire, the other Candidate at the said Election, and entered against the votes of fifty-four persons who had voted as electors at the said election; and it appearing to this Committee that the time limited by the said writ for the return thereof was not sufficient to admit the Returning Officer to enter upon and complete the scrutiny of votes demanded by the said James M'Callum, Esquire, and that neither of the said Candidates has been returned by the said Returning Officer as duly elected :

*Resolved, therefore*, That a new Writ do issue for the return of a Member for the said District, in room of the said Hon. *George Coles*, and that the Speaker of the House do proceed thereupon accordingly.

And the First of the said Resolutions being again read, and the question put thereon, it was agreed to by the House.

The Second of the said Resolutions being again read :

Mr. *Rae* moved, in amendment thereto, that all be struck out, and the following substituted :

"*Resolved*, That it is inexpedient to enter on the examination of the procedure as to the re-election last May of the Hon. *George Coles*, for this reason: that his seat ought not to have been declared vacant.

1st. "That because in no similar instance in this Colony was any Member of Assembly required to vacate his seat; and that the cases of the present Speaker of the House of Assembly, of *Edward Palmer*, Esquire,

and of the Hon. John Small Macdonald, are exactly in point."

2d. "That the opinion of the Attorney and Solicitor General given last year on this very point, expresses most decidedly that the accepting a seat in the Executive Council does not by the Law of this Colony involve any forfeiture of a seat previously held in the Assembly."

3d. "That the Resolution of the House of Assembly last year, and the procedure in regard to a new election consequent thereon, having been both contrary to the law and practice of this Colony, ought to be departed from."

The House divided on the motion of amendment:

## YEAS:

Mr. Rae,	Mr. Mooney,
Mr. Clark,	Mr. Whelan,
Mr. Jardine,	Mr. D. Macdonald,
Mr. Warburton,	Mr. Macintosh.

## NAYS:

Mr. Palmer,	Mr. Thornton,
Mr. F. Longworth,	Mr. J. H. Conroy,
Mr. Montgomery,	Mr. J. Longworth,
Mr. N. Conroy,	Mr. Haviland,
Mr. D. Maclean,	Mr. H. Macdonald.

So it passed in the negative.

Mr. Jardine then moved, in amendment to the said proposed Resolution, that all be struck out, and the following inserted in lieu thereof:

*Resolved*, That a Committee be appointed to prepare and bring in a Bill to indemnify the Sheriff of Queen's County, and all other persons concerned in attempting to vacate the seat of the Hon. George Coles, a Member of this House, for having accepted a seat in the Executive Council, when such acceptance was unaccompanied by any office of emolument under the Crown; the said attempt to create a vacancy in the House of Assembly being repugnant to all precedents in this Island, and to the opinions of Her Majesty's Attorney and Solicitor General, as published in the Royal Gazette of the 15th June, 1847, declaring as their said opinion "that the seat of a Member of the House of Assembly does not, by any Statute of this Island, become vacant by

"his accepting a seat in the Executive Council;" and that such attempt is held to be illegal, null and void, as the present Lieutenant Governor has refused to issue a Writ in a subsequent similar case, viz: that of the Hon. James Warburton, in consequence of its being illegal to do so.

The House divided on the motion of amendment:

## YEAS:

Mr. Rae,	Mr. Clark,
Mr. Jardine,	Mr. Warburton,
Mr. Le'Lacheur,	Mr. Mooney,
Mr. Whelan,	Mr. D. Macdonald.
Mr. Macintosh,	

## NAYS:

Mr. Palmer,	Mr. F. Longworth,
Mr. J. H. Conroy,	Mr. N. Conroy,
Mr. Haviland,	Mr. Thornton,
Mr. D. Maclean,	Mr. H. Macdonald,
Mr. Montgomery,	Mr. J. Longworth.

So it passed in the negative.

Mr. Rae then moved in amendment to the said Resolution, that all be expunged, and the following substituted:

*Resolved*, That the proceedings of the Committee just terminated are illegal, null and void, inasmuch as the Committee was strictly one of Privileges and Elections; that the Statute 7th Victoria, cap. 23, sec. 7, requires that previous to the Committee entering on the enquiry, a Clerk shall be appointed, and all the Members sworn; and in which Section, the nature of the oath is pointed out; no part of which provision has in this case been complied with.

The House divided on the motion of amendment.

And the names being called for, they were taken down as in the last preceding division.

So it passed in the negative.

Mr. Rae again moved, in amendment to the said Resolution, that all be left out and the following substituted:

"That no Petition is before the House against Mr. Coles' seat, and that to determine, without any Petition on either side, and without waiting for six days, as the Statute of this Colony prescribes, and without allowing any Witnesses to be examined, render such proceedings null and void."

The House divided on the motion of amendment :

And the names being called for, they were taken down as in the two last preceding divisions.

So it passed in the negative.

Mr. *Rae* then again moved, in amendment to the said Resolution, to leave all out, and insert the following :

“That while the law remains unchanged, to pursue a line of conduct in respect to the seat of Mr. Coles, so diametrically opposite to that pursued in all previous analogous cases, would be of evil tendency, and ought therefore, to be avoided by this House.”

The House divided on the motion of amendment :

And the names being called for, were taken down as in the three last preceding divisions.

So it passed in the negative.

Mr. *Rae* again moved, in amendment to the said Resolution, that all be left out, and the following substituted :

“That such determination would further be of evil precedent, as it might be held to invalidate all the Acts passed during the time when the present Speaker of the House of Assembly, the Hon. J. S. Macdonald and Edward Palmer, Esq., presently a Member of the House, all sat as Members of the Assembly, on no other or better tenure of their seats, than Mr. Coles has for his.”

The House divided on the motion of amendment :

And the names being called for, were taken down as in the four last preceding divisions.

So it passed in the negative.

Mr. *Le Lacheur* then moved, that the said Resolution be amended, by leaving all out, and inserting the following :

“That supposing the acceptance of a seat in the Executive Council, to vacate the seat of a Member, and considering merely the last Election, it is very clearly laid

down in works treating of the Law of Elections, “If the Sheriff grant a Scrutiny, the return must be made on a vacancy in thirty days, at a General Election, on or before the return day of the Writ,”— (Disney, El. Stat. 150., 25th Geo. 3, cap. 84, sec. 1.) the Returning Officer, in the absence of any particular provision by our Colonial Law for such exigency, ought, in conformity with the Royal Instructions granting a Representative Constitution to this Colony, and with the practice of this and former Assemblies, to have been guided by the Parliamentary law of Great Britain ; and instead of annulling the Election, to have proceeded to the Scrutiny, and, under these circumstances, Mr. Coles having a majority of Votes by the Poll Books, whether regard be had to objected Votes or not, ought to be declared duly elected.”

Mr. *Palmer* moved, in amendment to the said proposed amendment, that all after the word “That,” be struck out, and the following substituted :

“Whereas, the Act of the General Assembly of this Island, passed in the First year of the Reign of Her present Majesty, cap. 9, prescribes the duty of the Sheriff and Returning Officer, as regards the time, place and manner of proceeding at Elections, to be, that he shall proceed as in and by the Writ of Election, he shall or may be directed ;

*Resolved, therefore,* That as the Writ of Election issued on the Twenty-seventh day of April last, by His late Excellency Lieutenant Governor Huntley, was made returnable in so short a time as the Tenth day of May following, the Returning Officer duly performed his duty by returning it on that day, although the Scrutiny demanded could not be completed within that time—there being no Statute or Law of this Island to authorize the Returning Officer to extend the time for a Scrutiny for the term of Thirty days, as prescribed for the conducting Elections in England, by the Imperial Act of 25th Geo. 3d, cap. 84 ; and this House considering the expense which will be incurred by a new Election for a Member to serve for the First District of Queen’s County, extremely regret that His Excellency the late Lieutenant

Governor Huntley, should have been induced to order the said Writ of Election to be returned within so short a time."

The question being then put on the amendment to the proposed amendment;

The House divided:

## YEAS:

Mr. Palmer,	Mr. Thornton,
Mr. F. Longworth,	Mr. D. Maclean,
Mr. J. H. Conroy,	Mr. H. Macdonald,
Mr. N. Conroy,	Mr. Montgomery,
Mr. Haviland,	Mr. J. Longworth.

## NAYS:

Mr. Clark,	Mr. Mooney,
Mr. Jardine,	Mr. Whelan,
Hon. Mr. Warburton,	Mr. D. Macdonald,
Mr. Le Lacheur,	Mr. Macintosh.

So it was carried in the affirmative.

The question being then put on the original motion of amendment, as amended,

The House again divided:

## YEAS:

Mr. Clark,	Mr. Mooney,
Mr. Jardine,	Mr. Whelan,
Hon. Mr. Warburton,	Mr. D. Macdonald,
Mr. Le Lacheur,	Mr. Macintosh.

## NAYS:

Mr. Palmer,	Mr. Thornton,
Mr. F. Longworth,	Mr. D. Maclean,
Mr. J. H. Conroy,	Mr. H. Macdonald,
Mr. N. Conroy,	Mr. Montgomery,
Mr. Haviland,	Mr. J. Longworth,

So it passed in the negative.

Mr. Le Lacheur again moved, in amendment to the said Resolution, that all be struck out, and the following substituted:

*Resolved*, That the number of Votes polled for Mr. Coles was 438; of those polled for Mr. MacCallum, 411, leaving Mr. Coles a majority of twenty-seven; and that the number of Mr. Coles' Votes objected to was fifty-four, of Mr. MacCallum's objected to forty—and that under such circumstances, as the Scrutiny was not declined by Mr. Coles in any way whatever, he ought, even under the re-election of May, 1847, to be allowed to continue a Member of this House.

The House divided on the motion of amendment:

## YEAS:

Mr. LeLacheur,	Mr. Clark,
Mr. Jardine,	Hon. Mr. Warburton,
Mr. Rae,	Mr. Mooney,
Mr. Whelan,	Mr. D. Macdonald.
Mr. Macintosh,	

## NAYS:

Mr. Palmer,	Mr. F. Longworth,
Mr. J. H. Conroy,	Mr. N. Conroy,
Mr. Haviland,	Mr. Thornton,
Mr. D. Maclean,	Mr. H. Macdonald,
Mr. Montgomery,	Mr. J. Longworth.

So it passed in the negative.

Mr. Rae then moved, in amendment to the said Resolution, that all be struck out, and the following inserted in lieu thereof:

*Resolved*, That in conformity with the Parliamentary Law of Britain, no Member of this Assembly who at that Election voted for either Candidate, ought to have been a member of the Committee who decided as to the validity or invalidity thereof; and that the Hon. the Speaker did vote at the said last Election, and yet sat and voted as a Member of the said Committee, and therefore, and for the reasons stated in the preceding Resolution—the proceedings of the Committee on Privileges and Elections are null and void, and the matter ought to be referred back to a properly constituted Committee.

The House divided on the motion of amendment:

And the names being called for, they were taken down as in the last preceding division.

So it passed in the negative.

The Hon. Mr. Warburton moved a Resolution, in amendment to the said proposed Resolution.

Mr. Speaker objected to receive the motion, stating as his reason, that it was irrelevant to the question, and therefore irregular.

An appeal being made to the House, from Mr. Speaker's decision;

The House divided:

For sustaining the decision;

Mr. J. H. Conroy,	Mr. Haviland,
Mr. Palmer,	Mr. N. Conroy,
Mr. J. Longworth,	Mr. Montgomery,
Mr. H. Macdonald.	Mr. D. Maclean,
Mr. Thornton,	Mr. F. Longworth.

Against it ;

Hon. Mr. Warburton,	Mr. Mooney,
Mr. Rae,	Mr. Macintosh,
Mr. Jardine,	Mr. D. Macdonald,
Mr. Clark,	Mr. Whelan.
Mr. Le Lacheur,	

So it was carried in the affirmative.

The question of concurrence being then put upon the said Resolution, as reported from the Committee ;

The House again divided :

And the names being called for, they were taken down as in the last preceding division.

So it passed in the affirmative.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Speaker* do notify His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor of the vacancy in the representation of the First Electoral District of Queen's County.

*Ordered*, That no Petition praying aid for Roads, Bridges or Wharfs, or for any object of a local or private nature, be received after Monday the 28th day of February instant.

*Ordered*, That the above Resolution be inserted in each of the Newspapers published in Charlottetown.

Then the House adjourned for one hour.

And being met—

The Hon. Mr. *Warburton*, in his place, presented to the House a Petition from divers Inhabitants of Townships Numbers Four and Five, praying an aid, to continue the Road leading from the Dock Settlement to Hill's River—and the same was received and read.

*Ordered*, That the said Petition do lie on the Table.

Mr. *Thornton*, from the Committee appointed to receive Tenders for Printing the Journals of this House, presented to the House the Report of the said Committee ;

which Report was again read at the Clerk's Table, and is as followeth :

THE Committee who were appointed to receive Tenders for Printing the Journals of this House, have to report—That the time limited for receiving Tenders, expired to-day, the 4th inst., at 12 o'clock, noon, when only one Tender was furnished, viz : from Mr. John Ings, undertaking to print the Journals (provided the work is secured to him during the existence of this House,) for the sum of Thirty-eight Shillings for every four pages, or Nine Shillings and sixpence per page ; or if for the present Session only, the sum of Forty-five Shillings for every four pages. The Binding and Stitching to be the same price as last year. Mr. Ings also begs to suggest, that by giving the Printing for the duration of the House, on the terms tendered by him, instead of for one Session, a saving will be obtained (provided the Journal is of the same size as last year) of £87 3s., or £29 1s., in each Session.

Your Committee recommend the usual Bond and Contract to be entered into with Mr. Ings.

A motion being made, that the Tender of Mr. John Ings, for Printing and Binding the Journals of this House, for the term of its existence, be accepted—

Mr. *Rae* moved, in amendment to the said motion, that the Report of the Committee do lie on the Table ; and the question being put thereon,

It passed in the negative.

The question being then put on the main motion, it was agreed to by the House.

Mr. *Montgomery*, in his place, presented to the House the Impost Accounts for the District of New London.

*Ordered*, That the said Accounts be referred to the Committee appointed to examine and report on the Public Accounts.

*Resolved*, That this House do now resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider the propriety of laying an Embargo on the exportation of Potatoes for a limited period.

The House accordingly resolved itself into said Committee.

Mr. *Speaker* left the Chair.

Mr. *D. Macdonald* took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. *Speaker* resumed the Chair.

Mr. *D. Macdonald* reported, that the Committee had come to a Resolution, which he was directed to submit to the House whenever it shall be pleased to receive the same.

A motion being made, that the report of the Committee be received on Monday next.

Mr. *J. H. Conroy* moved, in amendment, that the Report be now received.

The House divided on the motion of amendment:

## YEAS:

Mr. <i>J. H. Conroy</i> ,	Mr. <i>Palmer</i> ,
Mr. <i>Montgomery</i> ,	Mr. <i>F. Longworth</i> ,
Mr. <i>Haviland</i> ,	Mr. <i>D. Maclean</i> ,

Mr. <i>J. Longworth</i> ,	Mr. <i>H. Macdonald</i> .
Mr. <i>Clark</i> ,	

## NAYS:

Mr. <i>Rae</i> ,	Mr. <i>D. Macdonald</i> ,
Mr. <i>Mooney</i> ,	Mr. <i>Whelan</i> ,
Mr. <i>Le Lacheur</i> ,	Hon. Mr. <i>Warburton</i> ,
Mr. <i>Macintosh</i> ,	Mr. <i>Jardine</i> ,
Mr. <i>N. Conroy</i> ,	Mr. <i>Thornton</i> .

So it passed in the negative.

The question being then put on the main motion, it was agreed to by the House.

Ordered, That the Report of the Committee be received on Monday next.

Then the House adjourned until to-morrow, at Ten o'clock.

## SATURDAY, February 5, 1848.

MR. SPEAKER acquainted the House that the office of Clerk of this House had become vacant by the death of William Cullen, Esquire, who formerly filled that situation.

Mr. *Thornton* moved, that John M'Neill, Esquire, the Clerk Assistant, be appointed Clerk of the House.

The Hon. Mr. *Warburton* moved, by way of amendment, that Mr. M'Neill be appointed sole Clerk of the House.

The House divided on the motion of amendment:

## YEAS:

Hon. Mr. <i>Warburton</i> ,	Mr. <i>Clark</i> ,
Mr. <i>Jardine</i> ,	Mr. <i>Rae</i> ,
Mr. <i>Le Lacheur</i> ,	Mr. <i>Mooney</i> ,
Mr. <i>Whelan</i> ,	Mr. <i>D. Macdonald</i> .
Mr. <i>Macintosh</i> ,	

## NAYS:

Mr. <i>Palmer</i> ,	Mr. <i>F. Longworth</i> ,
Mr. <i>J. H. Conroy</i> ,	Mr. <i>N. Conroy</i> ,
Mr. <i>Haviland</i> ,	Mr. <i>Thornton</i> ,
Mr. <i>D. Maclean</i> ,	Mr. <i>H. Macdonald</i> ,
Mr. <i>Montgomery</i> ,	Mr. <i>J. Longworth</i> .

So it passed in the negative.

The question being then put on the main motion, it was agreed to by the House.

A motion being made that Charles Stewart, Esquire, be appointed Clerk Assistant of the House—

Mr. *Whelan* moved, in amendment, that James B. Cooper, Esquire, be the Clerk Assistant.

The House divided on the motion of amendment.

## YEAS:

Mr. <i>Whelan</i> ,	Mr. <i>Rae</i> ,
Mr. <i>Clark</i> ,	Mr. <i>Mooney</i> ,
Mr. <i>D. Maclean</i> ,	Mr. <i>Jardine</i> ,
Mr. <i>D. Macdonald</i> ,	Mr. <i>Macintosh</i> .
Mr. <i>Le Lacheur</i> ,	

## NAYS:

Mr. <i>Montgomery</i> ,	Mr. <i>Thornton</i> ,
Mr. <i>Haviland</i> ,	Mr. <i>F. Longworth</i> ,
Mr. <i>J. H. Conroy</i> ,	Mr. <i>N. Conroy</i> ,
Mr. <i>J. Longworth</i> ,	Mr. <i>Palmer</i> ,
Mr. <i>H. Macdonald</i> ,	Hon. Mr. <i>Warburton</i> .

So it passed in the negative.

The question being then put on the main motion, it was agreed to by the House.

Mr. M'Neill and Mr. Stewart then severally took the usual oaths and their seats.

The Order of the Day for the House in Committee of Privileges and Elections, being read:

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. Jardine took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

Mr. *Jardine* reported, that the Committee had come to a Resolution, which he was directed to submit to the House whenever it shall be pleased to receive the same.

*Ordered*, That the Report of the Committee be now received.

The Resolution reported from the Committee was then read by the Clerk, and is as followeth :

*Resolved*, That the Hon. *James Warburton*, a Member of this House for the First Electoral District of Prince County, having accepted a seat in Her Majesty's Executive Council of this Island—the said office embracing the functions of a Judge of the Court of Error, and Court of Marriage and Divorce, and entitling him to the fees and emoluments of right belonging to those offices—hath thereby, as well as by virtue of the Act 6th William 4th, cap. 24, vacated his seat in this House; and that the Hon. the Speaker be requested to acquaint His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor thereof, in order that a new writ may be issued for the election of a Member for the said District, in room of the said Hon. *James Warburton*.

Mr. *Rae* moved a Resolution, by way of amendment to the said Reported Resolution.

Mr. *Speaker* declined receiving the motion, on the ground that it contained reasons for disagreeing to the Resolution offered, and was therefore contrary to Parliamentary practice.

An appeal being made to the House from Mr. *Speaker's* decision;

The House divided on the question :

For sustaining the decision:

Mr. <i>Palmer</i> ,	Mr. <i>Montgomery</i> ,
Mr. <i>F. Longworth</i> ,	Mr. <i>J. H. Conroy</i> ,
Mr. <i>Haviland</i> ,	Mr. <i>H. Macdonald</i> ,
Mr. <i>J. Longworth</i> ,	Mr. <i>N. Conroy</i> ,
Mr. <i>D. Maclean</i> ,	Mr. <i>Thornton</i> .

Against it:

Mr. <i>Rae</i> ,	Mr. <i>Mooney</i> ,
Mr. <i>Clark</i> ,	Mr. <i>Le Lacheur</i> ,

Mr. <i>Whelan</i> ,	Mr. <i>Jardine</i> ,
Mr. <i>Macintosh</i> ,	Mr. <i>D. Macdonald</i> .

So it was agreed to by the House.

Mr. *Rae* then moved, that after the word "Resolved," all be struck out, and the following substituted:

"That the amendments offered yesterday to the Resolution declaring Mr. *Coles'* seat vacant, are equally applicable to the case of Mr. *Warburton*, with this additional defence—that there is no proof that Mr. *Warburton's* seat in the Executive Council has been confirmed; under these circumstances Mr. *Warburton* has still right to his seat in this House, not being as yet, to the knowledge of this House, in any way disqualified."

The House divided on the motion of amendment:

YEAS:

Mr. <i>Rae</i> ,	Mr. <i>Mooney</i> ,
Mr. <i>Le Lacheur</i> ,	Mr. <i>Clark</i> ,
Mr. <i>Jardine</i> ,	Mr. <i>Whelan</i> ,
Mr. <i>Macintosh</i> ,	Mr. <i>D. Macdonald</i> .

NAYS:

Mr. <i>J. Longworth</i> ,	Mr. <i>Palmer</i> ,
Mr. <i>Haviland</i> ,	Mr. <i>J. H. Conroy</i> ,
Mr. <i>N. Conroy</i> ,	Mr. <i>Thornton</i> ,
Mr. <i>D. Maclean</i> ,	Mr. <i>H. Macdonald</i> ,
Mr. <i>F. Longworth</i> ;	Mr. <i>Montgomery</i> .

So it passed in the negative.

The question of concurrence being then put on the said reported Resolution—

The House again divided:

YEAS, 10.

NAYS, 8.

So it was carried in the affirmative.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Speaker* do notify His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor of the vacancy in the First Electoral District of Prince County.

Mr. *Rae*, from the Special Committee appointed to prepare and report the draught of an Address in answer to the Speech of His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor to both Houses, at the opening of the present Session, reported the draught of an

Address, as 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.

*Ordered*, That the said draught Address

be committed to a Committee of the whole House, on Monday next.

Then the House adjourned until Monday next, at Ten o'clock.

## MONDAY, February 7, 1848.

**MR. D. MACDONALD**, from the Committee of the whole House, on the consideration of the propriety of laying an Embargo on the exportation of Potatoes for a limited period, reported, according to order, the Resolution of the said Committee; which Resolution was again read at the Clerk's Table, and on the question put thereon, agreed to by the House, and is as followeth:

**RESOLVED**, That owing to the failure of the Potatoe Crop, and the consequent scarcity of that article of food, it is expedient to introduce a Bill having for its object to prohibit the exportation of Potatoes from this Island, at any time prior to the First day of August next.

*Ordered*, That Mr. Thornton, Mr. J. Longworth and Mr. D. Macdonald be a Committee to prepare and bring in a Bill in accordance with the above reported Resolution.

Mr. Thornton, in his place, presented to the House the Impost and Light Duty Accounts for the District of Colville Bay.

*Ordered*, That the said Accounts be referred to the Committee appointed to examine and report on the Public Accounts.

The Order of the Day for the House in Committee, on the consideration of the draught Address reported from the Special Committee, in answer to His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor's Speech at the opening of the Legislature, being read:

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. J. Longworth took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

Mr. J. Longworth reported, that the Committee had gone through the draught Address reported from the Special Committee, paragraph by paragraph, had amended, and then adopted the same; and the said draught Address, so amended, was agreed to by the House, and is as followeth:

To His Excellency SIR DONALD CAMPBELL, BARONET, Lieutenant Governor and Commander-in-Chief in and over Her Majesty's Island Prince Edward, and the Territories thereunto belonging, Chancellor, Vice Admiral, and Ordinary of the same, &c. &c. &c.

May it please Your Excellency;

We, the Representatives of the People of Prince Edward Island, in Provincial Parliament assembled, beg to thank your Excellency for your Speech at the opening of the present Session.

We sincerely congratulate your Excellency upon your assumption of the Government of this Island. We receive with much satisfaction, the expression of your Excellency's desire to administer the Government upon just and impartial principles, which, we feel assured, will secure to your Excellency the confidence of the people; and your Excellency may rely on our cordial co-operation in promoting such measures as shall appear to us most conducive to the well being and prosperity of the Colony.

The consideration of the present state of the Island Currency, shall receive from us that deliberate attention which its great importance demands.

The proposition of Her Majesty's Government, to surrender the future management and control of the Post Office Department in the British North American Provinces, to the local authorities, we receive as an indication of a desire on the part of Our beloved Sovereign, to comply with the just representations of Her faithful subjects in these Colonies.

On receiving from your Excellency the several communications upon this important question, we shall be prepared to mature arrangements for securing to this Island the advantages of an efficient and uniform Post Office system; a measure of re-

form which has been found so beneficial to our fellow subjects in the United Kingdom.

We fully appreciate the wisdom which has induced Her Majesty's Government to propose to the several Colonial Legislatures, the enactment of a Law to afford additional security against the introduction of sick and destitute Emigrants; and we shall not fail to give effect to the views entertained by Her Majesty's Government on this subject.

The Laws regulating Elections shall receive our best attention; and in proceeding to revise them, we will adopt, as far as practicable, those principles and regulations which have been found so conducive to peace and good order, and so effective in securing the free exercise of the Elective Franchise in the neighbouring Provinces.

We will, at all times, be prepared to give due attention to such matters affecting the general interests of the Island, as your Excellency may deem necessary to bring under our consideration.

We are much gratified to learn from your Excellency, the prosperous state of the Revenue for the past year; and we fully concur with your Excellency, in the necessity of exercising the strictest economy in its disposition, with a view towards the liquidation of the existing liabilities of the Colony.

Upon receiving the Public Accounts and the Estimates for the Supplies for the current year, we shall be prepared to grant the necessary provision for the Public Service.

We will duly consider the propriety of continuing the Act for levying an Assessment on all Lands in the Island, with a view of reducing other Duties which at present bear heavily upon articles of necessary consumption, and by which we may be enabled to give additional encouragement to the trade of the Colony.

Fully sensible that our mutual co-operation is indispensable to the advancement of the public interests, we shall most gladly avail ourselves of your Excellency's invitation to an unreserved communication upon all occasions; and we beg to assure your Excellency of our ready concurrence in all measures calculated to develop the resources of the Colony, and to promote the peace, good order, and welfare of the people.

*Ordered*, That the said Address be engrossed.

*Ordered*, That the said Address be presented to His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor, by the whole House.

*Ordered*, That Mr. J. Longworth, Mr. Palmer, Mr. J. H. Conroy, Mr. D. Maclean and Mr. Thornton be a Committee to wait

upon His Excellency, to know his pleasure when he will be attended by the House with the Address.

A motion being made that Mr. Haviland be added to the Committee of this House, appointed to join the Committee of the Council, to take charge of the Legislative Library, in room of one of the Members whose seats have been declared vacant.

The House divided:

YEAS:

Mr. J. H. Conroy,	Mr. Thornton,
Mr. Montgomery,	Mr. D. Maclean,
Mr. Palmer,	Mr. H. Macdonald.
Mr. N. Conroy,	

NAYS:

Mr. Mooney,	Mr. Clark,
Mr. Le Lacheur,	Mr. Jardine,
*Mr. D. Macdonald,	Mr. Macintosh.

So it was carried in the affirmative, and *Ordered*, accordingly.

A motion was made that Mr. D. Macdonald be added to the same Committee, in room of the other of the Members whose seat is vacant—which being seconded, and the question put thereon, it was agreed to by the House.

Then the House adjourned for one hour.

And being met—

Mr. J. Longworth, from the Committee appointed to examine what Laws have lately expired, or are near expiring, with power to report by Bills or otherwise, presented to the House the first Report of the said Committee; and he read the same in his place, and delivered it in at the Clerk's Table, where it was again read, and is as follows:

Your Committee appointed to examine what Laws have lately expired, or are near expiring, beg to submit the following Report;

That the Act, 7 Will. 4, cap. 22, intitled 'An Act for establishing the standard weight of Grain and Pulse, and for the appointment of Officers for measuring and weighing the same,' will expire on the last day of the present Session.

That the Act, 3 Vict. cap. 10, intituled 'An Act to prevent the running at large of Sheep and Goats in the town of Charlottetown,' will expire on the last day of the present Session.

That the Act, 5 Vict. cap. 16, intituled 'An Act to authorize the appointment of Coal Meters, where deemed necessary,' will expire on the last day of the present Session.

That the Act, 10 Vict. cap. 3, intituled 'An Act for raising a Revenue,' will expire on the 1st day of May next.

That the Act, 10 Vict. cap. 20, intituled 'An Act for suspending for a limited peri-

od, certain parts of an Act passed in the 4th year of His late Majesty's Reign, intituled 'An Act for ascertaining and establishing the Boundary Lines of Counties and Townships, and parts of Townships, and for regulating the duties of Surveyors, and to repeal a certain Act therein mentioned,' will expire on the last day of the present Session.

*Ordered,* That the said Report be committed to a Committee of the whole House to-morrow.

Then the House adjourned until to-morrow, at Ten o'clock.

## TUESDAY, February 8, 1848.

**T**HE House having met, and there not being a sufficient number of Members present to form a Quorum for general business, the Messenger was sent to desire the attendance of absent Members, who having returned, reported that he had complied with the Order of the House.

Then, at 2 o'clock, p. m., Mr. Speaker adjourned the House for want of a Quorum, for one hour.

And being met—

The names of the Members present were taken down as follow ;

*Mr. Speaker;*

*Mr. Palmer, Mr. J. H. Conroy, Mr. Haviland, Mr. J. Longworth, Mr. Montgomery, Mr. Thornton, Mr. D. Maclean, Mr. F. Longworth, Mr. N. Conroy, Mr. H. Macdonald.*

And at half-past Four o'clock, Mr. Speaker adjourned the House for want of a Quorum, until to-morrow at Ten o'clock.

## WEDNESDAY, February 9, 1848.

**P**RESENT:

*Mr. Speaker ;  
Mr. J. H. Conroy, Mr. Montgomery, Mr. D. Maclean, Mr. N. Conroy, Mr. Haviland, Mr. F. Longworth, Mr. H. Macdonald, Mr. Thornton, Mr. Palmer.*

And at Three o'clock, p. m., Mr. Speaker adjourned the House, for want of a Quorum, until to-morrow, at Ten o'clock.

THURSDAY, February 10, 1848.

**MR. J. LONGWORTH** from the Committee appointed to wait upon His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor, to know his pleasure when he will be attended by the House with their Address, reported, that His Excellency had been pleased to appoint to-day, at One o'clock, to receive the House.

*Resolved*, That a Committee of Twelve Members be appointed, to whom shall be referred every Petition relating to Paupers and Lunatics, to examine the same, and report thereon; and also to report on all cases of Pauperism brought under the consideration of the House, whether by Petition, or otherwise, with power to send for persons, papers and records.

*Ordered*, That Mr. Fraser, Mr. Jardine, Mr. Macintosh, Mr. Thornton, Mr. H. Macdonald, Mr. Montgomery, Mr. F. Longworth, Mr. J. H. Conroy, Mr. J. Longworth, Mr. N. Conroy, Mr. D. Maclean and Mr. Le Lacheur do compose the said Committee.

*Resolved*, That a Committee be appointed to prepare and bring in a Bill to amend the Act 7th Victoria, cap. 23, intituled "An Act to regulate the manner of proceeding upon controverted Elections of Members to serve in the General Assembly."

*Ordered*, That Mr. J. Longworth, Mr. Thornton, Mr. Palmer, Mr. Jardine and Mr. Fraser do compose the said Committee.

Mr. Thornton, from the Committee appointed to prepare and bring in a Bill to prohibit the exportation of Potatoes, for a limited period, presented to the House a Bill as prepared by the Committee, and the same was received and read.

*Ordered*, That the said Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The hour appointed by His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor to receive the Address, having arrived, Mr. Speaker and the House went up, and being returned—Mr. Speaker reported, that the House had

attended upon His Excellency, and presented their Address; to which His Excellency was pleased to make the following reply:

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

I cordially thank you for your Address. The manner in which you have responded to the several important questions which I have brought under your consideration, is highly satisfactory, and I confidently anticipate that your deliberations will terminate in the advancement of the present and prospective interests of the Island.

The Order of the Day, for the House in Committee on the consideration of the First Report of the Special Committee appointed to examine what Laws have lately expired, or are near expiring, being read;

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. Fraser took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chairman reported, that the Committee had come to two Resolutions, which he was directed to submit to the House whenever it shall be pleased to receive the same.

The Chairman also acquainted the House that he was directed by the Committee to move for leave to sit again; which the House agreed to.

And the said Resolutions being again read at the Clerk's Table, were, upon the question being separately put upon each, agreed to by the House, and are as follow:

1. **RESOLVED**, That it is the opinion of this Committee that an Act made and passed in the Fifth year of the Reign of Her present Majesty, intituled "An Act to authorize the appointment of Coal Meters where necessary," be amended and continued for a further limited period."

2. **RESOLVED**, That it is the opinion of this Committee, that it is expedient to continue for a further limited period an Act passed in the Third Year of the Reign of Her present Majesty, intituled "An Act

to prevent the running at large of Sheep and Goats in the Town of Charlottetown."

*Ordered*, That Mr. J. Longworth, Mr. Palmer and Mr. Haviland be a Committee to prepare and bring in a Bill pursuant to the first of the above reported Resolutions.

*Ordered*, That Mr. F. Longworth, Mr. Thornton and Mr. Macintosh be a Committee to prepare and bring in a Bill pursuant to the second of the above reported Resolutions.

Then the House adjourned for one hour.

And being met—

*Resolved*, That this House do now resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, on the further consideration of the Report of the Special Committee appointed to examine and report on the Expiring Laws.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. Fraser took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chairman reported, that the Committee had come to a Resolution, which he was directed to submit to the House.

The Chairman also acquainted the House that he was directed by the Committee to move for leave to sit again, which the House agreed to.

The Resolution reported from the Committee, being again read at the Clerk's Table, was, on the question put thereon, agreed to by the House, and is as followeth :

**RESOLVED**, As the opinion of this Committee, that it is expedient to continue the Act 7 Will. 4, cap. 22, intituled "An Act for establishing the Standard weight of Grain and Pulse, and for the appointment of Officers for measuring and weighing the same."

*Ordered*, That Mr. J. Longworth, Mr. Mooney and Mr. Thornton, be a Committee to prepare and bring in a Bill, pursuant to the above reported Resolution.

Mr. Speaker presented to the House the Public Accounts, as compared and classified by the Auditors, in compliance with the Address of the House to His Excellency in its last Session.

*Ordered*, That the said Accounts be referred to the Committee appointed to examine and report on the Public Accounts.

Mr. F. Longworth from the Committee appointed to prepare and bring in a Bill to continue an Act to prevent the running at large of Sheep and Goats in the Town of Charlottetown, presented to the House a Bill as prepared by the Committee; and the same was read the first time, and ordered to be read a second time to-morrow.

Mr. J. Longworth, from the Committee appointed to prepare and bring in a Bill, to continue an Act for establishing the Standard weight of Grain and Pulse, and for the appointment of Officers for measuring and weighing the same, presented to the House a Bill as prepared by the Committee; and the same was read the first time, and ordered to be read a second time to-morrow.

Then the House adjourned until to-morrow at Ten o'clock.

## FRIDAY, February 11, 1848.

**T**HE Bill to prohibit the exportation of Potatoes for a limited period, was, according to order, read a second time.

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

The House accordingly resolved itself into said Committee.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. D. Macdonald took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

Mr. D. Macdonald reported, that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and agreed to the same without any amend-

ment; and the report was again read at the Clerk's Table.

*Ordered*, That the said Bill be engrossed, and that the title be *An Act to prohibit the exportation of Potatoes for a limited period, and to revive and continue certain parts of an Act passed in the Tenth year of the Reign of Her present Majesty, for that purpose.*

The Bill to prevent the running at large of Sheep and Goats within the Town of Charlottetown, was, according to order, read a second time.

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

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. D. Macdonald took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

Mr. D. Macdonald reported, that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and agreed to the same without any amendment; and the report was again read at the Clerk's Table.

*Ordered*, That the said Bill be engrossed, and that the title be "An Act to continue for Ten years, an Act to prevent the running at large of Sheep and Goats within the Town of Charlottetown."

The Bill to continue the Act for establishing the Standard weight of Grain and Pulse, was, according to order, read a second time.

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

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. D. Macdonald took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

Mr. D. Macdonald reported, that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and agreed to the same, without any amendment; and the report was again read at the Clerk's Table.

*Ordered*, That the said Bill be engrossed, and that the title be "An Act to continue

the Act for establishing the Standard weight of Grain and Pulse."

Two Messages from His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor.

Mr. Secretary Haviland, by command of His Excellency, delivered the following Messages:

#### First Message.

DONALD CAMPBELL, Lieut. Governor.

The Lieutenant Governor transmits for the information of the House of Assembly, copies of the several Despatches and other Documents referred to in his Speech, at the opening of the present Session.

No. 1.—Extract of a Despatch from Earl Grey, dated the 28th of November, 1847, No. 2, and enclosure, on the present state of the Island Currency, and its proposed remedy.

No. 2.—Despatch from the Earl of Elgin, dated the 28th August, 1847, transmitting copy of a Despatch and enclosure from Her Majesty's Secretary of State for the Colonies, under date 31st December, 1846; also, the Report of the Commissioners appointed by Canada, Nova Scotia and New Brunswick, on the practicability of establishing a uniform and efficient Post Office system throughout the British North American Colonies.

No. 3.—Despatch from Earl Grey, dated 2d December, 1847, No. 5, with an enclosure, containing the views of Her Majesty's Government for affording additional security against the introduction of sick and destitute Emigrants.

Government House, 10th February, 1848.

#### Second Message.

DONALD CAMPBELL, Lieut. Governor.

The Lieutenant Governor transmits to the House of Assembly, copies of the following Despatches and Orders of Her Majesty in Council, viz:

No. 1.—Despatch from Earl Grey, dated the 16th June, 1847, No. 29, in answer to the Address of the House of Assembly to the Queen, upon the subject of Responsible Government.

No. 2.—Despatch from Earl Grey, dated the 25th August, 1847, No. 37, announcing Her Majesty's assent to an Act passed in the last Session of the Colonial Legislature, for repealing certain Duties and Customs, &c.

No. 3.—Despatch from Earl Grey, dated the 1st November, 1847, No. 54, relative to an Act passed in the last Session of the Colonial Legislature, to prohibit the exportation of Potatoes for a limited period.

No. 4.—Order of the Queen in Council, dated at

Osborne House, Isle of Wight, the 10th day of August, 1847, assenting to an Act passed in the last Session of the Colonial Legislature, to repeal certain Duties and Customs, &c.

No. 5.—Order of the Queen in Council, dated at the Court at Windsor, the 30th day of October, 1847, leaving to their operation, Eighteen Acts therein named, passed in the last Session of the Colonial Legislature.

No. 6.—Order of the Queen in Council, dated at the Court at Windsor, the 30th day of October, 1847, assenting to an Act passed in the last Session of the Colonial Legislature, to extend the provisions of the Act relating to the establishment of Township Boundary Lines.

Government House, 10th February, 1848.

*Ordered*, That the said Messages, with the Copies of the Despatches, and other papers accompanying the same, do lie on the Table.

[For the Documents referred to in the said Messages, see Appendix (A.)]

*Resolved*, That the House do now resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, to take into consideration the expediency of providing for such Members of the Legislative Council, as reside Twenty miles and upwards from Charlottetown, payment for their expenses in attending the Sessions of the Legislature.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. Fraser took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chairman reported, that the Committee had made some progress, and had directed him to move for leave to sit again; which the House agreed to.

The Hon. J. Spencer Smith, Colonial Treasurer, by command of His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor, presented to the House the following papers:

A general account of all moneys received at, and payments made from the Colonial Treasury, between 21st January, 1847, and 31st January, 1848.

A list of Bonds in the Treasury, with the balances due thereon, 31st January, 1848.

Abstract of moneys paid and received under Land Assessment Act 7 Will. 4th, cap. 31, to 31st January, 1848.

[For the last mentioned Return, see Appendix (B.)]

Then the House adjourned for one hour.

And being met—

Mr. *Speaker* presented to the House a copy of the Warrant Book, commencing 4th February, 1847, and ending 7th January, 1848.

*Ordered*, That the said document be referred to the Committee appointed to examine and report on the Public Accounts.

*Resolved*, That the House do now resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, on the further consideration of the expediency of providing for such Members of the Legislative Council, as reside Twenty miles and upwards from Charlottetown, payment for their expences in attending the Sessions of the Legislature.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. Fraser took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chairman reported, that the Committee had made some progress, and had directed him to move for leave to sit again; which the House agreed to.

Two Petitions were—with the consent of His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor, that the House may proceed thereon as they shall think fit—presented to the House, and the same were received and read, viz:

By Mr. *Thornton*.—A Petition of divers inhabitants of Townships 43, 51, 52, 53, 54, 55, 56, and Georgetown and Royalty, praying an aid to improve a Road leading from the Saint Peter's Road to Dingwell's Mills.

By Mr. *J. Longworth*.—A Petition from divers inhabitants of the Scotch Settlement, Township 48, praying an aid to improve a Road leading from Stewart's Mills, through the said settlement, to Hugh M'Innis's, on Township 48.

*Ordered*, That the said Petitions do lie on the Table.

Then the House adjourned until to-morrow, at Ten o'clock.

## SATURDAY, February 12, 1848.

**MR. SPEAKER** laid before the House the Impost and Light Duty Accounts for the District of Bedeque, for the past year.

*Mr. Jardine*, in his place, presented to the House the Impost Accounts for the District of Saint Peter's.

*Ordered*, That the said Accounts be referred to the Committee appointed to examine and report on the Public Accounts.

Read a third time, as engrossed, the Bill intituled "An Act to prohibit the Exportation of Potatoes for a limited period, and to revive and continue certain parts of an Act passed in the Tenth year of the Reign of Her present Majesty for that purpose."

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass.

Read a third time, as engrossed, the Bill intituled "An Act to continue the Act to prohibit the running at large of Sheep and Goats within the Town of Charlottetown."

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass.

Read a third time, as engrossed, the Bill intituled "An Act to continue the Act for establishing the Standard weight of Grain and Pulse."

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass.

*Ordered*, That *Mr. J. Longworth* do carry the three last preceding Bills to the Council, and desire their concurrence.

*Resolved*, That a Message be sent to His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor, requesting him to cause to be laid before the House the detailed Accounts of the several

Road Commissioners as to the expenditure of Seed Grain, and Potatoes; and that he will cause directions to be given to them for the immediate notification, in such way as may to him appear most proper, that all sums due must forthwith be paid to the Road Commissioners.

*Ordered*, That *Mr. Rae* and *Mr. Jardine* be a Committee to wait upon His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor with the said Message.

Then the House adjourned for one hour.

And being met—

*Mr. J. Longworth*, from the Committee appointed to prepare and bring in a Bill to consolidate and amend the several Acts relating to Coal Meters, presented to the House a Bill as prepared by the Committee; and the same was read the first time, and ordered to be read a second time on Monday next.

A Petition of divers Inhabitants of the head of Montague River and adjacent Settlements, (with His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor's permission, that the House may proceed thereon as they shall think fit,) presented to the House by *Mr. Thornton*, and the same was received and read, praying a grant to continue a Road partially opened, on the Line between King's and Queen's Counties.

*Ordered*, That the said Petition do lie on the Table.

Then the House adjourned until Monday next, at Ten o'clock.

## MONDAY, February 14, 1848.

**A** PETITION of John Le Cost, was (with His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor's permission, that the House may proceed thereon as they shall think fit,) presented to the House by *Mr. Whelan*, and the same was received and read; praying a grant to aid him in the erection of a Light House at Cascumpec Harbour.

*Ordered*, That the said Petition do lie on the Table.

The Bill to consolidate and amend the several Acts relating to Coal Meters, was, according to order, read a second time.

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

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. Fraser took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chairman reported, that the Committee had made some progress, and had directed him to move for leave to sit again; which the House agreed to.

A Petition of John Ross, School Visitor, and District Teacher, was (with the consent of His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor, that the House may proceed thereon as they shall think fit), presented to the House by Mr. *Thornton*, and the same was received and read; praying a grant of Seven Pounds Ten Shillings for his services as Teacher of the District School at Georgetown for three months.

*Ordered*, That the said Petition do lie on the Table.

Mr. *Speaker* laid before the House the following Letter from His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor:

GOVERNMENT HOUSE,  
12th February, 1848.

SIR;

In reply to your communication, respecting the seat of the Hon. James Warburton, in the House of Assembly, which the House has resolved to have become vacant, by his accepting a seat in the Executive Council, I have the honor to inform you, that upon reference to the Law Officers of the Crown, I learn, that they see no reason for departing from the opinion already expressed by them in this matter, viz: That Mr. Warburton's seat in the Assembly is not vacant in consequence of his acceptance of a seat in the Executive Council, and they are still of opinion

that I should not issue a new Writ for the return of another Member of the Assembly, in the room of Mr. Warburton.

I beg to assure you, that I have no desire or intention of interfering with the privileges of the House of Assembly, but as I have determined to abide by the opinion of the Crown Officers, I must decline to issue the Writ in question.

I have the honor to be, Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

DONALD CAMPBELL,

Lieut. Governor.

To the Hon. the Speaker of }  
the House of Assembly. }

*Resolved*, That this House do to-morrow, resolve itself into a Committee of Privileges on the consideration of His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor's Letter.

Then the House adjourned for one hour.

And being met—

*Resolved*, That a Committee be appointed to search for precedents as to the course to be pursued by this House in reference to the Letter of His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Palmer*, Mr. *F. Longworth* and Mr. *Haviland* do compose the said Committee.

Mr. *Montgomery*, in his place, presented to the House the Impost and Light Duty Accounts for the District of Richmond Bay, for the past year.

*Ordered*, That the said Accounts be referred to the Committee appointed to examine and report on the Public Accounts.

Then the House adjourned until to-morrow, at Ten o'clock.

## TUESDAY, February 15, 1848.

**O**RDERED, That Mr. *D. Maclean* have leave to introduce a Bill to authorize the Survey of Townships 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9 and 10, in this Island.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was read the first

time, and ordered to be read a second time to-morrow.

Mr. *Rae* from the Committee appointed to wait upon His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor with the Message, requesting him to cause to be laid before the House the

detailed Accounts of the several Road Commissioners as to the expenditure of Seed Grain and Potatoes, &c., reported to the House the delivery thereof, and that His Excellency was pleased to say he would comply with the desire of the House.

Three Petitions were (with the consent of His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor that the House may proceed thereon as they think fit), presented to the House, and the same were received and read, viz:

By Mr. *Rae*.—A Petition of divers inhabitants of Indian River, Barbara Weit, and Oyster Cove Settlements, praying a grant to complete the Slip at Maclellan's Shore, Indian River.

A Petition of divers inhabitants of the Old Town Road, Irishtown and Indian River Settlements and vicinity, praying an aid to improve a Road between the old and new Princetown Road.

By Mr. *Le Lacheur*.—A Petition of divers inhabitants of the South side of Murray Harbour, praying an aid to complete a road leading from the said settlement to Cape Bear.

*Ordered*, That the three last Petitions do lie on the Table.

*Resolved*, That this House do now resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, on the further consideration of the Bill to consolidate and amend the several Acts relating to Coal Meters.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. Fraser took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

Mr. *Fraser* reported, that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made several amendments thereto; which amendments were again read at the Clerk's Table, and agreed to by the House.

*Ordered*, That the said Bill, as amended, be engrossed, and that the Title be "An Act to consolidate and amend the Laws now in force authorizing the appointment of Coal Meters, and to repeal a certain Act therein mentioned."

*Resolved*, That this House do now resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, to take into consideration the several matters referred to in His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor's Speech, at the opening of the Session.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. Haviland took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chairman reported, that the Committee had made some progress, and had directed him to move for leave to sit again; which the House agreed to.

Then the House adjourned for one hour.

And being met—

Mr. *Speaker* presented to the House the following Copy of a Despatch from the Right Honorable Earl Grey, Secretary of State for the Colonies, to Lieutenant Governor Sir H. V. Huntley.

(Copy.)

DOWNING STREET,  
27th September, 1847.

SIR;

In pursuance of the recommendation of the Select Committee of the House of Commons, which was appointed in 1845, to examine into the Accounts of Colonial Receipt and Expenditure, and to report as to the mode in which it would be desirable to frame the future Accounts, in order to introduce uniformity, regularity, correctness and completeness, I have the honor to transmit to you, the accompanying Copies of the Resolutions to which the Committee agreed, and to direct you to take an early opportunity of submitting the same to the Legislature of the Colony under your Government, as containing the suggestions of the Select Committee for the general improvement of Colonial Accounts.

I have the honor to be,  
&c. &c. &c.  
GREY.

Lieutenant Governor  
Sir H. V. Huntley.

*Ordered*, That the above Copy of a Despatch do lie on the Table.

[For the papers referred to in the said Despatch, see Appendix (C.)]

*Resolved*, That the House do now resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, on the further consideration of the expediency of providing for such Members of the Legislative Council, as reside Twenty miles and upwards from Charlottetown, payment for their expences in attending the Sessions of the Legislature.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. Fraser took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

Mr. *Fraser* reported, that the Committee had come to two Resolutions, which were again read at the Clerk's Table, and are as follow :

1. **RESOLVED**, That it is the opinion of this Committee, that it is expedient to provide for payment of the expences of attending the Legislature, which may be incurred by all Members of the Legislative Council, residing at the distance of Twenty miles or upwards from Charlottetown.

2. **RESOLVED**, That it is the opinion of this Committee, that the allowance to Members of the Legislative Council, residing at or beyond Twenty miles from Charlottetown, for their expences in attending the Legislature, should be ascertained by Vote or Resolution of that Body in Session, and should not exceed the sum of Thirty Pounds for each such Member at each Session, besides travelling expences, at the rate of eight-pence per mile in coming and returning.

And the First of the said Resolutions being again read, Mr. *Whelan* moved, in amendment, that all after the word "*Resolved*," be struck out, and the following substituted :

"That it is inexpedient to adopt any measure contemplating payment to Legislative Councillors, inasmuch as the principle has never been advocated or recognized by the Members of the Legislative Council themselves, as it would entail an injudicious expenditure of the public money, and no proximate, or perhaps, remote advantage result from it, and as the measure has never yet been asked for, by any portion of the people."

The House divided on the motion of amendment :

YEAS :

Mr. <i>Whelan</i> ,	Mr. <i>Le Lacheur</i> ,
Mr. <i>D. Macdonald</i> ,	Mr. <i>Jardine</i> ,
Mr. <i>Fraser</i> ,	Mr. <i>Macintosh</i> ,
Mr. <i>Mooney</i> ,	Mr. <i>Clark</i> .

NAYS :

Mr. <i>H. Macdonald</i> ,	Mr. <i>Palmer</i> ,
Mr. <i>J. Longworth</i> ,	Mr. <i>J. H. Conroy</i> ,
Mr. <i>D. Maclean</i> ,	Mr. <i>F. Longworth</i> ,
Mr. <i>N. Conroy</i> ,	Mr. <i>Montgomery</i> ,
Mr. <i>Haviland</i> ,	Mr. <i>Thornton</i> .

So it passed in the negative.

The question of concurrence being then put on the said Resolution ;

The House again divided :

YEAS :

Mr. <i>H. Macdonald</i> ,	Mr. <i>Palmer</i> ,
Mr. <i>J. Longworth</i> ,	Mr. <i>J. H. Conroy</i> ,
Mr. <i>D. Maclean</i> ,	Mr. <i>F. Longworth</i> ,
Mr. <i>N. Conroy</i> ,	Mr. <i>Montgomery</i> ,
Mr. <i>Haviland</i> ,	Mr. <i>Thornton</i> .

NAYS :

Mr. <i>Whelan</i> ,	Mr. <i>Le Lacheur</i> ,
Mr. <i>D. Macdonald</i> ,	Mr. <i>Jardine</i> ,
Mr. <i>Fraser</i> ,	Mr. <i>Macintosh</i> ,
Mr. <i>Mooney</i> ,	Mr. <i>Clark</i> .

So it was carried in the affirmative.

The Second of the said Resolutions being again read, and the question put thereon ;

The House again divided :

And the names being called for, were taken down as in the last preceding division.

So it was carried in the affirmative.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Palmer*, Mr. *Montgomery* and Mr. *Thornton* be a Committee to prepare and bring in a Bill pursuant to the above reported Resolutions.

Mr. *Palmer*, in his place, presented to the House the Impost Accounts for Charlottetown for the past year.

Mr. *Palmer* also presented to the House certain papers and accounts from the Chairman of the Central Board of Health.

*Ordered*, That the foregoing papers and accounts be referred to the Committee ap-

pointed to examine and report upon the Public Accounts.

*Resolved*, That a message be sent to His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor, requesting that he will cause the House to be furnished with an account of the Sales of Crown Lands, since last rendered to the Legislature, and up to this date; a detailed account of the expenses incurred in regard to such sales, including the expense of Deeds and Surveys, so far as paid by Government; a statement of the amounts still due on lands

so sold; whether any appropriation of the moneys arising from the sales of Crown Lands has been made since the accounts were furnished; and also a statement of the Crown Lands remaining unsold in the Colony.

*Ordered*, That Mr. Thornton and Mr. Haviland be a Committee to wait upon His Excellency with the said message.

Then the House adjourned until to-morrow, at Ten o'clock.

## WEDNESDAY, February 16, 1848.

**MR. RAE** moved that the House do come to a Resolution as followeth:

That Mr. Duncan Maclean having stated in the course of debate, that another member, Mr. Mooney, had at a certain public meeting produced a letter of his, (Mr. Mooney's) which Mr. Maclean was told was a forgery, and which Mr. Maclean believed to be a fact: *Resolved*, That such language was uncalled for, and therefore unparliamentary.

Mr. J. H. Conroy moved, by way of amendment, that the Order of the Day be now read; which being seconded and put, passed in the negative.

Mr. J. Longworth then moved in amendment to the said Resolution, that all after the word "Resolved" be expunged, and the following substituted:

"That the house do now resolve itself into a Committee of Privileges, to take into consideration certain words used by an honorable member of this House, (Mr. Duncan Maclean) towards another honorable member, Mr. Mooney, in a debate in Committee of Privileges of this House on the 4th day of February, instant, namely: "that he was told the letter was a forgery, and he believed it to be a fact."

The House divided on the motion of amendment:

### YEAS;

Mr. J. Longworth,	Mr. J. H. Conroy,
Mr. Palmer,	Mr. Haviland,
Mr. F. Longworth,	Mr. H. Macdonald.

### NAYS:

Mr. Montgomery,	Mr. Thornton,
Mr. N. Conroy,	Mr. Clark,
Mr. Rae,	Mr. D. Macdonald,
Mr. Jardine,	Mr. Fraser,
Mr. Macintosh,	Mr. Le Lacheur.

So it passed in the negative.

Mr. J. H. Conroy then moved in amendment to the said Resolution, that the words "uncalled for and therefore" be left out, which being seconded and put, was carried in the affirmative.

The question being then put on the said Resolution, as amended, it was agreed to by the House.

Then the House adjourned for one hour.

And being met—

*Resolved*, That this House do now resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, on the further consideration of the several matters referred to in His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor's Speech, at the opening of the present Session.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. Haviland took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chairman reported, that the Committee had come to several Resolutions, which

he was directed to submit to the House, whenever it shall be pleased to receive the same.

The Chairman also acquainted the House that he was directed by the Committee to move for leave to sit again, which the House agreed to.

Read a third time, as engrossed, the Bill intituled "An Act to consolidate and amend the Laws now in force authorizing the appointment of Coal Meters, and to repeal a certain Act therein mentioned."

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass.

*Ordered*, That Mr. J. Longworth do carry the said Bill to the Council, and desire their concurrence.

Mr. H. Macdonald, in his place, presented to the House the Impost and Light Duty accounts for Georgetown, for the past year.

*Ordered*, That the said Accounts be referred to the Committee appointed to examine and report on the Public Accounts.

Then the House adjourned until to-morrow at Ten o'clock.

## THURSDAY, February 17, 1848.

**MR. THORNTON**, from the Committee appointed to wait upon His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor, with the Message, praying for various Returns relating to Sales of Crown Lands, reported the delivery thereof; and that His Excellency was pleased to say he would cause the Returns prayed for to be laid before the House.

A Message from the Council, by Mr. Desbrisay;

" COUNCIL CHAMBER,

Thursday, February, 17th, 1848.

" *Resolved*, That a Committee be appointed, to join the Committee of the House of Assembly, to keep up a good correspondence between the two Branches of the Legislature, and to report their proceedings from time to time, with power to send for persons, papers and records.

" *Ordered*, That the Hon. Mr. Holl, the Hon. Mr. Irving and the Hon. Mr. Hensley do compose the said Committee.

" *Ordered*, That the said Resolution be communicated by Message, to the House of Assembly."

And then he withdrew.

Then the House adjourned for one hour.

And being met—

Mr. Palmer, from the Committee ap-

pointed to prepare and bring in a Bill, to provide for the expenses of certain Members of the Legislative Council, presented to the House, a Bill as prepared by the Committee; and the same was read the first time.

A motion being made, that the said Bill be read a second time to-morrow;

Mr. Rae moved in amendment, that the said Bill be read a second time this day three months.

The House divided on the motion of amendment:

YEAS :

Mr. Rae,	Mr. Whelan,
Mr. Fraser,	Mr. Jardine,
Mr. Macintosh,	Mr. Le Lacheur,
Mr. Mooney,	Mr. Clark.
Mr. D. Macdonald,	

NAYS :

Mr. Palmer,	Mr. Haviland,
Mr. F. Longworth,	Mr. Thornton,
Mr. N. Conroy,	Mr. J. Longworth,
Mr. J. H. Conroy,	Mr. H. Macdonald,
Mr. Montgomery,	

The House being equally divided, Mr. Speaker gave his casting vote in the negative.

The question being then put on the main motion,

The House again divided:

YEAS :	
Mr. Palmer,	Mr. Haviland,

Mr. F. Longworth, Mr. Thornton,  
 Mr. N. Conroy, Mr. J. Longworth,  
 Mr. J. H. Conroy, Mr. H. Macdonald,  
 Mr. Montgomery, Mr. D. Maclean.

## NAYS:

Mr. Rae, Mr. Whelan,  
 Mr. Fraser, Mr. Jardine,  
 Mr. Macintosh, Mr. Le Lacheur,

Mr. Mooney, Mr. Clark,  
 Mr. D. Macdonald.

So it was carried in the affirmative, and  
 Ordered, accordingly.

Then the House adjourned until to-mor-  
 row, at Ten o'clock.

## FRIDAY, February 18, 1848.

**R**ESOLVED, That a Law Clerk be appointed for this House.

A motion being made that Charles Palmer, Esquire, be the Law Clerk;

Mr. Le Lacheur moved by way of amendment, that John Lawson, Esquire, be appointed to that office; which being seconded, and the question put thereon, it passed in the negative. \*

The question being then put on the main motion, it was agreed to by the House.

*Resolved*, That the following Address to His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor do now pass.

To His Excellency SIR DONALD CAMPBELL, BARONET, Lieutenant Governor and Commander-in-Chief in and over Her Majesty's Island Prince Edward, and the Territories thereunto belonging, Chancellor, Vice Admiral, and Ordinary of the same, &c. &c. &c.

May it please Your Excellency;

The Public Offices in the Colonial Building being now finished, and ready for the use of the Officers for whom they are provided, the House of Assembly are desirous that those gentlemen should remove from their present Offices to the Colonial Building, with as little delay as possible; and the House of Assembly therefore pray your Excellency will be pleased to cause the requisite orders to be made, for the occupation of all the Public Offices in the Colonial Building.

The House of Assembly further desire respectfully to bring to your Excellency's notice, the necessity that will exist for a Military Guard being stationed at the Colonial Building, for the protection of the Public Monies, Records, &c., after the same are removed there; and should your Excellency be of opinion that the same cannot be drawn from the small number of Military at present in this Island, the House of Assembly beg your Excellency to represent the same to

the Commander-in-Chief, or to the Imperial Government, in order to obtain an additional number of Military, so as to afford additional security to the Public Monies, Records, &c., &c., of the Colony.

*Ordered*, That the said Address be engrossed.

*Ordered*, That Mr. Thornton, Mr. Mooney and Mr. N. Conroy be a Committee to wait upon His Excellency with the same.

Three Petitions were (with the consent of His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor that the House may proceed thereon as they think fit), presented to the House, and the same were received and read, viz:

By Mr. Haviland.—A Petition of divers Inhabitants of Georgetown and Royalty, praying a grant to render the Royalty Roads passable for Vehicles.

By Mr. Rae.—A Petition of Charles F. Fowle, praying a Grant of Two Pounds ten shillings, for services as Teacher of a District School, for reasons set forth in his Petition.

By Mr. Palmer.—A Petition of James O'Reilly, of Charlottetown, Innkeeper, praying a return of License money.

*Ordered*, That the three foregoing Petitions do lie on the Table.

A Petition of Pierce Barron and others, praying for an alteration in the Fish Inspection Act, was (with the consent aforesaid,) presented to the House by Mr. F. Longworth; and the same was received and read.

A motion being made, that the said Petition do lie on the Table;

Mr. *Thornton* moved, by way of amendment, that the Petition be rejected, it being inexpedient to grant the prayer of the same.

The House divided on the motion of amendment:

## YEAS :

Mr. <i>Thornton</i> ,	Mr. <i>D. Macdonald</i> ,
Mr. <i>Macintosh</i> ,	Mr. <i>Mooney</i> ,
Mr. <i>Clark</i> ,	Mr. <i>N. Conroy</i> ,
Mr. <i>Montgomery</i> ,	Mr. <i>Haviland</i> ,
Mr. <i>H. Macdonald</i> ,	Mr. <i>Jardine</i> .
Mr. <i>Rae</i> ,	

## NAYS :

Mr. <i>F. Longworth</i> ,	Mr. <i>J. H. Conroy</i> ,
Mr. <i>Palmer</i> ,	Mr. <i>D. Maclean</i> ,
Mr. <i>Le Lacheur</i> ,	Mr. <i>Fraser</i> .

So it was carried in the affirmative, and *Ordered*, accordingly.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Rae* have leave to introduce a Bill to amend the Road Compensation Act.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House; and the same was read the first time, and ordered to be read a second time on Monday next.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *F. Longworth* have leave to introduce a Bill to amend the Light Duty Act.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House; and the same was read the first time, and ordered to be read a second time on Tuesday next.

*Resolved*, That this House do now resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, on the further consideration of the several matters referred to in His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor's Speech, at the opening of the present Session.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. *Haviland* took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chairman reported, that the Committee had come to several Resolutions, which he was directed to submit to the House.

The Chairman also acquainted the House that he was directed by the Committee to

move for leave to sit again; which the House agreed to.

The Resolutions reported from the Committee, were again read at the Clerk's Table, and are as follow :

1. **RESOLVED**, That it is the opinion of this Committee, that it is expedient a Special Committee be appointed, to whom shall be referred all Documents connected with the Post Office Department in this Colony, in order to report on the same by Bill or otherwise, with power to send for persons, papers and records.

2. **RESOLVED**, That it is the opinion of this Committee, that it is expedient the Laws relating to the Tax on Emigrants should be repealed, and other provisions be made in lieu thereof, so as to embrace (as far as the same may be applicable to this Colony,) the views of Her Majesty's Imperial Government on this subject, as communicated in the Despatch of the Secretary of State for the Colonies, dated December 2d, 1847.

3. **RESOLVED**, That as the Act for levying an Assessment on all Lands in this Island, will expire at the end of the next Session, and as it will be requisite to obtain the sanction of the Imperial Government for the further continuance of that or any similar Tax, it is therefore expedient that a Special Committee be appointed to prepare and bring in a Bill of a similar nature as the present Land Assessment Act, in order that such measure may receive the Royal Allowance before the expiration of the present Law.

The question of concurrence being then separately put upon the foregoing Resolutions, they were agreed to by the House.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Thornton*, Mr. *D. Maclean*, Mr. *D. Macdonald*, Mr. *Rae* and Mr. *Jardine* be a Committee for the purpose mentioned in the First of the above reported Resolutions; with power to send for persons, papers and records.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Thornton*, Mr. *F. Longworth*, Mr. *J. H. Conroy*, Mr. *Montgomery* and Mr. *Fraser* be a Committee for the purpose mentioned in the Second of the above reported Resolutions.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Palmer*, Mr. *Haviland*, Mr. *Thornton*, Mr. *J. Longworth* and Mr. *Le Lacheur* be a Committee, to prepare and bring in a Bill pursuant to the Third of the above reported Resolutions.

The Bill to authorize a Survey of Townships 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9 and 10, was, according to order, read a second time.

*Ordered*, That the said Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House at the afternoon sitting.

Then the House adjourned for one hour.

And being met—

The Bill to provide for such Members of the Legislative Council, as reside Twenty miles or upwards from Charlottetown, payment for their expenses in attending the Sessions of the Legislature, was, according to order, read a second time.

A motion being made, that the said Bill be now committed to a Committee of the whole House ;

Mr. *D. Macdonald* moved, in amendment, that the said Bill be committed this day three months.

The House divided on the motion of amendment :

YEAS :

Mr. <i>D. Macdonald</i> ,	Mr. <i>Rae</i> ,
Mr. <i>Le Lacheur</i> ,	Mr. <i>Clark</i> ,
Mr. <i>Jardine</i> ,	Mr. <i>Fraser</i> ,
Mr. <i>Macintosh</i> ,	Mr. <i>Mooney</i> .

NAYS :

Mr. <i>Palmer</i> ,	Mr. <i>F. Longworth</i> ,
Mr. <i>Thornton</i> ,	Mr. <i>D. Maclean</i> ,
Mr. <i>N. Conroy</i> ,	Mr. <i>J. Longworth</i> ,
Mr. <i>H. Macdonald</i> ,	Mr. <i>Haviland</i> .
Mr. <i>Montgomery</i> ,	

So it passed in the negative.

The question being then put on the main motion, it was agreed to by the House.

And then the House resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. *Clark* took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

Mr. *Clark* reported, that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and agreed to the same without any amendment ; and the report was again read at the Clerk's Table.

A motion being made, that the report of the Committee be now received ;

Mr. *Rae* moved, in amendment, that the report of the Committee be received this day three months.

The House divided on the motion of amendment :

YEAS :

Mr. <i>Rae</i> ,	Mr. <i>Mooney</i> ,
Mr. <i>Clark</i> ,	Mr. <i>Whelan</i> ,
Mr. <i>D. Macdonald</i> ,	Mr. <i>Le Lacheur</i> ,
Mr. <i>Jardine</i> ,	Mr. <i>Fraser</i> .
Mr. <i>Macintosh</i> ,	

NAYS :

Mr. <i>N. Conroy</i> ,	Mr. <i>H. Macdonald</i> ,
Mr. <i>J. Longworth</i> ,	Mr. <i>D. Maclean</i> ,
Mr. <i>Thornton</i> ,	Mr. <i>Montgomery</i> ,
Mr. <i>Haviland</i> ,	Mr. <i>F. Longworth</i> ,
Mr. <i>Palmer</i> ,	

The House being equally divided, Mr. *Speaker* gave his casting vote in the negative.

Mr. *Fraser* then moved that the report be amended by leaving out the word "five," and inserting "two" in lieu thereof, which being seconded, and the question put thereon, it passed in the negative.

The question being then put on the main motion, it was agreed to by the House.

*Ordered*, That the said Bill be engrossed, and that the title be "An Act to provide for the expenses of certain Members of the Legislative Council in attending the Legislature."

*Ordered*, That the Bill to authorize a Survey of Townships 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9 and 10, in this Island, be now committed to a Committee of the whole House.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. *D. Macdonald* took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

Mr. *D. Macdonald* reported, that the Committee had directed him to report back the Bill to the House; and the report was again read at the Clerk's Table.

*Resolved*, That the said Bill be referred to a Committee of three members, to report thereon, by amendments, or otherwise.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *D. Maclean*, Mr. *J. Longworth* and Mr. *Thornton* do compose the said Committee.

Mr. *Palmer*, from the Special Committee appointed to search for precedents as to the course proper to be pursued by this House in reference to the Letter of His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor, relative to the vacancy of the seat of the Hon. James Warburton, presented to the House the Report of the said Committee, which was again read at the Clerk's Table, and is as followeth:

The Committee appointed to search for Precedents on the subject of the Order of the House made on the 5th February, inst., declaring the seat of the Hon. James Warburton, a Member of the House for the First District of Prince County, to be vacant; and of His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor's Letter relative thereto, and laid before the House on the 14th February, inst., have to report as follows:

Your Committee deem it scarcely necessary to quote any authority in support of a principle so anciently, and so firmly established by Parliamentary usage, as that which acknowledges the House of Commons to be the only proper tribunal to judge and decide upon questions affecting its own Members, touching the right to their seats.

That the two several Acts of the General Assembly of this Island, upon which the question under consideration of your honorable House depends, are the following, viz: The Act of the 6th W. 4th, cap. 24, intituled "An Act to consolidate and amend the Election Laws," the 24th section of which enacts as follows:

"That in case of a vacancy happening in the Assembly, by the death of any Member thereof, or by his being called to His Majesty's Council, or by resigning his seat on his removal from the Island, or otherwise, on information thereof being given to

the Speaker, by any Member rising in his place, &c."

Also, the Act of the 7th W. 4th, cap. 13, intituled "An Act for vacating the seats of Members of the Assembly, in certain cases therein mentioned, and to repeal a certain Act heretofore passed for that purpose," by the First section of which it is enacted:

"That any Member of the House of Assembly who shall accept any office of emolument under the Crown, shall be incapable of taking or holding his seat in the General Assembly of this Island while in such office, unless re-elected after his acceptance thereof."

And by the Third section, as follows:

"That when it shall be declared by the House of Assembly, that any Member thereof hath accepted an office of emolument under the Crown, either during the Session or Recess of the Legislature, that then and in every such case, it shall be lawful for the Administrator of the Government for the time being, and he is hereby required, within seven days next after information thereof shall be by him received in writing, under the hand of the Speaker of the House of Assembly, to issue a Writ for the election of a Member or Members to fill the place or places which may be so vacated as aforesaid."

Your Committee consider, that wherever a doubt is raised, as to the validity of the seat of any Member of your honorable House, the question involved must be determined by the House, whether such doubt arises from the meaning of any part of the Law of Parliament, the Common Law of the realm, or from the construction of any Act of the Assembly.

Your Committee have examined into the usage and practice of the British House of Commons, where the seats of members of that body have become affected by the Imperial Statute of the 6th Anne, cap. 7, to which the above recited Act of Assembly of the 7th W. 4th, cap. 13, bears the strongest analogy, and they find that in all cases where any question has arisen upon the meaning or construction of the said Imperial Statute of the 6th Anne, as affecting the seat of any member of the House of Commons, the question has been

decided according to the construction of the Statute, as ascertained and determined by the House of Commons; and so exclusive is their jurisdiction or authority on this point, that its decision is allowed to prevail in opposition to the declared opinions of the highest Law Officers in the Kingdom. In confirmation of which, your Committee would refer to the following cases :

On the 4th of July, 1783, a new writ issued for the Shire of Dumbarton, in the room of Mr. Elphinstone, having accepted the office of Chamberlain and Secretary of the Principality of Scotland.

“ After the writ had issued, but before it was executed, a doubt arose, whether the proceedings upon this occasion had been regular; and whether it would not be necessary to apply again to the House of Commons for a warrant for a supersedeas to the writ, as having issued inadvertently; as had been done in the case of Mr. Willy, on the 6th of May, 1765. The grounds of this doubt were, whether this office was granted by the *Crown*, or by the *King*, as holding the principality of Scotland only during the minority of the Prince of Wales. If the latter should be the case, it was said it would fall under the same predicament with the offices granted by the *King* in the Duchy of Cornwall; and which, since the determination in the instance of Mr. Morrice, on the 19th of April, 1763, had been holden not to vacate seats on their being accepted by members. Lord Loughborough and Mr. Wallace, then Attorney General, inclined to this opinion; but upon inspecting Mr. Elphinstone's grant of the office, it appeared clearly to be the grant of the *Crown*, there being in it several references and directions to the Court of Exchequer in Scotland, which could not, had the Prince of Wales been of age, and in possession of the principality, have been inserted by him; and could not, in the present grant, be inserted by the *King*, as guardian of the principality, but must proceed from the *Crown*, and consequently this office came within the words and meaning of the Act of the 6th of Queen Anne, cap. 7, sec. 26. Vide 2 Hats. Preced. 55.

On the 3d of May, 1751, mention was made in the House to take their sense of the case of members who were to be servants

to the young Prince of Wales, (born in 1738), whether such members vacated their seats or not? It was debated for some time, but in a loose manner, and went off without a question—which was understood to be in favour of those concerned—they accordingly accepted their employments, and continued to hold their seats in the House. Sir Dudley Ryder and Mr. Murray, the Attorney and Solicitor General, were strongly of opinion that they ought to vacate their seats, as they were to be appointed, paid, and removable by the King; but they happened not to be in the House when the matter was stirred; and Mr. Fazakerly, an eminent lawyer, being there, and being of a contrary opinion, the House gave in to that. Mr. O.—In conformity to this precedent, when the Household of the present Prince of Wales (born in 1762, and since Regent,) was established, in 1782, those of his servants, who were members of the House of Commons, did not vacate their seats. Vide 2 Hats. Preced. 61.

That the following authorities are sufficient, in the opinion of your Committee, to establish the fact, not only that it belongs solely to your honorable House during session, to adjudge and determine whether any one of its members hath vacated his seat, but also that the adjudication of the House upon such questions concerning their own members is final, and cannot be controverted or enquired into by any other tribunal or authority, and will be presumed to be just and correct.

“ The privilege of Parliament, either of the Upper House or of the House of Commons, belongs to the determination or decision only of the Court of Parliament, for every Court hath a right to judge of their own privileges, according to the Book of Ed. 4th.” Sir John Paston's case.

*Coke's 13 Reports, fol. 63.*

“ It is a fundamental maxim of the law and custom of Parliament, which is the highest and noblest part of the law of England, and particularly adapted to the preservation of the liberties of this Kingdom, that the two Houses are independent of one another, and sole judges of their own rights and privileges.” *3, Hatsell's Preced.*

“ I entirely concur in opinion with my

Lord Chief Justice, that this Court (King's Bench,) hath no cognizance of contempts or breach of privilege of the House of Commons: they are the only Judges of their own privileges; and that they may be properly called Judges, appears in 4th Inst., where my Lord Coke says, an alien cannot be elected of the Parliament, because such a person can hold no place of judicature."—Gould, Justice in Crosby's Case, 3 Wilson's Reports, 188.

"The House of Commons is a Supreme Court, and they are judges of their own privileges and contempts, more especially with respect to their own members."

"It is our duty to presume the Orders of that House and their execution are according to law."—Blackstone, Justice. *Ib.*

"Sir Edward Coke lays it down, that whatever matter arises concerning either House of Parliament, ought to be discussed and adjudged in that House to which it relates, and not elsewhere;" and again, "that Judges ought not to give any opinion of a matter of privilege, because it is not to be decided by the Common Laws, but *secundum leges et consuetudinem Parliamenti*, and so the Judges in divers Parliaments have confessed." May's Law of Parliament, citing 4 Inst. 15.

In the case of Paty, one of the Aylesbury men, brought up by Habeas Corpus, Mr. Justice Powell thus defined the jurisdiction of the Courts in matters of Privilege: "This Court may judge of privilege, but not contrary to the judgment of the House of Commons." Again: "This Court judges of Privilege only incidentally, for when an action is brought in this Court, it must be given one way or other. The Court of Parliament is a Superior Court, and though the King's Bench have a power to prevent excesses of jurisdiction in Courts, yet they cannot prevent such excesses in Parliament, because that is a Superior Court; and a prohibition was never moved for to the Parliament." *Ib.* Citing 2 Lord Raym, 1105.

It is laid down by Hawkins, that "there can be no doubt but that the highest regard is to be paid to all the proceedings of either of these Houses—meaning the House of Lords, or House of Commons—and

that wherever the contrary does not plainly and expressly appear, it shall be presumed that they act within their jurisdiction, and agreeably to the usages of Parliament, and the rules of law and justice." *Ib.* Citing Pleas of the Crown, c. 15, s. 73.

And Lord Chief Baron Comyn, following the opinion of Sir Edward Coke, affirms that "all matters moved concerning the Peers and Commons in Parliament, ought to be determined according to the usage and customs of Parliament, and not by the Law of any inferior Court." *Ib.* Citing 3 Digest. Parliament, G. 1.

"That though the Lord Chancellor and Judges are competent judges in their courts, they are not so in Parliament.

"That it should be entered in the Journal Book of the House,

'That the first election is good; and that the knights then chosen, were received and allowed as Members of the House, not out of any respect the House had or gave to the Lord Chancellor's judgment therein passed, but merely by reason of the resolution of the House itself, by which the said Election had been approved.'

"That there should be no Message sent to the Lord Chancellor, not so much as to let him know what was done therein, because it was derogatory to the power and privilege of the said House.

"It also appears, That Sir Edmond Anderson, Lord Chief Justice of the Common Pleas, was acquainted 'That the explanation and ordering of the cause appertained only to the censure of the House of Commons, not to the Lord Chancellor and the Judges; and that they should take no notice of their having done anything in it.'"

"Accordingly, Mr. Farmer and Mr. Gresham were received into the House, and took the oaths; being admitted only upon the censure of the House, not as allowed by the Lord Chancellor or the Judges; and so ordered to be set down and entered by the Clerk."

"And this right of the Commons to determine their own Elections has never been disputed since the case of Sir Francis Goodwyn, 1st Jac. 1., when the Lords would

have inquired into the proceeding of the House of Commons, upon his election. But the Commons then told their Lordships, 'It did not stand with the honor of the House to give account to their Lordships of any of their proceedings or doings.' "

"And in the reasons of their proceedings in that case, which they laid by Petition before the King, among other things they say, 'They are a part of the body to make new laws; yet for any matter of privileges of their House, they are, and ever have been, a Court of themselves, of sufficient power to discern and determine without the Lords, as the Lords have always used to do theirs without them.' "

"In which reasons, as well as in their apology afterwards to that Prince, the House of Commons did, above a hundred years since, so clearly, and with so much strength of reason, assert their rights in the matter of the election of their members, that the Commons think it their duty to resist all attempts whatsoever to invade them.

"And upon this occasion, it may not be improper to cite the opinion the House of Commons had of the Judges intermeddling in matters of their Elections, as they have delivered it in the aforesaid apology, in these words, (videlicet):

"Neither thought we that the Judges' opinion, (which yet in due place we greatly reverence) being delivered with the common law (which extends only to inferior and standing courts) ought to bring any prejudice to this High Court of Parliament, whose power being above the law, is not founded on the common laws; but they have their rights and privileges peculiar to themselves."

"When the Earl of Shaftesbury was Lord Chancellor, Writs issued, during a prorogation of Parliament, for electing members in the room of those that were dead; the King himself was so cautious, as to the regularity of this proceeding, and had so much regard to the privileges of the House of Commons, that, at the next Session of Parliament, 5th February, 1672, he spoke to the Commons from the Throne, in these words:

"One thing I forgot to mention which happened during this prorogation. I did

give orders for the issuing of some writs for the election of members, instead of those that are dead, that the House might be full at their meeting; and I am mistaken if this be not according to former precedents. But I desire you will not fall to other business till you have examined that particular; and I doubt not but precedents will justify what is done. I am as careful of all your privileges as of my own prerogative.

"Sixth February, 1672, the House of Commons took that matter into consideration; and several precedents being cited, and the matter at large debated, and the general sense and opinion of the House being, "That during the continuance of the High Court of Parliament, the right and power of issuing Writs, for electing members to serve in this House, in such places as are vacant, is in this House, who are the proper judges also of elections and returns of their members." Thereupon it was resolved, 'That all the elections upon the writs issued since the last Session are void; and that Mr. Speaker do issue out his warrant to the Clerk of the Crown, to make out new writs for those places.' Which was done accordingly.

"No other Court than the House of Commons hath ever had the determination of the elections, or any cognizance of such causes, except where by Acts of Parliament directed. And such an action as those against the late Constables of Aylesbury, to bring the right of voting in an election in question in the Courts of Law, is a new invention, never heard of before; which (as new devices in the Law are generally attended with inconveniences and absurdities) was plainly to subject the elections of all the members of the House of Commons to the determination of other Courts."

"This undoubted privilege and jurisdiction, the Commons think, will warrant these commitments, if the late declaration (which is agreeable to, and cannot lessen their ancient right), had never been made."

"For it is the ancient and undoubted right of the House of Commons to commit for breach of privilege; and the instances of their committing persons (not members of the House) for breach of privilege, and

that to any of Her Majesty's prisons, are ancient, so many, and so well known to your Lordships, that the Commons think it needless to produce them.

"And it being the privilege of the House of Commons, to have the sole examination and determination of all causes relating to their elections, as aforesaid.

"It follows, that any attempt to draw such causes to the determination of any other Court, is a breach of the privilege of the House of Commons, for which, the person offending, may be committed by the Commons.

"And here, we cannot but notice of that unreasonable, as well as unnatural insinuation, whereby your Lordships endeavour to separate the interests of the people from their Representatives in Parliament; who pretend to no privileges, but upon their account and for their benefit, and are sorry to say, they are thus severely reflected on by your Lordships, for no other reason but for their interposing to prevent the rights of the people, and their liberties from your Lordships arbitrary-determinations." 3 Hats. Preced. 313.

*Ordered*, That the said Report be now committed to a Committee of the whole House.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. Jardine took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

Mr. *Jardine* reported, that the Committee had gone through the Report of the Special Committee, and had agreed to the same, without any amendment.

Mr. *Jardine* also reported, that the Committee had come to two Resolutions, which he was directed to submit to the House; and the said Resolutions were again read at the Clerk's Table, and are as follow:

1. RESOLVED, As the opinion of this Committee, that the authority vested in the Administrator of the Government, by the Colonial Act of 7th Will. 4th, cap. 13, whereby it is enacted, "That it shall be lawful for the Administrator of the Gov-

ernment for the time being, and he is hereby required, within seven days next after information thereof, shall be by him received in writing, under the hand of the Speaker of the House of Assembly, to issue a Writ for the election of a Member or Members, to fill the place or places which may be so vacated, as aforesaid," is only ministerial and not judicial, in like manner as exercised by the Clerk of the Crown in the English Court of Chancery, whose duty it is to issue Writs of Election upon the Warrant of the Speaker of the House of Commons. In this Island there being no Clerk of the Crown in Chancery, the Speaker's notice is therefore directed to the Chancellor himself to perform a mere ministerial act, in causing the Writ of Election to be issued from that Court; the judicial authority being vested in the House alone whilst in Session, and delegated by the said Act only to two Members of the House, and its Speaker, in vacation. Were the judicial power of determining what shall constitute a vacancy in the House, conceded to the Administrator of the Government, the Crown might virtually disfranchise any District or Town, as is now done with reference to the First Electoral District of Prince County, as often as a vacancy might arise, and thus deprive the people of one of their dearest and most valued privileges, that of being represented in Parliament. Nor does it appear to this Committee that such a power is at all essential to the due maintenance of the Prerogative of the Crown; nor is it requisite in preventing an undue exercise of authority by the Commons, which the Crown has at all times in its power to control by a dissolution. This Committee do not feel themselves called on to defend, nor to express any opinion, at this time, on the policy of the Act requiring Members of the Assembly to vacate their seats, on the acceptance of a seat in the Executive Council, further than to state, that the House would have no objection to take into its consideration the expediency of repealing that part of the said Act, should it be found in practice to present any obstruction to the proper and constitutional administration of the government. But the Representatives of the people cannot permit a privilege so ancient, and so essential to their independence, as a co-ordi-

nate branch of the Legislature, as that of determining what shall constitute a vacancy in the seats of its Members, to be wrested from them by a bare opinion of the Law Officers of the Crown, whose authority or jurisdiction in matters relating to the right of persons to sit in Parliament, or that of the highest Law Courts, has never been recognized by the Constitution, nor allowed by the Commons House of Parliament of Great Britain.

2. **RESOLVED**, That the foregoing Resolution, together with the Report of the Special Committee appointed to search for Precedents; as also a copy of the Hon. the Speaker's letter to His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor, requesting a Writ of Election to be issued for a Member, in room of the Hon. James Warburton; and of His Excellency's letter in reply thereto, be communicated to His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor, together with an Address from the House, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to transmit the said documents to the Right Honorable the Secretary of State for the Colonies, for the consideration of Her Majesty's Government.

And the foregoing Resolutions being again read, and the question being put—

“Shall the Report of the Committee be now received?”

The House divided:

**YEAS:**

Mr. Palmer,	Mr. Haviland,
Mr. F. Longworth,	Mr. Thornton,
Mr. N. Conroy,	Mr. J. Longworth,
Mr. J. H. Conroy,	Mr. H. Macdonald,
Mr. Montgomery,	Mr. D. Maclean.

**NAYS:**

Mr. Rae,	Mr. D. Macdonald,
Mr. Fraser,	Mr. Jardine,

Mr. Macintosh,  
Mr. Mooney,

Mr. Le Lacheur,  
Mr. Clark,

So it was carried in the affirmative.

**Ordered**, That the said Report be engrossed.

**Resolved**, That the following Address to His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor do now pass:

To His Excellency SIR DONALD CAMPBELL, BARONET, Lieutenant Governor and Commander-in-Chief in and over Her Majesty's Island Prince Edward, and the Territories thereunto belonging, Chancellor, Vice Admiral, and Ordinary of the same, &c. &c. &c.

May it please Your Excellency;

The House of Assembly having had under their consideration Your Excellency's Letter of the 12th February, instant, in answer to the communication of the Speaker of the House, announcing the vacancy of the Hon. James Warburton's seat, have come to several Resolutions thereupon, copies of which are herewith furnished to Your Excellency, as also certain parliamentary precedents, which the House respectfully requests Your Excellency will be pleased to forward to the Right Honorable Her Majesty's Secretary of State for the Colonies, for the consideration of Her Majesty's Government.

**Ordered**, That the said Address be engrossed.

**Ordered**, That Mr. Palmer, Mr. J. Longworth and Mr. Haviland be a Committee to wait upon His Excellency with the said Address, and the several Documents referred to in the same.

**Ordered**, That Mr. Thornton and Mr. H. Macdonald have leave to absent themselves from this House until Monday next.

Then the House adjourned until to-morrow, at Ten o'clock.

## SATURDAY, February 19, 1848.

**MR. MOONEY**, from the Committee appointed to wait upon His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor, with the Address praying that he would be pleased to cause the requisite orders to be made for the early occupation of all the Public Offices in the Colonial Building, and also that he would obtain a Military Guard, to be stationed at the Colonial Building for the protection of the Public Money, Records, &c., reported the delivery thereof, and that His Excellency was pleased to say he would comply with the desire of the House.

Mr. *Palmer*, from the Committee appointed to wait upon His Excellency the Lieut. Governor with the Address of the House, together with the Resolutions adopted by the House yesterday, and the other Documents on the subject of Privilege, connected therewith, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to transmit the same to the Right Honorable the Secretary of State for the Colonies, for the consideration of Her Majesty's Government, reported the delivery of the same, and that His Excellency was pleased to say he would forward the same, as desired by the House.

Seven Petitions were (with the consent of His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor, that the House may proceed thereon as they shall think fit) presented to the House; and the same were received and read, viz:

By Mr. *N. Conroy*.—A Petition of divers Inhabitants of Townships 7 and 8, and West part of 3 and 4, setting forth, that before Spring, many of them will be in a state of destitution, and praying relief.

A Petition of divers Inhabitants of Town-

ships 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 and 6, praying a grant to build a Bridge over Cascumpec River.

A Petition of the Members of the Northern Agricultural Society of Cascumpec, praying a grant in aid of the funds of that Society.

A Petition of divers Inhabitants of Townships 2 and 3, praying aid to improve a Road.

By Mr. *J. Longworth*, a Petition of divers Inhabitants of Pisquid Settlement, Lot 37, praying aid to complete the Road from Clark's Mill to Pisquid Bridge, and to repair Pisquid lower Bridge.

A Petition of divers Inhabitants of Bell Creek, and adjacent Settlements, praying aid to raise a Bridge, and the Road at each end thereof.

A Petition of divers Inhabitants of Township 65, praying aid to improve a Road.

*Ordered*, That the foregoing Petitions do lie on the Table.

Then the House adjourned until Monday next at Ten o'clock.

## MONDAY, February 21, 1848.

**T**HE Bill to amend the Road Compensation Act, was, according to order, read a second time.

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

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. *D. Macdonald* took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chairman reported, that the Committee had made some progress, and had directed him to move for leave to sit again, which the House agreed to.

Three Petitions were (with the consent of His Excellency the Lieut. Governor, that the House may proceed thereon as they shall think fit,) presented to the House; and the same were received and read, viz:

By Mr. *J. H. Conroy*.—A Petition of James Walsh, Master of the "Oregon," Packet, plying between the Ports of Bedeque and Shediac, praying a return of Light Duties and Wharfage.

By Mr. *Le Lacheur*.—A Petition of divers Inhabitants of Murray Harbour, White Sands, Guernsey Cove, and Lot 64 generally, praying an aid to improve a road.

A Petition of divers Inhabitants of South River, Murray Harbour and White Sands, praying an aid to improve a Road.

*Ordered*, That the foregoing Petitions do lie on the Table.

Then the House adjourned for one hour.

And being met—

*Resolved*, That the House do now resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House,

on the further consideration of the Bill to amend the Road Compensation Act.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. D. Macdonald took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

Mr. D. Macdonald reported, that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made several amendments thereto; which amendments were again read at the Clerk's Table, and agreed to by the House.

*Ordered*, That the said Bill, as amended, be engrossed, and that the title be, "An Act further to amend an Act, made and passed in the Tenth year of the Reign of His late Majesty George the Fourth, in-

titled 'An Act to regulate the laying out and altering of Highways, and to provide a mode of obtaining compensation for those who may thereby be injured, and to cause those who are benefited to contribute towards their formation.'"

A Petition of divers Inhabitants of Townships 46 and 47, was (with the consent of His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor, that the House may proceed thereon as they shall think fit,) presented to the House by Mr. Macintosh, and the same was received and read; praying an aid to complete a Road.

*Ordered*, That the said Petition do lie on the Table.

Then the House adjourned until to-morrow at Ten o'clock.

## TUESDAY, February 22, 1848.

**O**RDERED, that Mr. Palmer and Mr. J. Longworth be added to the Committee of this House appointed to join the Committee of the Legislative Council to take charge of the Government House and Public Furniture, in room of the two Members whose seats have in this Session been declared vacant.

A motion being made that the engrossed Bill, intituled "An Act to provide for the expenses of certain Members of the Legislative Council, in attending the Legislature," be, according to order, now read a third time.

Mr. Rae moved, in amendment, to leave out the word "now," and at the end of the question insert the words "this day three months."

The House divided on the motion of amendment:

### YEAS:

Mr. Rae,	Mr. Mooney,
Mr. Clark,	Mr. Le Lacheur,
Mr. Fraser,	Mr. Jardine,
Mr. D. Macdonald,	Mr. Macintosh.

### NAYS:

Mr. Palmer,	Mr. J. Longworth,
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Mr. N. Cowroy,	Mr. D. Maclean,
Mr. Thornton,	Mr. Montgomery,
Mr. Haviland,	Mr. F. Longworth,
Mr. H. Macdonald,	Mr. J. H. Cowroy.

So it passed in the negative.

The question being then put on the main motion, it was agreed to by the House.

And the said Bill was accordingly read the third time, as engrossed.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass.

*Ordered*, That Mr. Palmer do carry the said Bill to the Council, and desire their concurrence.

*Ordered*, That the Sergeant at Arms of this House be directed to order any Furniture belonging to the House of Assembly Rooms or Libraries, in possession of any person not authorized by the House, to be returned forthwith to his custody.

The Bill to amend the Light Duty Act was, according to order, read a second time.

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

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. N. Conroy took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

Mr. N. Conroy reported, that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made several amendments thereto; which amendments were again read at the Clerk's table, and agreed to by the House.

*Ordered*, That the said Bill, as amended, be engrossed, and that the Title be "An Act to explain and amend an Act made and passed in the Eighth year of the Reign of Her present Majesty, intituled 'An Act to make new provisions for the support of Light Houses, Buoys and Beacons.'"

Then the House adjourned for one hour.

And being met—

Two Petitions were (with the consent of His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor that the House may proceed thereon as they shall think fit) presented to the House, and the same were received and read, viz :

By Mr. Thornton.—A Petition of divers Inhabitants of Township 51, praying a grant to build a Bridge over Big Creek, Baldwin's Road.

By Mr. Rae.—A Petition of divers Inhabitants of Pisquid Road Settlement, praying a grant to improve their Road communication.

*Ordered*, That the said Petitions do lie on the Table.

*Resolved*, That the House do now resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider the expediency of providing for a Bounty to encourage the Seal Fishery.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. Le Lacheur took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

Mr. Le Lacheur reported that the Committee had come to a Resolution, which he was directed to submit to the House.

And the said Resolution was again read at the Clerk's table, and is as followeth :—

**RESOLVED**, That it is expedient to encourage enterprise in the establishment of a Seal Fishery in this Island, by providing for a Tonnage Bounty on vessels engaged in the same; and also a Bounty to be paid on all Seals, above a certain quantity, caught in each vessel fitted out in this Island."

And the said Resolution being again read, and the question of concurrence put thereon, the House divided:

**YEAS:**

Mr. J. H. Conroy,	Mr. Montgomery,
Mr. Palmer,	Mr. Haviland,
Mr. Thornton,	Mr. J. Longworth,
Mr. N. Conroy,	Mr. H. Macdonald,
Mr. Le Lacheur,	Mr. Rae,
Mr. D. Macdonald,	Mr. Whelan,
Mr. Fraser,	Mr. Jardine,
Mr. Macintosh,	Mr. F. Longworth.

**NAYS:**

Mr. D. Maclean,	Mr. Mooney,
Mr. Clark.	

So it was carried in the affirmative.

*Ordered*, That Mr. Thornton, Mr. H Macdonald and Mr. Palmer be a Committee to prepare and bring in a Bill pursuant to the above reported Resolution.

Read a third time, as engrossed, the Bill intituled "An Act further to amend an Act, made and passed in the Tenth year of the Reign of His late Majesty George the Fourth, intituled 'An Act to regulate the laying out and altering of Highways, and to provide a mode of obtaining compensation for those who may thereby be injured, and to cause those who are benefited to contribute towards their formation.'"

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass.

*Ordered*, That Mr. Rae do carry the said Bill to the Council, and desire their concurrence.

Then the House adjourned until to-morrow, at Ten o'clock.

## WEDNESDAY, February 23, 1848.

**A** PETITION of divers inhabitants of the Eastern part of King's County, was, (with the consent of His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor, that the House may proceed thereon as they shall think fit), presented to the House by Mr. *D. Macdonald*, and the same was received and read, praying a grant in aid of individual subscription towards building a Bridge across the Ferry at Souris.

*Ordered*, That the said Petition do lie on the Table.

Mr. *D. Maclean*, from the Special Committee to whom was referred the Bill to authorize a Survey of Townships Numbers One to Ten inclusive, reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made several amendments thereto; which amendments were again read at the Clerk's Table.

*Ordered*, That the said Bill and Report be now committed to a Committee of the whole House.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. *D. Macdonald* took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

Mr. *D. Macdonald* reported, that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made several amendments thereto; which amendments were again read at the Clerk's Table, and agreed to by the House.

*Ordered*, That the said Bill, as amended, be engrossed, and that the Title be "An Act to repeal an Act made and passed in the Fourth year of the Reign of His late Majesty King William the Fourth, intituled 'An Act for ascertaining and establishing the Boundary Lines of Counties and Townships, and parts of Townships, and for regulating the duty of Surveyors, and to repeal a certain Act therein mentioned; and also to repeal a certain other Act in amendment thereof, in so far as the said Acts relate to or affect Lots or Townships Numbers One to Ten inclusive, and to make other provisions in lieu thereof.'"

A Message from the Council, by Mr. Desbrisay;

Mr. Speaker;

The Legislative Council have passed the following Bills, with several amendments, to which they desire the concurrence of the House of Assembly, viz:

"An Act to consolidate and amend the Laws now in force authorizing the appointment of Coal Meters, and to repeal a certain Act therein mentioned."

"An Act to prohibit the running at large of Sheep and Goats in the Town of Charlottetown."

And also—

The Legislative Council have passed the Bill intituled "An Act to continue the Act for establishing the Standard Weight of Grain and Pulse," without any amendment.

And then he withdrew.

The amendments made by the Legislative Council, to the Bill intituled "An Act to consolidate and amend the laws now in force, authorizing the appointment of Coal Meters, and to repeal a certain Act therein mentioned," were read the first time, and are as follow:

*Folio 2, line 19.*—Strike out from the word "Court," to the end of the clause inclusive, and insert, "before any Commissioner of Small Debts, or Justice of the Peace, which fine shall be paid to any person who shall sue for the same."

*Folio 3, line 21.*—Strike out the words "without just excuse."

*Same folio, line 25.*—Strike out from the word "Court," to the end of the clause, inclusive, and insert, "before any Commissioner of Small Debts or Justice of the Peace; which fine shall be paid to any person who shall sue for the same."

*Folio 5, line 9.*—After the words "Coal Meter," insert the following clause:

"And be it enacted, That it shall be lawful for the Administrator of the Government for the time being, by and with the advice

and consent of Her Majesty's Council, from time to time, to remove or displace any Coal Meter, for any fraud or wilful neglect of duty, and to appoint another Coal Meter in the place of such removed or displaced Coal Meter."

*Ordered*, That the said amendments be read a second time to-morrow.

The amendments made by the Legislative Council, to the Bill intituled "An Act to prohibit the running at large of Sheep and Goats within the Town of Charlottetown, were read the first time, and are as follow :

*Folio 1, line 10.*—Strike out from the word "continued," to the word "Assembly," in the last line, both inclusive, and insert, "made perpetual."

*In the Title*—Strike out from the word "continue," to the word "Town," both inclusive, and insert "to render perpetual An Act passed in the Third Year of the Reign of Her present Majesty, intituled "An Act to prevent the running at large of Sheep and Goats in the Town of Charlottetown."

*Ordered*, That the said amendments be read a second time to-morrow.

Then the House adjourned for one hour.

And being met—

A Message from His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor.

Mr. Secretary Haviland, by command of His Excellency, delivered the following

**Message.**

DONALD CAMPBELL, Lieut. Governor.

The Lieutenant Governor transmits, for the information of the House of Assembly, the Returns of Statute Labour performed in the several Road Districts during the past year.

Also, the Reports of the Road Commissioners of the existing state of the Roads and Bridges within their respective Districts; pointing out the particular parts of such Roads and Bridges as most require repair or improvement.

The Lieutenant Governor also transmits to the House of Assembly the Account of the Road Correspondent, exhibiting under their several heads the expenditure on Roads, Bridges and Wharves during the past year, agreeably to the several appropriations of the Legislature for that service.

The Lieutenant Governor avails himself of the same opportunity to submit an Estimate of repairs required to Poplar Island Bridge.

A Petition of the Inhabitants of Souris, for a Bridge at or near the Ferry Point at Souris.

A Petition of Peter Scott, for additional remuneration as Contractor for the erection of part of Pownaf Street Wharf.

And an account of an expenditure of £19 on the Wharf at Green's Shore, Bedeque, by the Road Commissioner of that District, to be dealt with as the House of Assembly may see fit.

The Lieutenant Governor leaves it to the discretion and local knowledge of the House of Assembly to make such provision for the service of Roads and Bridges for the current year as may be deemed necessary for that important branch of the public expenditure.

D. C.

Government House, 23d February, 1847.

[For the Documents referred to in said Message, see Appendix (D.)]

Mr. Haviland, by like command, also laid upon the Table of the House—An Extract of a Despatch from the Right Honorable Earl Grey, to His Excellency Sir Donald Campbell, Baronet, on the subject of the Land Tax.

[See Appendix (E.)]

Read a third time, as engrossed, the Bill intituled "An Act to explain and amend An Act made and passed in the Eighth year of the Reign of Her present Majesty, intituled 'An Act to make new provisions for the support of Light Houses, Buoys and Beacons.'"

A motion being made, that the said Bill do pass,

Mr. Clark moved, by way of amendment, that the third clause of the said Bill—exempting Sailing Packets from the payment of Light Duty—be struck out.

The House divided on the motion of amendment :

YEAS :

Mr. Clark,  
Mr. Le Lachewr,  
Mr. Macintosh,

Mr. Mooney,  
Mr. Fraser.

NAYS :

Mr. H. Macdonald,  
Mr. F. Longworth,  
Mr. Thornton,  
Mr. D. Maclean,  
Mr. Jardine,

Mr. Palmer,  
Mr. Montgomery,  
Mr. B. Macdonald,  
Mr. J. Longworth.

So it passed in the negative.

The question being then put on the main motion, it was agreed to by the House, and *Resolved*, accordingly.

*Ordered*, That Mr. F. Longworth do carry the said Bill to the Council, and desire their concurrence.

Mr. Thornton, from the Committee appointed to prepare and bring in a Bill for the encouragement of the Seal Fishery, presented to the House a Bill, as prepared by the Committee, and the same was read

a first time, and ordered to be read a second time to-morrow.

**RESOLVED**, That the House will on Friday next resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, to take into consideration so much of His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor's Speech at the opening of the Session, as relates to the state of the Currency.

Then the House adjourned until to-morrow, at Ten o'clock.

## THURSDAY, February 24, 1848.

**T**HE amendments made by the Council to the Bill intituled "An Act to consolidate and amend the laws now in force, authorizing the appointment of Coal Meters, and to repeal a certain Act therein mentioned," were, according to order, read a second time.

*Ordered*, That the said amendments be engrossed.

The amendments made by the Council, to the Bill intituled "An Act to continue an Act to prevent the running at large of Sheep and Goats within the Town of Charlottetown," were, according to order, read a second time..

*Ordered*, That the said amendments be engrossed.

A Petition of Thomas Large, of Lot 11, was (with the consent of His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor, that the House may proceed thereon as they shall think fit) presented to the House by Mr. Rae, and the same was received and read; praying a grant to procure a Scow for the Ferry at Cascumpec.

*Ordered*, That the said Petition do lie on the Table.

The Bill for the encouragement of the Seal Fishery, was, according to order, read a second time.

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

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. Le Lacheur took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

Mr. Le Lacheur reported, that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and had agreed to the same, with several amendments.

The question being put, "Shall the Report of the Committee be now received?"

Mr. Rae moved, by way of amendment, That the Bill be re-committed, with directions to strike out all Bounty on tonnage, and to provide a Bounty of one shilling for every Gallon of Seal Oil, the produce of Seals caught this season, by any individuals now resident in this Colony, providing that no individual who shall not have rendered fifty gallons of Oil, shall be entitled to claim—the proof to be of such nature, in the clause to be drawn in Committee, as shall preclude, as far as possible, any uncertainty as to the quantity—and that the Bill thus amended, shall extend to two years.

The House divided on the motion of amendment:

YEAS:

Mr. Rae,

Mr. D. Macdonald.

NAYS:

Mr. Palmer,

Mr. Montgomery,

Mr. H. Macdonald,

Mr. Haviland,

Mr. Thornton,

Mr. D. Maclean,

Mr. N. Conroy,

Mr. F. Longworth,

Mr. Clark,

Mr. Mooney,

Mr. Whelan,

Mr. Le Lacheur,

Mr. Macintosh,

Mr. Jardine.

Mr. Fraser,

So it passed in the negative.

Mr. *Mooney* then moved, in amendment, that the Report of the Committee be received this day three months; which being seconded, and the question put thereon, it passed in the negative.

The question being then put on the main motion, it was agreed to by the House.

*Ordered*, That the said Bill, as amended, be engrossed.

Then the House adjourned for one hour.

And being met—

*Resolved*, That a Committee be appointed to search the Journals of the Legislative Council, to ascertain what proceedings have been had on the Bill intituled "An Act to prohibit the exportation of Potatoes for a limited period, and to revive and continue certain parts of an Act passed in the Tenth year of the Reign of Her present Majesty for that purpose."

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Thornton* and Mr. *Haviland* do compose the said Committee; who returning, reported that they had found the following entry:

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL CHAMBER,  
Friday, 10th February, 1848.  
PRESENT:

The Hon. Mr. ATTORNEY GENERAL, President;  
The Hon. Mr. Dalrymple, The Hon. Mr. Anderson,  
Mr. Sol. General, Mr. Swabey,  
Mr. Holl, Mr. Hensley,  
Mr. Young, Mr. Birnie.  
Mr. Irving,

On motion, that the Bill intituled "An Act to prohibit the exportation of Potatoes from this Island for a limited period, and to revive and continue certain parts of an Act passed in the Tenth year of the Reign of Her present Majesty for that purpose," be now read a second time:

It was moved, in amendment, that the said Bill be read a second time this day six months.

The House divided on the motion of amendment:

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Mr. Dalrymple, Mr. President,  
Mr. Solicitor General, Mr. Anderson.  
Mr. Holl,  
Mr. Young,  
Mr. Irving,  
Mr. Hensley,  
Mr. Swabey,  
Mr. Birnie.

And it passed in the affirmative.

CHARLES DESBRISAY, D. C. C.

Two Petitions were (with the consent of His Excellency the Lieut. Governor, that the House may proceed thereon as they shall think fit,) presented to the House; and the same were received and read, viz:

By Mr. *Le Lacheur*.—A Petition of the Branch Pilots for the Harbour of Three Rivers, praying an alteration in the Act to regulate the duties and charges of Pilots.

By Mr. *Palmer*.—A Petition of the Branch Pilots for the Harbour of Charlottetown, praying an alteration in the Act to regulate the duties and charges of Pilots.

*Resolved*, That the said Petitions be referred to a Special Committee, to examine the same, and report thereon, by Bill or otherwise.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Le Lacheur*, Mr. *Thornton* and Mr. *H. Macdonald*, do compose the said Committee.

A Petition of divers Inhabitants of Townships 35, 36 and 37, South side of the Hillsborough River, and of Townships 48 and 49, on and near the Monaghan Road, was (with the consent of His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor, that the House may proceed thereon as they shall think fit,) presented to the House by Mr. *Thornton*, and the same was received and read; praying for the establishment of a Post Office at Fort Augustus.

*Ordered*, That the said Petition be referred to the Committee appointed to report on the Post Office Department.

Mr. *Haviland*, in his place, presented to the House, a Letter from the Road Commissioner of the Fourteenth District, in conformity with the message of this House, in its last Session, to His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor, on the expediency of altering the Road at Black Pond, Lot 46, and erecting a new Bridge.

COLVILLE BAY, Dec. 24th, 1847.

SIR;

In answer to the queries conveyed in your letter of the 20th April last, relative to the alteration of the Road at Black Pond, Lot 46, I have to state for the information of the House of Assembly, that by bridging the Black Pond a little further down, several bad hills would be avoided, and the Road much straightened, and shortened about half a mile. The

lowest sum I have heard named, that will be required to build the Bridge, is £150; and a further sum will be necessary to make the Road out to Donald McPhee's, where it will join the present Road.

This alteration will still leave the Hills at Thomas MacMahon's, Little Harbour, which are the worst on the South side road. If the road could be carried down on the West side of Little Harbour, to John Mackinnon's, and the Harbour at the Narrows bridged, and the road made along the sands to the Red Point, the whole of the Hills at Black Pond and Little Harbour would be avoided, and the road much shortened; but before either of these plans be carried into effect, I would recommend a Survey in the rear, as I am informed by persons who profess to

know, that the land a short distance back, is comparatively level.

I am, Sir,  
Your most obedient servant,  
JOHN MACGOWAN,  
Commissioner, Road District No. 14.

Peter Macgowan, Esq.,  
Road Correspondent.

*Ordered*, That the said Document do lie on the Table.

Then the House adjourned until to-morrow, at Ten o'clock.

## FRIDAY, February 25, 1848.

**R**ESOLVED, That a Supply be granted to Her Majesty.

*Resolved*, That this House will on Wednesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider of the Supply granted to Her Majesty.

The following Petitions were (with the consent of His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor, that the House may proceed thereon as they shall think fit) presented to the House; and the same were severally received and read, viz:

By Mr. Thornton.—A Petition of divers inhabitants of Sparrow's Road, and head of Montague River Settlements, Township 51, setting forth their destitute state, and inability to pay in money, for the Seed Grain and Potatoes apportioned to them in the Spring of last year, and praying to be allowed to pay the same by work on the public roads.

A Petition of divers inhabitants of the back settlement of Orwel Head, Douse's Road, and Brown's Creek, Township 57, praying aid to open a road a distance of one and a half mile, to connect the back settlement of Orwel Head with Douse's road.

A Petition of divers inhabitants of Cardigan, Grand River, Launching Place, Little Pond, and Bay Fortune, praying a grant for a Bridge over Narrow's Creek, on the road leading from Cardigan to Grand River Ferry.

A Petition of divers inhabitants of Townships 61 and 63, praying a grant towards the completion of a new line of road from Murray River to Brown's Creek, on the Murray Harbour Road.

A Petition of Martin M'Cowan, Angus M'Innes, and Malcolm Nicholson, settlers on the Whim road, Township 59, setting forth the failure of their crops, and their scanty supply of Food and Seed, and praying relief.

By Mr. Rae.—A Petition of divers inhabitants of Township 18, praying a grant in aid of individual subscription to extend the Wharf at Keir's Shore.

By Mr. Montgomery.—A Petition of divers inhabitants of Princetown and Royalty, also praying a grant in aid of individual subscription for the same object.

A Petition of divers Inhabitants of Princetown and Royalty, praying a grant to repair a Bridge.

By Mr. D. Maclean.—A Petition of divers Inhabitants of Cove Head and its vicinity, praying the establishment of a Branch Post Office.

A Petition of divers Inhabitants of French River and its vicinity, to repair two Bridges.

A Petition of divers Inhabitants of South West River, New London, praying a grant to extend a Wharf.

A Petition of divers Inhabitants of Mill River, New London, praying aid to im-

prove a Road, and repair the Bridges thereon.

A Petition of divers Inhabitants of South West River, New London, praying a grant to rebuild a Bridge.

A Petition of divers Inhabitants of Kintyre Settlement, Township 33, praying an aid to improve the Road between the Winsloe and Brackley Point Roads.

A Petition of divers Inhabitants of French and Long River Settlements, New London, praying a grant to bridge a hollow.

A Petition of David Higgins and others, praying a grant to re-build a Bridge across Mill River, Township 34.

By Mr. *Jardine*.—A Petition of divers inhabitants of Groshaut Settlement, Township 56, praying aid to improve a road.

*Ordered*, That the Seventeen preceding Petitions do lie on the Table.

Mr. *Le Lacheur*, from the Committee appointed to prepare and bring in a Bill, to amend the Act regulating the duties and charges of Pilots, presented to the House a Bill as prepared by the said Committee; and the same was read the first time, and ordered to be read a second time on Monday next.

Then the House adjourned for one hour.

And being met—

Three Petitions were (with the consent of His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor, that the House may proceed thereon as they shall think fit), presented to the House; and the same were received and read, viz :

By Mr. *Whelan*.—A Petition of divers Inhabitants of Savage Harbour, praying a grant to complete a Road from that Settlement to the Main Post Road.

By Mr. *D. Macdonald*.—A Petition of Edward Whelan, of Charlottetown, praying a return of Duty on a Printing Press and Materials, imported by him into this Island in the month of July last.

*Ordered*, That the foregoing Petitions do lie on the Table.

By Mr. *D. Macdonald*—

A Petition of Ronald Macdonald, of Tulloch, late Lieutenant on the retired list of Veterans, &c.; setting forth losses sustained by his family, in consequence of their loyalty to the British Crown, as well as losses incurred by himself, in having commuted his pay as a British Officer, and praying the House to recommend his case to the consideration of the Right Honorable the Secretary of State for the Colonies.

A motion being made, that the said Petition be referred to a Special Committee, to examine the same and report thereon;

Mr. *J. Longworth* moved, by way of amendment, that Mr. *D. Macdonald* have leave to withdraw the said Petition, as the House deems it unnecessary to interfere in the matter, Petitioner having it in his power, to apply to the Secretary of State for the Colonies, without the intervention of this House.

The House divided on the motion of amendment :

YEAS, 14.

NAYS :

Mr. *D. Macdonald*,

Mr. *Mooney*,

Mr. *Whelan*,

Mr. *Macintosh*.

So it was carried in the affirmative.

Read a third time, as engrossed, the Bill intituled "An Act to repeal an Act made and passed in the Fourth year of the Reign of His late Majesty King William the Fourth, intituled 'An Act for ascertaining and establishing the Boundary Lines of Counties and Townships, and parts of Townships, and for regulating the duty of Surveyors, and to repeal a certain Act therein mentioned;' and also to repeal a certain other Act in amendment thereof, in so far as the said Acts relate to or affect Lots or Townships Numbers One to Ten inclusive, and to make other provisions in lieu thereof."

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *D. Maclean* do carry the said Bill to the Council, and desire their concurrence.

*Resolved*, That a Message be sent to His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor, praying that he will cause the usual Returns

of Exports and Imports; Vessels launched and registered; Vessels which have left the Island under certificate; Vessels transferred to other Ports; number and tonnage of Vessels engaged in the Foreign Trade and in Fishing; Detailed Account of Imperial Duties collected in this Island, with the application thereof; and the Fish Inspectors Returns for the past year, to be laid before the House.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Rae* and Mr. *Clark* be a Committee to wait on His Excellency with the said Message.

*Resolved*, That the following Address to His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor do now pass :

To His Excellency SIR DONALD CAMPBELL, BARONET, Lieutenant Governor and Commander-in-Chief in and over Her Majesty's Island Prince Edward, and the Territories thereunto belonging, Chancellor, Vice Admiral, and Ordinary of the same, &c. &c. &c.

May it please Your Excellency ;

The House of Assembly request that your Excellency will be pleased to inform the House if any and what answer has been received to the Joint Address of the Legislative Council and House of Assembly, to Her Majesty the Queen, passed during the last Session, on the subject of causing certain Ports in this Island to be made Free Ports.

*Ordered*, That the said Address be engrossed.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *J. H. Conroy*, Mr. *N. Conroy* and Mr. *Thornton*, be a Committee to wait upon His Excellency with the said Address.

The Order of the Day, for the House in Committee, on the consideration of so much of His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor's Speech, as relates to the state of the Currency, being read ;

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. Haviland took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

Mr. *Haviland* reported, that the Committee had come to several Resolutions, which he was directed to submit to the House,

whenever it shall be pleased to receive the same.

Mr. *Haviland* also acquainted the House that he was directed by the Committee to move for leave to sit again ; which the House agreed to.

*Ordered*, That the Report of the Committee be now received.

The Resolutions reported from the Committee were then read at the Clerk's Table, and are as follow :

1. RESOLVED, As the opinion of this Committee, that the present state of the Currency of this Island requires to be defined and established by Law.

2. RESOLVED, As the opinion of this Committee, that the Currency of this Colony be fixed and established at and after the same rate that Coins are now received and paid at the Treasury of this Island.

3. RESOLVED, As the opinion of this Committee, that it is expedient to separate the settlement of the Monetary concerns of the Colony into two Bills—one to provide for the establishment of a Currency, defining what Paper or Coins shall be a legal tender, and the rates at which such Coins shall pass current—and another to provide for the further issue of Treasury Notes, the redemption of Treasury Warrants, and the assumption of Specie payments.

4. RESOLVED, As the opinion of this Committee, that it be referred to a Special Committee, to ascertain the average amount of Specie in the Colonial Treasury, monthly, for each year, during the last two years; also, the amount of Specie at present in the hands of the Treasurer—with power to send for persons, papers and records.

*Resolved*, That a Committee be appointed to prepare and bring in Bills pursuant to the third of the above reported Resolutions.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *D. Maclean*, Mr. *Palmer*, Mr. *F. Longworth*, Mr. *Thornton*, Mr. *Rae*, Mr. *D. Macdonald* and Mr. *Jardine*, do compose the said Committee.

*Ordered*, That the foregoing Committee be a Committee for the purposes mentioned in the last of the above reported Resolutions.

Then the House adjourned until to-morrow at Ten o'clock.

## SATURDAY, February 26, 1848.

**A MESSAGE** from His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor.

Mr. Secretary Haviland, by command of His Excellency, delivered the following

**Message.**

DONALD CAMPBELL, Lieut. Governor.

In compliance with the accompanying Address, the Lieutenant Governor lays before the House of Assembly, a Petition of the Inhabitants, Electors of Queen's County, praying that the House will afford encouragement and protection to individual enterprize, in the prosecution of the Fisheries on the Coasts of this Island.

The Lieutenant Governor has the fullest confidence that the House of Assembly will give the object of the Petition that liberal consideration, which the number and respectability of the Petitioners claim at their hands.

D. C.

Government House, February 26th, 1848.

Mr. Secretary Haviland, by like command, laid upon the Table of the House, the Estimates of the Expenses of the Civil Government, for the current year.

Also, the following papers and accounts:

Copy of an Extract of a Despatch, from Earl Grey to Sir William Gomm, with reference to the issue of £300,000 in paper money, at the Mauritius, under certain modifications.

A Return of the proceeds of Sales of Crown Lands, for the year ending 31st January 1848, and other Crown Land Returns, and Surveyor General's Accounts of expenses on Sales of Crown Lands, for the year 1847.

Estimate of Painting, &c., Central Academy.

Presentment of Grand Jury, relative to the Jail of Charlottetown.

Presentment of Grand Jury for Prince County, relative to the Jail Yard Fence.

Communication from the President of the Central Board of Health, with various enclosures, and accounts of expenditure.

[See Appendix (F)]

*Ordered*, That the Estimates be referred to the Committee of Supply.

The Petition referred to in His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor's Message,

praying encouragement and protection to individual enterprize, in the prosecution of the Fisheries, was then read.

*Ordered*, That the said Petition do lie on the Table.

Seven Petitions were (with the consent of His Excellency the Lieut. Governor, that the House may proceed thereon as they shall think fit,) presented to the House; and the same were received and read, viz:

By Mr. *Palmer*.—A Petition of the Secretary of the Ladies' Committee of the Charlottetown Juvenile and Infant School, praying an annual grant of Ten Pounds, in aid of the funds of that Institution, together with a like sum for the past year.

*Ordered*, That the said Petition be referred to the Committee of Supply.

A Petition of Ann Cullen, Widow of the late William Cullen, Esquire, praying an allowance towards her future support, in consideration of the long and faithful services of her late husband, as Clerk of the House of Assembly, for a period of nineteen years.

By Mr. *Fraser*.—A Petition of Ewen Morrison, praying a grant to procure a Scow for the Ferry at Ellis River.

A Petition of Neil Maclean, of Lot 13, District Teacher, praying remuneration for his services as a Teacher, for six months previous to his passing the Board of Education, for reasons therein set forth.

A Petition of divers Inhabitants of St. Nicholas, Township 17, praying an aid to complete a Road.

A Petition of David Campbell and Archibald Campbell, of Township 12, praying an aid to improve a Road.

By Mr. *Whelan*.—A Petition of divers Inhabitants of Launching Place, Township 55, and others, praying a grant to build an addition to the Wharf at Launching Place.

*Ordered*, That the Six preceding Petitions do lie on the Table.

Then the House adjourned until Monday next at Ten o'clock.

## MONDAY, February 28, 1848.

**ORDERED**, That the time limited for receiving Private Petitions, be extended to Wednesday next;

And thereupon—

The following Petitions were (with the consent of His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor, that the House may proceed thereon as they shall think fit) presented to the House; and the same were severally received and read, viz:

By Mr. *Rae*.—A Petition of divers Inhabitants of Township 17, praying an additional grant to complete the line of Road from Hillson's Shore to the main Post Road.

A Petition of divers Inhabitants of Township 17, praying a grant to complete a line of Road from Linkletter's Road to the Bedeque Shore.

By Mr. *J. Longworth*.—A Petition of divers Inhabitants of Argyle Settlement, Townships 30 and 65.

A Petition of divers Inhabitants of Johnston's River Settlement.

A Petition of divers Inhabitants of Townships 36, 37 and 49.

Two Petitions of divers Inhabitants of Township 48.

A Petition of divers Inhabitants of the Central or New Wiltshire Road, Township 31—all praying aid to improve their Road communications.

A Petition of divers Inhabitants of a back Settlement, Township 48, praying a grant to open a new Road to the Main Road.

By Mr. *Le Lacheur*.—A Petition of divers Inhabitants of Orwell and vicinity, praying aid to improve the Road leading from Vernon River New Bridge, to the head of Orwell River, and to repair the Bridges thereon.

A Petition of divers Inhabitants residing between the White Sands and Little Sands Settlements, setting forth their destitution of food, and praying relief.

By Mr. *J. H. Conroy*.—A Petition of divers Inhabitants of Township 67, praying aid to procure Seed.

A Petition of divers Inhabitants of the back Settlement, Cape Traverse, praying aid to keep in repair a Bridge near Deegan's.

A Petition of divers Inhabitants of Townships 19 and 25, praying a grant to open a Road.

By Mr. *Fraser*.—A Petition of divers Inhabitants of Township 16, praying a grant to open a Road between David Fraser's and Patrick Daly's, to the shore of Richmond Bay.

By Mr. *Mooney*.—A Petition of divers Inhabitants of the West side of Johnston's River.

A Petition of divers Inhabitants of Monaghan, Donagh and Tarentum Settlements, on Townships 35, 36 and 48.

A Petition of divers Inhabitants of Bannockburn, Township 31.

A Petition of divers Inhabitants of Cove Head Road, Township 34.

A Petition of divers inhabitants of Township 48.

A Petition of divers Inhabitants of St. Andrew's, and its vicinity—all praying aid to improve their Road communications.

*Ordered*, That the preceding Petitions do lie on the Table.

By Mr. *Haviland*.—A Petition of divers Inhabitants of the Fifteenth Road District, praying that the said District may be divided, and an additional Road District formed, comprising Georgetown and Royalty, and those parts of Townships 51, 52, 53 and 66, South of Cardigan River, and the Georgetown Road to Vernon River.

*Ordered*, That the said Petition be referred to a Special Committee, to examine the same and report thereon, by Bill or otherwise.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Haviland*, Mr. *H. Macdonald* and Mr. *Le Lacheur* do compose the said Committee.

By Mr. *Haviland*.—A Petition of divers Inhabitants of King's County, praying the opening of a new line of Road from Aitken's to Peters's Ferry.

A motion being made, that the said Petition be received and read;

Mr. *Rae* moved, that the Petition be withdrawn—the remedy being elsewhere.

And the motion being seconded, and the question put thereon; it was carried in the affirmative.

By Mr. *J. Longworth*.—A Petition of Abraham Gesner, F. G. S., of Cornwallis, N. S., praying to be reimbursed in a balance of £12 4s. 7½d., claimed by him on account of a Geological Survey executed by him, at the instance of the Government of this Island.

A motion being made, that the prayer of the Petition be rejected; and the question put thereon,

It was carried in the affirmative.

By Mr. *J. Longworth*.—A Petition of James C. Bulpitt, Teacher, receiving aid from the Glebe Land Fund; praying a participation in the grant to District Teachers under the School Act.

Ordered, That the said Petition be referred to a Special Committee, to examine the

same, and report thereon—with power to send for persons, papers and records.

Ordered, That Mr. *J. Longworth*, Mr. *Rae* and Mr. *Fraser* do compose the said Committee.

Ordered, That the same Committee be a Committee to whom shall be referred all Petitions on Schools and Education.

Then the House adjourned for one hour.

And being met—

The names of the Members present were taken down as follow: viz;

Mr. *Speaker*;

Mr. *Thornton*, Mr. *N. Conroy*, Mr. *Clark*, Mr. *Mooney*, Mr. *Haviland*, Mr. *Rae*, Mr. *Le Lacheur*, Mr. *Fraser*, Mr. *Jardine*, Mr. *H. Macdonald*.

And at half-past 5, P. M., Mr. *Speaker* adjourned the House for want of a Quorum, until to-morrow at Ten o'clock.

## TUESDAY, February 29, 1848.

**T**WO PETITIONS were (with the consent of His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor that the House may proceed thereon as they shall think fit) presented to the House, and the same were received and read, viz:

By Mr. *Thornton*.—A Petition of divers Inhabitants of Georgetown, and others, praying a grant in aid of individual subscription, for a Packet between Georgetown and Pictou.

A Petition of divers Inhabitants of the old Town Road, praying aid to improve a Road.

Ordered, That the said Petitions do lie on the Table.

Mr. *Le Lacheur* moved, That both the Reporters be excluded from this House.

Mr. *Fraser* moved, by way of amendment, that Mr. *Le Lacheur* have leave to withdraw his motion.

The House divided on the motion of amendment:

YEAS:

Mr. <i>Fraser</i> ,	Mr. <i>Le Lacheur</i> ,
Mr. <i>Mooney</i> ,	Mr. <i>Rae</i> ,
Mr. <i>D. Macdonald</i> ,	Mr. <i>Jardine</i> .
Mr. <i>Clark</i> ,	

NAYS:

Mr. <i>N. Conroy</i> ,	Mr. <i>Thornton</i> ,
Mr. <i>H. Macdonald</i> ,	Mr. <i>Palmer</i> ,
Mr. <i>F. Longworth</i> ,	Mr. <i>J. H. Conroy</i> ,
Mr. <i>Haviland</i> ,	Mr. <i>J. Longworth</i> .

So it passed in the negative.

The question being then put on the main motion—

The House again divided:

YEAS:

Mr. <i>Le Lacheur</i> ,	Mr. <i>Clark</i> ,
Mr. <i>Rae</i> ,	Mr. <i>Fraser</i> .

NAYS:

Mr. <i>N. Conroy</i> ,	Mr. <i>Thornton</i> ,
Mr. <i>H. Macdonald</i> ,	Mr. <i>Palmer</i> ,

Mr. *F. Longworth*,  
Mr. *Haviland*,  
Mr. *D. Macdonald*,  
Mr. *Mooney*,

Mr. *J. H. Conroy*,  
Mr. *J. Longworth*,  
Mr. *Jardine*.

So it passed in the negative.

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

RESOLVED, That the notice of the House having been called by the Speaker, to the publication in the "Examiner," Newspaper, of the 5th instant, of what is termed to be a report of certain proceedings of the House, in the case of a Resolution submitted to the House by Mr. *Rae*, on the first day of the Session, and in which said Newspaper, by reference to different numbers, it appears a different report is given of the said Resolution, and in some numbers it is stated, that the division on the Resolution was carried by the casting vote of the Speaker, and as it is termed "in his own favour,"—Therefore, Resolved, that such last mentioned statement or report in the said "Examiner," Newspaper, of the 5th inst., is not correct, and as is proved by the Journals of this House, the Speaker not having voted on the question.

And the motion being seconded, and the question put thereon :

The House divided :

YEAS:

Mr. *Thornton*,

Mr. *H. Macdonald*,

Mr. *F. Longworth*,  
Mr. *Palmer*,  
Mr. *N. Conroy*,  
Mr. *J. H. Conroy*,

Mr. *Haviland*,  
Mr. *J. Longworth*,  
Mr. *Clark*.

NAYS:

Mr. *Mooney*,  
Mr. *Le Lacheur*,  
Mr. *Fraser*,

Mr. *Rae*,  
Mr. *D. Macdonald*,  
Mr. *Jardine*.

So it was carried in the affirmative.

Then the House adjourned for one hour.

And being met—

The Bill to amend the Act regulating the duties and charges of Pilots, was, according to order, read a second time.

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

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. *Jardine* took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chairman reported, that the Committee had made some progress, and had directed him to move for leave to sit again, which the House agreed to.

Then the House adjourned until to-morrow, at Ten o'clock.

## WEDNESDAY, March 1, 1848.

NINE PETITIONS were, (with the consent of His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor, that the House may proceed thereon as they shall think fit,) presented to the House, and the same were received and read, viz :

By Mr. *D. Macdonald*.—A Petition of divers inhabitants of Souris, Bay Fortune, and others, praying that several articles of importation now liable to duty may be imported duty free, for the encouragement of the Fisheries; and also that the Fishery Reserves along the Eastern coast of the Island may be made available for that branch of industry.

By Mr. *Mooney*.—A Petition of divers Inhabitants of Townships 35, 36, 37 and 38.

A Petition of divers inhabitants of Township 36, both praying aid to improve their road communications.

A Petition of divers inhabitants of Township 35, praying aid to repair the Corran-ban and Mill-dam Bridge.

A Petition of divers settlers around Bedford Bay, praying aid to repair Corran-ban Bridge, and cut down the hills on each side thereof.

A Petition of divers inhabitants of Township 36, praying aid to repair a Bridge.

By Mr. *J. Longworth*.—A Petition of divers inhabitants of Township 34, praying aid to repair a Bridge.

By Mr. *D. Maclean*.—A Petition of divers inhabitants of Township 33, praying a grant to rebuild a Wharf at Macinnes's Point, Rustico.

By Mr. *Whelan*.—A Petition of divers inhabitants of Townships 38 and 51, praying aid to improve the Road leading from Cardigan to Mount Stewart.

*Ordered*, That the nine preceding Petitions do lie on the Table.

A Petition of divers inhabitants of Charlottetown was, with the consent aforesaid, presented to the House by Mr. *Palmer*, and the same was received and read, praying the enactment of a Law against forestalling.

*Ordered*, That the said Petition be referred to a Special Committee, to report thereon by Bill or otherwise.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Palmer*, Mr. *F. Longworth* and Mr. *J. H. Conroy*, do compose the said Committee.

Then the House adjourned for one hour.

And being met—

*Resolved*, That this House do now resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, on the further consideration of the Bill to amend the Act regulating the duties and charges of Pilots.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. *Jardine* took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

Mr. *Jardine* reported, that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made several amendments thereto; which amendments were again read at the Clerk's table, and agreed to by the House.

*Ordered*, That the said Bill, as amended, be engrossed, and that the Title be "An

Act to extend the provisions of the Act relating to Pilots."

Mr. *Thornton*, from the Special Committee appointed to prepare and bring in a Bill to repeal the Laws relating to the Tax on Emigrants, and to make other provisions in lieu thereof, presented to the House a Bill as prepared by the Committee; and the same was read the first time, and ordered to be read a second time on Friday next.

Mr. *Palmer*, from the Special Committee appointed to prepare and bring in a Bill for levying further an Assessment on all Lands in this Island, presented to the House a Bill as prepared by the Committee; and the same was read the first time, and ordered to be read a second time to-morrow.

*Resolved*, That this House will, to-morrow, take into consideration the several Private Petitions before the House.

Two Petitions were (with the consent of His Excellency the Lieut. Governor, that the House may proceed thereon as they shall think fit,) presented to the House by Mr. *D. Macdonald*, and the same were received and read, viz:

A Petition of divers Inhabitants of the Eastern Section of King's County, praying that an Embargo may be imposed upon the exportation of Grain and Potatoes, or some other measure adopted to avert the threatened scarcity of Seed and Food.

A Petition of divers Inhabitants of the First Electoral District of King's County, praying to be allowed the privilege of paying by work on the Roads and Bridges, for the Seed Grain, &c., furnished to them in the last Spring, by order of the Government of this Island.

*Ordered*, That the two last preceding Petitions do lie on the Table.

Then the House adjourned until to-morrow, at Ten o'clock.

## THURSDAY, March 2, 1848.

**ORDERED**, That the time limited for the reception of Private Petitions, be extended, so as to include the present day; and thereupon,

Three Petitions were (with the consent of His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor, that the House may proceed thereon as they shall think fit), presented to the House; and the same were received and read, viz :

By *Mr. D. Macdonald*.—A Petition of divers Inhabitants of New Glasgow, praying that measures may be adopted to prevent the destruction to their crops, occasioned by Pigs running at large.

*Ordered*, That the foregoing Petition be referred to a Special Committee, to examine the same and report thereon.

*Ordered*, That *Mr. D. Macdonald*, *Mr. D. Maclean*, and *Mr. Thornton*, do compose the said Committee.

By *Mr. Palmer*.—A Petition of Albert H. Yates, of Charlottetown, praying for a drawback on Flour exported by him from this Island.

*Ordered*, That the said Petition do lie on the Table.

By *Mr. Haviland*.—A Petition of James and Hugh M'Kenna, of Charlottetown, praying remuneration for balance of an account alleged to be due to them for articles furnished to the Infirmary, by order of the Board of Health—payment of the said balance being refused by the Board.

*Ordered*, That the said Petition be referred to the Committee appointed to examine and report on the Public Accounts.

The Bill for levying further an Assessment on all Lands in this Island, was, according to order, read a second time.

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

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. Fraser took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chairman reported, that the Committee had made some progress, and had directed him to move for leave to sit again, which the House agreed to.

Then the House adjourned for one hour.

And being met—

*Resolved*, That this House do now resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, on the further consideration of the Bill for levying further an Assessment on all Lands in this Island.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. Fraser took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chairman reported, that the Committee had made some progress, and had directed him to move for leave to sit again; which the House agreed to.

Then the House adjourned until to-morrow, at Ten o'clock.

## FRIDAY, March 3, 1848.

**MR. SPEAKER** presented to the House, a communication from the Secretary of the Board of Education, on the subject of introducing into the Schools of this Island, the cheap series of Books adopted by the Board of Commissioners of National Education in Ireland, together with a printed price list of the same.

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

[ See Appendix (G.) ]

Mr. *Haviland*, in his place, presented to the House, a communication from the Deputy Post Master General, to His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor, in Council, and ordered to be referred to the House, on the subject of procuring an additional Ice Boat for the transmission of the Winter Mails.

*Ordered*, That the said communication be referred to the Committee of Supply.

Mr. *Haviland* also presented to the House, the Report of the Commissioners for managing the Government Shares and property in the Prince Edward Island Steam Boat Company.

*Ordered*, That the said Report do lie on the Table,

[ See Appendix (H.) ]

Mr. *Haviland* also presented to the House, a Petition of divers Inhabitants of Prince County, laid before His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor in Council, and ordered to be referred to the House, praying the alteration of the Law, so that actions in the Supreme Court may be tried in the County in which such actions arise.

Mr. *Haviland*, from the Committee appointed to prepare and bring in a Bill to authorize the appointment of a Commissioner of Highways for the Town and Royalty of Georgetown, presented to the House a Bill as prepared by the Committee; and the same was read the first time, and ordered to be read a second time to-morrow.

*Ordered*, That the said Petition do lie on the Table.

The Bill to repeal the Laws relating to Emigrants, and to make other provisions in lieu thereof, was, according to order, read a second time.

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

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. D. Macdonald took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chairman reported, that the Committee had made some progress, and had di-

rected him to move for leave to sit again; which the House agreed to.

Mr. *F. Longworth* presented to the House a communication from Mr. Isaac Smith, laid before His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor in Council, and ordered to be referred to the House, respecting the Lamps in the Light House at Point Prim, including an Estimate of sundry repairs required thereto.

*Ordered*, That the said communication be referred to the Committee of Supply.

Then the House adjourned for one hour.

And being met—

Mr. *D. Macdonald*, from the Committee appointed to examine and report on the Petition, praying that measures may be adopted to prevent the destruction to the Crops, occasioned by the running at large of Swine, presented to the House the Report of the said Committee; and the same was received and read, and is as followeth:

Your Committee, to whom was referred the Petition of the Inhabitants of New Glasgow and its vicinity, complaining of the damage done to Crops by the going at large of Swine, beg to report that they have examined the Laws now in force on that subject, and find by the 2d section of 3d Will. 4th, cap. 27, that the owners of Swine going at large, without being ringed in the nose, are liable to a penalty; and the Act of 2d Vict. cap. 9, provides for the recovery of damages done by Pigs that may be at large.

That a Law to compel all persons to keep their Swine from going at large, while it would be desirable in some Settlements, would be found oppressive to many new Settlers in Woodlands.

Your Committee therefore cannot, at present, recommend any alteration in the Acts referred to.

*Resolved*, That the said Report be agreed to.

*Resolved*, That this House do now resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, on the further consideration of the Bill to repeal the Laws relating to Emigrants, and to make other provisions in lieu thereof.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. D. Macdonald took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chairman reported, that the Committee had made some progress, and had directed him to move for leave to sit again; which the House agreed to.

Mr. J. Longworth, in his place, presented to the House, the Reports of the Visitors of Schools for the several Counties of this Island, transmitted by the Board of Education.

*Ordered*, That the said Documents do lie on the Table.

Mr. Thornton, from the Committee appointed to report on the subject of Crown Lands generally, in this Colony, presented to the House the Report of the said Committee; and the same was received and read.

*Ordered*, That the said Report be committed to a Committee of the whole House, on Monday next.

Then the House adjourned until to-morrow at Ten o'clock.

## SATURDAY, March 4, 1848.

**T**HE Order of the Day, for the House in Committee on the Bill to repeal the Laws relating to Emigrants, and to make other provisions in lieu thereof, being read;

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. D. Macdonald took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

Mr. D. Macdonald reported, that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made several amendments thereto; which amendments were again read at the Clerk's Table, and agreed to by the House.

*Ordered*, That the said Bill, as amended, be engrossed, and that the Title be "An Act to repeal the Laws relating to Emigrants, and to make other provisions in lieu thereof."

Read a third time, as engrossed, the Bill intituled "An Act to extend the provisions of the Act relating to Pilots."

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass.

*Ordered*, That Mr. Le Lacheur do carry the said Bill to the Council, and desire their concurrence.

Mr. J. Longworth, from the Committee appointed to prepare and bring in a Bill to amend the Act relating to the manner of proceeding upon Controverted Elections of

Members to serve in the General Assembly, presented to the House a Bill as prepared by the Committee; and the same was read the first time, and ordered to be read a second time on Monday next.

The Order of the Day, for taking into consideration the several Private Petitions before the House, being read;

The House proceeded accordingly to take the same into consideration.

The Petition of James O'Reilly, praying a return of license money, was taken up and again read; and thereupon,

*Ordered*, That the said Petition be referred to the Committee of Supply.

The Petition of John Renouf, one of the Contractors for building the Lunatic Asylum, was taken up and again read; and thereupon,

*Resolved*, That the said Petition be referred to a Committee of three members, to examine the same, and report thereon—with power to send for persons, papers and records.

*Ordered*, That Mr. Palmer, Mr. Le Lacheur and Mr. Rae, do compose the said Committee.

The Petition of James Keough, late of St. Eleanor's, Jailer, was taken up and again read; and thereupon,

*Resolved*, That the said Petition be referred to a Committee of three members, to

examine the same, and report thereon— with power to send for persons, papers and records.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Le Lacheur*, Mr. *H. Macdonald*, Mr. *D. Macdonald*, Mr. *Fraser* and Mr. *Jardine* do compose the said Committee.

The Petition of David Macdonald, of Township 44, praying compensation for a road running through his farm, was taken up and again read; and thereupon,

*Ordered*, That the said Petition be withdrawn by Mr. *D. Macdonald*.

The Petition of Ewen Morrison, and others, praying a grant for a Scow for the Ferry at Ellis River, was taken up and again read; and thereupon,

Mr. *Fraser* moved, that the said Petition be referred to the Committee of Supply.

Mr. *D. Maclean* moved, in amendment, that the said Petition be referred to the Members for the District, for consideration in the division of the Road money

The House divided on the motion of amendment:

YEAS, 10.

NAYS, 9.

So it was carried in the affirmative.

The Petition of Thomas Large, praying a grant for a Scow for the Ferry at Cascumpec, was taken up and again read; and thereupon,

Mr. *Rae* moved, that the said Petition be referred to the Committee of Supply.

Mr. *Macintosh* moved, in amendment, that the said Petition be referred to the Members for the District for consideration, in the division of the Road money.

The House divided on the motion of amendment:

YEAS 6.

NAYS 12.

So it passed in the negative.

The question being then put on the main motion, it was agreed to by the House.

The Petition of divers inhabitants of Georgetown and others, praying to increase the grant in aid of a Sailing Packet between the harbours of Three Rivers and Pictou, was taken up and again read; and thereupon,

*Ordered*, That the said Petition be referred to the Committee of Supply.

The Petition of James Walsh, master of the Packet "Oregon," praying for a return of Light Duties and Wharfage, was taken up and again read; and thereupon,

*Ordered*, That the said Petition be referred to the Committee of Supply.

The Petition of John Le Cost, praying aid in the erection of a Light House at Cascumpec Harbour, was taken up and again read; and thereupon,

Mr. *Whelan* moved, that the said Petition be referred to the Committee of Supply.

Mr. *Montgomery* moved, in amendment, that after the word "that," all be struck out, and the following substituted: "the prayer of the said Petition be rejected;" which being seconded, and the question put thereon,

It was carried in the affirmative.

Then the House adjourned until Monday next at Ten o'clock.

## MONDAY, March 6, 1848.

**T**HE Order of the Day for the second reading of the Bill to authorize the appointment of a Commissioner of Highways for the Town and Royalty of Georgetown, being read—

A motion being made that the House do now go into the Order of the Day;

Mr. *Le Lacheur* moved, in amendment, that all after the word "that" be struck out, and the following substituted: "this House will, on Monday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, to take into consideration the expediency of altering and amending the Laws relating to

Statute Labour, with the view to reduce the number of the Road Commissioners to one for each County, or otherwise two for each Road District.

The House divided on the motion of amendment:

YEAS 7.

NAYS 12.

So it passed in the negative.

The question being then put on the main motion, it was agreed to by the House.

And then the said Bill was accordingly read a second time.

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

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. Palmer took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

Mr. *Palmer* reported, that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and had agreed to the same, without any amendment.

*Ordered*, That the said Bill be engrossed, and that the title be "An Act to authorize the appointment of a Commissioner of Highways for the Town and Royalty of Georgetown."

The Bill to amend the Act relating to the manner of proceeding upon Controverted Elections of Members to serve in General Assembly, was, according to order, read a second time.

*Ordered*, That the said Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House at the afternoon's sitting.

Then the House adjourned for one hour.

And being met—

The Hon. *George Coles* having been re-elected a Member for the First Electoral District of Queen's County, appeared at the Bar, and being led into the body of the House, and introduced to the Speaker by Mr. *Le Lacheur* and Mr. *Jardine*, two of the Members, took the oaths and his seat.

Mr. *Rae*, from the Committee appointed to examine and report on the Public Ac-

counts, presented to the House the Report of the said Committee; and he read the Report in his place, and afterwards delivered it in at the Clerk's Table, where it was again read.

*Ordered*, That the said Report be committed to a Committee of the whole House on Saturday next.

*Ordered*, That the Bill to amend the Act relating to the manner of proceeding upon Controverted Elections of Members to serve in General Assembly, be now committed to a Committee of the whole House.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. *Jardine* took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

Mr. *Jardine* reported, that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and agreed to the same, without any amendment.

*Ordered*, That the said Bill be engrossed, and that the title be "An Act to amend the Act relating to the manner of proceeding upon Controverted Elections of Members to serve in General Assembly."

*Ordered*, That the House do again proceed to consider Private Petitions.

The House proceeded accordingly to take the same into consideration.

The Petition of *Mary Tanton*, of Saint Eleanor's, was taken up and again read; and thereupon,

*Ordered*, That the prayer of the said Petition be rejected.

The Petition of *William Weeks*, praying for a return of Light Duties and Wharfage, was taken up and again read; and thereupon,

*Ordered*, That the prayer of the Petition be rejected.

The Petition of the Northern Agricultural Society was taken up and again read; and thereupon,

Mr. *N. Conroy* moved, that the said Petition be referred to the Committee of Supply.

Mr. *Fraser* moved, in amendment, that the said Petition be withdrawn by Mr. N. Conroy.

The House divided on the motion of amendment :

YEAS 8.

NAYS 7.

So it was carried in the affirmative; and *Ordered*, That the said Petition be withdrawn by Mr. N. Conroy.

Then the House adjourned until to-morrow, at Ten o'clock.

## TUESDAY, March 7, 1848.

**R**ESOLVED, That the Order for the engrossing of the Bill to repeal the Laws relating to Emigrants, be discharged, and that the said Bill be re-committed to a Committee of the whole House.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. D. Macdonald took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

Mr. D. Macdonald reported, that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made several amendments thereto; which amendments were again read at the Clerk's table, and agreed to by the House.

*Ordered*, That the said Bill, as amended, be engrossed.

A Message from the Council, by Mr. Desbrisay;

Mr. Speaker;

The Legislative Council desire a Conference with the House of Assembly, on the Bill intituled "An Act for the encouragement of the Seal Fishery," and have appointed the Hon. Mr. Young and the Hon. Mr. Swabey, a Committee to manage the said Conference—to meet in the Conference Room at half-past One o'clock.

And then he withdrew.

*Resolved*, That this House do agree to a Conference, as is desired by the Legislative Council, on the Bill intituled "An Act for the encouragement of the Seal Fishery."

*Ordered*, That Mr. F. Longworth do go to the Council and acquaint them therewith.

*Ordered*, That Mr. F. Longworth, Mr. Montgomery, Mr. H. Macdonald and Mr. Palmer, be a Committee to manage the said Conference.

The time having arrived for holding the said Conference, the names of the several Managers were called over, and they went to the Conference.

And being returned—

Mr. F. Longworth reported, that the Managers had been at the Conference, and he stated the substance thereof to the House.

A Petition of the Office-bearers and members of the Charlottetown Total Abstinence Society, was (with the consent of His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor, that the House may proceed thereon as they shall think fit) presented to the House by Mr. Palmer, and the same was received and read; praying for the adoption of measures in order to remedy the evils resulting from the vending of Spirituous Liquors.

Mr. Mooney moved, that the prayer of the Petition be rejected.

Mr. Palmer moved, by way of amendment, that the Petition be referred to a Special Committee, to report thereon by Bill or otherwise.

The House divided on the motion of amendment :

YEAS :

Mr. Palmer,	Mr. J. Longworth,
Mr. H. Macdonald,	Mr. F. Longworth,
Mr. Montgomery,	Mr. Haviland,
Mr. N. Conroy,	Mr. Clark.

NAYS :

Mr. Mooney,	Mr. D. Maclean,
Mr. J. H. Conroy,	Hon. Mr. Coles,
Mr. Whelan,	Mr. D. Macdonald,
Mr. Rae,	Mr. Le Lacheur,
Mr. Jardine,	Mr. Macintosh,
Mr. Fraser,	Mr. Douse.

So it passed in the negative.

The question being then put on the main motion—"that the prayer of the Petition be rejected."

The House again divided :

YEAS :

Mr. <i>Mooney</i> ,	Mr. <i>D. Maclean</i> ,
Mr. <i>J. H. Conroy</i> ,	Hon. Mr. <i>Coles</i> ,
Mr. <i>Whelan</i> ,	Mr. <i>D. Macdonald</i> .
Mr. <i>Rae</i> ,	Mr. <i>Le Lacheur</i> ,
Mr. <i>Jardine</i> ,	Mr. <i>Macintosh</i> ,
Mr. <i>Fraser</i> ,	Mr. <i>Douse</i> .

NAYS :

Mr. <i>Palmer</i> ,	Mr. <i>J. Longworth</i> ,
Mr. <i>H. Macdonald</i> ,	Mr. <i>F. Longworth</i> ,
Mr. <i>Montgomery</i> ,	Mr. <i>Haviland</i> ,
Mr. <i>N. Conroy</i> ,	Mr. <i>Clark</i> .

So it was carried in the affirmative.

Mr. *Le Lacheur*, from the Committee appointed to examine and report on the Petition of James Keough, late Jailer at St. Eleanor's, presented to the House the Report of the said Committee, and the same was received and read.

*Ordered*, That the said Report be referred to the Committee of Supply.

Then the House adjourned for one hour.

And being met—

The Hon. Mr. *Coles*, by command of His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor, presented to the House the following Papers, viz :

A Circular from the Right Hon. Earl

Grey, transmitting Act of Parliament relative to the naturalization of Aliens.

A communication from Sir W. M. Colebrooke, to His Excellency Sir Donald Campbell, Baronet, on the subject of the Survey and exploration of the line of country between the City of St. John, and the Port of Shediac, with a view to the construction of a Branch Railway, to join the main trunk Railway from Halifax to Quebec.

Estimate of Furniture, &c., required for the Public Offices in the Colonial Building, with an annexed Copy of Colonial Rules and Regulations, respecting the furnishing of Public Offices.

[See Appendix (I.)]

*Ordered*, That the last mentioned document (the Estimate of Furniture, &c.), be referred to the Committee of Supply.

Mr. *Fraser*, from the Committee to whom was referred all Petitions praying aid towards the support of Paupers and Lunatics, to examine the same, and report thereon, and also generally upon all claims on behalf of Paupers, whether brought under consideration by Petition or otherwise, presented to the House the First Report of the said Committee; and the same was received and read.

*Ordered*, That the said Report do lie on the Table.

Then the House adjourned until to-morrow, at Ten o'clock.

## WEDNESDAY, March 8, 1848.

**R**ESOLVED, That a further Conference be desired with the Legislative Council, on the Bill intituled "An Act for the encouragement of the Seal Fishery."

*Ordered*, That Mr. *F. Longworth* do go to the Council, and desire the said Conference.

*Ordered*, That the same Committee who managed the last Conference, be a Committee to manage this further Conference.

A Petition of divers inhabitants of Charlottetown was, (with the consent of His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor, that

the House may proceed thereon as they shall think fit) presented to the House by Mr. *Palmer*, and the same was received and read, praying that measures may be adopted for the encouragement and protection of Home manufactures.

*Ordered*, That the said Petition do lie on the Table.

A Message from His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor.

Mr. Secretary *Haviland*, by command of His Excellency, delivered the following

**Message.**

DONALD CAMPBELL, Lieut. Governor.

The Lieutenant Governor transmits to the House of Assembly a copy of a communication addressed to him by the Honorable the Chief Justice, upon certain defects which are stated by him to exist in the administration of Justice in this Island, and recommending the appointment of a Professional Assistant Judge, combined with the office of Master of the Rolls, to conduct the Judiciary business in the Court of Chancery.

The Lieutenant Governor concurs in opinion with the Chief Justice, that the present system is defective, and that a remedy is required to insure a due and prompt administration of public Justice.

The Lieutenant Governor therefore recommends the subject of the Chief Justice's communication to the serious attention of the House of Assembly.

D. C.

Government House, March 8, 1848.

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CHARLOTTETOWN,  
2d March, 1848.

SIR;

I deem it my duty to bring to your Excellency's notice certain defects which exist in the administration of Justice in this Island.

From the increase of population, and the consequent increase of business in the Courts of Judicature, the House of Assembly fifteen years ago was impressed with the necessity of establishing additional Terms of the Supreme Court, and making provision for a professional Assistant Judge.

The Secretary of State for the Colonies at that time declared his opinion that an annual Salary of £500 was as low a sum as ought to be granted to an Assistant Judge.

This charge upon the public Revenue was not, however, then incurred, but instead thereof one term in the year was subsequently added to the Supreme Court in Charlottetown, and four Circuit Courts were established, (two in each County), making in the whole eight Terms of the Supreme Court in the year for the Island, instead of three Terms, as heretofore; and I voluntarily undertook this additional duty upon receiving compensation for my travelling expenses.

The still greatly increasing population, and consequent increase of legal business, imperatively demand, as is well known, some further improvement in the machinery of the Courts of Justice.

That the appointment of a Professional Assistant Judge, (thus assimilating this Island to the other Colonies), would much facilitate and improve the course of Justice, is generally felt and acknowledged, but to what I would more particularly call your Excel-

lency's immediate attention, is that the Assistant Judge might combine the office of Master of the Rolls, and conduct the Judicial business in the Court of Chancery; a very onerous duty which is now imposed upon your Excellency, and which must be extremely irksome to a mind not professionally bred.

I believe there is a good deal of business for the Court of Chancery in this Island, and it is quite evident that it would be more satisfactory to suitors, that the duties and responsibilities of conducting the business of that Court, should be borne by one whose professional education and habits have tended to that object.

In the Provinces of Nova Scotia and New Brunswick the Court of Chancery is presided over by a Master of the Rolls, who receives a Salary equivalent to that of an Assistant or Puisne Judge.

I feel assured that the Legislature taking into consideration the very great benefit to the Island of such an appointment, will not hesitate to make the necessary provision for so important an object.

I have the honor to be,

Your Excellency's most obedient,

humble servant,

(Signed) E. J. JARVIS, Chief Justice.

His Excellency

Sir Donald Campbell, Baronet,  
Lieut. Governor.

*Ordered*, That the said Message, with the accompanying Letter, do lie on the Table.

*Ordered*, That the House do again proceed to consider Private Petitions.

The House proceeded accordingly to take the same into consideration.

The Petition of James and Theophilus Crosby, of Elliot River, was taken up and again read; and thereupon,

*Ordered*, That the said Petition be referred to the Members for the District for consideration, in the division of the Road money.

The Petition of Peter Scott, praying remuneration for extra work on the Pownal Street Wharf, was taken up and again read, and thereupon,

*Resolved*, That the said Petition be referred to a Special Committee, to examine the same, and report thereon.

*Ordered*, That Mr. J. Longworth, Mr. Jardine and Mr. Macintosh do compose the said Committee.

A Message from the Council, by Mr. Desbrisay.

Mr. Speaker;

The Legislative Council do agree to a further Conference, as is desired by the House of Assembly, on the Bill intituled "An Act for the encouragement of the Seal Fishery," and have appointed the same Committee who managed the last Conference, a Committee to manage this further Conference, to meet in the Conference Room instanter.

And then he withdrew.

And the names of the managers being called over, they went to the Conference.

And being returned—

Mr. *F. Longworth* reported, that the Managers had been at the Conference, and he stated the substance thereof to the House.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Douse* be added to the Committee to whom were referred all Petitions praying aid for Paupers and Lunatics.

The Petition of Edward Whelan, praying for a return of duty on a Printing Press and materials imported by him into this Island, was taken up and again read.

The Petition of Ann Cullen, praying an allowance in consideration of the long and faithful services of her late husband, as Clerk of the House of Assembly, was taken up and again read; and thereupon,

*Ordered*, That the two preceding Petitions be referred to the Committee of Supply.

Then the House adjourned for one hour.

And being met—

The Petition from King's County, praying for an Embargo on the exportation of Agricultural produce, was taken up and again read; and thereupon,

A motion was made, that the said Petition be referred to a Committee of the whole House.

Mr. *Fraser* moved, by way of amendment, that it is inexpedient to grant the prayer of the Petition.

The House divided on the motion of amendment:

YEAS 15.

NAYS 3.

So it was carried in the affirmative.

The Petition of divers inhabitants, electors of Queen's County.

The Petition of divers inhabitants of Souris, and the Eastern Section of King's County, severally praying for encouragement and protection to individual enterprise in the prosecution of the Fisheries, were taken up and again severally read; and thereupon,

*Resolved*, That the House do now resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, to take into consideration the several Petitions praying for protection to the Fisheries.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. *N. Conroy* took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

Mr. *N. Conroy* reported, that the Committee had come to a Resolution, which he was directed to submit to the House; and the said Resolution being again read at the Clerk's Table, was agreed to by the House, and is as followeth:

*Resolved*, That it is the opinion of this Committee, that encouragement ought to be given towards establishing a Fishery in this Island, and that a Special Committee be appointed to report by Bill or otherwise, as to the expediency of making the Fishery Reserves available for that purpose, and otherwise assisting the prosecution of that branch of trade.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Whelan*, Mr. *D. Macdonald*, Hon. Mr. *Coles*, Mr. *Mooney*, Mr. *Macintosh*, Mr. *Le Lacheur* and Mr. *Fraser* be a Committee for the purposes mentioned in the above reported Resolution, with power to send for persons, papers and records.

Then the House adjourned until to-morrow, at Ten o'clock.

THURSDAY, March 9, 1848.

**R**ESOLVED, That His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor's Message of yesterday, transmitting the Chief Justice's communication on the subject of providing for a Professional Assistant Judge combined with the office of Master of the Rolls, be committed to a Committee of the whole House on Tuesday next.

Read a third time, as engrossed, the Bill intituled "An Act to authorize the appointment of a Commissioner of Highways for the Town and Royalty of Georgetown."

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Haviland* do carry the said Bill to the Council, and desire their concurrence.

Read a third time, as engrossed, the Bill intituled "An Act to repeal the Laws now in force relating to Emigrants, and to make other provisions in lieu thereof."

Mr. *Mooney* moved, that the following clause be added to the Bill, and do form part thereof, by way of rider.

"And be it further enacted, That nothing in this Act contained, shall have any force or effect, until Her Majesty's pleasure thereon shall be known."

And the motion being seconded, and the question put thereon,

It passed in the negative.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *F. Longworth* do carry the said Bill to the Council, and desire their concurrence.

The Hon. Mr. *Coles*, by command of His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor, and with his consent that the House may proceed thereon as they shall think fit, presented to the House, a Petition of divers Inhabitants of Township 17, praying additional aid to complete a Road partially opened.

*Ordered*, That the said Petition be referred to the members for the District, for consideration in the division of the Road Money.

*Ordered*, That the House do again proceed to consider of Private Petitions.

The House proceeded accordingly to take the same into consideration.

The Petition of the Inhabitants of Charlottetown, and others, praying encouragement and protection to Home manufactures, was taken up and again read; and thereupon,

*Ordered*, That the said Petition be referred to the House when in Committee of Ways and Means.

Mr. *Palmer*, from the Committee appointed to prepare and bring in a Bill against Foresters and Re-graters, presented to the House a Bill as prepared by the Committee, and the same was read the first time, and ordered to be read a second time to-morrow.

Then the House adjourned for one hour.

And being met—

A Petition of W.H. Nelis, Master of the National School, was (with the consent of His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor, that the House may proceed thereon as they shall think fit) presented to the House by Mr. *Rae*.

*Ordered*, That the rule limiting the time for the reception of Private Petitions, be suspended in this case.

And then the said Petition was received and read; praying remuneration for repairs done at his own expense, to the National School House, and Fence around the same.

*Ordered*, That the said Petition be referred to the Committee of Supply.

*Ordered*, That the House do again proceed to consider Private Petitions.

The House accordingly proceeded to take the same into consideration.

The Petition of divers Inhabitants of a Back Settlement on Township 18, praying

aid to open a Road, was taken up and again read; and thereupon,

*Ordered*, That the said Petition be referred to the Members for Queen's County, to provide for.

The Petition of divers Inhabitants of Souris, and others, praying a grant in aid of individual subscription, for a Bridge, was taken up and again read; and thereupon,

*Resolved*, That the said Petition be referred to a Special Committee, to examine the same, and report thereon—with power to send for persons, papers and records.

*Ordered*, That Mr. D. Macdonald, Mr. Macintosh, Mr. Le Lacheur, Mr. Jardine and Mr. Haviland do compose the said Committee.

The Petition of divers Inhabitants of Township 19 and 25, praying a grant to open a Road, was taken up and again read; and thereupon,

*Ordered*, That the said Petition be referred to the Members for Prince County to provide for.

The Petition of divers Inhabitants of Prince County, praying an alteration in the Law, so that actions in the Supreme Court may be tried in the County in which such actions arise, was taken up and again read; and thereupon,

*Resolved*, That the said Petition be referred to a Special Committee, to examine the same, and report thereon by Bill or otherwise—with power to send for persons, papers and records.

*Ordered*, That Mr. D. Macdonald, Mr. Montgomery and Mr. Le Lacheur do compose the said Committee.

The Petition of divers Inhabitants of Cascumpec, and its vicinity, praying a grant in aid of individual subscription, to build a Bridge over Cascumpec River, was taken up and again read; and thereupon,

*Ordered*, That the said Petition be referred to the Member for the District, Mr. N. Conroy, who shall be empowered, in conjunction with the Road Commissioner of the District, to employ a competent person to examine as to the practicability of building the contemplated Bridge—and to report thereon to this House in its next Session.

The residue of the Petitions, praying aid for Roads Bridges and Wharves, were severally read; and thereupon,

*Ordered*, That the said Petitions be referred to the several Members from the different Counties, for consideration in the preparing Scales of sub-division of the moneys appropriated for Roads, Bridges and Wharves.

*Resolved*, That this House will, on Monday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, on the consideration of all matters relating to Roads, Bridges and Wharves.

Then the House adjourned until to-morrow at Ten o'clock.

## FRIDAY, March 10, 1848.

**R**EAD a third time, as engrossed, the Bill intituled "An Act to amend the Act relating to the manner of proceeding upon Controverted Elections of Members to serve in the General Assembly."

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass.

*Ordered*, That Mr. J. Longworth do carry the said Bill to the Council, and desire their concurrence.

Mr. J. Longworth from the Committee appointed to examine and report on the several Petitions relating to Schools and Education, presented to the House the Report of the said Committee, and the same was received and read.

*Ordered*, That the said Report be referred to a Committee of the whole House on Monday next.

A Message from the Council by Mr. Desbrisay.

Mr. Speaker;

The Legislative Council have passed the Bill intituled "An Act to extend the provisions of the Act relating to Pilots," with an amendment.

And then he withdrew.

The amendment made by the Council to the Bill intituled "An Act to extend the provisions of the Act relating to Pilots," was read the first time, and ordered to be read a second time to-morrow.

The Hon. Mr. Coles, by command of His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor, presented to the House the following Letter addressed to His Excellency:

CHARLOTTETOWN, 9th March, 1848.

May it please Your Excellency;

The undersigned beg leave to state it as their opinion, an opinion founded on facts coming within their own knowledge, that many persons residing on Lots 53, 51, 52 and 54, are in a most destitute state for want of food, some of whom have large families.

At the same time that the undersigned take leave to state their opinion, that an Embargo ought, in scarcely any case, to be resorted to, they trust they are taking no improper liberty, when they recommend to your Excellency to pursue the like course that your predecessor in the Government did last year, that is (if time will permit), to ascertain from parties resident in the different sections of the country, what the actual state of the country is, in regard to subsistence for the people, for your own guidance and the guidance of the Legislature.

The undersigned are,

Your Excellency's most humble servants,

WILLIAM ALLEY, Lot 52,

JOHN THOMSON, } Georgetown  
} Royalty.

JOHN MACLAREN, Georgetown.

To His Excellency

Sir Donald Campbell, Bart.,

&c., &c., &c.

Ordered, That the foregoing communication be referred to a Committee of the whole House to-morrow.

The Order of the Day, for the House in Committee on the Report of the Special Committee, appointed to report on the subject of Crown Lands generally, being read:

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. D. Macdonald took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chairman reported, that the Committee had made some progress, and had directed him to move for leave to sit again; which the House agreed to.

Then the House adjourned for one hour.

And being met—

*Resolved*, That this House do now resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, on the further consideration of the Report of the Special Committee appointed to report on the Crown Lands generally.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. D. Macdonald took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

Mr. D. Macdonald reported, that the Committee had gone through the Report of the Special Committee, paragraph by paragraph, had amended and then adopted the same; and the Report was again read at the Clerk's Table, and is as followeth:

The Committee appointed to report on the subject of Crown Lands generally in this Colony, submit the following Report:

That there appears by the return of the Surveyor General, to the present period, the Lands remaining in the Crown, in this Colony are as follows:

On Township No. 15,	-	5755 acres;
do. No. 55,	-	2540 "

In Georgetown, 136 Town Lots,

In Georgetown Royalty, 117 (8 acre) Lots.

In Princetown, 480 Town Lots.

In Princetown Royalty, 50 (8 acre) Lots.

Your Committee observe by a list furnished 30th Novr., 1844, by the Surveyor General, that 17 persons as Squatters, are located on Township No. 15, who occupy, collectively, 1266 acres—one person on Cardigan Point, Georgetown, occupying 8 acres—two persons in Princetown, occupying between them 100 Town Lots, and a part of 12 streets; and six persons in Princetown Royalty, also collectively occu-

pying, as Squatters, 19½ Pasture Lots, or 156 acres of Land.

The land on Township No. 15, is described as being of inferior quality.

The Lots in Princetown are not all in the Crown, some having been granted to other persons many years ago.

Your Committee submit, that with respect to those persons who have located on Township No. 15, measures ought to be recommended by the House of Assembly to the Government, for putting them in legal possession of their lands by the Government, at a fair value; and the same with respect to the occupiers of the Pasture Lots in Princetown Royalty, and Georgetown reserved Lands. But at the same time, your Committee consider the present upset price of Crown Lands on Lot 15, as much too high for such inferior land; and the upset price for the Royalty Pasture Lots of both Georgetown and Princetown, is in most instances beyond their value, being Twenty Shillings, Sterling, per acre. Your Committee therefore recommend that an Address be forwarded to the Imperial Government, praying for a reduction of the upset price of the Crown Lands in this Colony.

By the Report of the Special Committee laid before the late House of Assembly, in 1844, it appears the balance then in favor of the Crown Lands was

£2,407 15 4½

The amount of Sales since that period, up to the present time, is £437 8s. 6d., and derived from the following sources:

From Lands in Charlottetown,	} £28 10 0	
From Lands in Georgetown and Royalty,	} 408 18 6	
		437 8 6

Making the total amount of Sales, and including the previous balance, to be

£2,845 3 10¼

Out of this amount the following sum have been paid:

Surveyor General for holding Sales, Plans, Surveying, and per centage on amount of Sales,	63 4 5
Labourers assisting Surveyor, and printing advertisements of Sales,	15 3 9
Joseph Ball's expenses in visiting Crown Lands, 1844,	3 6 8
Amount drawn by Lieutenant Governor for travelling expences for 4 years,	400 0 0

£2,845 3 10¼

Lunatic Asylum, and purchase of Land for do.,	1710 0 6
Fees of Sir H. V. Huntley on Grants,	18 6 8
Joseph Ball, by authority of Lord Stanley's Despatch, 28th October, 1845,	47 8 0
Dr. Gesner, for Geological Survey,	200 0 0
Joseph Conway, per order of Sir H. V. Huntley,	1 7 0
Opening roads in Princetown Royalty,	50 0 0
Opening roads in Georgetown Royalty,	128 16 9
Daniel Crew, per order Sir H. V. Huntley,	0 14 0
Peter Ferguson, compensation for expenses contending suit to hold possession of a Lot granted him by the Crown, the same having been previously granted to another person,	30 0 0
Fencing Government Farm, 1847,	25 0 9
Sir H. V. Huntley, by authority of Earl Grey's Despatch, of 6th October, 1847, being to replace a like sum drawn by the late Lieutenant Governor, out of the General Revenue, to meet his contingent expenses on a mission to the Governor General, at Montreal,	75 0 0

2768 7 9

Balance to Credit of the Fund, £76 16 1¼

The foregoing statement shews a balance of £76 16 1¼. (Of this amount, £75 1 1¼ was in the Treasurer's hands; and £1 15 in the Surveyor General's, 31st January, 1848.)

The Colonial Secretary furnished, under date 26th February, 1848, a statement of the liabilities of the proceeds of the Sales of Crown Lands, as follows:

James H. Peters, for his attendance before Lieutenant Governor and Council during enquiry into Mr. Welner's case,	£21 0 0
For Fencing Government Farm, under Secretary of State's Despatch, 12th February, 1846,	133 0 0

Brought forward,	£154	0	0
Balance of expenses of Sir H. V. Huntley, on his mission to the Governor General,	-	30	0
			0
	£184	0	0

Your Committee beg to call the attention of the House to the amount of liabilities (as furnished by the Colonial Secretary) of the proceeds of Sales of Crown Lands, being - £184 0 0

To which must be added an undrawn balance out of the sum of £1800, granted by Her Majesty's Government for erection of the Lunatic Asylum, of 89 19 6

£273 19 6

And there only being in the Treasury and Surveyor General's hands to meet this - - - - - 76 16 1/4

A balance of £197 3 4 3/4

remains against the expected proceeds of Sales of Crown Lands.

As this is a peculiar and hitherto unknown state of this fund, your Committee deem it proper to state that it more immediately arises from the circumstance of the late Lieutenant Governor having drawn the sum of £25 towards Fencing the Government Farm; and its being liable for a further sum of £133 for the same purpose, under authority of the Secretary of State's Despatch, of 12th February, 1846; and the late Lieutenant Governor having also drawn £105 for travelling expenses to the Governor General, at Montreal; and although the latter amount is authorized by Earl Grey's Despatch of the 6th October, 1847, yet your Committee cannot think that His Lordship, when he made such order, was aware of, or had been informed by the late Lieutenant Governor, that the fund was then liable to the extent of £154. The late Lieutenant Governor has therefore left the fund liable to the extent of £107 3s. 10 1/2d., besides the before named sum of £89 19s. 6d., and has deprived, (most probably,) for the current year, His Excellency the present Lieutenant Governor of the usual annual sum of £100, for travelling expenses, as allowed by Lord John Russell's Despatch in 1839.

And the said Report being again read;

Mr. Rae moved to amend the Report, by striking out the last paragraph thereof, and substituting the following:

"That as the Imperial Government authorized Sir Charles Fitz Roy to draw One hundred Pounds a year from the proceeds

sales of Crown Lands; and authorized the application of Fifteen hundred Pounds for a Lunatic Asylum and House of Industry; and then authorized Three hundred Pounds more for the same purpose; and then authorized Sir H. V. Huntley to draw One hundred Pounds per annum, for four years; and then authorized Two hundred Pounds for a Geological Survey; and Forty-seven Pounds to be paid to Joseph Ball; and since of sums amounting to One hundred and eighty Pounds; and as the sum of One hundred and thirty-three pounds for fencing Government House, has never been expended—therefore, the present Lieutenant Governor's claim has in no way been injured by Sir H. V. Huntley. That if it had been so injured, there is a property remaining in the Crown of the value of Four thousand seven hundred pounds, and that the net proceeds sales thereof, if judiciously managed, are more than sufficient to constitute a perpetual fund for continuing to the Lieutenant Governor of this Island the sum of One hundred Pounds, in addition to the Salary paid by the Imperial Government."

Mr. Palmer then moved, in amendment to the said proposed amendment, that the words proposed to be left out do form part of the Report.

The House divided on the motion of amendment:

YEAS:

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| Mr. Palmer,       | Mr. Thornton,     |
| Mr. Haviland,     | Mr. N. Conroy,    |
| Mr. D. Maclean,   | Mr. Montgomery,   |
| Mr. F. Longworth, | Mr. H. Macdonald, |
| Mr. J. H. Conroy, | Mr. J. Longworth. |

NAYS:

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| Mr. Rae,     | Hon. Mr. Coles,   |
| Mr. Clark,   | Mr. Mooney,       |
| Mr. Whelan,  | Mr. Le. Lacheur,  |
| Mr. Jardine, | Mr. D. Macdonald, |
| Mr. Fraser,  | Mr. Macintosh.    |

And the numbers being equally divided, Mr. Speaker gave his casting vote in the affirmative.

The question being then put, "Shall the Report of the Committee be agreed to?"

It was carried in the affirmative.

Resolved, That a Message be sent to His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor, pray-

ing that he will direct the Collector of Customs to furnish to this House a copy of the entries of all Vessels arriving at the Port of Charlottetown from the 18th day of September last, until the 29th day of the same month; and also, the date of his information to the Colonial Government of his being

notified of the Royal Assent having been given to the Act of 10th Vict., cap. 4.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *J. H. Conroy* and Mr. *D. Maclean* be a Committee to wait upon His Excellency with the said Message.

Then the House adjourned until to-morrow at Ten o'clock.

## SATURDAY, March 11, 1848.

**O**RDERED, That Mr. *Mooney* have leave to absent himself from this House until Monday next.

The amendment made by the Legislative Council, to the Bill intituled "An Act to extend the provisions of the Act relating to Pilots," was, according to order, read a second time.

*Ordered*, That the Tenth Rule of the House be suspended in this case; and then the said amendment was read the third time.

*Resolved*, That the said amendment do pass.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Le Lacheur* do carry back the said Bill to the Council, and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to their amendment.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of the Bill against Forestalling and Regrating, being read;

A motion was made, that the House do now go into the Order of the Day.

Mr. *D. Macdonald* moved, by way of amendment, that the Order of the Day be discharged, and made the Order of the Day for this day three months.

The House divided on the motion of amendment:

### YEAS :

Mr. <i>D. Macdonald</i> ,	Mr. <i>Rae</i> ,
Hon. Mr. <i>Coles</i> ,	Mr. <i>Le Lacheur</i> ,
Mr. <i>Fraser</i> ,	Mr. <i>Macintosh</i> ,
Mr. <i>N. Conroy</i> ,	Mr. <i>Clark</i> ,
Mr. <i>D. Maclean</i> ,	Mr. <i>Haviland</i> ,
Mr. <i>Montgomery</i> ,	Mr. <i>J. Longworth</i> ,
Mr. <i>Thornton</i> ,	Mr. <i>H. Macdonald</i> .

### NAYS :

Mr. <i>Palmer</i> ,	Mr. <i>F. Longworth</i> .
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So it was carried in the affirmative.

A Petition of divers inhabitants of Cascumpec was, with the consent of His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor, that the House may proceed thereon as they shall think fit, presented to the House by Mr. *N. Conroy*, and the same was received and read; setting forth, that owing to the limited scale on which farming is conducted amongst the Petitioners, and the failure in the Wheat and Potatoe Crops, many families will be brought to the greatest straits this season, for want of the necessaries of life, and praying the House to take the case of the destitute portion of the inhabitants into immediate consideration.

*Ordered*, That the said Petition do lie on the Table.

The Order of the Day, for the House in Committee on the Report of the Special Committee, appointed to examine and report on the Public Accounts, being read;

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. *F. Longworth* took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chairman reported, that the Committee had made some progress, and had directed him to move for leave to sit again; which the House agreed to.

Then the House adjourned until Monday next at Ten o'clock.

## MONDAY, March 13, 1848.

**T**HE Order of the Day, for the House in Committee on the consideration of His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor's Message of Friday last, on the subject of the destitution of divers Settlers in some sections of the country, being read;

*Resolved*, That the House do now go into the Order of the day.

*Ordered*, That the several Petitions before the House, praying aid for the procuring of Seed and Food, be referred to the said Committee.

And then the House resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. N. Conroy took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

Mr. N. Conroy reported, that the Committee had come to a Resolution, which he was directed to submit to the House; and the said Resolution being again read at the Clerk's Table, was agreed to by the House, and is as followeth:

**RESOLVED**, That in order to meet the distress set forth in the Message transmitted by His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor, and in the several Petitions before this House, on the same subject, a portion of the Moneys to be appropriated for the service of Roads and Bridges, this year, shall be made available for that purpose, by giving daily employment, or by affording opportunity of taking the Public Works in small Contracts, on the Roads, to such destitute persons, in the different Road Districts throughout the Island.

Then the House adjourned for one hour.

And being met—

Mr. Fraser, from the Committee to whom were referred all Petitions praying aid to Paupers and Lunatics, and also, generally, upon all claims on behalf of Paupers, whether brought under consideration by Petition or otherwise, to examine the same and report thereon, presented to the House

the Second Report of the said Committee; which Report was again read at the Clerk's Table.

[For First and Second Reports, see Appendix (J.)]

*Ordered*, That the said Report be referred to the Committee of Supply.

*Resolved*, That this House do now resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House on the further consideration of the Report of the Special Committee, appointed to examine and report on the Public Accounts.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. F. Longworth took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

Mr. F. Longworth reported, that the Committee had gone through the Report of the Special Committee paragraph by paragraph, had amended, and then adopted the same; which Report, so amended, he was directed to submit to the House, whenever it shall be pleased to receive the same.

*Ordered*, That the Report of the Committee be received to-morrow.

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

**RESOLVED**, That as the Act of 7th Will. 4th, cap. 13, intituled "An Act for vacating the seats of Members of the Assembly in certain cases therein mentioned, and to repeal a certain Act heretofore passed for that purpose," does not define what offices of emolument accepted under the Crown shall render a Member incapable of holding his seat unless re-elected, it is therefore deemed expedient to amend the said Act, by declaring what are Offices of Emolument, the acceptance of which, shall hereafter vacate the seat of a Member of the House of Assembly.

And the motion being seconded, and the question put thereon, it was agreed to by the House.

*Ordered*, That Mr. Thornton, Mr. J. Longworth and Mr. Rae, be a Committee to prepare and bring in a Bill, in pursuance of the above reported Resolution.

*Resolved*, That this House will, on Wednesday next, resolve itself into a Committee

of the whole House, to take into consideration so much of His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor's Speech at the opening of the Session, as relates to the revision of the Laws regulating Elections.

Then the House adjourned until to-morrow, at Ten o'clock.

## TUESDAY, March 14, 1848.

**T**HE Order of the Day, for the House in Committee on the Report of the Special Committee, appointed to examine and report on all Petitions relating to Schools and Education, being read;

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. D. Macdonald took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

Mr. D. Macdonald reported, that the Committee had gone through the Report of the Special Committee, had amended, and then adopted the same; and the Report being again read at the Clerk's Table, was agreed to by the House, and is as followeth:

Your Committee to whom has been referred the several Petitions relating to Schools and Education, have had under their consideration the Petitions of John Ross, Neil McLean, Charles Fowle and Mary Morrison, and beg to report as follows:

And first, in regard to the Petition of John Ross, your Committee, without expressing any opinion upon the equity of Petitioner's claim, beg shortly to state the circumstances under which the application is made. It appears that the Petitioner, in the month of July last, entered into an agreement with subscribers to the Grammar School of Georgetown, to render his services to them as a Teacher, and soon afterwards, was appointed to the office of School Visitor for King's County—that having taught the School under said agreement, for about three months, he applied to the Trustees, with whom he had entered into the agreement, for leave of absence to enable him to attend to the duties of the office to which he had been so appointed, as School Visitor: which permission was refused by a majority of the Trustees. The Petitioner then, either tendered his resignation, or gave up the School; but shortly afterwards, the Subscribers having appointed other Trustees, he resumed the charge of the School, and under their sanction he was permitted also to continue in the office of Visitor. Your Committee find, on reference to the Law, that the Petitioner cannot legally claim any allowance for a period of time shorter than twelve months, under one agreement or Board of

Trustees; they must, therefore, leave the question to the House, as to how far the Petitioner has an equitable claim to their consideration, under the circumstances set forth.

With respect to the Petition of Neil McLean, as it appears that the Petitioner, by some communication with the late Secretary of the Board of Education, was led into an error, in supposing that it was not material as to what precise time he passed the Board, so as to entitle him to his allowance. Your Committee have no reason to suppose that he was deterred from presenting himself for examination, from a feeling of incompetency on his part, more especially as your Committee believe that the Petitioner actually attended in Charlottetown at an early period of the year of his engagement, for the purpose of submitting to examination, and that he has taught the School during the whole period to the satisfaction of the Trustees; they would therefore recommend the grant of a sum to him, equivalent to one half years' allowance, as prayed for.

The Petitioner, Charles Fowle, from the circumstances set forth in his Petition, they conceive to be fairly entitled to the small sum prayed for by him, and they would recommend his Petition, accordingly, to the favorable consideration of the House.

In respect to the Petition of Mary Morrison, your Committee would remark, that although the Petitioner can have no legal claim to any allowance, under the Act for the encouragement of Education; yet, considering the past services of the Petitioner for so many years, in conducting a preparatory School, in a way which seems to have given satisfaction to the parents of the children entrusted to her care, and being now an aged helpless person, and a widow, they would recommend that a small sum be granted to her.

*Ordered*, That the said Report be referred to the Committee of Supply.

Mr. F. Longworth, from the Committee of the whole House, on the consideration of the report of the Special Committee appointed to examine and report on the Public Accounts, presented, according to order, the Report of the said Committee; and the same was received and read, and is as followeth:—

(REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE.)

Your Committee appointed to examine and report on the Public Accounts, have found that their duties

have been considerably facilitated by the Auditors' Report. The general statement made by these gentlemen, in which your Committee agree, is as follows:

Dr.	The Government of Prince Edward Island.		Cr.		
To Warrants due 20th Jan. 1847	£29,417	11 5½	By amount of Cash and Securities in Treasurer's hands, 20th Jan. 1847	£14,631	16 4½
Treasury Notes in circulation,	11,500	0 0	Balance against the Colony	26,285	15 1
	<u>£40,917</u>	<u>11 5½</u>		<u>£40,917</u>	<u>11 5½</u>
			Amount of Bonds in Treasury, 31st January, 1848	£14,846	2 11
Warrants due 31st Jan. 1848	£30,293	13 5½	Amount of Bonds in Attorney General's hands,	114	15 6½
Treasury Notes in circulation	11,500	0 0	Amount of Cash in Treasury	5,140	11 1¼
	<u>£41,793</u>	<u>13 5½</u>	Balance against the Colony	£20,101	9 7½
				21,692	3 10¼
Balance against the Colony, 20th January, 1847	£26,285	15 1	Receipts for the year ending 31st January, 1848	£25,264	1 9¾
Expenditure for the year	20,670	10 7	Balance against the Colony	£21,692	3 10¼
	<u>£46,956</u>	<u>5 8</u>		<u>£46,956</u>	<u>5 8</u>

From this it appears that the expenditure for the past year has been £20,670 10 7 For the year ending Dec. 1846 14,971 13 4½

being £5,698 17 2½

of excess in last year, as compared with that of 1846; but of this excess, upwards of £4600 were expended for Seed Grain, and for the Colonial Building.

That the Revenue for the year ending December, 1847, was £25,264 1 9¾

That for the year ending December, 1846, was 19,155 5 2½

£6,108 16 7¼

And excess of the Revenue for the year ending Dec., 1847, over the expenditure for the same period £4,593 11 2½

Of the issues last year from the Treasury there was for Seed Grain 2,831 1 6

Of which a part was never expended; a part of what was expended has been repaid, but, with six exceptions, remains in the hands of the Commissioners; the remainder will, no doubt, be repaid in such modes as will be satisfactory to the Government. Looking then on the last amount as a loan, the actual excess of Revenue over Expenditure may be considered as increased by the above amount of advance, and will therefore be £7,424 12 8¾

This sum, whether regard be had to its actual amount, or to the relative proportion which it bears

to the expenditure, is an excess of Revenue over Expenditure, exceeding that which has occurred for many years.

They have made up and hereunto annex a Tabular comparative statement of different branches of the Public Revenue for the years 1846 and 1847. [A.]

The Auditors have handed in a statement of the errors they have discovered in the Accounts of some of the Public officers, a copy whereof is also appended to this Report.

In regard to seizures of Smuggled Goods, the Committee have to remark, that the Collector of Impost for New London, on a seizure which sold for £50 10 4d., marks as the amount accruing to the public £9 8 8¼d., whereas in the opinion of your Committee it ought to be £18 17 5d., he having made the seizure as a Collector of Impost, and not as a Preventive Officer. The account of expenses for securing and selling these goods is £12 15 6d., which the Committee consider a large proportion, but as he was under the necessity of consulting the Attorney General more than once, do not think it necessary to remark upon it any further than to complain, that though the Chairman wrote him nearly three weeks since, requesting accounts sales and expenses to be forwarded to the House, he has not received an answer.

In regard to certain other seizures made by John Forsyth, Preventive Officer at Cascumpec and Tignish, the amount of sales is £7 18s., and the sum the officer marks as accruing to the public, is 6s. 6¼d., whereas, your Committee submit it should be £1 11s. 3¼d.

Thomas Costain, Preventive Officer, at Lot 3, transmits an account of sales of seized goods,

amounting to £4 12s. 4d., and the sum the officer marks as accruing to the public is £1 0s. 1d., whereas your Committee submit it should be £1 2s. 4d.

Your Committee submit that Public money which ought to have been transmitted to the Treasury, has been retained by the following Public Officers:

Allan Forsyth, (see Auditor's Report)	£12	15	6
John M'Gowan, Road Commissioner, District 14, being unexpended balance of £225, drawn for Seed Grain,	62	17	6
Peter M'Callum, Road Commissioner for District No. 12, being unexpended balance of £225, drawn for Seed Grain,	28	15	0

It is submitted, that the retention of the above two last sums for such a length of time, has occasioned loss to the public, who have to pay interest on such money.

Of the sum advanced for Seed Grain and expended for that purpose, re-payments of part have been made in several Districts, but it is impossible for your Committee to report in a clear and final manner on this head, as only Ten of the Commissioners have furnished detailed accounts of their expenditure; and only 3 state whether any part has been repaid by those to whom it was advanced. The Commissioners for Districts Nos. 1, 5, & 16, besides giving detailed accounts of expenditure, have repaid what was unexpended; and the Commissioners for Districts 1 and 16, also what was repaid by parties who had received advances previous to the meeting of the Legislature, and have thus, so far as was in their power, prevented the public from sustaining any loss. The tabular statement [ B ] hereunto annexed, shows the number of returns made, and the amount of information thereby afforded.

The Commissioner of the Second District, in his letter, (which is the only return he has made), states, that between £60 and £70 has been repaid by the the people, and that he has paid into the Treasury. The Return of the Committee in District No. 8, is particularly full and clear as to the expenditure.

Your Committee find, that Commission on the expenditure of Seed Grain money last year, has been retained in Three Districts, to the amount of £24 13s. 8d., viz:

4th District,	-	-	£8	10	0
5th District,	-	-	9	11	4
15th District,	-	-	5	12	4
			£24	13	8

Your Committee are not aware that there is any legal authority for the retention of the same. But as the different Committees for the distribution of the Seed Grain Moneys, have no doubt been put to trouble and inconvenience, it may come under the consideration of the House, whether they out not to be in some measure, remunerated for their trouble, and your Committee recommend that £5 per centum, be paid on all such moneys expended.

Your Committee also observe that the Commissioner for the 15th District has appropriated £13 10s., out of the Seed money towards re-building Seal River Bridge, which he was not authorized by the expenditure of those moneys to do, and which practice ought not to be continued, or in future allowed.

As to the Returns from the Road Commissioners, of Contracts and moneys expended on Roads and Bridges, your Committee have received only Nine from Districts, and One from Georgetown Royalty. The numbers of the Districts from which such Returns have been received by the Committee, are 1, 2, 3, 5, 6, 7, 9, 11 & 13.

The Message of the House of Assembly of the 12th of February last, produced a Circular by the Colonial Secretary, (a copy whereof is herewith furnished) but your Committee have not received any additional information. It is therefore submitted, that a Message should be sent to His Excellency, praying him to cause the Returns called for to be forthwith made, and to give intimation, that the Law for the regular transmission of the accounts of the Collectors of Impost will be enforced. It is also further submitted, that all who collect any public dues, as Wharfingers, Market Clerks, &c., be directed to make Quarterly Returns; and in particular that all Public Officers should, by the 20th day of January in every year, have transmitted all the accounts as to the preceding year. Your Committee consider this regulation absolutely necessary, in order to allow the Auditors opportunity fully to discharge their duties, and the Legislature means of ascertaining that the audit is correct.

Your Committee further recommend, that the Auditors should add to their Report an Index of the different branches, heads or divisions thereof, and should prefix a short explanatory statement; and in regard to Public Officers, that the Auditors should every year bring forward into one statement the names of all who had not paid in full to the proper office, the amount received by them as by the former Audit, and by the Report of the Committee on Public Accounts, the preceding Session. If such deficiencies shall have, in the interim, been made good, then the Auditors to point out when, and to whom the payments shall have been made; and that on the Auditors discovering any errors in the accounts of Public Officers, they be recommended to inform the said officers thereof, in order that the same may be accounted for in their next Quarterly Accounts.

A list of all Public Accounts transmitted to the Auditors, should be annexed to their Report; and in case any Public Account has not been so transmitted, a list of the deficient documents should also form part of their Report.

Your Committee recommend that the Auditors' Report be printed in the Journals, immediately following this Report.

[For Impost Accounts, and List of Warrants, unpaid, on the 31st January, 1848, See Appendix (K.)]

# General Expenditure for the Year ending January 31st, 1848.

	£	s	d	£	s	d
<b>ROADS AND BRIDGES.</b>						
Paid to Road Correspondent,	2525	0	0			
Charles Collett, Bridge at Mabey's Creek,	15	0	0			
Patrick Murray, Bridges on Bedeque Road,	10	0	0			
Roads in Georgetown Royalty,	33	8	2	2583	8	2
Road Correspondent's Salary,	40	0	0			
Road Commissioners' Salaries,	130	0	0			
Do. do. per centage,	269	5	9½	439	5	9½
<b>ROAD COMPENSATION A/c.</b>						
Expense of Inquisition on Line between Town-						
ships 7 and 8,	39	8	9			
Do. do. on Brae Road,	42	3	0			
Do. do. on Road at rear of						
Thomas Larkin's farm, Lot 18,	2	15	0			
<b>WHARFS.</b>						
Queen's Wharf, Charlottetown,	76	11	9			
Minchin's Point, Wharf,	16	0	0			
Cranberry Point, do.	12	0	0	104	11	9
Wharfinger's Salary				60	0	0
<b>PROVINCE BUILDING.</b>						
Paid to Wrights and Smith,	200	0	0			
Watts and others,	600	0	0			
Chudleigh and Mackay,	100	0	0			
Messrs. McKenzie,	400	0	0			
Henry Smith,	100	0	0			
Isaac Smith, Overseer,	80	0	0			
Chudleigh and Mackay,	15	6	6			
Boyle and Kilpatrick, for levelling ground,	44	5	0	1539	11	6
3022 13 11½						
84 6 9						
164 11 9						

Warrants Nos. 80, 365, 366, 450, 451, 453, 559, 560, 561, 562, 563, 564, 565, 566, 596, 597, 481, 482, 483, 484, 485, 486, 487, 488, 489, 490, No. 222

**Crown Land Orders,**

Warrant No. 72,  
Nos. 107, 161, 162, 607, 608, 46, 47, 48, 49, 50, 51, 52, 53,  
Nos. 284, 285, 286, 353, 354, 355, 356, 357, 358, 359, 360, 361, 362, 363, 364, 534, 535, 536, 537, 538, 595, 609, 610, 611, 612, 613, 614, 54,

**Warrant No. 557,**

" 558  
" 56

Warrants Nos. 543, 544,  
" 435  
" 367

" 136, 412, 507, 18,

Warrants Nos. 297, 298, 480,  
300, 301, 445, 446, 568, 569,  
447,  
302, 303, 478 and 479,  
296,  
299, 448, 570  
294,  
619, 620,



*General Expenditure—continued.*

Warrant No.	Contested Elections.	Public Printing.	INQUESTS.	JAILS AND COURT HOUSES.	£	s	d
226, 227, 228, 229,	Third District of King's County, Third District of Queen's County,				11	12	6
157, 440, 567, 67, 470, 68, 207, 92,	James D. Haszard's Quarterly Accounts, John Ings, for Printing, Edward Whelan, Indexing Laws, Henry Stamper,				33	1	0
158, 462, 58, 159, 540, 305, 541,	Queen's County, King's County, Prince County,				332	13	9½
93, 57, 166, 167, 295, 31, 30,	Bread, Firewood, Sheriff's Disbursements, Diet of sick prisoners, Do. Lunatic do. Jailor's Salary, Matron's do. Medical attendance				4	12	6
139, 415, 511, 22, 418, 25, 419, 26,	Queen's County, Queen's County.				10	17	0
287, 436, 140, 416, 512, 23, 370, 438,	Firewood, Sheriff's Disbursements, Jailor's Salary, Matron's do. Medical attendance				2	0	0
106, 381, 578, 141, 417, 513, 24,	Firewood, Sheriff's Disbursements, Jailor's do. Jailor's Salary,				15	9	8
	King's County, King's County, Prince County.				33	7	5
	Queen's County.				14	9	5
	Queen's County.				19	0	6½
	Queen's County.				75	1	9
	Queen's County.				51	0	6
	Queen's County.				78	1	0
	Queen's County.				3	10	0
	Queen's County.				12	0	0
	Queen's County.				40	0	0
	Queen's County.				15	0	0
	Queen's County.				10	0	0
	King's County.				14	13	4
	King's County.				25	0	11½
	King's County.				30	0	0
	King's County.				6	0	0
	King's County.				4	0	0
	Prince County.				17	15	0
	Prince County.				32	9	1
	Prince County.				26	3	10
	Prince County.				30	0	0
	Prince County.				70	14	3½
	Prince County.				106	7	11
	Prince County.				284	13	3
	Prince County.				97	6	4
	Prince County.				305	12	11½
	Prince County.				66	17	6½
	Prince County.				470	15	5½

*General Expenditure—continued.*

				£	s	d	£	s	d	£	s	d						
Warrant No. 97,	-	-	-									50	0	0				
<i>GEOLOGICAL SURVEY.</i>																		
Balance to Dr. Gesner,																		
<i>CROWN PROSECUTIONS, &amp;c.</i>																		
Warrant No. 455	-	-	-				59	18	10									
" 458	-	-	-				33	12	2½									
" 54, 460	-	-	-				103	18	3			93	11	0½				
" 85, 461	-	-	-				134	8	10½									
" 160	-	-	-				43	15	1			238	7	1½				
" 442, 572	-	-	-				64	15	0½			5	17	10				
" 443, 573	-	-	-															
" 271, 457	-	-	-				33	15	0			108	10	1½				
" 459	-	-	-				9	6	8			43	1	8				
" 456	-	-	-									30	11	4				
Warrants Nos. 233, 234, 391, 392							286	7	6½									
" 304	-	-	-				4	4	5									
<i>GOVERNMENT HOUSE.</i>																		
Paid to Joint Committee																		
Do. Chudleigh and Mackay,																		
<i>LEGISLATURE.</i>																		
<i>Legislative Council.</i>																		
Warrant No. 209	-	-	-				40	0	0									
" 210, 211	-	-	-				143	17	8									
" 212	-	-	-				50	0	0									
" 213	-	-	-				38	0	0									
" 214	-	-	-				69	13	1½									
" 215	-	-	-				29	42	6									
" 579	-	-	-				97	9	6									
" 380	-	-	-				25	0	0			498	12	9½				
<i>House of Assembly.</i>																		
Warrants Nos. 170, 171, 172, 173, 174, 175, } 176, 177, 178, 179, 180, 181, 182, } 183, 184, 185, 186, 187, 188, 189, } 190, 191, 192, 193, 194, 195, 196, }							776	11	0									
" Nos. 197, 471	-	-	-				100	0	0									
" 437	-	-	-				30	0	0									
" 198	-	-	-				33	5	0									
														519	19	1½		
																290	11	11½

*General Expenditure—continued.*

				£	s	d	£	s	d	£	s	d
Warrants Nos. 199, 200, 201	-			264	2	5						
" " 542	-			45	19	6						
" " 202	-			28	17	6						
" " 115, 73	-			20	0	0						
" " 204, 205, 206	-			65	0	0						
" " 203, 588,	-			208	7	0						
" " 208	-			5	0	0	1632	2	5			2130 15 24
<i>House of Assembly—continued.</i>												
Sergeant at Arms, for disbursements, do.	-											
Messenger, Librarian, (2 years)	-											
Reporters, Printing Journals, Comparing Public Accounts,	-											
<i>LUNATIC ASYLUM.</i>												
Fire Wood,	-			10	0	0						
Keepers' Salary,	-			26	14	3						
Trustees, for Sundries, do. for expenses of Institution,	-			56	16	10½						
James Peake, for Sundries, Henry Smith, for work, Isaac Smith, for Porches,	-			87	10	0						
	-			35	0	4						
	-			10	3	6						
	-			3	10	0						229 14 11½
<i>BOUNTIES ON FISH.</i>												
Joseph Wightman,	-			21	15	0						
R. B. Boggs,	-			15	14	6						
John Knight,	-			35	2	6						
A. M'Intyre,	-			13	4	6						
N. M'Laren,	-			18	6	0						
Lemuel Cambridge,	-			14	8	0						
Benjamin Davies,	-			25	0	0						
Thomas Caie,	-			8	10	0						152 0 6
<i>LIGHT HOUSES.</i>												
<i>Point Prim.</i>												
Keepers' Salary, Oil,	-			50	0	0						
James Peake, for Sundries, Alexr. Finlayson, do. Wrights & Smith, for Shingling, Firewood,	-			45	10	10						
	-			19	7	6						
	-			2	15	9						
	-			56	0	0						
	-			5	10	0						
	-			179	4	1						
	-			44	7	5						223 11 6
<i>Nova Scotia Lights.</i>												









## Receipts at the Treasury, for the Year ending January 31st, 1848.

From Collectors of Impost.			£	s	d	£	s	d
Charlottetown,	-	-	14,646	3	2			
Georgetown,	-	-	1951	6	8 $\frac{1}{4}$			
Souris,	-	-	825	13	1 $\frac{1}{4}$			
Bedeque,	-	-	366	3	3			
Richmond Bay,	-	-	589	8	0			
New London,	-	-	162	12	8 $\frac{1}{2}$			
Cascumpeque,	-	-	43	10	2			
Saint Peter's,	-	-	44	3	0			
Belfast,	-	-	5	15	3 $\frac{1}{2}$			
						18,664	15	5
From Collector of Her Majesty's Customs,						1573	19	6
Post Office,						1037	12	2 $\frac{1}{4}$
Land Assessment,			1846,			277	13	2 $\frac{1}{2}$
Do. do.			1847,			1749	10	2
						2027	3	4 $\frac{1}{2}$
<i>Licenses.</i>								
<i>Store.</i>								
<i>Tavern.</i>								
Queen's County,	£55 10s.	£143 0s.	228	10	0			
King's County,	10 10	32 0	42	10	0			
Prince County,	24 10	38 0	62	10	0			
Pedlars,			10	0	0			
						343	10	0
Fees from Secretary's Office,						158	11	8
Head Money, Charlottetown,			81	13	4			
Do. Richmond Bay,			3	18	4 $\frac{1}{2}$			
						88	11	8 $\frac{1}{2}$
Fines and Penalties,						27	10	9
From Clerk of the Market,						26	14	6
Interest received on Bonds over due,						135	2	4 $\frac{1}{2}$
Seizures by John Thompson,			0	13	9			
Do. George Anderson,			9	8	8 $\frac{1}{2}$			
						10	2	5 $\frac{1}{2}$
Charlottetown Wharfinger,						198	10	7 $\frac{1}{2}$
<i>Light Duty.</i>								
Charlottetown,			207	16	3			
Georgetown,			60	18	0			
Souris,			18	19	7			
Bedeque,			17	3	3			
Richmond Bay,			31	16	11			
						336	14	0
<i>Sales of Books bought under 7th Vic. cap. 25.</i>								
Queen's County,			30	16	6			
King's County,			5	16	9 $\frac{1}{2}$			
Prince County,			9	13	11			
						46	7	2 $\frac{1}{2}$
Rent of Warren Farm,						27	15	6
Surcharges,						11	19	1 $\frac{1}{2}$
Passed to Credit of Colony from Crown Land Fund,						224	5	8
Moneys returned by the Clerk of the Crown,								
Do. by late Sheriff of Queen's County,			40	0	0			
Do. of Seed Grain advances,			1	16	0			
Do. by Trustees of Lunatic Asylum,			115	17	0			
Do. by Agricultural Society,			70	4	7 $\frac{1}{2}$			
						96	18	1
Total Receipts,						324	15	8 $\frac{1}{2}$
						£25,264	1	9 $\frac{1}{4}$

**Tabular statement (A.)**

LIGHT DUTY.		
1846,	- - - -	£351 11 2 <sup>3</sup> / <sub>4</sub>
1817,	- - - -	336 14 0
	Less for 1847,	£14 17 2 <sup>3</sup> / <sub>4</sub>
HER MAJESTY'S CUSTOMS.		
1846,	- - - -	£1927 9 3
1847, till 1st October,	- - - -	1573 19 6
	Less for 1847,	£353 9 9
But had the Custom House Officers collected Duties after 1st October, it is probable the amount would have exceeded that of 1846.		
FEES FROM SECRETARY'S OFFICE.		
1847,	- - - -	£158 11 8
1846,	- - - -	132 16 2
	Excess for 1847,	£25 15 6
FINES AND PENALTIES.		
1846,	- - - -	£66 4 7
1847,	- - - -	27 10 9
	Less for 1847,	£38 13 10
IMPOST.		
1847,	- - - -	£18,661 15 5
1846,	- - - -	12,121 4 11
	Excess for 1847,	£6,543 10 6
POST OFFICE.		
1847,	- - - -	£1047 12 2 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub>
1846,	- - - -	694 0 5
	Excess for 1847,	£353 11 9 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub>
LICENSES.		
1847,	- - - -	£343 10 0
1846,	- - - -	225 0 0
	Excess for 1847,	£118 10 0
MARKET STALLS, &c.		
1846,	- - - -	£45 1 6
1847,	- - - -	26 14 6
	Less for 1847,	£21 7 0
HEAD MONEY.		
1847,	- - - -	£88 11 8 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub>
1846,	- - - -	15 5 0
	Excess for 1847,	£73 6 8 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub>
LAND ASSESSMENT.		
1847,	- - - -	£1749 10 2
1846,	- - - -	1729 18 8 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub>
	Excess for 1847,	£19 11 5 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub>
WHISKEY DUTIES.		
1846,	- - - -	£113 10 0
1847,	- - - -	102 6 7
	Less for 1847,	£11 3 5
<i>Whiskey Duties since Act came into operation.</i>		
1845,	- - - -	£82 15 0
1846,	- - - -	113 10 0
1847,	- - - -	102 6 7
		£298 11 7
		81 10 0
		214 1 7
		£298 11 7

N. B.—Of this the Collector at Darnley, Lot 18, paid into the Treasury - - - - 81 10 0  
 Leaving for the other parts of the Island, - - - - 214 1 7  
 £298 11 7

**Tabular Statement (B.)**

Commissioners Names and No. of District	Amount drawn.			Amount expended.			Amount in hands of Commissioners undischarged.			Repaid by Commissioner to Treasury.			Repaid by borrowers to Commissioners.			Remarks.
	£	s	d	£	s	d	£	s	d	£	s	d	£	s	d	
W. Underhay, No. 13	156	1	0	156	1	0	26	11	0	not stated	not stated	10	0	0	No Commission taken.	
E. Thornton, 16	100	0	0	73	9	0	28	15	0	10	0	0	0	0	No Commission taken.	
P. McCallum, 12	225	0	0	196	5	0	9	6	2	not stated	not stated	21	7	0	Not stated.	
Jas. Warburton, 1	225	0	0	215	13	2	4	0	6	21	7	0	0	0	No Commission taken.	
Owen Curtis, 8	110	0	0	105	19	6				not stated	not stated					
J. R. Bourke, 10	165	0	0	165	6	0				not stated	not stated					
David Higgins, 9	205	0	0	205*	0	0	62	17	6	65	0	0	0	0	Commission taken.	
John McGowan, 14	225	0	0	162	2	6	20	2	4	not stated	not stated				No Commission taken.	
John Goff, 15	150	0	0	129	18	2				not stated	not stated				No Commission taken.	
Thos. Wright, 7	200	0	0	171	14	10	Expend without authority.			not stated	not stated				No Commission taken.	
Jeremiah Simpson, 6	225	0	0	224	12	0	return not complete.			not stated	not stated				No Commission taken.	
Robt. McNutt, 4	170	0	0	170	0	0	0	8	0	51	16	3			£8 10s. Com. taken.	
Joseph Pope, 5	225	0	0	191	8	8	33	11	4	not stated	not stated				£9 11s. 4d. do. do.	

\* Not stated clearly.

March 4th, 1848.

*Table shewing Amount of Warrants due in the Years 1846, 1847 and 1848.*

	£	s	d	£	s	d	£	s	d	Balances due January 31, 1848.			
				Paid and chargeable to Crown Land Fund, year ending Janv. 20, 1847.			Paid and chargeable to Crown Land Fund, year ending Janv. 31, 1848.						
				£	s	d	£	s	d	£	s	d	
Warrants unpaid on } of the Issue of 1840,	7		15			0				7		15	0
the 20th February, 1846, } do. 1842,	7		0			0							
Do. do. 1843,	85	26	7	6	40	8	1	1					
Do. do. 1844,	11,108	13	5	993	4	0	9	5	1	2	10	7	74
Do. do. 1845,	8	9	1	990	7	11	5	3	1	2	5	0	4
Do. do. 1846,	16	15	19	3	56	1	4	10	5	0	4	17	0
Total amount unpaid February 20th, 1846,	30,214	4	7	4	510	12	3			4	35	14	11
Issue of 1846, after February 20th,	11,510	11	6	197	1	7	5	1	2	5	1	11	11
Issue of 1847, to January 20th,	14	5	4	6	99	19	3			5	0	0	0
Total amount unpaid January 20th, 1847,	17,177	1	10	29,317	11	5				3	00	5	12
Issue of 1847 after January 20th,	1403	5	2	40	1	4				1	36	3	10
Issue of 1848 up to January 31,													
Total amount unpaid January 31st, 1848,	£61,758	7	2	£13,760	8	5	£17,701	5	0	£30,293	13	5	5

And the Report being again read ;

Mr. *D. Maclean* moved, to amend the said Report, by leaving out the paragraph thereof, relating to certain seizures made by John Forsyth, Preventive Officer at Cascumpec.

The House divided on the motion of amendment :

YEA, Mr. *D. Maclean*.

NAYS 19.

So it passed in the negative.

The question being then put, "Shall the Report of the Committee be agreed to?"

It was resolved in the affirmative.

Mr. *J. H. Conroy*, in his place, presented to the House, the following Returns and Papers :

An Account of Exports and Imports at the different Ports in this Island ; Vessels launched and registered ; Vessels transferred to other Ports ; number and tonnage of Vessels engaged in the Foreign and Coasting Trades ; and an account of Duties collected under Acts passed by the Imperial Parliament, with the application thereof, during the past year, pursuant to the Message of this House to His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor, of the 25th ult.

[See Appendix (L.)]

Mr. *J. H. Conroy*, from the Committee appointed to wait upon His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor, with the Address of this House of the 25th ult., praying that His Excellency will be pleased to inform the House if any and what answer has been received to the Joint Address of the Legislative Council and House of Assembly, to Her Majesty the Queen, passed during the last Session, on the subject of causing certain Ports in this Island to be made Free Ports, reported to the House that their Address had been presented to His Excellency, who replied, that no answer had been received to the Address in question.

Mr. *J. H. Conroy*, from the Committee appointed to wait upon His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor, with the Message requesting that the Collector of Customs may be directed to furnish to this House a copy of the entries of all Vessels arriving at the

Port of Charlottetown from the 18th of September last, until the 29th of the same month; and the date of his informing the Colonial Government of his being notified of the Royal assent having been given to the Act 10th Vict., cap. 10, reported to the House the delivery thereof, and that His Excellency was pleased to say he would comply with the desire of the House.

The Order of the Day, for the House in Committee, on the consideration of the several matters relating to Roads, Bridges and Wharves, being read ;

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. Clark took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chairman reported, that the Committee had made some progress, and had directed him to move for leave to sit again; which the House agreed to.

A Message from the Council by Mr. Desbrisay.

Mr. Speaker;

The Legislative Council have passed the Bill intituled "An Act further to amend an Act made and passed in the Tenth year of the Reign of His late Majesty George the Fourth, intituled 'An Act to regulate the laying out and altering of Highways, and to provide a mode of obtaining compensation for those who may thereby be injured, and to cause those who are benefitted thereby, to contribute towards their formation,'"—with several amendments.

And then he withdrew.

The amendments made by the Council to the Bill intituled "An Act further to amend an Act made and passed in the Tenth year of the Reign of His late Majesty George the Fourth, intituled 'An Act to regulate the laying out and altering of Highways, and to provide a mode of obtaining compensation for those who may thereby be injured, and to cause those who are benefitted thereby, to contribute towards their formation,'" were read the first time, and ordered to be read a second time to-morrow.

Then the House adjourned for one hour.

And being met—

*Resolved*, That this House do now resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, to take into further consideration all matters relating to Roads, Bridges and Wharves.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. Clark took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

Mr. Clark reported, that the Committee had come to two Resolutions; which Resolutions being again read at the Clerk's Table, were, on the question being separately put upon each, agreed to by the House, and are as follow :

1. *RESOLVED*, That it is the opinion of this Committee, that the sum of Three thousand Pounds be granted, for the service of Roads, Bridges and Wharves, for the present year, to be expended agreeably to the Report of the Committee of the House of Assembly, appointed for the consideration of all matters relating to Roads, Bridges and Wharves; and that the said amount be divided between the Three Counties, in the following proportions, viz:

Queen's County,	-	-	£1,100
King's County,	-	-	950
Prince County,	-	-	950

2. *RESOLVED*, That it is the opinion of this Committee, that the sum of One hundred and fifty Pounds be granted, to defray the contingent expenses on Roads and Bridges—the same to be equally apportioned among the Three Counties.

Mr. *Rae*, from the Committee appointed to examine and report on the Public Accounts, and to whom was referred the Petition of James and Hugh M'Kenna, presented to the House the Second Report of the said Committee; and the said Report being again read at the Clerk's Table, was agreed to by the House, and is as followeth :

Your Committee having examined the account of deductions made by the Board of Health, from the account of the Petitioners, cannot recommend that their decision be set aside, but submit that as the Petitioners had considerable trouble in providing the Supplies required by the Emigrants, there be allowed them the sum of Five Pounds, as a Commission for advance of money, and for their trouble.

*Ordered*, That the said Report be referred to the Committee of Supply.

The Order of the Day, for the House in Committee, to consider of the Supply granted to Her Majesty, being read ;

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. Fraser took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chairman reported, that the Committee had made some progress, and had directed him to move for leave to sit again; which the House agreed to.

Then the House adjourned until to-morrow at Ten o'clock.

## WEDNESDAY, March 15, 1848.

**T**HE amendments made by the Council, to the Bill intituled "An Act further to amend an Act, made and passed in the Tenth year of the Reign of His late Majesty George the Fourth, intituled 'An Act to regulate the laying out and altering of Highways, and to provide a mode of obtaining compensation for those who may thereby be injured, and to cause those who are benefitted thereby, to contribute towards their formation,'" were, according to order, read a second time.

*Ordered*, That the said amendments be now committed to a Committee of the whole House.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. F. Longworth took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

Mr. F. Longworth reported, that the Committee had gone through the amendments, and agreed to the same, without any amendment; and the Report was again read at the Clerk's Table.

*Ordered*, That the said amendments be engrossed.

The Order of the Day, for the House in Committee, on the consideration of so much of His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor's Speech at the opening of the Session, as relates to the revision of the Laws regulating Elections, being read;

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. Haviland took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

Mr. Haviland reported, that the Committee had come to a Resolution; which Resolution being again read at the Clerk's Table, was agreed to by the House, and is as followeth:

**RESOLVED**, That it is the opinion of this Committee, that the Election Laws of this Island be revised and consolidated, and that provision be made for having all future Contested Elections held by simultaneous polling, that the same may be taken in one day.

*Ordered*, That Mr. Palmer, Mr. Thornton, Mr. Montgomery, Mr. J. Longworth, Mr. N. Conroy, Hon. Mr. Coles, and Mr. Fraser, be a Committee, to prepare and bring in a Bill, in pursuance of the above reported Resolution.

Then the House adjourned for one hour.

And being met—

*Resolved*, That this House do now resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider further of a Supply.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. Fraser took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chairman reported, that the Committee had made some progress, and had directed him to move for leave to sit again; which the House agreed to.

Then the House adjourned until to-morrow, at Ten o'clock.

## THURSDAY, March 16, 1848.

**READ** a third time, as engrossed, the amendments made by the Council to the Bill, intituled "An Act further to amend An Act made and passed in the Tenth year of the Reign of His late Majesty George the Fourth, intituled 'An Act to regulate the laying out and altering of Highways, and to provide a mode of obtaining compensation for those who may thereby be injured, and to cause those who are benefitted thereby, to contribute towards their formation.'"

*Resolved*, That the said amendments do pass.

*Ordered*, That Mr. Rae do carry back the said Bill to the Council, and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to their amendments, without any amendment.

*Resolved*, That this House do now resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider further of a Supply.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. Fraser took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chairman reported, that the Committee had made some progress, and had directed him to move for leave to sit again, which the House agreed to.

A Message from the Council, by Mr. Desbrisay.

Mr. Speaker ;

The Legislative Council have passed the Bill intituled "An Act to authorize the appointment of a Commissioner of Highways for the Town and Royalty of Georgetown," without any amendment.

And also—

The Legislative Council have passed the Bill intituled "An Act to amend the Act relating to the manner of proceeding upon Controverted Elections of Members to serve in General Assembly," without any amendment.

And then he withdrew.

*Resolved*, That the following Address to His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor do now pass :

*To His Excellency* SIR DONALD CAMPBELL, BARRONET, Lieutenant Governor and Commander-in-Chief in and over Her Majesty's Island Prince Edward, and the Territories thereunto belonging, Chancellor, Vice Admiral, and Ordinary of the same, &c. &c. &c.

May it please Your Excellency ;

The House of Assembly request that your Excellency will be pleased to transmit to the House, copies of any Despatches or other Documents, which may have been transmitted or received, since April, 1847, relative to the Treasury of this Island.

*Ordered*, That the said Address be engrossed.

*Ordered*, That the Hon. Mr. Coles and Mr. Jardine be a Committee, to wait upon His Excellency with the said Address.

Then the House adjourned for one hour.

And being met—

*Resolved*, That this House do now resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider further of a Supply.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. Fraser took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chairman reported, that the Committee had made some progress, and had directed him to move for leave to sit again ; which the House agreed to.

Then the House adjourned until to-morrow at Ten o'clock.

## FRIDAY, March 17, 1848.

**MR. MOONEY** moved that during the present Session of this House, the names of the Members present at the opening and adjournment, be inscribed in the Journals of this House.

Mr. Thornton moved the previous question "Shall the question be now put?" which, being seconded and put, passed in the negative.

The Hon. Mr. Coles, by command of His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor, presented to the House the following letter from the Collector of Customs, together

with annexed copies of the Reports of all Vessels entered at the port of Charlottetown, from the 18th until the 29th day of Sept. last, in compliance with the Message of the House to His Excellency of the 10th inst. :

CUSTOM HOUSE, P. E. Island,  
15th March, 1848.

SIR ;

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your Note of yesterday's date, enclosing copy of a Resolution of the House of Assembly, dated 10th instant, requesting that His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor would direct me to furnish the House with a "copy of the Entries of all Vessels arriving at the

Port of Charlottetown, from the 18th day of September last until the 29th day of the same month; and also the date of information to the Government of my notification of the Royal Assent having been given to the Act 10th Vic., cap. 4.”

I beg to say, that I received a Despatch from the Hon. Board of Customs, informing me that the Royal Assent had been given to the Colonial Act 10th Vic., cap. 4, on the 20th day of September last; and that I furnished you with a copy of the Despatch on the 21st day of the same month.

Copies of the Reports of all Vessels entered at the Port of Charlottetown within the dates referred to in the resolution of the House of Assembly, are herewith annexed.

I have the honor to be, Sir,  
Your most obedient Servant,  
GEORGE R. GOODMAN,  
Collector.

The Honorable  
The Colonial Secretary.

Mr. J. H. Conroy moved that the said Returns be referred to a special Committee to examine the same and report thereon, with power to send for persons, papers and records.

*Ordered*, That Mr. J. H. Conroy, Mr. D. Maclean, and Mr. Thornton do compose the said Committee.

The Order of the Day for the House in Committee on His Excellency the Lieut. Governor's Message on the subject of providing for the appointment of a Professional Assistant Judge, being read;

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. N. Conroy took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chairman reported, that the Committee had made some progress, and had directed him to move for leave to sit again; which the House agreed to.

Then the House adjourned until tomorrow, at Ten o'clock.

## SATURDAY, March 18, 1848.

**R**ESOLVED, That Mr. F. Longworth have leave to introduce a Bill to alter and amend the Statute Labour Act, so far as it relates to Charlottetown and Royalty.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House; and the same was read the first time, and ordered to be read a second time on Monday next.

*Resolved*, That a Message be sent to His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor, requesting that His Excellency will be pleased to lay before the House, a Copy of the Minute of Council made on the subject of the Letter of the Chief Justice to His Excellency, relative to the appointment of an Assistant Judge and Master of the Rolls.

*Ordered*, That Mr. Haviland and Mr. Thornton be a Committee, to wait upon His Excellency with the said Message.

Mr. Thornton, from the Special Committee appointed to prepare and bring in a Bill, declaring what offices of Emolument accepted under the Crown by a Member of the House of Assembly, shall vacate the seat of such Member, presented to the House, a Bill as prepared by the said Committee; and the same was read the first time, and ordered to be read a second time on Monday next.

Then the House adjourned for one hour.

And being met—

The Hon. Mr. Coles, from the Committee appointed to wait upon His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor with the Address of this House, praying His Excellency to transmit to the House, any Despatches or other Documents which may have been

transmitted or received since April, 1847, relative to the Treasury of this Island, reported to the House that their Address had been presented to His Excellency, who was pleased to reply—that no Despatches or other Documents on the subject had been transmitted or received through the Office of the Colonial Secretary, since April, 1847. That (he) His Excellency, finds that he has in his possession, portions of an official correspondence on the subject, and regrets that he cannot, at present, transmit these portions in their incomplete state, to the House of Assembly.

*Resolved*, That this House do now resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, to take into further consideration His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor's Message, on the subject of providing for the appointment of a Professional Assistant Judge.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. N. Conroy took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

Mr. N. Conroy reported, that the Committee had come to a Resolution; which Resolution was again read at the Clerk's Table, and is as followeth:

**RESOLVED**, That it is the opinion of this Committee, that a Special Committee be appointed by the House, to examine into and report upon the amount and progress of business transacted or brought in the Supreme Court and Court of Chancery, during the last three years, and to report upon the expediency of making provision for an Assistant Judge and Master of the Rolls, as recommended by the Executive Government of this Island—with power to send for persons, papers and records.

And the said Resolution being again read—

Mr. Rae moved, in amendment thereto, that after the word "Resolved," all be struck out, and the following substituted:

"That the Chief Justice having made, in 1841, an application similar to the present,

(See Appendix [N.] to Journal of Assembly for 1841), the House appointed a Committee to enquire into the business of the Court; which Committee reported:

"First—That there are in a year on an average of the last three years, only 53 days on which the Chief Justice is occupied on the Bench, taking into account all the Terms of the Supreme Court in the whole Colony; and only an average of four days occupied by him in hearing Counsel at Chambers; and only in the whole of these three years One hundred and fifteen decisions on Record causes, and Ninety-two in other causes—say on summary causes and appeals. The natural conclusion appears to be, that the amount of time occupied, and business transacted, ought not to be considered as excessive for one individual of competent legal acquirements, and in the ordinary state of health."

"Secondly—That taking the facts referred to in the former Resolution into account, it is inexpedient, at present, to make any provision for a Salary for an Assistant Judge."

"That this House have, in regard to this matter, no evidence of the necessity for the appointment of an Assistant Judge—only a suggestion or request similar to that in his letter in 1841—and that it is expedient to appoint a Committee to examine into the alleged increase of the business of the Court; as in the present state of the Colony, with respect to agricultural produce, and with the very stringent directions of the Colonial Minister to the Governor, in respect to Warrants, it is extremely unwise to impose on the constituency, an additional and never ending burden of £400 or £500 a year, unless there be an absolute necessity—that it therefore be recommended to the House to appoint such Committee, with the usual powers."

The House divided on the motion of amendment:

**YEAS:**

Mr. Rae,	Mr. D. Macdonald,
Hon. Mr. Coles,	Mr. Jardine,
Mr. Clark,	Mr. Macintosh,
Mr. Le Lacheur,	Mr. Fraser.
Mr. Whelan,	

**NAYS:**

Mr. Palmer,	Mr. Thornton,
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Mr. J. Longworth, Mr. D. Maclean,  
 Mr. J. H. Conroy, Mr. Haviland,  
 Mr. H. Macdonald, Mr. N. Conroy,  
 Mr. F. Longworth, Mr. Douse.  
 Mr. Montgomery,

So it passed in the negative.

The question being then put on the Resolution, as reported from the Committee ;

The House again divided:

## YEAS :

Mr. Palmer, Mr. Thornton,  
 Mr. J. Longworth, Mr. D. Maclean,  
 Mr. J. H. Conroy, Mr. Haviland,  
 Mr. H. Macdonald, Mr. N. Conroy,  
 Mr. F. Longworth, Mr. Douse.  
 Mr. Montgomery,

## NAYS :

Mr. Rae, Mr. D. Macdonald,  
 Hon. Mr. Coles, Mr. Jardine,  
 Mr. Clark, Mr. Macintosh,  
 Mr. Le Lachew, Mr. Fraser.  
 Mr. Whelan,

So it was carried in the affirmative.

Ordered, That Mr. Palmer, Mr. J. Longworth, Mr. Montgomery, Mr. Rae and Mr. Macintosh, be a Committee in pursuance of the above reported Resolution.

The Hon. Mr. Coles, by command of His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor, presented to the House the following Copy of Minutes of Council, made on the subject of the Letter of the Chief Justice to His Excellency, relative to the appointment of an Assistant Judge and Master of the Rolls, in compliance with the Message of the House to His Excellency, of this day.

“ COUNCIL CHAMBER, 17th March, 1848.

AT A MEETING OF COUNCIL,

PRESENT :

His Excellency SIR DONALD CAMPBELL, BART.,  
 The Hons Col. Lane, The Hon. J.S. Macdonald,  
 T.H. Haviland, Chas. Hensley,

R. Hodgson,  
 G.R. Goodman,

Geo. Coles,  
 J. M. Holl.

“ His Excellency laid before the Board a Copy of a communication received by him, from the Chief Justice, relative to certain defects which exist in the administration of Justice in this Island, and recommending the appointment of a Professional Assistant Judge, to combine the Office of Master of the Rolls in the Court of Chancery.

“ His Excellency stated that he had transmitted a Copy of the said communication to the House of Assembly, expressing his belief that the present system of Justice in the Island is defective, and leaving it to the House of Assembly to supply a remedy; that it has since occurred to His Excellency, that if the House of Assembly were made acquainted with the views which are entertained by the Executive Government upon the question; it would assist them in deciding upon the most advisable measure to be adopted, to remedy the defects in the administration of Justice, referred to by the Chief Justice.

“ When the Council expressed its opinion, that if the Criminal and Civil business of the Court in Queen's County could be proceeded with at the same time, facilities would be afforded to the due and prompt administration of Justice in the Supreme Court, by the appointment of a Professional Assistant Judge, and by combining the duties of the office of Master of the Rolls, to conduct the judicial business in the Court of Chancery, with that of Assistant Judge, increased confidence would be given to suitors in that Court.”

Ordered, That the said Copy of Minutes be referred to the Committee appointed to examine into and report upon the amount and progress of business transacted or brought in the Supreme Court and Court of Chancery, during the last three years, &c.

Then the House adjourned until Monday next, at Ten o'clock.

## MONDAY, March 20, 1848.

**MR. FRASER** moved for leave to present a Petition of John Sark, of Lot 16, Prince County.

Ordered, That the Rule limiting the time of receiving Private Petitions, be suspended in this case; and then the said Petition was received and read—setting forth, that in the month of February last, the Camp or Wig-

wam of the Petitioner—a Micmac Indian—containing all his property, was destroyed by fire; and among other articles, two Guns, on which depended his chief means of subsistence, and praying relief.

*Ordered*, That the said Petition be referred to the Committee of Supply.

Mr. *D. Maclean*, from the Special Committee appointed to prepare and bring in a Bill for the establishment of a Currency, presented to the House a Bill, as prepared by the Committee, and the same was read the first time, and ordered to be read a second time to-morrow.

Mr. *Palmer* from the Special Committee appointed to prepare and bring in a Bill to consolidate and amend the Election Laws, presented to the House a Bill, as prepared by the Committee, and the same was read the first time, and ordered to be read a second time on Wednesday next.

Then the House adjourned for one hour.

And being met—

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Haviland* have leave to introduce a Bill to regulate the importation of Books, and to protect the British Author.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was read the first time, and ordered to be read a second time on Wednesday next.

The Bill declaring what Offices of Emolument under the Crown, accepted by a Member of the House of Assembly, shall vacate the seat of such Member, was, according to order, read a second time.

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

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. Clark took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chairman reported, that the Committee had made some progress, and had

directed him to move for leave to sit again; which the House agreed to.

Mr. *Rae* moved that the following Address to His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor do now pass:—

*To His Excellency SIR DONALD CAMPBELL, BARONET, Lieutenant Governor and Commander-in-Chief in and over Her Majesty's Island Prince Edward, and the Territories thereunto belonging, Chancellor, Vice Admiral, and Ordinary of the same, &c. &c. &c.*

May it please Your Excellency;

The House of Assembly request that Your Excellency will be pleased, at your earliest convenience, to endeavour to procure from the Secretary of State for the Colonies, such portions of Official Correspondence relating to the Treasury of this Island, as may be necessary to complete the portions in Your Excellency's possession. If from what is in Your Excellency's possession there is reason to believe that any communication on the subject was made to the Governor General, then the House of Assembly respectfully request that Your Excellency will cause application to be made to him also.

The Address being again read, and the question put thereon,

The House divided—

YEAS:

Mr. <i>Rae</i> ,	Mr. <i>J. Longworth</i> ,
Mr. <i>Palmer</i> ,	Hon. Mr. <i>Coles</i> ,
Mr. <i>N. Conroy</i> ,	Mr. <i>Whelan</i> ,
Mr. <i>Haviland</i> ,	Mr. <i>LeLacheur</i> ,
Mr. <i>D. Maclean</i> ,	Mr. <i>Jardine</i> ,
Mr. <i>Thornton</i> ,	Mr. <i>Macintosh</i> ,
Mr. <i>Montgomery</i> ,	Mr. <i>Fraser</i> ,
Mr. <i>F. Longworth</i> ,	Mr. <i>D. Macdonald</i> ,
Mr. <i>H. Macdonald</i> ,	Mr. <i>Clark</i> .

NAYS:

Mr. *J. H. Conroy*, Mr. *Douse*.

So it was carried in the affirmative.

A motion being made that the Address be engrossed, and a Committee appointed to wait upon His Excellency with the same.

Mr. *J. H. Conroy* moved by way of amendment, that a Committee be appointed to investigate the state of the Treasury of this Island, and that the Address now passed be not engrossed or presented, until the said Committee report upon the expediency, or otherwise, of the same.

The House divided on the motion of amendment:

## YEAS :

Mr. J. H. Conroy, Mr. D. Maclean.  
Mr. Douse,

## NAYS :

Mr. Rae, Mr. Le Lacheur.  
Mr. Palmer, Mr. Whelan,  
Mr. N. Conroy, Hon. Mr. Coles,  
Mr. J. Longworth, Mr. F. Longworth,  
Mr. Clark, Mr. H. Macdonald,  
Mr. D. Macdonald, Mr. Montgomery,  
Mr. Fraser, Mr. Thornton,  
Mr. Macintosh, Mr. Haviland.  
Mr. Jardine,

So it passed in the negative.

The question being then put on the main motion, it was agreed to by the House.

*Ordered*, That the said Address be engrossed.

*Ordered*, That Mr. Rae, Mr. Jardine and Mr. Clark be a Committee to wait upon His Excellency with the same.

*Resolved*, That the following Address to

His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor do now pass :

To His Excellency SIR DONALD CAMPBELL, BARONET, Lieutenant Governor and Commander-in-Chief in and over Her Majesty's Island Prince Edward, and the Territories thereunto belonging, Chancellor, Vice Admiral, and Ordinary of the same, &c. &c. &c.

May it please Your Excellency ;

The House of Assembly request that Your Excellency will be pleased to lay before this House, Copies of any Despatches transmitted to or received from the Right Honourable the Secretary of State for the Colonial Department, by the late Lieutenant Governor Sir Henry Vere Huntley, on the subject of an additional allowance to the Salary of the Administrator of the Government of this Colony.

*Ordered*, That the said Address be engrossed.

*Ordered*, That Mr. Haviland, Mr. Thornton and Mr. N. Conroy be a Committee to wait upon His Excellency with the same.

Then the House adjourned until to-morrow at Ten o'clock.

## TUESDAY, March 21, 1848.

**ORDERED**, That Mr. D. Maclean have leave to introduce a Bill to enable the Government to ascertain the population of the Colony.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was read the first time, and ordered to be read a second time to-morrow.

The Bill for establishing the Currency, was, according to order, read a second time.

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

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. Whelan took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chairman reported, that the Committee had made some progress, and had

directed him to move for leave to sit again, which the House agreed to.

Then the House adjourned for one hour.

And being met—

*Resolved*, That this House do now resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, to take into further consideration, the Bill for vacating the Seats of Members of the Assembly in certain cases.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. Clark took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

Mr. Clark reported, that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made several amendments thereto, and the said amendments were again read at the Clerk's Table, and agreed to by the House.

*Ordered*, That the said Bill, as amended, be engrossed, and that the Title be "An Act for vacating the Seats of Members of the Assembly, in certain cases therein mentioned, and to repeal a certain Act formerly passed for that purpose."

Mr. *Haviland*, from the Committee appointed to wait on His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor with the Address, praying him to lay before this House copies of any Despatches transmitted to or received from the Right Honourable the Secretary of State for the Colonial Department, by the late Lieutenant Governor Sir Henry Vere Huntley, on the subject of an additional allowance to the salary of the Administrator of the Government of this Colony, reported to the House the delivery of the said Address, and that His Excellency was

pleased to say he was not aware whether any such Despatches were in the Colony, but should the same be forthcoming, they should be transmitted to the House.

Mr. *Rae*, from the Committee appointed to wait on His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor with the Address, praying His Excellency to endeavour to procure such portions of Official Correspondence relating to the Treasury of this Island as may be necessary to complete the portions in His Excellency's possession, &c., reported the delivery of the same, and that His Excellency was pleased to say he would comply with the desire of the House.

Then the House adjourned until to-morrow at Ten o'clock.

## WEDNESDAY, March 22, 1848.

**T**HE Bill to enable the Government to ascertain the population of this Colony, was, according to order, read a second time.

A motion being made, that the said Bill be now committed to a Committee of the whole House.

Mr. *Rae* moved, by way of amendment, to leave out the word "now," and at the end of the question, insert "this day six months."

The House divided on the motion of amendment:

### YEAS:

Mr. <i>Rae</i> ,	Mr. <i>Fraser</i> ,
Mr. <i>Le Lacheur</i> ,	Mr. <i>D. Macdonald</i> ,
Hon. Mr. <i>Coles</i> ,	Mr. <i>Macintosh</i> .

### NAYS:

Mr. <i>N. Conroy</i> ,	Mr. <i>D. Maclean</i> ,
Mr. <i>Haviland</i> ,	Mr. <i>Thornton</i> ,
Mr. <i>Palmer</i> ,	Mr. <i>F. Longworth</i> ,
Mr. <i>Douse</i> ,	Mr. <i>Montgomery</i> ,
Mr. <i>Clark</i> ,	Mr. <i>H. Macdonald</i> ,
Mr. <i>J. H. Conroy</i> ,	Mr. <i>Jardine</i> .

So it passed in the negative.

The question being then put on the main motion, it was agreed to by the House.

Then the House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. *D. Macdonald* took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chairman reported, that the Committee had made some progress, and had directed him to move for leave to sit again; which the House agreed to.

A Message from the Council by Mr. *Desbrisay*.

Mr. Speaker;

The Legislative Council have passed the Bill intituled "An Act for the encouragement of the Seal Fishery."

And then he withdrew.

Then the House adjourned for one hour.

And being met—

The Bill to regulate the importation of Books, and to protect the British Author, was, according to order, read a second time.

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

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. Jardine took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

Mr. *Jardine* reported, that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and agreed to the same, without any amendment.

*Ordered*, That the said Bill be engrossed, and that the Title be "An Act to regulate the importation of Books, and to protect the British Author."

*Resolved*, That this House do now resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, on the further consideration of the Bill to establish the Currency.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. Whelan took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chairman reported, that the Committee had made some progress, and had directed him to move for leave to sit again; which the House agreed to.

Mr. *J. H. Conroy*, from the Special Committee, to whom were referred the Returns of the Collector of Customs, of all Vessels entered at the Port of Charlottetown, from the 18th to the 29th day of September last, &c., in compliance with the Message of this House to His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor, of the 10th instant, presented to the House the Report of the said Committee, and the same was received and read.

*Ordered*, That the said Report be committed to a Committee of the whole House to-morrow.

Then the House adjourned until to-morrow at Ten o'clock.

## THURSDAY, March 23, 1848.

**O**RDERED, That so many of the detailed Accounts of the several Road Commissioners as to the expenditure of Seed Grain and Potatoes, as were transmitted to this House by command of His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor, pursuant to the request of the House, be returned to the office of the Colonial Secretary, there to be filed.

Mr. *N. Conroy* presented to the House a Petition of divers Inhabitants of Townships 1, 2, 3, 4 and 7—comprised in Road Districts Nos. 1 and 2—setting forth the disadvantages resulting from the too great extent of the said two Road Districts, and praying that the same may be divided into three Road Commissioners' Districts.

*Ordered*, That the said Petition do lie on the Table.

Read a third time, as engrossed, the Bill intituled "An Act for vacating the Seats of Members of the Assembly, in certain cases therein mentioned, and to repeal a

certain Act formerly passed for that purpose."

Mr. *Thornton* moved to amend the said Bill, by striking out the last Clause thereof, and inserting the following in lieu of the same:

"And be it enacted, That if any Member of the Assembly shall make application for relief under any Insolvent Act of this Island, in writing, and signed by such Member, addressed to the Supreme Court of this Island, or to any of the Justices thereof, or to any Commissioners appointed for the relief of Insolvent Debtors, such application shall be deemed to be evidence of such Members' Insolvency, for the purposes of this Act, and he shall be held to have vacated his Seat in the House of Assembly; and the Justice or Justices of the Supreme Court, or any Commissioners receiving such application, as aforesaid, shall, and they are hereby required forthwith to certify the same in writing to the Speaker of the House, for the time being, (or in case of his death or

absence) to the Administrator of the Government, for the time being, who is hereby required in such case, to proceed as is directed in the Eight Clause of this Act, to fill the place or places which may be so vacated under the provisions in this Clause contained."

Mr. *Palmer* moved in amendment to the said proposed amendment, that all after the word "That" be left out, and the following substituted:

"When and so often as any Member of the Assembly shall become insolvent in his circumstances, or shall become divested of his estate, or when such estate shall become so far reduced in quantity or encumbered by any debt or lien to such extent as to render such Member disqualified under the Laws of this Island, which prescribe the qualification for Members of Assembly, then and in every such case it shall be lawful for the House of Assembly, in Session, to declare the seat of such Member vacant."

And the motion being seconded, and the question put thereon,

The House divided—

YEAS:

Mr. *Palmer*, Mr. *Haviland*.

NAYS:

Mr. *Thornton*, Mr. *Clark*,  
 Mr. *Jardine*, Mr. *Rae*,  
 Mr. *J. Longworth*, Mr. *Mooney*,  
 Mr. *N. Conroy*, Mr. *D. Maclean*,  
 Mr. *H. Macdonald*, Mr. *Montgomery*,  
 Mr. *Fraser*, Mr. *Whelan*,  
 Mr. *D. Macdonald*, Mr. *Macintosh*,  
 Mr. *J. H. Conroy*,

So it passed in the negative.

Mr. *Palmer* then moved to amend the said proposed amendment, by adding the following proviso thereto:

"Provided, That nothing in this Section contained, shall be construed to annul or alter the right of the House of Assembly, at any time, to require the production, by any Member, of a Schedule of his qualification as a Member of the House."

The House divided on the motion of amendment.

YEAS:

Mr. *Palmer*, Mr. *Haviland*.

NAYS:

Mr. *Thornton*, Mr. *J. Longworth*,  
 Mr. *Clark*, Mr. *Jardine*,  
 Mr. *Rae*, Mr. *Mooney*,  
 Mr. *N. Conroy*, Mr. *D. Maclean*,  
 Mr. *Montgomery*, Mr. *H. Macdonald*,  
 Mr. *D. Macdonald*, Mr. *Whelan*,  
 Mr. *Fraser*, Mr. *Macintosh*,  
 Mr. *J. H. Conroy*, Hon. Mr. *Coles*.

So it passed in the negative.

The question being then put on the main motion, it was agreed to by the House.

And the said Clause being thrice read, was agreed to by the House, to be made part of the Bill.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Thornton* do carry the said Bill to the Council, and desire their concurrence.

Read a third time, as engrossed, the Bill intituled "An Act to regulate the importation of Books, and to protect the British Author."

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Haviland* do carry the said Bill to the Council, and desire their concurrence.

A Petition of divers inhabitants of the South end of Townships 43 and 44, was presented to the House by Mr. *D. Macdonald*, and the same was received and read; setting forth, the destitution of many Settlers in those sections of the country, and praying aid to procure Seed and Food.

*Ordered*, That the said Petition be referred to the Committee of Supply.

*Resolved*, That this House do now resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, on the further consideration of the Bill to enable the Government to ascertain the population of this Island.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. *D. Macdonald* took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

Mr. *D. Macdonald* reported, that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made several amendments thereto; which amendments were again read at the Clerk's table, and agreed to by the House.

*Ordered*, That the said Bill, as amended, be engrossed, and that the title be "An Act to enable the Government to ascertain the population of this Colony, and to obtain other Statistical information therein mentioned.

A Message from the Council by Mr. Desbrisay.

Mr. Speaker;

The Legislative Council have passed a Bill intituled "An Act for the punishment of Drunkenness," to which they desire the concurrence of the House of Assembly.

And then he withdrew.

The engrossed Bill from the Council, intituled "An Act for the punishment of Drunkenness," was read the first time, and ordered to be read a second time to-morrow.

*Resolved*, That a Committee be appointed to investigate the present state of the Treasury.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *J. H. Conroy*, Mr. *D. Maclean*, Mr. *Thornton*, Hon. Mr. *Coles* and Mr. *Rae*, do compose the said Committee.

The Order of the Day for the House in Committee on the consideration of the Report of the Special Committee, to whom were referred the Returns of the Collector of Customs, of all Vessels entered at the Port of Charlottetown, from the 18th to the 29th day of September last, being read,

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. Jardine took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

Mr. *Jardine* reported, that the Committee had gone through the Report of the Special Committee, paragraph by paragraph, and had agreed to the same, without any amendment, and the Report was again

read at the Clerk's Table, and is as followeth:—

Your Committee, to whom were referred the Returns of Her Majesty's Collector of Customs, relative to the cargoes of all Vessels entering the Port of Charlottetown, from the 18th day of September last, until the 29th of said month, have to report—That Eleven Vessels have entered inwards at that Office, during the aforesaid time, containing cargoes, as set forth in the Returns hereunto annexed; and that all such cargoes, or parts of cargoes as were liable to Imperial Duties, were then promptly placed in the warehouse, under Bond; as the Act 10th Vic. Cap. 4, passed for repealing such Duties, contained no provision by which such goods as were placed under Bond in the warehouse, should be liable to the Duties for which they were so bonded, on being taken out for consumption. It being then generally known that the Collector of Her Majesty's Customs had received orders from the hon. Board of Customs, on the 19th day of September, desiring him to cease collecting said Duties, in consequence of Her Majesty's assent being given to the operation of the Act 10th Vic. Cap. 4, of which order he duly notified the Secretary of this Colony on the 21st of said month, as appears from his letter, laid before this House on the 17th instant.

That it further appears to Your Committee, that the Act 10th Vic. cap. 3, imposing a new scale of Duties in lieu of those repealed by the Act 10th Vic. cap. 4, did not come into operation until Proclamation of Her Majesty's allowance of the last recited Act, being left to its operation, was made known through the *Royal Gazette* of this Island,—it was imperatively the duty of the senior member of Her Majesty's Council to cause such Proclamation to be promptly published—the late Lieutenant Governor Sir Henry Vere Huntley, being then absent from the Island.

It also appears that the Despatch announcing the Royal allowance, was in his (the senior member of Council's) possession, as from examination of the Deputy Post Master General, we find that the late Lieutenant Governor delivered to him orders, dated August 25th, to transmit all public Despatches to the senior member of the Executive Council—which was accordingly done on all occasions of the arrival of the Mail. That notwithstanding the above stated facts, no Proclamation was made until the 28th of September, as will appear by reference to the *Royal Gazette* of that date.

Your Committee moreover find, that had such Proclamation been duly made and published, as enacted, all goods arriving in this Port between the dates of September 19th and 28th, would have been liable to the duties imposed by the Act 10th Vic. Cap. 3.—

Whereas, by the neglect of issuing such Proclamation, these said goods were warehoused; and after Proclamation made, were delivered free of the Duties for which they were so bonded.

Your Committee have caused Returns to be furnished them from the Collector of Excise, (which Returns are hereunto annexed,) by which it appears that a duty of £224 16s. 4 $\frac{1}{2}$ d. only was collected or secured by him on said cargoes; whereas, had said Proclamation been duly issued, the sum of £492 4s. 0 $\frac{3}{4}$ d. would have been secured or collected; by which, it is evident to your Committee, that the sum of £267 7s. 8d. was lost to the Revenue.

Your Committee, in conclusion, have to express their disapprobation of the conduct of the Senior Member of Her Majesty's Executive Council, in thus preventing the operation of a Law of the land, by which the Revenues of the Colony have been so seriously injured.

Sir Henry V. Huntley's order to the Deputy Post Master General, together with the Memorandum of the arrival of the English Mail of the 4th September, in Charlottetown, are appended as follow:

"Mr. Owen will, during my absence, deliver all Public Despatches and Letters to the senior member of the Executive Council—and he will be good enough to keep the Lieutenant Governor's private Letters in the Post Office till his return.

"H. V. HUNTLEY.

"August 25th, 1847."

MEMORANDUM.

The English Mail of September the 4th, 1847, arrived in Charlottetown, on Sunday the 19th September.

THOMAS OWEN,  
Dep. P. M. Gen.

22d March, 1848.

And the Report being again read—

The Hon. Mr. Coles moved to amend the same, by leaving out £267 7s. 8d., and substituting £212 5s. 0d.

The House divided on the motion of amendment:

YEAS:

Hon. Mr. Coles,	Mr. Mooney,
Mr. Clark,	Mr. Rae,
Mr. Whelan,	Mr. D. Macdonald,
Mr. Macintosh,	Mr. Jardine.
Mr. Fraser,	

NAYS:

Mr. Palmer,	Mr. Haviland,
Mr. J. Longworth,	Mr. J. H. Conroy,
Mr. H. Macdonald,	Mr. Thornton,
Mr. D. Maclean,	Mr. Douse,
Mr. Montgomery,	Mr. N. Conroy.

So it passed in the negative.

The Hon. Mr. Coles then moved to amend the said Report, by striking out the last paragraph thereof.

The House again divided:

YEAS 9.

NAYS 10.

And the names being called for, were taken down as in the last preceding division.

The question being then put, "Shall the Report of the Committee be agreed to?"

The House again divided:

YEAS:

Mr. Palmer,	Mr. Haviland,
Mr. J. Longworth,	Mr. Douse.
Mr. J. H. Conroy,	Mr. N. Conroy,
Mr. H. Macdonald,	Mr. Thornton,
Mr. Montgomery,	Mr. D. Maclean.
Mr. Fraser,	

NAYS:

Hon. Mr. Coles,	Mr. Mooney,
Mr. Clark,	Mr. D. Macdonald,
Mr. Whelan,	Mr. Jardine,
Mr. Macintosh,	Mr. Rae.

So it was carried in the affirmative.

Then the House adjourned until to-morrow, at Ten o'clock.

FRIDAY, March 24, 1848.

A PETITION of Letitia Moorhead, of Lot 16, was presented to the House by Mr. Fraser.

Ordered, That the Rule limiting the

time for the reception of Private Petitions be suspended in this case, and then the said Petition was received and read; praying a grant for her services in conducting a School at that place.

*Ordered*, That the said Petition be referred to the Committee of Supply.

The engrossed Bill from the Council, intituled "An Act for the punishment of Drunkenness," was, according to order, read the second time.

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

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. N. Conroy took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

Mr. N. Conroy reported, that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and had agreed to the same, without any amendment; and the report was again read at the Clerk's Table.

*Ordered*, That the said Bill be read a third time to-morrow.

*Resolved*, That a Committee be appointed to prepare the draft of an Address to Her Majesty the Queen, on the subject of the Crown Lands generally.

*Ordered*, That Mr. Thornton, Mr. Montgomery and Mr. H. Macdonald do compose the said Committee.

*Resolved*, That this House do now resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider further of a Supply.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. Fraser took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chairman reported, that the Committee had made some progress, and had directed him to move for leave to sit again; which the House agreed to.

The Hon. Mr. Coles, by command of His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor, presented to the House the following documents and papers:

Copy of a Despatch from Sir Henry Vere

Huntley to Lord Stanley, on the subject of an increase to the Lieutenant Governor's Salary.

Copy of a Despatch from Lord Stanley to Sir H. V. Huntley, in reply to the foregoing.

Copy of Minutes of Council, transmitted with Sir. H. V. Huntley's Despatch.

Order of Her Majesty in Council, dated 11th February, 1848, leaving to its operation the Act for the better prevention of Smuggling.

*Ordered*, That the said Documents do lie on the Table.

[ See Appendix (M.) ]

Then the House adjourned for one hour.

And being met—

A Message from the Council, by Mr Desbrisay.

Mr. Speaker;

The Legislative Council desire a Conference with the House of Assembly, on the Bill intituled "An Act to repeal the Laws now in force relating to Emigrants, and to make other provisions in lieu thereof," and have appointed the Hon. Mr. Solicitor General and the Hon. Mr. Swabey a Committee to manage the said Conference, to meet in the Conference Room instanter.

And then he withdrew.

*Resolved*, That this House do agree to a Conference, as is desired by the Legislative Council, on the Bill intituled "An Act to repeal the Laws now in force relating to Emigrants, and to make other provisions in lieu thereof."

*Ordered*, That Mr. J. Longworth do go to the Council and acquaint them therewith

*Ordered*, That Mr. Thornton, Mr. J. Longworth, Mr. Montgomery, and Mr. D. Maclean be a Committee to manage the said Conference.

And the names of the Managers being called over, they went to the Conference.

And being returned—

Mr. Thornton stated the substance thereof to the House.

*Resolved*, That this House do now resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, to take into further consideration the Bill for establishing a Currency.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. Whelan took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chairman reported, that the Committee had made some progress, and had directed him to move for leave to sit again, which the House agreed to.

Then the House adjourned until to-morrow at Ten o'clock.

## SATURDAY, March 25, 1848.

**T**HE engrossed Bill from the Council, intituled "An Act for the punishment of Drunkenness," was, according to order, read the third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass.

*Ordered*, That Mr. D. Macdonald do carry back the said Bill to the Council, and acquaint them that this House hath passed the same, without any amendment.

The Bill to consolidate and amend the Election Laws, was, according to order, read a second time.

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

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. Jardine took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chairman reported, that the Committee had made some progress, and had di-

rected him to move for leave to sit again; which the House agreed to.

Then the House adjourned for one hour.

And being met—

*Resolved*, That this House do now resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider further of a Supply.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. Fraser took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chairman reported, that the Committee had made some progress, and had directed him to move for leave to sit again; which the House agreed to.

Then the House adjourned until Monday next at Ten o'clock.

## MONDAY, March 27, 1848.

**T**HE Bill to alter and amend the Statute Labour Act, so far as they relate to Charlotetown and Royal, was, according to order, read a second time.

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

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. Fraser took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

Mr. Fraser reported, that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made several amendments thereto, and the said amendments were again read at the Clerk's Table, and agreed to by the House.

*Ordered*, That the said Bill, as amended,

be engrossed, and that the title be "An Act to repeal so much of the Laws now in force, regulating the performance of Statute Labour on the Highways, as relates to Charlottetown, its Common and Royalty, and to make other provisions in lieu thereof."

The Hon. Mr. Coles, by command of His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor, presented to the House a Letter from the Rev. W. H. Cooper, dated Port Hill, 23d March, 1848, on the subject of the destitution prevailing in that part of the Island.

*Ordered*, That the said Letter be referred to the Committee of Supply.

*Resolved*, That this House do now resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider further of a Supply.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. Fraser took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chairman reported, that the Committee had made some progress, and had directed him to move for leave to sit again; which the House agreed to.

A Message from the Council by Mr. Desbrisay.

Mr. Speaker;

The Legislative Council have passed the Bill, intituled "An Act for vacating the Seats of Members of the Assembly in certain cases therein mentioned, and to repeal a certain Act formerly passed for that purpose," with an amendment, to which they desire the concurrence of the House of Assembly.

And then he withdrew.

The amendment made by the Legislative Council, to the Bill intituled "An Act for vacating the Seats of Members of the Assembly, in certain cases therein mentioned, and to repeal a certain Act formerly passed for that purpose," was read the first time and is as followeth:

*Folio 6, lines 3 and 4.*—Strike out the words "The Office of High Sheriff of either of the Counties."

*Ordered*, That the said amendment be read a second time to-morrow.

Then the House adjourned for one hour.

And being met—

*Resolved*, That this House do now resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider further of a Supply.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. Fraser took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chairman reported, that the Committee had come to Two Resolutions, which he was directed to submit to the House, whenever it shall be pleased to receive the same.

The Chairman also acquainted the House that he was directed by the Committee to move for leave to sit again; which the House agreed to.

*Ordered*, That the Report of the Committee be now received.

The Resolutions reported from the Committee were then severally read by the Clerk, and on the question being separately put upon each, were agreed to by the House, and are as follow:

1. **RESOLVED**, That the grant for Roads and Bridges be increased to the extent of Three hundred Pounds for each County, in order to provide Seed Grain, &c., for the most destitute.

2. **RESOLVED**, That it be recommended to the House, to appoint a Committee to report upon the causes to which the destitution said to exist amongst the Inhabitants in many parts of the Colony, are to be attributed; the best means of alleviating such distress, and of preventing the numerous applications of the Tenantry to the Government for pecuniary relief, for the future; with power to send for persons, papers and records, and to report their proceedings from time to time.

*Ordered*, That Mr. Rae, Mr. Montgomery, Mr. Thornton, Mr. F. Longworth, Mr. Le Lacheur, Mr. N. Conroy and Mr. D. Macdonald be a Committee for the purposes mentioned in the second of the above reported Resolutions.

Mr. Haviland, in his place, presented to the House the following Copy of a Presentment of the Grand Jury of King's County :

KING'S COUNTY.—MARCH TERM—1848.

The Grand Jurors of Our Sovereign Lady the Queen, on examination, present the insufficient state of the Jail Yard Fence, and strongly recommend to His Honor the Chief Justice, the propriety of representing our opinion of the said Jail Fence before the proper tribunal, that means may be procured to render it more efficient for the security of the Sheriff, as well as the Jailer, from the escape of Prisoners, whom, through the dilapidated state of the present protection, the Jailer will be obliged to retain in close confinement, which will impair their health, until another erection is made.

For self and fellows,  
(Signed) JOSEPH WIGHTMAN,  
Foreman.

*Ordered*, That the said Document be referred to the Committee of Supply.

Mr. Thornton, from the Committee appointed to prepare an Address to Her Majesty the Queen, on the subject of the Crown Lands generally, in this Colony, presented to the House the draft of an Address as prepared by the Committee, and the same was received and read,

*Ordered*, That the said draft Address be committed to a Committee of the whole House to-morrow.

*Resolved*, That a further Conference be desired with the Council, on the Bill intituled "An Act to repeal the Laws now in force relating to Emigrants, and to make other provisions in lieu thereof."

*Ordered*, That Mr. F. Longworth do go to the Council, and desire the said Conference.

*Ordered*, That the same Committee who managed the last Conference, be a Committee to manage this further Conference.

Then the House adjourned until to-morrow, at Ten o'clock.

## TUESDAY, March 28, 1848.

**T**HE Amendment made by the Council to the Bill intituled "An Act for vacating the Seats of Members of the Assembly in certain cases therein mentioned, and to repeal a certain Act formerly passed for that purpose," was, according to order, read a second time.

*Ordered*, That the Tenth Rule of the House be suspended in this case.

And then the said amendment was accordingly read the third time.

*Resolved*, That the said amendment do pass.

*Ordered*, That Mr. Thornton do carry back the said Bill to the Council, and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to their amendment.

The Order of the day for the House in Committee on the consideration of the Draft

Address reported from the Special Committee appointed to prepare an Address to Her Majesty the Queen, on the subject of the Crown Lands, generally, being read,

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. D. Macdonald took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

Mr. D. Macdonald reported, that the Committee had gone through the draft Address reported from the Special Committee paragraph by paragraph, had amended and then adopted the same; and the said draft Address, as amended, was again read at the Clerk's Table, and is as followeth:—

To the Queen's Most Excellent Majesty.

Most Gracious Sovereign;

Your Majesty's faithful subjects, the House of

Assembly of Prince Edward Island, humbly represent to your Majesty, that, having had under their consideration the subject of the present state of the Crown Lands in this Colony, they find by a Return of the Surveyor General, that many persons are located as Squatters on Township Lands, as also Lands in the Royalties of Georgetown and Princetown, who appear to have taken possession of their respective locations, with the expectation of being able to purchase the same at a moderate price, in proportion to the value of the Lands occupied by them.

Under instructions which the Surveyor General has received from your Majesty's Imperial Government, the upset price of the Crown Lands in this Colony is at the rate of Twenty Shillings currency per acre for Township Lands; Seven Pounds Ten Shillings to Ten Pounds for a Town Lot, and Twenty-five Pounds for a Water Lot in Georgetown; Five Pounds to Ten Pounds for a Town Lot in Princetown; Twelve Pounds for a Pasture Lot in Princetown Royalty, and from Eight to Twelve Pounds for a Pasture Lot in Georgetown Royalty, containing eight acres. With respect to Township No. 15, in particular, the Land is generally of inferior quality.

The House of Assembly believing it is the desire of your Majesty's Government that the Lands in the Crown should be sold to persons in small tracts for actual settlement, humbly represent that the present very high price of those Lands prevents many individuals from purchasing, and consequently retards the settlement and improvement of your Majesty's Crown Lands; and has generally an injurious influence on the prosperity of the Colony, by affording the Proprietors of Township Lands a reason for demanding similar high prices for their private properties.

The House of Assembly beg also to bring under your Majesty's notice the difference in price between the Public Lands in this Colony and those in the Province of Nova Scotia, where the lowest upset price of such Lands (as established by an Act of the Legislature in 1843) is only One Shilling and Nine-pence sterling per acre, varying according to the quality and situation of the Lands; and in that Province, your Majesty's Executive Council is authorized to determine the price of all such ungranted Lands as are actually occupied and improved: and in this Colony where Lands have been sold by the Government for non-payment of the Land Tax, the average price of Township Lands for several years, has not exceeded five shillings currency per acre.

The House of Assembly, therefore, humbly trust that your Majesty will be graciously pleased to direct that a reduction may be made in the upset price of the Crown Lands in this Colony, in accordance with the value of such Lands, and in proportion to the price charged in the adjoining Provinces of Nova

Scotia or New Brunswick; and that persons located on the Government Lands previous to the year 1848, (with the exception of the Town of Princetown,) and having made valuable improvements thereon, should have a prior right of purchase, at the average price of the adjoining Wilderness Crown Lands, when disposed of at public sale.

And the Address being again read ;

Mr. *Palmer* moved, to amend the same by adding after the word "sale," at the end of the last paragraph, the following: "but with respect to Town or Pasture Lots, such prior right should only extend to one Lot."

The House divided on the motion of amendment :

YEAS :

Mr. *Palmer*, Hon. Mr. *Coles*,  
Mr. *Rae*,

NAYS :

Mr. *Thornton*, Mr. *Haviland*,  
Mr. *Macintosh*, Mr. *D. Macdonald*,  
Mr. *Fraser*, Mr. *Jardine*,  
Mr. *Le Lacheur*, Mr. *Whelan*,  
Mr. *Mooney*, Mr. *Clark*,  
Mr. *D. Maclean*, Mr. *N. Conroy*,  
Mr. *Montgomery*, Mr. *F. Longworth*,  
Mr. *J. Longworth*, Mr. *H. Macdonald*.

So it passed in the negative.

Mr. *Mooney* then moved, in amendment to the said Address, to insert after the word "Sale," at the end of the last paragraph, the following: "but with respect to Town or Pasture Lots, such prior right should only extend to two Lots."

The House again divided:

YEAS :

Mr. *Mooney*, Mr. *Palmer*,  
Mr. *Rae*, Hon. Mr. *Coles*.

NAYS :

Mr. *Thornton*, Mr. *D. Macdonald*,  
Mr. *Macintosh*, Mr. *Jardine*,  
Mr. *Fraser*, Mr. *Whelan*,  
Mr. *Le Lacheur*, Mr. *Clark*,  
Mr. *N. Conroy*, Mr. *D. Maclean*,  
Mr. *Montgomery*, Mr. *F. Longworth*,  
Mr. *J. Longworth*, Mr. *H. Macdonald*,  
Mr. *Haviland*,

So it passed in the negative.

The question being then put, "shall the Address reported be agreed to?"

It was resolved in the affirmative.

*Ordered*, That the said Address be engrossed.

*Ordered*, That the same Committee who prepared the Address, be a Committee to prepare an Address to His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor, praying that he will be pleased to forward the same, for the purpose of being laid at the foot of the Throne.

A Message from the Council by Mr. Desbrisay.

Mr. Speaker;

The Legislative Council do agree to a further Conference, as is desired by the House of Assembly, on the Bill intituled "An Act to repeal the Laws now in force relating to Emigrants, and to make other provisions in lieu thereof," and have appointed the same Committee who managed the last Conference, a Committee to manage this further Conference—to meet in the Conference Room instanter.

And then he withdrew.

And the names of the Managers being called over,

They went to the Conference.

And being returned—

Mr. *Thornton* 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. Desbrisay.

Mr. Speaker;

The Legislative Council have passed a Bill intituled "An Act to repeal an Act made and passed in the Eighth Year of the

Reign of Her present Majesty, intituled 'An Act to authorize the Commissioners of Small Debts in their respective Courts, to appoint Bailiffs to execute the Processes of the said Courts, and to take security from such Bailiffs for the due execution of the same,' and to make other provisions in lieu thereof,"—to which they desire the concurrence of the House of Assembly.

And also—

The Legislative Council have passed the Bill intituled "An Act to regulate the importation of Books, and to protect the British Author," with an amendment.

And then he withdrew.

Then the House adjourned for one hour.

And being met—

*Resolved*, That this House do now resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, to take into further consideration the Bill for establishing a Currency.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. Whelan took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chairman reported, that the Committee had made some progress, and had directed him to move for leave to sit again, which the House agreed to.

Then the House adjourned until to-morrow at Ten o'clock.

## WEDNESDAY, March 29, 1848.

**T**HE engrossed Bill from the Council, intituled "An Act to repeal an Act made and passed in the Eight year of the Reign of Her present Majesty, intituled 'An Act to authorize the Commissioners of Small Debts, in their respective Courts, to appoint Bailiffs to execute the processes of the said Courts, and to take security from such Bailiffs for the due execution of the

same,' and to make other provisions in lieu thereof," was read the first time, and ordered to be read a second time to-morrow.

The amendment made by the Council to the Bill intituled "An Act to regulate the importation of Books, and to protect the British Author," was read the first time, and is as followeth:

*Folio 5, line 5.*—After the word “then,” insert  
“after deducting therefrom  
per centum.”

*Ordered,* That the said amendment be read a second time to-morrow.

*Resolved,* That this House do now resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, to take into further consideration the Bill to consolidate and amend the Election Laws.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. Jardine took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chairman reported, that the Committee had made some progress, and had directed him to move for leave to sit again; which the House agreed to.

A Message from the Council, by Mr. Desbrisay.

Mr. Speaker;

The Legislative Council desire a further Conference with the House of Assembly, on the Bill intituled “An Act to repeal the Laws now in force relating to Emigrants, and to make other provisions in lieu thereof,” and have appointed the same Committee who managed the last Conference, a Committee to manage this further Conference, to meet in the Committee Room instant.

And then he withdrew.

*Resolved,* That this House do agree to a further Conference, as is desired by the Council, on the Bill intituled “An Act to repeal the Laws now in force relating to Emigrants, and to make other provisions in lieu thereof.”

*Ordered,* That Mr. J. Longworth do go to the Council and acquaint them therewith.

*Ordered,* That the same Committee who managed the last Conference, be a Committee to manage this further Conference.

So the Managers went to the Conference.

And being returned—

Mr. Thornton reported, that the Managers had been at the Conference; and he stated the substance thereof to the House.

Then the House adjourned for one hour.

And being met—

*Resolved,* That this House do now resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House to take into further consideration the Bill to consolidate and amend the Election Laws.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. Jardine took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair on a question of Order; which being restored—

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

## THURSDAY, March 30, 1848.

THE House being met—but Mr. Speaker not being able to attend, in consequence of severe indisposition; at half-past Five o'clock, P. M., the names of the Members present were taken down by the Clerk; and the House adjourned, until to-morrow at Ten o'clock.

## FRIDAY, March 31, 1848.

**MR. SPEAKER'S** continued illness | consequence did not proceed to business.  
still causing his absence—the House in

## SATURDAY, April 1, 1848.

**MR. SPEAKER'S** indisposition still con- | in consequence—the House did not proceed  
tinuing, and not being able to attend | to business.

## MONDAY, April 3, 1848.

**THE** House being met—

A Petition of Joseph Arsneaux, a Debtor confined in the Jail at St. Eleanor's, was presented to the House by Mr. *Rae*, and the same was received and read, setting forth—that being unable to pay the debt for which he has been incarcerated, he is precluded from taking the benefit of the Insolvent Debtors Act, in consequence of there being but two of the Commissioners appointed under that Act residing in the County, and one of these temporarily absent; and that many persons have been subjected to inconvenience and loss, in consequence of the said two Commissioners residing at Bedeque—a distance of Twelve miles from the Jail—and praying an alteration in the Law, so as to afford to Petitioner and others similarly situated, the relief contemplated in the said Act.

*Ordered*, That the said Petition do lie on the Table.

The amendment made by the Council to the Bill intituled “An Act to regulate the importation of Books, and to protect the British Author,” was read the second time.

*Ordered*, That the said amendment be now committed to a Committee of the whole House.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. N. Conroy took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

Mr. *N. Conroy* reported, that the Committee had come to a Resolution; which Resolution was again read at the Clerk's Table, and agreed to by the House, and is as followeth:

*Resolved*, That the amendment made by the Council to the Bill intituled “An Act to regulate the importation of Books, and to protect the British Author,” be disagreed to.

*Resolved*, That a Conference be desired with the Council on the amendment made to the Bill intituled “An Act to regulate the importation of Books, and to protect the British Author.”

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Haviland* do go to the Council, and desire the said Conference.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Haviland*, Mr. *Thornton*, Mr. *J. H. Conroy* and Mr. *J. Longworth* be a Committee to manage the said Conference.

*Resolved*, That this House do now resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, to take into further consideration the Bill to consolidate and amend the Election Laws.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. Jardine took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chairman reported, that the Committee had made some progress, and had directed him to move for leave to sit again; which the House agreed to.

Mr. *Thornton*, in his place, presented to the House a Communication addressed to the House by Thomas B. Tremain, of Charlottetown, proposing to place a Steamboat on the Ferry opposite Charlottetown, should suitable encouragement be granted.

*Resolved*, That the House will, on Monday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, to take into consideration the expediency of authorizing the Government to subject to open competition the undertaking of conducting the Ferry across the Hillsborough.

*Ordered*, That the foregoing Communication of Thomas B. Tremain be referred to the same Committee.

Then the House adjourned until to-morrow, at Ten o'clock.

## TUESDAY, April 4, 1848.

**ORDERED**, That Mr. *Rae* have leave to introduce a Bill to amend the Act for the relief of Insolvent Debtors, so as to remedy inconveniences such as are set forth in the Petition of Joseph Arsneaux, a prisoner in the Jail at St. Eleanor's.

Mr. *Rae*, from the Committee appointed to report on the causes to which are to be attributed the destitution, said to exist, amongst the Inhabitants in many parts of the Colony, the best means of alleviating such distress, and of preventing the numerous applications of the Tenantry to the Government for pecuniary relief for the future—presented to the House the Report of the said Committee, and the same was received and read.

*Ordered*, That the said Report be committed to a Committee of the whole House on Thursday next.

Read a third time, as engrossed, the Bill intituled "An Act to repeal certain parts of the Statute Labour Acts relating to Charlottetown, its Common and Royalty, and to make other provisions in lieu thereof."

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *F. Longworth* do carry the said Bill to the Council, and desire their concurrence.

*Resolved*, That this House do now resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, to take into further consideration the Bill to consolidate and amend the Election Laws.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. Jardine took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chairman reported, that the Committee had made some progress, and had directed him to move for leave to sit again; which the House agreed to.

Mr. *Thornton*, from the Committee appointed to prepare an Address to His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor, praying the transmission of the Address to Her Majesty on the subject of the Crown Lands, presented to the House the draft of an Address, as prepared by the Committee, and the same Address being again read at the Clerk's Table, was agreed to by the House, and is as followeth:

To His Excellency SIR DONALD CAMPBELL, BARONET, Lieutenant Governor and Commander-in-Chief in and over Her Majesty's Island Prince Edward, and the Territories thereunto belonging, Chancellor, Vice Admiral, and Ordinary of the same, &c. &c. &c.

May it please Your Excellency;

The House of Assembly have to request, that Your Excellency will be pleased, at your earliest convenience, to transmit to Her Majesty's Ministers the accompanying Address to Her Majesty, on the subject of the Crown Lands in this Colony.

*Ordered*, That the Committee who prepared the Address, be a Committee to wait upon His Excellency with the same.

A Message from the Council by Mr. Desbrisay.

Mr. Speaker ;

The Legislative Council have passed the Bill intituled "An Act to prohibit the Commissioners of Boundary Lines from taking proceedings for establishing Boundary Lines on certain Townships in Prince County," to which they desire the concurrence of the House of Assembly.

And then he withdrew.

Then the House adjourned for one hour.

And being met—

The engrossed Bill from the Council, intituled "An Act to prohibit the Commissioners of Boundary Lines from taking

proceedings for establishing Boundary Lines on certain Townships in Prince County," was read the first time, and ordered to be read a second time to-morrow.

*Resolved*, That this House do now resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, to take into further consideration the Bill to consolidate and amend the Election Laws.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. Jardine took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chairman reported, that the Committee had made some progress, and had directed him to move for leave to sit again; which the House agreed to.

*Resolved*, That this House will, on Friday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, on the consideration of Ways and Means.

Then the House adjourned until to-morrow at Ten o'clock.

## WEDNESDAY, April 5, 1848.

**R**ESOLVED, That this House do now resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, to take into further consideration the Bill to consolidate and amend the Election Laws.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. D. Macdonald took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chairman reported, that the Committee had made some progress, and had directed him to move for leave to sit again; which the House agreed to.

*Ordered*, That the Clerk of this House be directed to obtain from the Secretary of the Board of Education, a copy of the latest

Regulations made by the Board, to be observed in the District Schools of this Island.

Then the House adjourned for one hour.

And being met—

A Message from the Council by Mr. Desbrisay.

Mr. Speaker ;

The Legislative Council have passed the Bill intituled "An Act to repeal the Laws now in force relating to Emigrants, and to make other provisions in lieu thereof."

And also—

The Legislative Council do agree to a Conference, as is desired by the House of Assembly, on the amendment made to the

Bill intituled "An Act to regulate the importation of Books, and to protect the British Author," and have appointed the Hon. Mr. Young and the Hon. Mr. Hensley a Committee to manage the said Conference, to meet in the Conference Room instanter.

And then he withdrew.

And the names of the Managers being called over,

They went to the Conference.

And being returned—

Mr. *Haviland* stated, 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. Desbrisay.

Mr. Speaker;

The Legislative Council desire a further Conference with the House of Assembly, on the Bill intituled "An Act to regulate the importation of Books, and to protect the British Author;" and have appointed the same Committee who managed the last Conference, a Committee to manage this further Conference, to meet in the Conference Room instanter.

And then he withdrew.

*Resolved*, That this House do agree to a further Conference, as is desired by the Council, on the Bill intituled "An Act to regulate the importation of Books, and to protect the British Author."

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Haviland* do go the Council, and acquaint them therewith.

*Ordered*, That the same Committee who managed the last Conference, be a Committee to manage this further Conference.

So the Managers went to the Conference.

And being returned—

Mr. *Haviland* reported, that the Managers had been at the Conference, and had met the Committee of the Council, who acquainted them that the Council do not adhere to their amendment.

Mr. *Palmer* from the Committee, to whom was referred the Petition of John Renouf, one of the Contractors for building the Lunatic Asylum, presented to the House the Report of the said Committee, and the said Report being again read at the Clerk's Table, was agreed to by the House, and is as followeth:—

Your Committee having had the Petition and case of John Renouf under their consideration, find that the Petitioner along with his late partner, Pierce Power, have sustained an actual loss on their contract for the erection of the Lunatic Asylum, to the amount of £227 and upwards; that the said Pierce Power has absconded from this Island, leaving the said Petitioner to sustain the whole amount of their liabilities arising out of their contract. That it is evident to your Committee that the Lunatic Asylum has been erected and completed for a sum far beneath its actual cost to the Contractors, and far below what any other contractor would venture to engage for: the lowest Tender next to that of the said Contractors being £1,581, while the sum contracted for and paid to the said Petitioner and his Partner is £1,291 only.

That your Committee are opposed to any precedent which might be an inducement to Public Contractors in future to apply to this House for aid, when their Contracts have not proved to be remunerating undertakings; nor can they, from motives of public expediency, in the present case, recommend for the Petitioner a grant to cover the whole of his loss or liabilities; as, however, the consequences of the said Contract to the Petitioner will prove wholly ruinous, unless some aid is granted him, they would respectfully recommend to the House a grant of £120; provided, that before receiving the same, he can make it appear to the satisfaction of Her Majesty's Government, that all his Creditors, whose demands have arisen out of his Contract, do give him a discharge for such demands.

*Ordered*, That the said Report be referred to the Committee of Supply.

*Resolved*, That a Message be sent to His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor, requesting that public notice may be given for the reception of Tenders for a suitable sailing Vessel, not less than Sixty Tons, old admeasurement, to be employed in conveying the Mails between Charlottetown and Pictou during the ensuing season, under such regulations as the Executive Government may direct—to continue during the present year, until the Government shall

be enabled to contract for the conveyance of the said Mails by Steam communication.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Thornton*, Mr. *F. Longworth* and Mr. *J. H. Conroy* be a Committee to wait upon His Excellency with the said Message.

*Resolved*, That this House do now resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, to take into further consideration the Bill to consolidate and amend the Election Laws.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. *D. Macdonald* took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

Mr. *D. Macdonald* reported, that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made several amendments thereto; and the said amendments were again read at the Clerk's Table, and agreed to by the House.

*Ordered*, That the said Bill, as amended, be engrossed, and that the Title be "An Act to consolidate and improve the laws for the Election of Members to serve in the General Assembly."

*Resolved*, That this House do now resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, to take into further consideration the Bill for establishing a Currency.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. *Whelan* took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chairman reported, that the Committee had made some progress, and had directed him to move for leave to sit again; which the House agreed to.

Then the House adjourned until to-morrow at Ten o'clock.

## THURSDAY, April 6, 1848.

**R**ESOLVED, That this House do now resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, to take into further consideration the Bill for establishing a Currency.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. *Whelan* took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

Mr. *Whelan* reported, that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made several amendments thereto; which amendments were again read at the Clerk's Table, and agreed to by the House.

*Ordered*, That the said Bill as amended be engrossed, and that the Title be "An Act to regulate the Currency of Prince Edward Island."

Mr. *Rae*, in pursuance of special leave granted, presented to the House a Bill to amend the Laws now in force for the relief of Insolvent Debtors; and the said Bill was read the first time, and ordered to be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the Day, for the House in Committee on the consideration of Ways and Means, being read—

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. *Le Lacheur* took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chairman reported, that the Committee had come to Two Resolutions, which he was directed to submit to the House, whenever it shall be pleased to receive the same.

The Chairman also acquainted the House that he was directed by the Committee to move for leave to sit again; which the House agreed to.

*Ordered*, That the Report of the Committee be received to-morrow.

Then the House adjourned until to-morrow, at Ten o'clock.

## FRIDAY, April 7, 1848.

**MR. LE LACHEUR**, from the Committee of the whole House, on the consideration of Ways and Means, reported according to order, Two Resolutions of the said Committee; and the said Resolutions were again read at the Clerk's Table, and are as follow :

1. *RESOLVED*, That the several rates and duties imposed and levied under the Act of 10th Vict., cap. 3, intituled "An Act for raising a Revenue," be continued for one year, from and after the First day of May next, save and except as is expressed in the following Resolution:

2. *RESOLVED*, That in the present scarcity of Agricultural Produce in this Colony, there shall not be any duty imposed on Wheat-Flour, Rye-Flour, Corn and Corn Meal and Oatmeal, Bread, Biscuit, Rice and Pulse of all descriptions, which may be imported into this Island prior to the First day of January next.

And the First of the said Resolutions being again read, and the question put thereon;

It was agreed to by the House.

The Second of the said Resolutions being again read;

**Mr. Rae** moved, to amend the said Resolution, by leaving out the words "First day of January," and inserting, in lieu thereof, "First day of October."

The House divided on the motion of amendment:

### YEAS:

Mr. Rae,	Mr. Clark,
Mr. Fraser,	Mr. D. Macdonald,
Mr. Le Lacheur,	Mr. J. H. Conroy.
Mr. D. Maclean,	

### NAYS:

Mr. Jardine,	Hon. Mr. Coles,
Mr. Palmer,	Mr. F. Longworth,
Mr. Thornton,	Mr. H. Macdonald,
Mr. Haviland,	Mr. J. Longworth.

So it passed in the negative.

**Mr. D. Maclean** then moved, to amend the said Resolution, by leaving out the words "First day of January," and substituting "First day of September."

The House divided on the motion of amendment:

And the names being called for, were taken down as in the last preceding division.

So it passed in the negative.

The question of concurrence being then put on the said Resolution;

It was agreed to by the House.

**Mr. Thornton**, from the Committee appointed to wait upon His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor with the Address praying that he will be pleased to transmit the Address to Her Majesty on the subject of the Crown Lands—reported the delivery of the said Address, and that His Excellency had been pleased to say he would comply with the desire of the House.

**Mr. Thornton**, also from the Committee appointed to wait upon His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor with the Message, requesting that measures may be adopted to provide a Sailing Packet for the conveyance of the Mails between Charlottetown and Pictou in the ensuing season—reported the delivery of the same, and that His Excellency was pleased to say he would comply with the desire of the House.

*Resolved*, That this House do now resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House on the further consideration of Ways and Means.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

**Mr. Speaker** left the Chair.

Mr. Le Lacheur took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chairman reported, that the Committee had made some progress, and had directed him to move for leave to sit again; which the House agreed to.

Mr. *Whelan* moved that the following Address to His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor do now pass:—

To His Excellency SIR DONALD CAMPBELL, BARONET, Lieutenant Governor and Commander-in-Chief in and over Her Majesty's Island Prince Edward, and the Territories thereunto belonging, Chancellor, Vice Admiral, and Ordinary of the same, &c. &c. &c.

May it please Your Excellency;

The House of Assembly most respectfully request that your Excellency will cause to be laid before the House a copy of any Despatch or Despatches transmitted to Her Majesty's Government by the late Lieutenant Governor of this Island, Sir H. V. Huntley, since the last Session of the Legislature, having reference to the introduction into this Island, of the system of Responsible Government; also a copy of any Despatch or Despatches that may have been received (if any) from the Right Honorable Earl Grey, on the same subject, and subsequent to the date of His Lordship's Despatch, of the 16th June, 1847.

Mr. *Palmer* moved to amend the said proposed Address, by leaving out the words "since the last Session of the Legislature;" also, to leave out the word "copy," and insert instead, the word "copies."

And the motion being seconded, and the question put thereon, it was agreed to by the House.

The question being then put upon the said Address, as amended, it was adopted by the House.

*Ordered*, That the said Address be engrossed.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Whelan*, Mr. *Palmer* and Mr. *D. Macdonald* be a Committee to wait upon His Excellency with the same.

Then the House adjourned for one hour.

And being met—

*Resolved*, That this House do now resolve

itself into a Committee of the whole House, on the further consideration of Ways and Means.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. Le Lacheur took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chairman reported, that the Committee had made some progress, and had directed him to move for leave to sit again; which the House agreed to.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *D. Maclean* have leave to introduce a Bill to authorize the commutation of the Leasehold tenure, and the settlement of Wilderness Lands in this Island.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was read the first time, and ordered to be read a second time to-morrow.

Mr. *Palmer*, from the Special Committee, appointed to examine into and report upon the amount and progress of business transacted or brought into the Supreme Court and Court of Chancery, during the last three years, and to report upon the expediency of making provision for an Assistant Judge and Master of the Rolls, as recommended by the Executive Government of this Island—with power to send for persons, papers and records, presented to the House the report of the said Committee; and the same was received and read.

*Ordered*, That the said Report be committed to a Committee of the whole House to-morrow.

The Bill to amend the Acts to authorize the Commissioners of Small Debts to appoint Bailiffs, in their respective Courts, was, according to order, read a second time.

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

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. Clark took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

Mr. *Clark* reported, that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made several amendments thereto; which amendments were again read at the Clerk's Table, and agreed to by the House.

*Ordered*, That the said Bill, as amended, be engrossed, and that the title be "An Act to repeal an Act made and passed in the Eight year of the Reign of Her present Majesty, intituled 'An Act to authorize the Commissioners of Small Debts, in their respective Courts, to appoint Bailiffs to execute the processes of the said Courts, and to take security from such Bailiffs for the due execution of the same, and to make other provisions in lieu thereof.'"

A Message from the Council, by Mr. Desbrisay.

Mr. Speaker;

The Legislative Council have passed a Bill intituled "An Act to repeal the Laws for constituting Boards of Health, and to make other provisions in lieu thereof," to which they desire the concurrence of the House of Assembly.

And then he withdrew.

The engrossed Bill from the Council, intituled "An Act to repeal the Laws for constituting Boards of Health, and to make other provisions in lieu thereof," was then read a first time, and ordered to be read a second time to-morrow.

Then the House adjourned until to-morrow at Ten o'clock.

## SATURDAY, April 8, 1848.

**T**HE engrossed Bill from the Council, intituled "An Act to prohibit the Commissioners of Boundary Lines from taking proceedings for establishing Boundary Lines on certain Townships in Prince County," was, according to order, read a second time.

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

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. Jardine took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

Mr. *Jardine* reported, that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made the following amendment thereto:—

*Folio 1, in the Title.*—After the word "Act," strike out all that follows, and insert, "for suspending for a limited period, certain parts of An Act passed in the Fourth year of His late Majesty's Reign, intituled 'An Act for ascertaining and establishing the Boundary Lines of Counties and Townships, and parts of Townships, and for regula-

ting the duties of Surveyors, and to repeal a certain Act therein mentioned.'"

"Be it enacted, by the Lieutenant Governor, Council and Assembly, That the operation of so much of the said Act intituled "An Act for ascertaining and establishing the Boundary Lines of Counties and Townships and parts of Townships, and for regulating the duties of Surveyors, and to repeal a certain Act therein mentioned," as relates in any way to the fixing and establishing of any Boundary Lines, under the provisions of the said recited Act, or of any Act or Acts in amendment thereof, be, and the same are hereby suspended, so far as regards Lots or Townships Ten (10), Nine (9), Eight (8), Seven (7), Six (6), Five (5), Four (4), Three (3), Two (2) and One (1), in Prince County, until the end of the next Session of the General Assembly."

And the said amendment being again read, was, on the question being put thereon, agreed to by the House.

*Ordered*, That the said Bill, as amended, be read the third time on Tuesday next:

*Resolved*, That this House do now resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House to consider further of Ways and Means.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. Le Lacheur took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chairman reported, that the Committee had made some progress, and had directed him to move for leave to sit again; which the House agreed to.

The Bill to amend the Laws for the relief of Insolvent Debtors, was, according to order, read a second time.

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

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. Haviland took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

Mr. *Haviland* reported, that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made several amendments thereto; which amendments were again read at the Clerk's Table, and agreed to by the House.

*Ordered*, That the said Bill, as amended, be engrossed, and that the Title be "An Act to amend the Laws for the relief of Insolvent Debtors."

Then the House adjourned for one hour.

And being met—

*Ordered*, That the Tenth Rule of the House be suspended, and that Mr. *Palmer* have leave to introduce a Bill in addition to the Act regulating Fire Engine Companies.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House; and the same was read the first time, and ordered to be read a second time on Thursday next.

A Petition of divers Inhabitants of Townships 65 and 30, was presented to the House

by Mr. *J. Longworth*, and the same was received and read; praying that in the event of a Steamboat being placed on the Charlottetown Ferry, Petitioners may be allowed to participate in the accommodation afforded by the same.

*Ordered*, That the said Petition do lie on the Table.

Mr. *Palmer* moved for leave to present a Petition from divers Inhabitants of the Western part of Charlottetown, praying a grant towards draining the stagnant water accumulated in that part of the Town.

A motion being made, that the Rule limiting the time for the reception of Private Petitions be suspended in this case, and that the said Petition be received and read;

The House divided on the question :

YEAS :

Mr. <i>Palmer</i> ,	Mr. <i>J. Longworth</i> ,
Mr. <i>Haviland</i> ,	Mr. <i>N. Conroy</i> ,
Mr. <i>J. H. Conroy</i>	Mr. <i>Fraser</i> ,
Mr. <i>H. Macdonald</i> ,	Hon. Mr. <i>Coles</i> .

NAYS :

Mr. <i>Thornton</i> ,	Mr. <i>Mooney</i> ,
Mr. <i>D. Maclean</i> ,	Mr. <i>Le Lacheur</i> ,
Mr. <i>Montgomery</i> ,	Mr. <i>Macintosh</i> ,
Mr. <i>Rae</i> ,	Mr. <i>D. Macdonald</i> .
Mr. <i>Clark</i> ,	

So it passed in the negative.

*Resolved*, That this House do now resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, on the further consideration of all matters relating to Roads, Bridges and Wharves.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. *Mooney* took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chairman reported, that the Committee had made some progress, and had directed him to move for leave to sit again; which the House agreed to.

*Resolved*, That a Message be sent to His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor, requesting that he will be pleased to direct

that the House of Assembly may be furnished with copies of any correspondence between Sir H. V. Huntley, the late Lieutenant Governor, or His Excellency the present Lieutenant Governor, and the Deputy Post Master General, on the subject of the Post Office Department in this Colony.

*Ordered*, That Mr. Thornton, Mr. D. Maclean and Mr. D. Macdonald be a Committee to wait upon His Excellency with the said Message.

*Resolved*, That a Message be sent to the

Legislative Council, requesting that their Honors will be pleased to grant leave to the Honorable the President of the Council, and the Honorable T. H. Haviland, their Clerk, to attend the Committee of this House, appointed to investigate the state of the Treasury of this Island, to be examined touching their knowledge thereof.

*Ordered*, That the Hon. Mr. Coles do carry the said Message to the Council.

Then the House adjourned until Monday next at Ten o'clock.

## MONDAY, April 10, 1848.

**T**WO Petitions were presented to the House by Mr. Mooney, and the same were received and read, viz :

A Petition of divers Inhabitants of Anderson's Road, Township 31, setting forth—that in consequence of the failure of their Crops last season, many of the Petitioners are already without Food; that others have not one month's provisions for the support of their families, and that without aid, their farms must lie waste for want of seed in the ensuing season, and praying relief.

A Petition of divers Inhabitants of Townships 29 and 30, setting forth, the failure of their Potato and Wheat Crops last year: their consequent destitution in regard to Food and Seed; and praying that an embargo may be imposed on the exportation of agricultural produce until after seed time, or some other measures adopted in the matter, otherwise that starvation and a fearful amount of distress must ensue.

*Ordered*, That the said Petitions be referred to the Committee of the whole House on the Report of the Special Committee appointed to examine and report on the causes of the destitution in the Colony.

*Resolved*, That this House do now resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House on the further consideration of all matters relating to Roads, Bridges and Wharves.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. Montgomery took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chairman reported, that the Committee had made some progress, and had directed him to move for leave to sit again; which the House agreed to.

A Message from the Council by Mr. Desbrisay.

Mr. Speaker;

The Legislative Council have passed a Bill intituled "An Act to incorporate a Mutual Fire Insurance Company," to which they desire the concurrence of the House of Assembly.

And then he withdrew.

And then the said Bill was read the first time.

*Ordered*, That the said Bill be referred to the Committee appointed to report on Private Bills.

Mr. Fraser, from the Committee on Private Bills, to whom was referred the engrossed Bill from the Council, intituled "An Act to incorporate a Mutual Fire Insurance Company," to report thereon, pre-

sented to the House the Report of the said Committee, and the same was read, and is as followeth :—

Your Committee appointed to examine and report upon such Bills as may be deemed Private Bills, under the Eighth Standing Rule of the House, have examined the Bill to them referred, intituled "An Act to incorporate a Mutual Fire Insurance Company," and find the same to be a Private Bill, and coming within the said Standing Rule.

*Ordered*, That the said Report be received and adopted by the House.

The engrossed Bill from the Council intituled "An Act to repeal an Act made and passed in the Eighth Year of the Reign of Her present Majesty, intituled 'An Act to authorize the Commissioners of Small Debts in their respective Courts, to appoint Bailiffs to execute the Processes of the said Courts, and to take security from such Bailiffs for the due execution of the same, and to make other provisions in lieu thereof,'" was, with the amendments, read the third time.

*Ordered*, That the said Bill, with the amendments, do pass.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Thornton* do carry back the said Bill to the Council, and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the same, with several amendments.

Then the House adjourned for one hour.

And being met—

*Resolved*, That this House do now resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, on the further consideration of all matters relating to Roads, Bridges and Wharves.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. *Montgomery* took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

Mr. *Montgomery* reported, that the Committee had agreed upon a Scale of sub-division of Moneys for the several Counties, which was again read at the Clerk's Table, and is as followeth :—

PRINCE COUNTY.  
DISTRICT No. 1.

	£	s.	d.
Road from Stanislaus Perry's towards Sea Cow Pond, - -	12	0	0
Road from Francis Arseneaux's, Nail Pond, towards Skinner's Pond,	15	0	0
Repairing and raising Tignish Bridge,	15	0	0
Road from Thomas Wade's, Kildare, to M'Neill's road, near Walsh's,	20	0	0
Road from Little Tignish to M. M'Neill's,	30	0	0
Road from M'Neill's to Herbert Bell's,	15	0	0
Road from Kildare river to Western road,	5	0	0
Road from Daniel M'Intyre's, Kildare river to Settlement road, - -	5	0	0
Road from Alex. Meggison's towards Gordon's Mill, - -	3	0	0
Road from the Dock to the Western road,	10	0	0
“ from Cascumpec Village to Lot 10,	15	0	0
“ from Cascumpec Village to Hill's Mills, - -	7	0	0
Road from Cascumpec Village to Fortune Cove, - -	5	0	0
Road from Western road towards Haloran's,	9	0	0
Road from Haloran's towards Nail Pond,	19	0	0
Western road from Lot 10 Bridge to Tignish, - -	40	0	0
Road from Barlow's to Large's Ferry,	20	0	0
Roads in Lot 11, where most required,	10	0	0

DISTRICT No. 2.

Road from John Stewart's, West Point, to Pier Jacques, through the Portage,	15	0	0
Road from Betts's Mill to M'Williams' and Bolton's Mill, - -	20	0	0
Bridge at the head of the Brae river, back of Stephen Gallant's farm,	12	0	0
Road from said bridge to Vinc't. M'Adam's	15	0	0
Completing bridge at Brae, -	10	0	0
Road from Betts' Mill to Hamilton's,	15	0	0
Road in Lot 9, where most required,	5	0	0
Roads in Lot 7, where most required,	10	0	0
Road from Indian Point to Hugh M'Donald's	6	0	0
Road from Haloran's to Western road	15	0	0
Western road - -	25	0	0
Road from Western road to Campbell's Mill	10	0	0
“ from M'Lean's to Lot 11	7	0	0
“ from William Ellis's to Lot 11 road	5	0	0
“ from George Ellis's to Lot 11 road	5	0	0
“ from the old Bideford Yard Settlement - -	7	0	0
Road from M'Dougall's to Barlow's,	3	0	0

DISTRICT No. 3.

Main Western road, including the making or repairing of Ellis River Bridge,	70	0	0
Road from Port Hill to Main Western road	6	0	0

Road through Canada Settlement, Lot 13	£7	0	0	From Barrett's towards St. Eleanor's,	£3	0	0
“ from M'Lean's Mill to Barlow's Mill and Bideford Yard,	-	7	0	Old County line road, from Larkin's to Irish Town, provided the right of way is given without remuneration,	10	0	0
Road from Port Hill to Diamond's Ferry,	7	0	0	From Indian River Cross to old Town road,	4	0	0
Road from Main Western road to Cross Rivers,	-	5	0	Stone Arch at Webster's, Town road,	4	0	0
Road from Fifteen Point to Abraham's Village,	-	7	0	For general repairs, where most required,	5	0	0
Road to back Settlement, Fifteen Point,	6	0	0	From Barrett's towards Tuplin's,	5	0	0
Road from St. Joseph's Village to Higgins's Ferry,	-	6	0	From Tilton's Creek towards Milligan's,	4	0	0
Bridge at Dutchman's Creek, Lot 15,	15	0	0	Road on Boundary Line, between Prince and Queen's County, from Larkin's to Irish Town,	-	5	0
Repairing Bridge at Ramsay's, Lot 17,	3	0	0	Repairs to Bridge at Park Corner,	3	0	0
Completing the Bridge at Ramsay's, Lot 16, and lowering the hill, and filling the hollow at same,	-	7	0	Floating Bridge,	-	5	0
New road between David Fraser's and Doyle's, to the shore,	-	7	0	Paynter's Bridge,	-	50	0
Road from Main Western road to Campbell's Mills, Lot 16,	-	7	0	Road from Johnston's Mills to S.W. river,	3	0	0
Road from St. Eleanor's to division line, Lot 19,	-	4	0	Road from Johnston's Mills by English Church,	-	3	0
Road from Linkletter's road to the shore, by J. Sharp's,	-	5	0	Repairing two Bridges on French river,	6	0	0
Road from Fifteen Point road by Hippolyte Goods' to the Shore	-	5	0	Bridge between Long and French Rivers,	5	0	0
Road from St. Nicholas to the Main Western road,	-	7	0	Road do. do.	3	0	0
New Road from Donahoe's to Bedeque shore,	-	8	0	To be applied where most required,	6	0	0
Road from Darby's to Green's Wharf,	6	0	0	That the Petitions praying for a Grant in aid of individual Subscription, towards building a Wharf at Mr. Kier's shore, be deferred until next Session; and that a Committee of this House be appointed, in conjunction with the Road Commissioner of the District, to examine as to the practicability of building the contemplated Wharf—its utility and expense, and to report thereon, to the House of Assembly at its next Session.			
Amount to be placed in the hands of the Road Commissioner, for procuring a Scow for Ellis River Ferry, to be let by auction to the lowest bidder,	10	0	0	DISTRICT No. 5.			
Amount to be placed in the hands of the Road Commissioner, or as much thereof as may be required to pay for a right of way from Fifteen Point road, by Hippolyte and J. Gaudet's to the shore,	-	5	0	Wilmot Creek Bridge,	-	£76	0
DISTRICT No. 4.				Road on line Lots 19 and 25,	10	0	0
Darnley Bridge,	-	25	0	Road from Murray's, Portage, to Schurman's Point, Lot 25,	-	15	0
Princetown Wharf,	-	15	0	Road through M'Farlane's Point, Lot 26,	5	0	0
Bridge at Robert Stewart's, Princetown Royalty,	-	10	0	“ from M'Rae's bridge to County line, Lot 26,	-	10	0
Indian River Bridge,	-	15	0	Road from Taylor's Mills to M'Rae's Bridge,	-	5	0
Slip at M'Lellan's shore, Lot 18,	5	0	0	Road on County Line, Lots 26, 27 and 67,	10	0	0
Davidson's Mill Dam,	-	3	0	Road from Mulligan's to Tryon,	10	0	0
Wallace's Bridge,	-	3	0	Road from A. Cameron's to 7 Mile Bay, Lot 27	-	5	0
Road at Mathew's Mill,	-	4	0	Bridge near Deagan's, Lot 28	-	10	0
Town road from Barrett's to County line,	10	0	0	Roads through Cape Traverse,	15	0	0
Town road near Indian River Cross roads,	10	0	0	Roads through Tryon river,	-	15	0
From Barrett's Cross towards Irish Town,	8	0	0	“ from Tryon to Anderson's road,	10	0	0
Division line between Lots 19 and 25, provided the Fifth District gives an equal amount,	-	10	0	“ from J. Muttart's to the back Settlement, C. T.	-	10	0
				Road from Seven Mile Bay to the Shore near Crocket's,	-	5	0
				Road from Seven Mile Bay to T. Car-ruther's, Lot 27,	-	5	0
				Road from Tucker's to M'Murdo's, Lot 25,	10	0	0

Bridge near Irving's Mill, Lot 27,	£7 10 0	To repair bridges on the South Shore road, between 9 Mile Creek and Rocky Point, Lot 65,	£10 0 0
Road through Lots 25 and 26, from Burns's settlement to Anderson's road,	10 0 0	To straighten the road leading from Elliot river to Canoe Cove, Lot 65, and to build a bridge thereon,	7 0 0
General repairs, where most required in the District,	11 10 0	To repair bridge over Marshall's mill-dam,	7 0 0
Wilmot Creek bridge, in addition to the sum above mentioned,	195 0 0	In aid of individual subscription, towards erecting a Wharf at the end of the public road near McEwen's, on the south side of Elliot River, Lot 65,	30 0 0
Anderson's road, Lot 67,	20 0 0	Small bridges on the road leading from the Tryon road to New Central road, Lot 31, near Angus Murrow's, and repairing said road,	4 0 0
<b>QUEEN'S COUNTY.</b>		Dog River bridge,	12 10 0
<b>DISTRICT No. 6.</b>		Repairing a bridge over Hyde's mill-dam,	5 0 0
Princetown road, Lot 67,	7 10 0	Road from M'Phee's Cross road, Lot 32, westward, through South Wiltshire, to the Line of Lot 65, where most required,	14 10 0
Road from Bagnall's to Glasgow Bridge,	9 10 0	Road from Parkin's School House to Anderson's road, (called the Bannockburn road,)	8 0 0
Bungay road,	3 0 0	Road from Tryon road, near Peter Costello's, Lot 31, to the Cross road, near Parkin's, where most required,	8 0 0
Rustico road,	2 10 0	To repair bridge on the road leading from the Cross roads, Lot 32, westward, through north Wiltshire, and to repair said road where most required,	15 0 0
New Glasgow road,	8 0 0	Road from Anderson's road to Princetown road, near Campbell's	4 10 0
Road from Wheatly River Bridge to Blatch's,	2 10 0	To open out and complete road from Argyle or Scotch Settlement, to the Main road, near John McEwen's, Long Creek,	10 0 0
Road from New Glasgow road by Bagnall's Mill,	3 7 0	To repair the "Emy Vale," or Back Settlement road, Lot 65,	6 0 0
Road from North of Anderson's road, Lot 67,	18 0 0	Road from the West river settlement, Lot 31, near Doull's Farm, to the Tryon road, near Murphy's,	4 0 0
Graham's Wharf,	30 0 0	To repair Melville road, and other roads and bridges on Lots 29 & 30, where most required,	7 15 0
Repairs to old Malpeque road,	8 0 0	James and Theophilus Crosby, for repairing a bridge near Elliot river, in 1846,	4 15 0
Repairs to road and bridges from Rottenbury's Mills to Campbellton,	10 0 0	<b>DISTRICT No. 8.</b>	
Wigmore's road,	6 0 0	Princetown upper road, and that part	
Mill vale, to Haslam's road	5 0 0		
Extra Grant for bridge at Anderson's,	7 0 0		
Centre road, Lot 22,	5 0 0		
Road from Fyfe's Ferry to New Glasgow,	6 0 0		
Monaghan Road, Lot 22,	8 0 0		
Main road to Malpeque,	15 0 0		
Extra Grant to repair New Glasgow Bridge,	12 12 0		
Bridge on New Glasgow road,	3 0 0		
To be applied, where most required,	11 7 0		
Road from Graham's to Princetown road,	10 0 0		
<b>DISTRICT No. 7.</b>			
Road from York River bridge to Cra-paud, where most required,	£24 0 0		
To complete Wigginton's bridge, Cra-paud,	20 0 0		
To repair bridge across Melville River, on the old Tryon road, and other bridges thereon, where most required,	10 0 0		
New Bedeque road, where most required,	5 0 0		
Old Tryon road, between Felix McMorrow's and John Beer's, Lot 30,	5 0 0		
New Central road, from John MacPhee's, westward,	17 10 0		

of Rustico and New Glasgow road, lying in Lot 32,	-	£21	13	9
Princetown road, Westward from the Royalty road,	-	5	0	0
Road over Poplar Island, if required,	-	6	10	0
Bridge near Westacott's, Rustico Road,	-	2	10	0
Winsloe road, North end,	-	8	0	0
Winter river Bridge,	-	5	0	0
Repairing Brackley Point road,	-	5	0	0
"    Dyke over Shaw's Marsh, and road to Rustico Bay,	-	5	0	0
Road from Union road to Covehead road by old Saw Mill,	-	15	15	0
Road from Brackley Point road to Rustico,	5	0	0	0
M'Innis's Wharf, Rustico Bay,	-	50	0	0
Royalty of Charlottetown, to be expended on the main leading roads into Charlottetown, where most required,	-	100	0	0

DISTRICT No. 9.

French Fort bridge,	-	7	10	0
North river bridge, Tracadie road,	-	4	0	0
Corran Ban bridge, and abutments,	20	0	0	0
Mill Cove bridge,	-	5	0	0
To repair Ready's bridge, Sandhill road,	5	0	0	0
To repair Clark's bridge, and cut down the hill near same,	-	11	0	0
To repair upper Pisquid bridge,	-	4	0	0
To cut down the Hill at M'Aulay's, head of Bedford bay,	-	4	0	0
To cut down Donald M'Donald's Hill Sandhill road, Lot 36,	-	4	10	0
St. Peter's road, from French Fort, Eastward, to Egan's, where most required,	9	0	0	0
Road from St. Peter's road to M'Connell's Ferry, Lot 35,	-	1	10	0
To repair the Main Northern Road, through French Village and Point De Roche Settlement, where most required, and to open a road at Angus M'Cormack's, provided a right of way be given free of cost to the Government,	-	12	10	0
To widen and improve the road leading from Allan M'Donald's, (Johnston's river,) to the Main road, if required,	5	10	0	0
Bridge on the Road leading from Glenfinan to the Donagh Settlement,	-	2	10	0
To raise and improve the Donagh road,	20	0	0	0
To raise and improve a Swamp on St. Peter's road, between Egan's and the County line,	-	8	10	0
Road from Clark's Mill to Pisquid, lower Bridge, and to repair said bridge,	10	0	0	0
Road leading from Johnston's River Settlement, (West side,) towards the Main road,	-	6	0	0
To open out and improve a road leading				

from the Vernon River road, past Mr. Worthy's Mills, to the Monaghan road, and towards erecting bridge thereon, provided a right of way, 30 feet in width, be obtained free of cost to the Government,	-	-	-	£12	10	0
Cardigan, Mount Stewart and Vernon River road, within this District, where most required,	-	-	-	15	0	0
To repair other roads and bridges where most required on Lots 35, 36 & 37,	-	-	-	10	0	0
Goff's bridge, St. Peter's road,	-	-	-	25	0	0
Suffolk road & bridge,	-	-	-	7	10	0
Seaman's bridge, Lot 34,	-	-	-	10	0	0
Auld's New Mill Bridge,	-	-	-	1	10	0
Paul's bridge, Covehead road,	-	-	-	2	0	0
Christopher's bridge,	-	-	-	1	10	0
Cutting down Hills near old Saw Mill, Covehead road, and repairing road,	-	-	-	15	0	0

DISTRICT No. 10.

To open out a road from the Back Settlement, near James Callahan's, Lot 48, to the public road leading to Charlottetown, provided a right of way be given free of cost to the Government,	-	-	-	£7	10	0
To open out and improve a road from the 5 mile Creek at Wadman's, Lot 48, Eastward, to the road leading to Macrae's Wharf, provided a right of way be given free of charge,	-	-	-	8	0	0
To improve road from Rosebank to the Portage, Belle Vue, and to cut down M'Innis's Hill,	-	-	-	5	0	0
Road leading from Hillsborough Ferry to the Cross Roads, Lot 48, where most required,	-	-	-	25	0	0
Road leading from the Ferry, towards Keppoch, Lot 48,	-	-	-	2	10	0
Repairing road from Mathew Redmond's Lot 50, to the County line, on the Georgetown road, where most required on the Barrens,	-	-	-	12	0	0
Repairing road and Small bridges on the Pisquid road,	-	-	-	12	0	0
Repairing road from Mathew Redmond's to Township line, or the Murray Harbour road, where most required,	-	-	-	6	0	0
Repairing Seal River bridge,	-	-	-	7	0	0
Road from Mr. Nicholson's, Orwell Head to Mr. Welsh's Shipyard, including repairs to bridge,	-	-	-	13	10	5
Vaniderstine's Swamp, Murray Harbour road,	-	-	-	6	0	0
In aid of opening a new line of road from the upper to the lower Georgetown road, Lot 49, between Messrs. Smith's & Gay's lands,	-	-	-	18	0	0

Repairing Main road and bridge from Samuel Lane's Farm to Tea Hill,	£10 0 0	Improving several hills on road near Donald Nicholson's, Orwell Head,	5 2 0
Improving old Georgetown road, where most required,	3 10 5	<b>KING'S COUNTY.</b>	
Building an additional Block to New Wharf, at Pownal Bay,	25 0 0	<b>DISTRICT No. 12.</b>	
<b>DISTRICT No. 11.</b>		Road leading from Mount Stewart to Cardigan,	£12 0 0
Repairs to road from Wood Islands to Little Sands,	12 0 0	Road from South side of Hillsborough, around the head of the river, to Carey's,	7 0 0
Improving Rasa Settlement road, where most required,	30 0 0	Road from the head of the river, past Douglas's mills,	3 0 0
Improvements to road between Morrison's and M'Kenzie's,	3 0 0	Road from Main road to Alexander McEachern's, Savage Harbour,	6 0 0
French Mill bridge,	4 0 0	Road from Main road towards Savage Harbour, past the Church,	4 0 0
Repairing road and bridges from Murray Harbour road, near Sample's, towards Pinette Church, where most required,	10 0 0	Road from Main road, at Donald McAdam's, to Savage Harbour, past John Douglas's,	4 0 0
Road and wharf near George Young's,	6 0 0	Bridge at Doyle's, Lot 38,	5 0 0
Road and wharf at Eons' Point,	4 0 0	Main road from County Line to Morrell,	15 0 0
Upper Wood Island road and bridges, where most required,	14 0 0	To repair the bridge East of St. Peter's Mills,	3 0 0
Bridge and road near Widow M'Leod's,	8 0 0	Bridge and Abutments at Rossiter's,	3 0 0
Repairing road along County Line, from M'Kenzie's Mill and Douse's road, where most required,	15 0 0	Morell Bridge,	15 0 0
Swamps on Brown's Creek,	10 0 0	Road from Morell to Midgell,	6 0 0
Share of bridge on the County Line, (or as much as required thereof,) near Roderick M'Kenzie's,	12 0 0	“ from Midgell to Head of St. Peter's Bay,	4 0 0
Repairing and widening to its proper breadth, the road from Dalgleish's farm towards the upper road, leading from Belfast to Charlottetown, near M'Donald's,	6 0 0	Midgell bridge and abutments,	5 0 0
Road from upper Wood Island road towards the Souris Settlement, near M'Kenzie's,	12 0 0	To raise abutments of Murray's bridge, St. Peter's Bay bridge,	10 0 0
Road from Montague Settlement towards Orwell Head, where most required,	10 0 0	Road from Head of St. Peter's Bay to line of Lot 42, by Whelan's,	8 0 0
Montague Settlement road,	5 10 0	From Head of St. Peter's Bay towards Cardigan,	17 0 0
Murray Harbour road and bridges, where most required,	27 10 0	From St. Peter's Bay to Cable Head, by Leslie's Mills,	5 0 0
Road towards Murray Harbour road, near Malcolm M'Leod's,	6 0 0	From Head of St. Peter's Bay towards Greenwich,	5 0 0
Road from Murray Harbour road to rear Settlement, where most required,	4 0 0	From John M'Lellan's to Whelan's,	5 0 0
Road from rear Settlement in front of Neil Mathewson's farm, along County Line, towards Douse's road,	10 0 0	Roads leading from Main road towards St. Peter's and St. Peter's Lake Settlements,	4 0 0
Road from Flat River Settlement, near Laughlan Morrison's, towards Pinette river, where most required,	4 0 0	From Main road to St. Peter's back farms, past James Walsh's,	5 0 0
Road from John M'Leod's, Belle Creek bridge, towards Rasa Settlement, where most required,	8 0 0	From West line of Lot 42, through Cable Head Settlements,	5 0 0
		From Head of St. Peter's Bay to the line of Lot 42, Bay Fortune Road,	8 0 0
		Road West of Morell,	8 0 0
		Marsh road (Lot 40),	15 0 0
		From Main road, through Marie Settlement, by Webster's Mills, including two bridges at the North end of the Kiln,	9 0 0

New road leading to the shore at Savage Harbour, by Pigot's,	£2 0 0
From Main road, Lot 40, to Muscle Bed, St. Peter's Bay,	3 0 0
From Main road to St. Peter's Bay, near Charles Dingwell's,	3 0 0
The two Wharves, St. Peter's Bay,	20 0 0

DISTRICT No. 13.

Road from Redhouse to Grand River Wharf,	20 0 0
From Cooper's Mills towards head of Grand River,	20 0 0
From Dingwell's Mill road west, to Turner's Saw Mill,	6 0 0
" From the South end of the line road, between Lots 43 and 44, to Dingwell's Mills,	20 0 0
" From the head of Grand river to Dingwell's Mills,	20 0 0
New Bridge at Cooper's Mills,	16 0 0
Road from Bay Fortune Church to line of Lot 42,	18 0 0
Road from West line of Lot 42, to Hollow River,	10 0 0
Cow river bridge and hills,	8 0 0
Naufrage bridge and abutments,	10 0 0
Line road between Lots 43 and 44,	20 0 0
From the head of Rolla Bay to James Coffin's,	8 0 0
From Bay Fortune Church to Alexander Fisher's,	7 0 0
From the School-house, Little Pond, to Robertson's,	7 0 0
Bridge over brook at Henry Falla's, (on the road to Dingwell's Mill,)	6 0 0
To secure the bank South side of Fortune River,	6 0 0
Repairing Grand River Bridge,	5 0 0
Groshaut Settlement road,	10 0 0
From Archibald M'Phee's (Big Marsh) South towards Donald M'Cormack's,	10 0 0
From M'Laren's (cross roads) to James Douglas's ship-yard,	2 0 0

DISTRICT No. 14.

Flanagan's bridge,	6 0 0
Bridge at John Gregory's	4 0 0
From Souris to East Point,	13 0 0
From Portage to East Point,	7 0 0
Portage road, Lot 47,	5 0 0
East Lake bridge,	7 0 0
Landing at North Shore, North Lake,	4 0 0
Hugh M'Eachern's bridge and hills,	10 0 0
Road through Lot 45,	28 0 0
Big Pond bridge and hill,	7 10 0

Road from John M'Aulay's to Lawrence Peters',	£15 0 0
Road from head of Souris to Ship-yard, Bridge at Donald M'Innis's	10 0 0
Do. at Western Basin Brook	6 0 0
Bridge at John Chaisson's	5 0 0
Do. at Absalom Gregory's	3 10 0
Do. at Donald M'Phee's, Little Harbour	2 10 0
Hill at Thomas M'Mahon's	6 0 0
Little Inlet bridge	8 0 0
Road to St. Catharine's Settlement	5 0 0
" to Greenvale Settlement	5 0 0
Eastern Basin bridge	5 0 0
New Harmony road	10 0 0
Road East side of Souris river	10 0 0
To rail a bridge at the head of Souris	3 0 0
From line road to Souris Mills	6 10 0
Hay River bridge and hills	6 0 0
Bear River bridge and hills	6 0 0
Crooked River bridge	3 10 0
Bridge at John M'Intyre's, and to reduce the bill	2 10 0
From the French Mill to Souris	10 0 0
Road and bridge at the end of the line road, St Margaret's	2 0 0
To build a Wharf at West side of Souris Harbour, provided that the site thereof, and right of way thereto, be secured to the public, and also that the sum of £50 be made up by private subscription for that object, (including £70 formerly voted for that purpose)	100 0 0

DISTRICT No. 15.

Georgetown road, from the County Line to the Royalty,	13 0 0
Bridge, 18 mile brook, and if any balance remain of this amount, the same to be expended where most required in the District,	15 0 0
New bridge on brook at Allan M'Lean's, next to 18 mile brook, to be raised	6 0 0
Brudenell road, from Town road to Montague bridge	4 0 0
Road from the Brudenell road to County Line, head of Montague, by M'Lean's mill, to commence at County Line	10 0 0
Bridge on Big Creek, Baldwin's road	10 0 0
Pisquid road and bridges	20 0 0
St. Peter's road and bridges, North of Cardigan	20 0 0
Dingwell's road, from Cardigan road to Grand River	50 0 0
Launching Place road	10 0 0
Mitchell river road, from Dingwell's road to Cardigan river,	8 0 0
Narrow's Creek road	10 0 0

Bridge at Narrow's Creek in addition to former grant	£10 0 0	On the Cross Road Eastward of Hadley's to the North between the Pasture Lots,	£2 0 0
Bridge on road from De Gross marsh to Grand river,	5 0 0	On the new road between the Common and Aitken's Lot to the Westward,	2 0 0
To pay contractor for labour done on Cardigan wharf, in 1847	19 0 0	To cut down the Hill, East of the Court House,	2 0 0
New road from the Georgetown road at M'Avoy's to Brudenell bridge, and to build a bridge on said road	10 0 0	On the Cross road to Cardigan, West side of Royalty,	1 10 0
St. Peter's road, South of Cardigan, to the Town road	5 0 0	On the South Royalty road through the Common to the Cross road opposite Brudenell Point, and to build a Bridge on the Brook near Dr. Kaye's above Parker's,	2 0 0
Road between Beer's and Campbell's mills Towards opening a road from Malcolm Shaw's, Lot 52, North side Montague river to the road between Montague and Brudenell, north of the burnt bridge, provided a right of way is obtained without cost to the public	3 0 0	On the Swamp from Cooper Davis's to the shore,	1 0 0
	5 0 0	On the Bog from Devereux's to the shore,	0 10 0
DISTRICT No. 16.		Repairing the Wharf, three new bridges, and new Fenders and Mooring Posts, together with the balance of Wharfage in the hands of Mr. Goff from last year,	20 0 0
Sturgeon Bridge	88 0 0	RESOLVED, That in order to obtain a more general distribution of the road Moneys among the most necessitous, and to enable them to obtain Seed Grain and Potatoes, the respective Road Commissioners be recommended to expend the Money in sums not exceeding, where practicable, Two Pounds, or to employ persons in daily labor for a portion of the moneys, if found necessary; but that no person shall be allowed to take more than two Contracts.	
Whim road	24 0 0	And the Report being again read;	
Bridge on North branch of Brown's Creek, at M'Kenzie's mill	5 0 0	Mr. Fraser moved to amend the said Report, by deducting the sum of £40, from the amount appropriated for Road District Nos. 4 and 5, and expending it in District No. 3, where most required.	
Douse's road	17 10 0	The House divided on the motion of amendment:	
St. Mary's road	19 10 0	YEAS:	
Mink river road	5 0 0	Mr. Fraser,	Mr. D. Maclean.
Wood Island road	9 10 0		NAYS:
Shore road from Aitken's to St. Andrew's Point, and repairs of public wharf at Peter's shore	9 10 0	Mr. Haviland,	Mr. H. Macdonald,
Road from Peter's road, Lot 63, to Greek river and Murray mills	8 0 0	Mr. Montgomery,	Mr. Thornton,
Road to Cowan's mill	8 0 0	Mr. N. Conroy,	Mr. Clark,
" to Cape Farm	4 0 0	Mr. Mooney,	Mr. Rae,
Guernsey Cove road and Eastward to Cape Bear	4 0 0	Mr. Le Lacheur,	Hon. Mr. Coles,
Road from South river to the County Line, " on new line from the Main road, near Levrett Bishop's, Lot 63, to Murray river	15 0 0	Mr. Douse,	Mr. Macintosh,
Placed at Commissioners disposal, to be applied where most required,	8 0 0	Mr. Palmer,	Mr. D. Macdonald.
SCALE OF ROAD MONEY FOR GEORGETOWN ROYALTY AND WHARF.		So it passed in the negative.	
The new Main road through the Royalty, From 'Thomas' at the Burnt Point to the Cross roads at M'Namara's,	£15 0 0	The question being then put, "Shall the Report of the Committee be agreed to?"	
The Cross roads to Hugh M'Aulay's	2 0 0	It was resolved in the affirmative.	
From Roderick M'Donald's or Angus M'Lellan's to the Burnt Point road,	2 10 0		
From Head's to M'Fadyen's,	2 10 0		
From M'Fadyen's to M'Gillivray's,	2 10 0		
To cut down the Bank at the end of the Royalty road, West of M'Gillivray's or to purchase a right of way to avoid the high Bank,	2 10 0		

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Montgomery*, Mr. *Rae* and Mr. *Clark* be a Committee, in pursuance of the Resolution reported from the Committee of the whole House, on the subject of the proposed Wharf at Mr. *Kier's* Shore.

Mr. *N. Conroy* moved, that the House do come to a Resolution, as followeth:—

**RESOLVED**, That as Road Districts, Nos. 1 and 2, are of too great extent, the same be divided into Three Districts, and an additional Road Commissioner appointed.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *N. Conroy* have leave to withdraw his motion.

*Resolved*, That this House do now resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, on the consideration of the Report of the Special Committee, appointed to report upon the causes to which the destitution said to exist among the Inhabitants in many parts of the Colony is to be attributed, &c.

The House accordingly resolved itself into to the said Committee.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. *Fraser* took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

Mr. *Fraser* reported, that the Committee had gone through the Report of the Special Committee, to them referred, had amended, and then adopted the same; and the Report being again read at the Clerk's Table, was agreed to by the House, and is as followeth:—

THE Committee appointed to report on the causes to which is to be attributed the destitution said to exist amongst the inhabitants in many parts of the Colony,—the best means of alleviating such distress, and of preventing the numerous applications of the Tenantry to the Government for pecuniary relief for the future, submit—

That in consequence of scarcity of Provisions and Seed Grain, resulting from defective crops, the Legislature, in 1837 and 1846, altered the appropriation of the road money, so far as to cause it to be expended almost entirely in furnishing with Seed Grain and Potatoes those most in want: payment for such advances having been directed to be taken in work on the public roads. That the Colonial Minister having disapproved of further advances being made, on the credit of work to be done, and experience

having shewn that his views were in the main correct, the advance in 1847 was made, on condition of being repaid in money. That of this last advance, not one-tenth part had been repaid to the Treasury up to the 1st March, 1848. That to meet the very general complaints of a deficiency of Seed Grain and Potatoes, the House has this year agreed to increase by Nine hundred Pounds, the Three thousand Pounds at first appropriated for road service; and it is in contemplation, so far as may be practicable, that the whole shall be expended in such manner as to give the necessitous every chance of purchasing on credit from individuals, to an amount equal to the road appropriation. The chief causes of the scarcity in 1837, 1846, and 1847, are well known; and your Committee have to remark, that—in addition to the failure of the Potato, and while, through the scarcity of Seed, much land ready for crop was left unsown—the last season brought the additional misfortune of a very material diminution in the return from Wheat, and a falling off in Oats and Barley, which, though proportionally much less, is yet such as to cause its pressure to be felt in the diminished resources of the farmer. The stagnation in Ship building, as well as the high duty on Flour, &c., have tended to limit that importation of Breadstuffs which would have been made, to meet the difficulty of being able to supply, with the productions of the Colony, the persons formerly engaged in that important branch of industry.

In addition to defective Crops, your Committee have to remark, that other agencies have long been operating in such way as to make many of the Agricultural population less able to ward off distress. That all who have availed themselves of assistance from Government, have in former years used that industry, economy, and foresight, which would make them (considering the matter morally) entitled to assistance from every one who could afford so to do, your Committee know is not the fact. That the majority have periodically sustained severe labour and considerable privations, is well known. Independent of any fact previously stated, it must, however, be remarked, that immigrants from the Mother Country, for some years after their location here, are not, in general, capable of raising from forest land crops sufficient for their maintenance: that when dispersed amongst those who have effected considerable clearances, their assistance is valuable, and the wages thus obtained facilitate their bringing into cultivation the wood land on which they themselves have settled; but when located together, and in considerable numbers, as has of late been the practice, they have difficulty in procuring work, unless at such a distance as obliges them for a time to neglect their own farms so far, as to be unable to raise and secure

any crop thereon. Neither can the payments they receive be made so profitable to themselves, nor so convenient to their employers, as if they laboured in their own neighbourhood.

Your Committee have further to remark, that the bulk of the immigrants and of natives who, within the last twenty years have taken up lands in this Island, could not obtain locations on the seashore, nor on the banks of rivers, and were thus deprived of the resources of fishing and of sea manure. The rents, though comparatively of small amount, yet trench heavily on the Crops they can raise on such considerable portions of land as for some years they can reclaim from its natural state. Further, many labor under difficulties with respect to roads, and in some cases under restrictions in disposing of any marketable timber growing on the land they have leased; superadded to these in many instances, is the practice of granting Leases of short duration, which will expire when they might have a reasonable expectation of deriving from their improvements some recompence for their labour; and, although, perhaps, not one of the principal causes of the present distress, yet in part contributes thereto, inasmuch as those Leases do not enable the Tenants to obtain advances when in distress, or a proper value for their improvements at the expiration of the Leases.

Lastly, it must be remarked that, of the immigrants who within these fifteen years, have been landed on our shores, some have been without relatives capable of assisting them, while they themselves were past the time of life, when they could undergo the labor of entering on the forest; others have been enfeebled and dispirited by disease, contracted on the passage, through the non-enforcement of regulations as to food and accommodations, so essential to the preservation of health; and the great majority have been destitute of pecuniary resources.

Such, it appears to your Committee, are the principal causes of destitution.

It is further submitted, that the amount of advances made for the purchase of Seed Grain and Potatoes, since 1836, is £7889 currency.

That on these advances, there has been paid from the Colonial Revenue a considerable amount of interest, and that by no plan which has been tried, has even the original amount been completely repaid, whether money or labor on the roads was the conditions of the loan. The loss on the whole, cannot be calculated at less than one half the amount advanced.

The House having this year resolved on the Appropriation, your Committee submit, that, (leaving out of consideration the increase made thereto, solely on account of the alleged scarcity) by no regulation which has been suggested to them, can this mode of

appropriation produce the same amount of improvement on the public works, as if the contracts were subdivided, and open to the competition of all classes; and that thus there is almost a certainty of loss to the public, on the moneys to be applied this year to these purposes.

Having thus detailed the causes of this public burden and its extent, it must next be remarked that at the first view neither regard to humanity nor to the interest of the Colony, would seem to allow any portion of the Inhabitants to be left without means to render their labour available for their support; but the experience of past years, as well as that of other Countries, renders it imperative to observe, that this plan of relief by advances from the general revenue, cannot in justice to all parties, be often resorted to, nor henceforth at any time to such amount; but that the people must in the main, depend on their private arrangements.

The equitable distribution of the burden, which may hereafter devolve on the Country, is next to be considered.

That the class of persons who have required assistance, do not contribute to the revenue so much as an equal number of those in better circumstances, will scarcely be disputed. The proportion of Tenants who have received this temporary aid to that of Freeholders in Road District Number 16, is as 13 to 1; and though none of the other Commissioners have calculated the relative proportions, your Committee believe they are within the mark when they state, that of the whole number, Four-fifths are Tenants. The rents drawn from the land exceed the public revenue. The additional and more immediate value given to the Township lands, by the improvements of the roads, and by building Bridges and Wharfs, is well known. The Proprietors have had a still further advantage from the temporary aid given by the public to their Tenants, as in many instances, part of the crops thus raised, has been devoted to the payment of arrears of rent. Under these circumstances, your Committee recommend that this report be published, and that next year a Bill be brought in to make the Proprietor of every Township liable to an equitable share of the burden occasioned by advances to the Tenantry, when the crops shall be so defective as to make such advances absolutely necessary.

The Amendment of the Emigrant Act, while it will have the intended effect of relieving the Colony from a continuance of losses by outlays on those labouring under disease when landed, will also indirectly tend in some degree to diminish the destitution, into the causes of, and the remedies for which your Committee were directed to enquire.

And the Report being again read—

Mr. *D. Maclean* moved to amend the same, by inserting the following at the end of the third paragraph thereof:—

“Superadded to the preceding, a prominent cause of distress must be attributed to the practice of leasing Wilderness Lands—general in the Colony—and mostly at higher rents than the Lessees have been able to pay.”

And the motion of amendment being seconded, and the question put thereon, It passed in the negative.

The question being then put, that the Report of the Committee be adopted by the House,

It was resolved in the affirmative.

Then the House adjourned until to-morrow at Ten o'clock.

## TUESDAY, April 11, 1848.

**A** MOTION being made, that the Order of the Day for the second reading of the engrossed Bill from the Council, intituled “An Act to repeal the Laws for constituting Boards of Health, and to make other provisions in lieu thereof,” be now read—

Mr. *Speaker* acquainted the House, that as the said Bill relates to Money matters, the House cannot, consistently with its privileges, further consider the same.

*Resolved*, That as this House approves of the principle of the said Bill, this House will order one of a similar import to be introduced.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Thornton* have leave to introduce a Bill to repeal the Laws for constituting Boards of Health, and to make other provisions in lieu thereof.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was read the first time.

*Ordered*, That the Tenth Rule of the House be suspended in this case.

And then the said Bill was read a second time.

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

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. *Speaker* left the Chair.

Mr. *N. Conroy* took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. *Speaker* resumed the Chair.

Mr. *N. Conroy* reported, that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made several amendments thereto; which amend-

ments were again read at the Clerk's Table, and agreed to by the House.

*Ordered*, That the said Bill, as amended, be engrossed, and that the Title be “An Act to repeal the Laws for constituting Boards of Health, and to make other provisions in lieu thereof.”

A Message from the Council by Mr. *Desbrisay*.

Mr. *Speaker*;

The Legislative Council desire a Conference with the House of Assembly, on the Bill intituled “An Act to repeal certain parts of the Laws now in force regulating the performance of Statute Labour or the Highways, relating to Charlottetown, its Common and Royalty, and to make other provisions in lieu thereof,” and have appointed the Hon. Mr. *Rice* and the Hon. Mr. *Swabey* a Committee to manage the said Conference, to meet in the Conference Room instanter.

And also—

*Resolved*, That the Hon. the President of the Council, and the Hon. *T. H. Haviland*, their Clerk, have leave to attend the Committee of the House of Assembly appointed to investigate the state of the Treasury of this Island, to be examined, if they should think fit.

*Ordered*, That the said Resolution be communicated by Message to the House of Assembly.

And then he withdrew.

*Resolved*, That this House do agree to a Conference, as is desired by the Council, on the Bill intituled "An Act to repeal certain parts of the Laws now in force regulating the performance of Statute Labour on the Highways, relating to Charlottetown, its Common and Royalty, and to make other provisions in lieu thereof."

*Ordered*, That Mr. F. Longworth do go to the Council and acquaint them therewith.

*Ordered*, That Mr. F. Longworth, Mr. Palmer, Mr. Haviland and Mr. J.H. Conroy be a Committee to manage the said Conference.

So the Managers went to the Conference.

And being returned—

Mr. F. Longworth reported, that the Managers had been at the Conference, and he stated the substance thereof to the House.

*Resolved*, That a further Conference be desired with the Council on the subject matter of the last Conference.

*Ordered*, That Mr. F. Longworth do go to the Council, and desire the said Conference.

*Ordered*, That the same Committee who managed the last Conference, be a Committee to manage this further Conference.

Read a third time, as engrossed, the Bill intituled "An Act to amend the Laws for the relief of Insolvent Debtors."

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass.

*Ordered*, That Mr. Rae do carry the said Bill to the Council, and desire their concurrence.

Then the House adjourned for one hour.

And being met—

The Order of the Day, for the second reading of the Bill for the encouragement of the Cod Fisheries, being read ;

A motion was made, that the House do now go into the Order of the Day,

Mr. Thornton moved, by way of amendment, to leave out the word "now," and

at the end of the question insert "this day Six months."

The House divided on the motion of amendment :

YEAS 7,

NAYS 9.

So it passed in the negative.

The question being then put on the main motion,

The House again divided:

YEAS 9,

NAYS 7.

So it was carried in the affirmative.

And then the said Bill was accordingly read a second time.

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

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. H. Macdonald took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

A motion being made, that the engrossed Bill intituled "An Act to enable the Government to ascertain the Population of this Colony, and to obtain other statistical information therein mentioned," be now read the third time.

Mr. Rae moved, by way of amendment, to leave out the word "now," and at the end of the question insert "this day three months."

The House divided on the motion of amendment :

YEAS 8,

NAYS 12,

So it passed in the negative.

The question being then put on the main motion,

It was agreed to by the House.

And the said Bill was accordingly read the third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass.

*Ordered*, That Mr. Palmer do carry the said Bill to the Council, and desire their concurrence.

Read a third time, as engrossed, the Bill intituled "An Act to regulate the Currency of Prince Edward Island."

Mr. *D. Maclean* moved, that the following Clauses be added to the Bill, and do form part thereof, by way of rider :

"And be it enacted, That it shall be lawful for the Treasurer, with the sanction of the Governor in Council, to negotiate a credit with \_\_\_\_\_, or other Bank or Firm of respectability, in London, to the extent of £ \_\_\_\_\_, for the purpose of selling and buying Exchange, when the Treasurer shall reckon Exchange operations necessary, to prevent a drain upon the Specie in the Treasury vaults; for which credit the resources of the Government of the Colony shall be responsible; and all Sterling transactions with said London Bank or Firm shall be entered to its debit or credit, as the case may be, at the rate or proportion of £ \_\_\_\_\_ Currency to every £100 Sterling; and it shall also be the duty of the Treasurer, to open an Exchange Account in the Double Entry Book, which shall exhibit the actual gain or loss—as the case may be—upon all Exchange transactions; and the Treasurer shall not sell Exchange in a smaller sum or sums than £30 Sterling, and at such marketable rate as he may believe to be most conducive to the public interest; and all Bills of Exchange sold by the Treasurer shall be drawn by him in favor of the \_\_\_\_\_ of this Island, for the time being, who shall endorse the same; and the said Treasurer and \_\_\_\_\_ shall each keep a Bill Book, in which shall be regularly entered a precise and clearly defined list of all such Bills of Exchange so drawn and endorsed.

"And be it enacted, That as often as the Treasurer shall reckon it necessary to purchase Exchange, he shall notify the Provincial Secretary and Prothonotary of this Island, for the time being, to attend at his Office, and the said Provincial Secretary and Prothonotary are, with the Treasurer,

hereby empowered and constituted a Board to determine upon the credit of any Bill or Bills of Exchange offered for sale at the Treasury; and it shall not be lawful for the Treasurer to purchase any Exchange unless sanctioned by all the Members of the said Board, nor shall it be lawful for said Board to authorize such purchase unless said Bill or Bills of Exchange be in each and every case guaranteed by an endorser or endorsers, who shall be reckoned by them to be good and sufficient security to the amount of the proposed Bill, independently of the drawer, who shall in like manner be considered solvent and in good credit."

And the said Clauses being again read, and the question put thereon;

The House divided :

YEAS 8,

NAYS 12.

So it passed in the negative.

Mr. *Rae* then moved, that the Clause providing a Salary of £100 per annum, for a Clerk of the Treasury, be struck out of the Bill.

The House divided on the motion of amendment.

YEAS 8.

NAYS 12.

So it passed in the negative.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *D. Maclean* do carry the said Bill to the Council, and desire their concurrence.

*Resolved*, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, to take into consideration the necessity of imposing an Embargo on the exportation of Agricultural produce.

Then the House adjourned until to-morrow, at Ten o'clock.

## WEDNESDAY, April 12, 1848.

**R**EAD a third time, as engrossed, the Bill intituled "An Act to consolidate and improve the Laws for the election of Members to serve in the General Assembly."

Mr. *Palmer* moved, that the following Clause be added to the Bill, and do form part thereof, by way of rider:

"That it shall be unlawful for any person, without command or order from lawful authority for that purpose hereafter to be first given, to wear or carry at any Election hereafter to be held, or on his journey to, or return from, any such Election, on the day at which such Election shall be held or publicly announced and intended to be held, any offensive or dangerous weapon, or any Staff, Bludgeon, Stick or other Instrument, or article by which an injury may be wilfully or unlawfully inflicted on any person whatsoever: and every person unlawfully wearing, carrying, or having in his possession at any time as aforesaid, any such weapon or article, shall forthwith deliver up to any Conservator of the peace, or other Peace Officer, who shall first demand the same, such weapon or article as aforesaid, and the same shall be forfeited to Her Majesty: And every person who shall on demand made as aforesaid, refuse to deliver up any such weapon or article as aforesaid, or otherwise offend against the provisions of this Section, shall forfeit and pay for each and every such offence, any sum not less than Forty shillings, nor more than Five Pounds."

And the said Clause being thrice read, was agreed to by the House, and ordered to form part of the Bill, by way of rider:

Mr. *Rae* then moved, that the following Clause be also added to the Bill, and do form part thereof, by way of rider:

"And whereas it is expedient and necessary that the freedom of Election shall not be infringed by threats, either of legal proceedings for debt, or of any violence or injury to the person, family or property of any elector, being used to any Elector, either at the hustings or subsequent, to the publication of the Writ of Election,

with the intention of swaying the vote of such elector: Be it therefore enacted, That any threat of prosecution, with such intent as aforesaid, used by or on behalf of any Candidate, shall, on its being fully proved and established, subject the party using it to a Penalty of Five Pounds, Currency, for each and every offence; and that either the Elector towards whom such threat or intimidation may have been used, or any candidate or any Elector at the said Election, may prosecute for the said Penalty, before any Justice of the Peace or Commissioner of Small Debts for the County; the said prosecution to be raised within one Month after the alleged commission of such offence; and such penalty or penalties, when recovered, shall be paid into the Treasury of this Island—the expenses of prosecution to be paid by the party against whom the offence may be proved; but, if the prosecutor fail in establishing such charge, to the satisfaction of the Justice or Commissioner before whom he may bring the complaint, then and in such case, he shall be liable to all the expenses of the prosecution, including a reasonable allowance for the time and travelling expences of the party prosecuted."

And the said Clause being thrice read, was agreed to by the House, and ordered to form part of the Bill, by way of rider.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Palmer* do carry the said Bill to the Council, and desire their concurrence.

A Message from the Council by Mr. Desbrisay.

Mr. Speaker;

The Legislative Council do agree to a Conference, as is desired by the House of Assembly, on the Bill intituled "An Act to repeal certain parts of the Laws now in force, regulating the performance of Statute Labour on the Highways, relating to Charlottetown, its Common and Royalty, and to make other provisions in lieu thereof," and have appointed the same Committee who managed the last Conference, a Committee

to manage this further Conference—to meet in the Conference Room instanter.

And then he withdrew.

And the names of the Managers being called over,

They went to the Conference.

And being returned—

Mr. *F. Longworth* 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. Desbrisay.

Mr. Speaker ;

The Legislative Council desire a Conference with the House of Assembly, on the amendments made to the Bill intituled “An Act to repeal an Act made and passed in the Eighth year of the Reign of Her present Majesty, intituled ‘An Act to authorize the Commissioners of Small Debts in their respective Courts to appoint Bailiffs to execute the Processes of the said Courts, and to take security from such Bailiffs for the due execution of the same,’ and to make other provisions in lieu thereof;”—and have appointed the Hon. Mr. Rice and the Hon. Mr. Swabey, a Committee to manage the said Conference—to meet in the Conference Room instanter.

And then he withdrew.

*Resolved*, That this House do agree to a Conference as is desired by the Council, on the amendments made to the Bill intituled “An Act to repeal an Act made and passed in the Eighth year of the Reign of Her present Majesty, intituled ‘An Act to authorize the Commissioners of Small Debts in their respective Courts to appoint Bailiffs, to execute the Processes of the said Courts, and to take security from such Bailiffs for the due execution of the same,’ and to make other provisions in lieu thereof.”

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Thornton* do go the Council, and acquaint them therewith.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Thornton*, Mr. *Haviland*, Mr. *F. Longworth* and Mr. *Montgo-*

*mery* be a Committee, to manage the said Conference.

So the Managers went to the Conference.

And being returned—

Mr. *Thornton* reported, that the Managers had been at the Conference; and he stated the substance thereof to the House.

A Petition of divers Inhabitants of Charlottetown, was presented to the House by Mr. *Palmer*, and the same was received and read, setting forth—the sufferings of the Inhabitants in many parts of the Island for want of Food; and calling the attention of the House to the proceedings of a large Meeting, held in Charlottetown, to consider of the existing distress, when it was resolved to petition the Legislature to impose an Embargo on the Exportation of Island Produce, and praying the adoption of such measures as shall effectually prevent such exportation during a season of unparalleled suffering and distress.

*Ordered*, That the said Petition be referred to the Committee of the whole House, on the consideration of an Embargo.

Then the House adjourned for one hour.

And being met—

The Order of the Day, for the House in Committee, on the consideration of the necessity of imposing an Embargo on the exportation of Agricultural Produce, being read;

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. H. Macdonald took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chairman reported, that the Committee had made some progress, and had directed him to move for leave to sit again; which the House agreed to.

Then the House adjourned until to-morrow at Ten o'clock.

## THURSDAY, April 13, 1848.

**O**RDERED, That Mr. *J. Longworth* have leave to introduce a Bill relating to Treasury Warrants and the cancelling of Treasury Notes.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was read the first time, and ordered to be read a second time to-morrow.

A Message from the Council by Mr. Desbrisay.

Mr. Speaker;

The Legislative Council have passed a Bill, intituled "An Act to empower the Executive Government, in cases of necessity, to impose an Embargo on Agricultural Produce, and to exercise other powers therein contained," to which they desire the concurrence of the House of Assembly.

And also—

The Legislative Council do agree to a further Conference, as is desired by the House of Assembly, on the amendments made to the Bill intituled "An Act to repeal an Act made and passed in the Eighth year of the Reign of Her present Majesty, intituled 'An Act to authorize the Commissioners of Small Debts in their respective Courts to appoint Bailiffs to execute the Processes of the said Courts, and to take security from such Bailiffs for the due execution of the same,' and to make other provisions in lieu thereof," and have appointed the same Committee who managed the last Conference thereon, a Committee to manage this further Conference—to meet in the Conference Room instanter.

And then he withdrew.

So the Managers went to the Conference.

And being returned—

Mr. *F. Longworth* reported, that the Managers had been at the Conference, and had complied with the instructions given them by this House.

The engrossed Bill from the Council, intituled "An Act to empower the Execu-

tive Government, in cases of necessity, to impose an Embargo on Agricultural Produce, and to exercise other powers therein contained," was read the first time.

*Ordered*, That the said Bill be referred to the Committee of the whole House on the further consideration of an Embargo.

And then the House resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. *H. Macdonald* took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

Mr. *H. Macdonald* reported, that the Committee had come to Two Resolutions; which Resolutions were again read at the Clerk's Table, and are as follow:

1. RESOLVED, AS the opinion of this Committee, that it is indispensably necessary to prohibit the Malting and Distillation of Grain, and the Exportation from this Island of all Grain, Meal, Flour and Potatoes, until the First day of July next; but that the Executive Government be empowered to suspend the operation of the Act to be passed for that purpose, at any time after the First day of June next, if they shall deem it necessary so to do.

2. RESOLVED, AS the opinion of this Committee, that it is inexpedient to entertain the Bill sent down from the Legislative Council, intituled "An Act to empower the Executive Government, in cases of necessity, to impose an Embargo on Agricultural Produce, and to exercise other powers therein contained," inasmuch as the object of the Bill has been provided for by a Resolution of this Committee.

And the First of the said Resolutions being again read—

Mr. *Haviland* moved, in amendment thereto, that after the word "Resolved," all be expunged, and the following inserted in lieu thereof:

"That all the Moneys appropriated this Session, for the purpose of being expended on Roads, be forthwith laid out by the

Road Commissioners in the purchase of Seed Grain and Potatoes, at a price not exceeding Three Shillings, Currency, per bushel; and that all persons who shall take Road Contracts, this Spring, shall be paid in Seed Grain and Potatoes, instead of Money; and that a further sum of One Thousand Pounds be appropriated for the same purpose, should that amount, or part thereof, be required."

The House divided on the motion of amendment:

## YEAS:

Mr. Haviland,	Mr. Rae,
Mr. Clark,	Mr. J. H. Conroy,
Mr. D. Maclean,	Mr. F. Longworth,
Mr. Fraser,	Mr. Montgomery.

## NAYS:

Mr. J. Longworth,	Mr. Palmer,
Mr. N. Conroy,	Mr. Mooney,
Hon. Mr. Coles,	Mr. Le Lacheur,
Mr. Whelan,	Mr. D. Macdonald,
Mr. Jardine,	Mr. Macintosh,
Mr. Douse,	Mr. Thornton,
Mr. H. Macdonald,	

So it passed in the negative.

Mr. Rae then moved, in amendment to the said first reported Resolution, that all after the word "Resolved," be left out, and the following substituted;—

"That an Embargo shall be imposed on Oats and Potatoes, until the First day of August; that if any persons who have shipped or contracted for shipping Grain or Potatoes previous to this date, sustain any damage by the Embargo, through selling Oats or Potatoes at less than Two Shillings and nine-pence per bushel, this House will, next year, award them remuneration for their losses, on the same being satisfactorily proved; and that the House will order forthwith, a Bill to be brought in, to tax the landed property in this Colony, to make up the loss likely to result to the Revenue, by the course which circumstances have forced upon the Legislature."

The House divided on the motion of amendment:

## YEAS:

Mr. Rae,	Mr. F. Longworth,
Mr. Fraser,	Mr. Haviland.

## NAYS:

Hon. Mr. Coles,	Mr. Palmer,
Mr. J. Longworth,	Mr. J. H. Conroy,
Mr. Montgomery,	Mr. Thornton,
Mr. D. Maclean,	Mr. N. Conroy,
Mr. Clark,	Mr. Mooney,
Mr. Le Lacheur,	Mr. Whelan,
Mr. D. Macdonald,	Mr. Macintosh,
Mr. Jardine,	Mr. Douse,
Mr. H. Macdonald,	

So it passed in the negative.

The question being then put on the said reported Resolution,

The House again divided:

## YEAS:

Mr. Palmer,	Mr. Macintosh,
Hon. Mr. Coles,	Mr. J. Longworth,
Mr. Thornton,	Mr. N. Conroy,
Mr. Mooney,	Mr. Rae,
Mr. Le Lacheur,	Mr. D. Macdonald,
Mr. Whelan,	Mr. Jardine,
Mr. Fraser,	Mr. Douse.
Mr. H. Macdonald,	

## NAYS:

Mr. J. H. Conroy,	Mr. D. Maclean,
Mr. F. Longworth,	Mr. Clark,
Mr. Haviland,	Mr. Montgomery.

So it was carried in the affirmative.

The question being then put on the Second of the above reported Resolutions, It was agreed to by the House.

*Ordered*, That a Committee be appointed to prepare and bring in a Bill for the purposes mentioned in the first of the above reported Resolutions.

*Ordered*, That the Hon. Mr. Coles, Mr. D. Macdonald, Mr. J. Longworth, Mr. Thornton and Mr. Mooney do compose the said Committee.

*Resolved*, That the following Address to His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor do now pass:

To His Excellency SIR DONALD CAMPBELL, BARONET, Lieutenant Governor and Commander-in-Chief in and over Her Majesty's Island Prince Edward, and the Territories thereunto belonging, Chancellor, Vice Admiral, and Ordinary of the same, &c. &c. &c.

May it please Your Excellency;

The House of Assembly having voted the sum of Three thousand Nine hundred Pounds for the service of Roads, Bridges and Wharves, for the present year, and being desirous to relieve, as far as possible, with

the said amount of Moneys, the most destitute in the Colony, have deemed it expedient to adopt the following Resolution:

*Resolved*, That in order to effect a more general distribution of the Road Moneys among the most necessitous, and to enable them to obtain Seed Grain and Potatoes, the respective Road Commissioners be recommended to expend the Moneys in Contracts not exceeding, where practicable, Two Pounds, or employ persons in daily labour for a portion of the Moneys, if found necessary; but that no person shall be allowed to take more than two Contracts."

The House of Assembly, therefore, respectfully request Your Excellency to cause instructions to be forwarded to the respective Road Commissioners, directing them to advertise forthwith for the sales of the Roads, Bridges and Wharves throughout the Colony.

*Ordered*, That the said Address be engrossed.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Thornton*, Mr. *N. Conroy* and Mr. *Montgomery* be a Committee to wait upon His Excellency with the same.

Then the House adjourned for one hour.

And being met—

The Hon. Mr. *Coles*, from the Committee appointed to prepare and bring in a Bill pursuant to the Resolution reported from the Committee of the whole House, on the consideration of the necessity of imposing an Embargo, presented to the House a Bill, as prepared by the Committee; and the same was read the first time.

*Ordered*, That the Tenth Rule of the House be suspended in this case; and then the said Bill was read a second time.

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

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. H. Macdonald took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

Mr. H. Macdonald reported, that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made several amendments thereto; which amend-

ments were again read at the Clerk's Table, and agreed to by the House.

*Ordered*, That the said Bill, as amended, be engrossed, and that the title be "An Act to prohibit the exportation of Grain, Meal and Potatoes, and for other purposes therein mentioned."

The Bill in addition to the Act regulating Fire Engine Companies, was, according to order, read a second time.

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

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. N. Conroy took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

Mr. N. Conroy reported, that the Committee had gone through the Bill, without making any amendment thereto; and the Report was again read at the Clerk's Table.

*Ordered*, That the said Bill be engrossed, and that the title be "An Act in addition to the Act regulating Fire Engine Companies."

*Resolved*, That the following Address to His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor do now pass:

To His Excellency SIR DONALD CAMPBELL, BARONET, Lieutenant Governor and Commander-in-Chief in and over Her Majesty's Island Prince Edward, and the Territories thereunto belonging, Chancellor, Vice Admiral, and Ordinary of the same, &c. &c. &c.

May it please Your Excellency;

The House of Assembly pray that Your Excellency may be pleased to take measures to ascertain the views of Her Majesty's Government upon the subject of Free Ports, as prayed for in a Joint Address of the Legislature to Her Majesty, during its last Session; and that Your Excellency would further be pleased to recommend the prayer of the said Address to the favourable consideration of Her Majesty's Government.

*Ordered*, That the said Address be engrossed.

*Ordered*, That Mr. J. H. Conroy, Mr. D. Maclean and Mr. Thornton be a Committee to wait upon His Excellency with the same.

*Resolved*, That the Fifth standing Order of the House relative to Private Bills, be dispensed with in the case of the engrossed Bill from the Council, intituled "An Act to incorporate a Mutual Fire Insurance Company."

And thereupon, the said Bill was accordingly read a second time.

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

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. Jardine took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chairman reported, that the Committee had made some progress, and had directed him to move for leave to sit again; which the House agreed to.

Then the House adjourned until to-morrow at Ten o'clock.

**FRIDAY, April 14, 1848.**

**R**EAD a third time, as engrossed, the Bill intituled "An Act to prohibit the Exportation of Grain, Meal and Potatoes, and for other purposes therein mentioned."

An amendment was proposed by Mr. F. Longworth to be made to the Bill, in the third Clause, by striking out so much thereof as renders liable to seizure and condemnation, any Ship, Vessel, Boat or Goods, whether such shall have been cleared out at any Custom House in this Island prior to the passing of this Act, or otherwise.

The House divided on the motion of amendment:

**YEAS:**

Mr. F. Longworth,	Mr. Rae,
Mr. Palmer,	Mr. Clark,
Mr. J. H. Conroy,	Mr. Haviland,
Mr. N. Conroy,	Mr. D. Maclean,
Mr. J. Longworth,	Mr. H. Macdonald,
Mr. Fraser,	Mr. Thornton.
Mr. Montgomery,	

**NAYS:**

Hon. Mr. Coles,	Mr. Mooney,
Mr. Le Lacheur,	Mr. Whelan,
Mr. D. Macdonald,	Mr. Jardine.
Mr. Macintosh,	

So it was carried in the affirmative.

And the Bill was amended at the Table accordingly.

A motion being made, that the Bill do pass.

The House again divided:

**YEAS:**

Hon. Mr. Coles,	Mr. Palmer,
Mr. J. Longworth,	Mr. H. Macdonald,
Mr. Thornton,	Mr. Mooney,
Mr. N. Conroy,	Mr. Rae,
Mr. Le Lacheur,	Mr. Whelan,
Mr. Macintosh,	Mr. Douse,
Mr. Jardine,	Mr. Fraser.
Mr. D. Macdonald,	

**NAYS:**

Mr. F. Longworth,	Mr. Haviland,
Mr. J. H. Conroy,	Mr. Clark,
Mr. Montgomery,	Mr. D. Maclean.

So it was carried in the affirmative, and *Resolved* accordingly.

*Ordered*, That the Hon. Mr. Coles do carry the said Bill to the Council, and desire their concurrence.

The Bill relating to Treasury Warrants and the cancelling of Treasury Notes, was, according to order, read a second time.

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

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. Jardine took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

Mr. Jardine reported, that the Committee had gone through the Bill, without

making any amendment thereto; and the Report was again read at the Clerk's Table.

Mr. *Rae* moved, that the Bill be recommended for the purpose of amending the same, by adding the two following Clauses thereto :

“ Provided always, and be it enacted, That all Notes of the old Plate shall cease to pass either at the Treasury or elsewhere, after the 31st day of December, 1849.

“ And be it enacted, That there shall be exchanged by the Commissioners exchanging Treasury Notes, such sum, as with what have been already exchanged, shall not exceed the sum of Eleven thousand Eight hundred Pounds.”

The House divided on the question :

YEAS :

Mr. <i>Rae</i> ,	Hon. Mr. <i>Coles</i> ,
Mr. <i>Mooney</i> ,	Mr. <i>Whelan</i> ,
Mr. <i>Le Lachur</i> ,	Mr. <i>D. Macdonald</i> ,
Mr. <i>Frascr</i> ,	

NAYS :

Mr. <i>J. Longworth</i> ,	Mr. <i>D. Maclean</i> ,
Mr. <i>H. Macdonald</i> ,	Mr. <i>Montgomery</i> ,
Mr. <i>Thornton</i> ,	Mr. <i>Palmer</i> ,
Mr. <i>A. Conroy</i> ,	Mr. <i>Clark</i> ,
Mr. <i>F. Longworth</i> ,	Mr. <i>Jardine</i> ,
Mr. <i>Macintosh</i> ,	Mr. <i>Douse</i> .

So it passed in the negative.

*Ordered*, That the said Bill be engrossed, and that the title be “ An Act relating to Treasury Warrants, and to repeal a certain part of an Act therein mentioned, relating to the cancelling of Treasury Notes.”

*Resolved*, That the following Address to His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor do now pass :

To His Excellency SIR DONALD CAMPBELL, BARONET, Lieutenant Governor and Commander-in-Chief in and over Her Majesty's Island Prince Edward, and the Territories thereto belonging, Chancellor, Vice Admiral, and Ordinary of the same, &c. &c. &c.

May it please Your Excellency;

The House of Assembly deeming it necessary that the old Treasury Notes now afloat, should be called in as early as possible, with all due convenience to the holders thereof, respectfully request, that Your Excellency in Council will be pleased, by Proclamation, to call in all such Notes on or before the last

day of December, in the present year; and to order, that no such Notes presented for exchange or payment after that period, shall be received by the Treasurer, unless an Order for that purpose be made by Your Excellency in Council, upon special cause to be shewn by the applicant or holder of such Notes, presented after such period.

*Ordered*, That the said Address be engrossed.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Palmer*, Mr. *Macintosh* and Mr. *Jardine* be a Committee to wait upon His Excellency with the said Address.

The Hon. Mr. *Coles*, by command of His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor, laid before the House, in compliance with the Message of this House to His Excellency of the 8th inst., Copies of correspondence between His Excellency Sir H. V. Huntley, late Lieutenant Governor, His Excellency the present Lieutenant Governor of this Colony, and the Deputy Post Master General, on the subject of the Post Office.

*Ordered*, That the said Papers be referred to the Committee appointed to report on the subject of the Post Office Department.

[ For said Documents see Appendix (N.) ]

Mr. *J. H. Conroy*, from the Committee appointed to wait upon His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor with the Address, praying that His Excellency may be pleased to take measures to ascertain the views of Her Majesty's Government upon the subject of Free Ports, as prayed for in a Joint Address of the Legislature to Her Majesty, during its last Session, &c., reported the delivery thereof, and that His Excellency was pleased to say, he would comply with the desire of the House.

Mr. *Thornton*, from the Committee appointed to wait upon His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor, with the Address requesting His Excellency to cause instructions to be forwarded to the respective Road Commissioners, directing them to advertize forthwith, sales of the Roads, Bridges and Wharves throughout the Colony, so as to enable the most necessitous of the Inhabitants to obtain Seed Grain and Potatoes,

reported the delivery of the said Address, and that His Excellency was pleased to say he would comply with the desire of the House.

Read a third time, as engrossed, the Bill intituled "An Act in addition to the Act regulating Fire Engine Companies."

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Palmer* do carry the said Bill to the Council, and desire their concurrence.

A Message from the Council by Mr. Desbrisay.

Mr. Speaker ;

The Legislative Council have passed the Bill intituled "An Act to repeal certain parts of the Laws now in force, regulating the performance of Statute Labour on the Highways, relating to Charlottetown, its Common and Royalty, and to make other provisions in lieu thereof."

And also—

The Legislative Council have passed the Bill intituled "An Act to repeal the Laws for the relief of Insolvent Debtors," with several amendments, to which they desire the concurrence of the House of Assembly.

And also—

The Legislative Council have passed a Bill intituled "An Act for the better preventing Accidents by Fire within Charlottetown;" to which they desire the concurrence of the House of Assembly.

And then he withdrew.

Then the House adjourned for one hour.

And being met—

A Message from the Council by Mr. Desbrisay.

Mr. Speaker ;

The Legislative Council have passed the Bill intituled "An Act to prohibit the exportation of Grain, Meal and Potatoes, and for other purposes therein mentioned," without any amendment.

And then he withdrew.

The engrossed Bill from the Council, intituled "An Act for the better preventing Accidents by Fire within Charlottetown," was read the first time, and ordered to be read a second time on Monday next.

The amendments made by the Council to the Bill intituled "An Act to repeal the Laws for the relief of Insolvent Debtors," were read the first time, and are as follow :

*Folio 8, line 1.*—After the word "that," insert "in all cases where the amount for which any person or persons may be imprisoned, shall exceed the sum of Fifty Pounds, and any Commissioners shall decide such person or persons entitled to weekly support or maintenance, or discharge from imprisonment, the Plaintiff in the suit in which such order shall be made, is hereby empowered, within six days after such decision, to appeal to the Supreme Court, in Term time, or to the Chief Justice, in vacation, who may either confirm or set aside such order, or make such other order touching the same as may be deemed expedient. Provided always, that where any Plaintiff or Plaintiffs may intend to appeal, he or they shall forthwith give notice thereof to the said Commissioners, and the said Commissioners shall then order the Prisoner to be detained in custody until such appeal be heard by the Court or the Chief Justice as aforesaid."

*Strike out the last Clause of the Bill, and insert instead:*

"And be it enacted, That from and after the passing of this Act, the second and third Sections of the hereinbefore mentioned Act shall be, and the same are hereby repealed."

"And be it enacted, That whenever any Person may be confined within any Jail, or the limits thereof, within this Island, for any debt, damages or costs, whether on Mesne or final process, (except such persons as may be so confined by virtue of any Mesne or final process, issued under any Act or Acts made for the recovery of Small Debts), and such persons so confined, shall be unable to provide or obtain his or her necessary support, it shall and may be

lawful for such person to make application to any two Judges of the Supreme Court of this Island, or to the said Court, in Term time, or to any Commissioners, (two of whom shall be a quorum) to be appointed as aforesaid, for a weekly support or maintenance; and such Judges, Court or Commissioners, (after fourteen days previous notice to the Plaintiff or person at whose Suit such Person may be confined, his or her Attorney) shall examine on oath such person so confined, as to his or her ability to support him or herself; and if, on examination to be taken in writing, on oath as aforesaid, to be filed in the office of the Clerk or Prothonotary of the Supreme Court aforesaid, it shall appear to such Judges, Court or Commissioners, that such person is utterly unable to support him or herself, and has no property whatever, real or personal, of what nature or kind soever (except necessary Bedding, Wearing Apparel, Kitchen Utensils and necessary Tools of his or her Trade or occupation, not exceeding in value in the whole, Fifteen Pounds) and that such confined person hath not at any time since he or she was served with the first or Mesne Process, in the Suit in which he or she may have been confined, or since he or she had notice of the said Suit having been commenced, made over, assigned, transferred, or put out of his or her possession or power, either directly or indirectly, any property whatsoever, whether real or personal, for the purpose of defrauding such Plaintiff, or giving any undue preference to any other Plaintiff or Creditor, that then it shall be lawful for such Judges, Court or Commissioners to make an order for the party at whose Suit such person may be confined, to pay a weekly sum to be applied for the support of such person; which sum shall be paid weekly, and the first payment be made at the time such Judges, Court or Commissioners may in such order direct, and shall be paid weekly thereafter, on such day as such order shall direct; and from the first day of November, until the last day of March, shall be Five Shillings, per week, and the remainder of the year, Four Shillings

ings per week, and after such order made, it shall be the duty of such parties, without any further notice, to pay such weekly support, agreeably to such order, such allowance to be paid to the Jailer of the County in which such Debtor may be confined, at any time during the day (between sun-rise and sun-set,) such allowance becomes due, for the use and support of such confined Debtor; and in case of failure thereof, it shall and may be lawful for such Judges, Court or Commissioners, on such failure being made known to them, on Affidavit of the Debtor and the Jailer of the County in which such Debtor may be confined, to make an order, under their hands, directed to the Sheriff or Jailer, or by Rule of Court, to discharge the said Person out of confinement, by reason of such suit: Provided, that nothing in this Act shall prevent any Plaintiff from prosecuting his or her suit, if on mesne process, to final judgment, or from taking out Fieri Facias or Statute Execution, against the Goods and Chattels, Lands and Tenements of such Defendant, or from recovering in any other manner, the amount of the Judgment obtained in the suit, so always that the person of any Debtor so discharged, shall be freed from arrest in any proceeding or action upon such Judgment: Provided also, that when two or more Creditors shall detain any Debtor in Prison as aforesaid, the said weekly allowance shall be paid in the proportions following, (that is to say,) when there are only two detaining Creditors, then each shall pay half of the said allowance; and when there shall be three or more such Creditors, then each shall pay two shillings per week; such payments to be made in like manner as payments may at the time be made from the Public Treasury of this Island; and in case any such detaining Creditor or Creditors shall not make due payment of his, her or their proportions of such allowance, then the Debtor, upon proof thereof, made on oath, before any Judge, or other person by this Act having authority for that purpose, shall be discharged, on oath being made by the Debtor and Jailer as hereinbefore

prescribed by this Section, by order of such Judge or other person, from further imprisonment at the suit of such detaining Creditor or Creditors, so making default in payment of the allowance as aforesaid; but such discharge shall not affect the right of any other detaining Creditor or Creditors, to continue such Debtor in Prison, unless such other Creditor shall, after eight day's notice in writing, to each of them, or their authorized Agents or Attorneys, of such default having been proved, and order of discharge thereon made, as aforesaid, neglect duly to pay their proportion of such allowance, or the whole thereof, as is required by this Act."

*Ordered*, That the said amendments be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the Day for the House in Committee on the Report of the Special Committee appointed to examine into and report upon the amount and progress of business transacted or brought into the Supreme Court, and Court of Chancery, during the last three years, and to report upon the expediency of making provision for an Assistant Judge and Master of the Rolls, as recommended by the Executive Government of this Island, being read—

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. Clark took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

Mr. *Clark* reported, that the Committee had gone through the Report of the Special Committee, paragraph by paragraph, had amended, and then adopted the same; and he read the Report in his place, and delivered it in at the Clerk's Table.

Mr. *Clark* also acquainted the House that the Committee had come to a Resolution thereupon, which he was directed to report to the House, and he read the same in his place.

The Report and Resolution were then read by the Clerk, and are as follow :

Your Committee appointed to inquire into and report upon the amount and progress of business

transacted in the Supreme Court and Court of Chancery during the last three years, having examined several persons on the subject to the Committee referred, find, that in the year 1845, the Supreme Court sat in Queen's County four different Terms, in all forty-two days, including three days of sitting after Term: That during that year, 94 Causes have been ready for Trial, whereof 43 only were tried; that the Trial of two of said Causes occupied 3 days each, and the Trial of 6 Causes occupied 2 days each; and that 127 Subpœnas were issued for witnesses.

That in the year 1846, the Supreme Court sat in Queen's County four different Terms—in all 43 days, including 4 days of sitting after Term: That during this year 101 Causes have been ready for Trial, whereof 30 only were tried; that the Trial of six of these Causes occupied 2 days each, and 2 of them 3 days each, and the number of Subpœnas for witnesses issued this year was 132.

That during the year 1847, the Supreme Court sat in the said County the four usual Terms, in all 41 days, including 2 days of sitting after Term: That during this year 107 Causes have been ready for Trial, whereof 31 only were tried: That the Trial of 4 of these Causes occupied 2 days each, and one other 3 days: And that during this year 176 Subpœnas were issued for witnesses.

That during the three years above mentioned, the number of Term days during which Juries were sitting for the Trial of Civil and Criminal Suits was 54, of which 21 were exclusively occupied with Crown business.

That of the Causes actually tried and heard, it would appear to your Committee, one-half at least are not finally determined during the Term at which they are tried or heard, some Causes very frequently not until the second, and sometimes important Causes not until the third Term thereafter. That such delay appears to be owing to questions of law arising upon the Trial or hearing of such Causes, not being determined at the time of Trial, but reserved by the Court for future and more deliberate consideration. That the delay thus created to suitors, although it is calculated for, and may eventually render the Judgments of the Court more certain and correct, is nevertheless productive of much additional costs to both parties, and subjects the Plaintiff at all times to some degree of risk, in ultimately obtaining the fruits of his verdict, arising from the liability in the meantime, of the death, absconding, or insolvency of a Defendant.

That your Committee find, that the dilatory progress of business through the Supreme Court, affects not only the suitors therein, but extends its inconvenience to the witnesses obliged to attend there; their fees allowed by law being immoderately low, it imposes upon them a great hardship to attend at more

than one Term in any one Case. That by reference to the number of Causes untried in the year, and from that deducting about one-third, as a probable proportion of undefended Suits and Causes settled without the aid of witnesses; and for the residue of such untried Causes, allowing upon the average 5 witnesses to each, the number of witnesses attending the Supreme Court in Queen's County, in each of the three foregoing years, in Causes not brought to Trial, would stand thus, viz:—

The year 1845,	170	Witnesses.
“ 1846,	240	do.
“ 1847,	255	do.

Thus, it would appear to your Committee, that the necessity of attending the Court twice, and probably oftener, is not only a great burden to witnesses, but extends to a great number yearly.

As a further cause by which witnesses are liable to be brought a second time in the one Suit, whenever it happens that the Chief Justice is attacked with illness during the Term of the Court, so as to prevent his presiding in Court; the causes undetermined have necessarily to be postponed, for want of another professional Judge to take his place, until the following Term.

That the usual hour for opening the Supreme Court during full Term, is 11 o'clock, and that at which it rises, about 5 p. m.

That your Committee have no doubt that if the Court sat for an increased length of time daily; and if the trials of some of the Crown causes for minor offences were transferred to some other tribunal, and that greater strictness was observed with the Counsel and Attorneys, in calling on each civil cause in its turn, at every unoccupied period of the day, the general business of the Court might, in some measure, be expedited in its progress; but your Committee feel assured, that while there is but one Professional Judge to undertake and decide the whole of the superior judicial business of the Colony, and to attend to Eight Terms of the Supreme Court in each year, the difficulties and inconveniences pointed out by your Committee, are not only, in the main, liable to continue irremediable, but in all probability rapidly to increase: nor while there is but one legal mind to decide all questions of law alone, however frequently they may arise, and however difficult and important in their nature, your Committee cannot expect that expedition in the progress of the judicial business of the Country, or that confidence and stability in the decisions of its superior Courts, which must of course ensue were the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court constantly aided by the assistance of another judicial mind.

Your Committee therefore feel it their duty to report to your Honorable House, under all the facts and circumstances brought to their knowledge, that the most proper and effectual remedy for the inconveniences complained of, would be the appointment of a professionally educated and competent Assistant Judge for the said Supreme Court.

With reference to the state of business in the Court of Chancery, it appears that very little has been transacted in that Court during the last three years—only three causes having been brought to a hearing. In this Court, the Lieut. Governor for the time being, presiding as Chancellor, seldom undertakes to decide any point without professional advice; and as it is very rare that any case of importance is pending in the Court in which the Crown Officers are not engaged, as well as the remainder of the leading Members of the Bar, the Chancellor is sometimes under the necessity of seeking advice in the sister Provinces; and is frequently obliged to decide important questions without any competent advice at all.

That common motions, granted of course by the practice of the English Court of Chancery, are here seldom answered without both parties being heard by Counsel, in open Court, a practice which not only adds to the delay of the suit, but greatly augments the costs.

That great and serious injury, if not oppression, would appear to your Committee to have been sustained by suitors, owing to the Chancellor having erroneously received improper evidence from a want of knowledge of the rules which govern its reception.

That the Court acts up to a jurisdiction in all respects to the full extent of that exercised by the High Court of Chancery in England, although unaided by any Legislative enactment of this Colony. Decrees have passed, by which large and valuable real estates have been sold, under which doubts are allowed to exist as to the validity of the purchaser's title obtained at sales thereunder made.

That the dilatory and expensive process of proceeding for contempt from attachment to sequestration, although long since abolished in England, and the other Colonies, by acts of the Legislature, is still in force and used here, when occasion requires, in the said Court.

RESOLVED, That it is expedient to provide for the appointment of a Master of the Rolls for the Court of Chancery, and an Assistant or Puisne Judge of the Supreme Court of Judicature, such Offices to be combined in the one person, and that the Salary to be granted to such Officer be Four hundred Pounds per annum, together with the sum of One hundred Pounds now by Law payable as travelling Fees to the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court.

A motion being made that the Report of the Committee be agreed to—

Mr. *Rae* moved, by way of amendment, that all be left out, and the following substituted:—

**RESOLVED**, That from the evidence before this House, and from their own knowledge, the business coming before the Supreme Court is not so extensive as to render necessary the employment of more than one Judge of competent legal acquirements, and in the ordinary state of health; that with the view of facilitating the transaction of the important business of the Court, the petty criminal cases should be referred to another tribunal, and the Terms of the Court made of longer duration; and with the view of diminishing the hardships of repeated attendance imposed on witnesses, the cases should be taken in their order on the roll of Court.

That as it is understood the health of the Chief Justice remains in an impaired state, it may be advisable to vote him a retiring allowance, in aid of what the British Government may allow; and that such a measure would be far more advisable than to

entail on the country the burden of the Salary of an Assistant Judge.

The House divided on the motion of amendment:

YEAS:

Mr. <i>Rae</i> ,	Hon. Mr. <i>Coles</i> ,
Mr. <i>Fraser</i> ,	Mr. <i>Clark</i> ,
Mr. <i>Mooney</i> ,	Mr. <i>Le Lacheur</i> ,
Mr. <i>D. Macdonald</i> ,	Mr. <i>Whelan</i> ,
Mr. <i>Macintosh</i> ,	Mr. <i>Jardine</i> .

NAYS:

Mr. <i>Palmer</i> ,	Mr. <i>F. Longworth</i> ,
Mr. <i>D. Maclean</i> ,	Mr. <i>Douse</i> ,
Mr. <i>Montgomery</i> ,	Mr. <i>N. Conroy</i> ,
Mr. <i>J. Longworth</i> ,	Mr. <i>Haviland</i> ,
Mr. <i>J. H. Conroy</i> ,	Mr. <i>H. Macdonald</i> .
Mr. <i>Thornton</i> ,	

So it passed in the negative.

The question being then put on the main motion, it was

*Resolved* in the affirmative.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Palmer*, Mr. *Thornton* and Mr. *J. Longworth* be a Committee to prepare and bring in a Bill, pursuant to the above reported Resolution.

Then the House adjourned until to-morrow at Ten o'clock.

## SATURDAY, April 15, 1848.

**T**HE Bill to provide for the commutation of the Leasehold Tenure, and its conversion into Free and Common Soccage, and for the settlement of the Wilderness Lands of this Island, was, according to order, read a second time.

*Ordered*, That the said Bill be published once in the *Royal Gazette*, Newspaper, and that One hundred copies thereof be printed for the use of Members; and that the further consideration of the same be postponed until the next Session of the Legislature.

Mr. *Le Lacheur*, from the Committee of the whole House, on the consideration of Ways and Means, reported, according to order, Four Resolutions of the said Committee; which Resolutions were again read at the Clerk's Table, and are as follow:—

1. **RESOLVED**, That all articles, the growth, produce or manufacture of the Province of New Brunswick, shall be allowed to be imported duty free into this Island; provided that Province shall allow articles the growth, produce or manufacture of this Island, to be imported free of duty, into the said Province of New Brunswick—Spirituous Liquors excepted.

2. **RESOLVED**, That any Animal on which a duty is charged, and which shall be imported for the purpose of improving the Breed, and which shall be certified to be so imported by the President and Secretary of any Agricultural Society, shall be wholly free of any duty.

3. **RESOLVED**, That the duty on Stoves of every description, shall be included amongst articles subject only to Advalorem duty—Pig Iron duty free.

4. **RESOLVED**, That the duty on Sole and Harness Leather be reduced to One-penny per pound, in lieu of the present duty; and the duty on Upper and Trimming Leather be reduced to Three-pence per pound, in lieu of the present duty.

The First of the said Resolutions being again read, and the question of concurrence put thereon;

The House divided:

YEAS 10,

NAYS 10.

And the numbers being equal, Mr. *Speaker* gave his casting vote in the affirmative.

The residue of the said Resolutions being again severally read, were, upon the question being separately put thereon, agreed to by the House.

*Resolved*, That a Committee of three Members be appointed to prepare and bring in Bills pursuant to the above reported Resolutions.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Thornton*, Mr. *F. Longworth* and Mr. *Haviland* do compose the said Committee.

The amendments made by the Council to the Bill intituled "An Act to amend the Laws for the relief of Insolvent Debtors," were, according to order, read a second time.

*Ordered*, That the said amendments be now committed to a Committee of the whole House.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. H. Macdonald took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

Mr. *H. Macdonald* reported, that the Committee had come to Two Resolutions, which Resolutions being again read at the Clerk's Table, were agreed to by the House, and are as follow:—

**RESOLVED**, That the first of the said amendments be disagreed to.

**RESOLVED**, That the second of the said amendments be agreed to.

*Ordered*, That a Committee be appointed to draw up reasons to be offered to the Council at a Conference, for disagreeing to their first amendment to the said Bill.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Rae*, Mr. *Thornton*, Mr. *Fraser* and Mr. *J. H. Conroy* do compose the said Committee.

Read a third time, as engrossed, the Bill intituled "An Act relating to Treasury Warrants, and to repeal a certain part of an Act therein mentioned, relating to the cancelling of Treasury Notes."

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *J. Longworth* do carry the said Bill to the Council, and desire their concurrence.

Mr. *Palmer*, from the Committee appointed to prepare and bring in a Bill to authorize the appointment of a Master of the Rolls to the Court of Chancery, and an Assistant Judge of the Supreme Court of Judicature, presented to the House a Bill as prepared by the Committee, and the same was read the first time, and ordered to be read a second time on Monday next.

*Resolved*, That this House do now resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House to take into further consideration the Bill intituled "An Act to incorporate a Mutual Fire Insurance Company."

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. *Jardine* took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

Mr. *Jardine* reported, that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made the following amendments thereto:—

*Folio 5, line 3.*—Strike out from the word "during" to the word "as," in line 4, both inclusive, and insert "incurred during that year while he continues."

*Folio 9, line 9.*—Strike out the word "Fifty," and insert "One hundred."

*Folio 11, line 3.*—Strike out the words "at least."

*Same folio, same line.*—After the word "Members," insert "or a majority."

And the said amendments being again read at the Clerk's Table, were, on the question put thereon, agreed to by the House.

A Message from His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor, by Henry Palmer, Esquire, Usher of the Black Rod:

Mr. Speaker ;

His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor commands the immediate attendance of this Honorable House at the bar of the Council Chamber.

Accordingly, Mr. Speaker, with the House, went up to attend His Excellency :

And being returned—

Mr. Speaker informed the House, that when the House did attend His Excellency this day in the Council Chamber, His Excellency had, in Her Majesty's name, been pleased to give his assent to the following Bills, viz :

*An Act to prohibit the exportation of Grain, Meal and Potatoes, and for other purposes therein mentioned.*

*An Act to repeal certain parts of the Laws now in force, regulating the performance of Statute Labor on the Highways, relating to Charlottetown, its Common and Royalty, and to make other provisions in lieu thereof.*

*An Act to authorise the appointment of a Commissioner of Highways for the Town and Royalty of Georgetown.*

*An Act to repeal the Laws now in force relating to Emigrants, and to make other provisions in lieu thereof.*

A Message from His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor.

Mr. Secretary Haviland, by command of His Excellency, delivered the following

**Message.**

DONALD CAMPBELL, Lieut. Governor.

The Lieutenant Governor has the gratification to lay before the House of Assembly, a copy of a Circular Despatch from the Right Honorable Earl Grey, announcing the intelligence that Her Majesty the Queen was happily delivered of a Princess, on the 18th ultimo.

D. C.

Government House,

15th April, 1848.

The Despatch accompanying the said Message, was then read by the Clerk, and is as followeth:—

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CIRCULAR.

(Copy.)

DOWNING STREET,

23d March, 1848.

SIR;

I have the honor to announce to you, that at eight o'clock on the morning of the 18th instant, the Queen was happily delivered of a Princess. It is very satisfactory to me to be able to add that Her Majesty and the Infant Princess have continued to do well up to the present time.

I have, &c.,

(Signed)

GREY.

Lieut. Governor,

Sir Donald Campbell, Bart.

Then the House adjourned for one hour.

And being met—

*Ordered*, That Mr. Palmer have leave to introduce a Bill to authorize the reprinting of the Second Volume of the Laws of this Island.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was read the first time, and ordered to be read a second time on Monday next.

*Resolved*, That this House do now resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider further of a Supply.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. Fraser took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chairman reported, that the Committee had made some progress, and had directed him to move for leave to sit again; which the House agreed to.

Then the House adjourned until Monday next at Ten o'clock.

## MONDAY, April 17, 1848.

**MR. SPEAKER** laid before the House, a Petition of divers Inhabitants of Anderson's Road, Township 67, setting forth the destitution existing in regard to Food and Seed, and praying relief.

*Ordered,* That the said Petition do lie on the Table.

The Bill to authorize the appointment of a Master of the Rolls to the Court of Chancery, and an Assistant Judge of the Supreme Court of Judicature, in this Island, was, according to order, read a second time:

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

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. Clark took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

Mr. Clark reported, that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made several amendments thereto; which amendments were again read at the Clerk's Table, and agreed to by the House.

*Ordered,* That the said Bill, as amended, be engrossed, and that the Title be "An Act to authorize the appointment of an Assistant Judge of the Supreme Court and Master of the Rolls for the Court of Chancery."

*Resolved,* That a Committee be appointed to search the Journals of the Council, to ascertain what proceedings have been had on the Bill intituled "An Act to repeal an Act made and passed in the Fourth year of the Reign of His late Majesty King William the Fourth, intituled 'An Act for ascertaining and establishing the Boundary Lines of Counties and Townships, and parts of Townships, and for regulating the duty of Surveyors, and to repeal a certain Act therein mentioned;' and also, to repeal a certain other Act in amendment thereof, in so far as the said Acts relate to, or affect Lots or Townships Numbers One to Ten

inclusive, and to make other provisions in lieu thereof."

*Ordered,* That Mr. D. Maclean and Mr. J. Longworth do compose the said Committee; who returning, reported, that they had found the following entry:—

"LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL CHAMBER,  
Tuesday, March 28th, 1848.

PRESENT:

The Hon. Mr. Attorney General, President;	
The Hon. Mr. Dalrymple, The Hon Mr. Anderson,	
Mr. Solicitor General,	Mr. Rice,
Mr. Holl,	Mr. Swabey,
Mr. Young,	Mr. Hensley,
Mr. Irving,	Mr. Birnie.

"On motion, that the Bill intituled "An Act to repeal an Act made and passed in the Fourth year of the Reign of His late Majesty King William the Fourth, intituled 'An Act for ascertaining and establishing the Boundary Lines of Counties and Townships, and parts of Townships, and for regulating the duty of Surveyors, and to repeal a certain Act therein mentioned;' and also, to repeal a certain other Act in amendment thereof, in so far as the said Acts relate to, or affect Lots or Townships Numbers One to Ten inclusive, and to make other provisions in lieu thereof," be now read a second time.

"It was moved in amendment, that the said Bill be read a second time this day six months.

"The House divided on the motion of amendment:

CONTENTS:	NON-CONTENTS:
Hon. Mr. President,	Hon. Mr. Dalrymple,
Mr. Solicitor General,	Mr. Anderson,
Mr. Holl,	Mr. Birnie.
Mr. Young,	
Mr. Irving,	
Mr. Rice,	
Mr. Swabey,	
Mr. Hensley.	

"And it passed in the affirmative."

*Resolved,* That a Committee be appointed to prepare an Address to Her Majesty the Queen, on the subject of the said Bill.

*Ordered,* That Mr. D. Maclean, Mr. J. Longworth and Mr. J. H. Conroy do compose the said Committee.

*Resolved,* That a Committee of this House be appointed, to join a Committee of

the Council, to prepare an Address to Her Majesty the Queen, congratulating Her Majesty on the auspicious event of the birth of a Princess, as communicated in the Message of His Excellency, of the 15th instant, to this House.

*Ordered*, That the Hon. Mr. Coles, Mr. Rae, Mr. F. Longworth and Mr. N. Conroy be a Committee to prepare the said Address.

*Ordered*, That the said Resolution be communicated by Message to the Council.

*Ordered*, That the Hon. Mr. Coles do carry the said Message.

The engrossed Bill from the Council, intituled "An Act to amend the Act for the better preventing Accidents by Fire within Charlottetown," was, according to order, read a second time.

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

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. N. Conroy took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

Mr. N. Conroy reported, that the Committee had gone through the Bill, without making any amendment thereto; and the report was again read at the Clerk's Table.

*Ordered*, That the Tenth Rule of the House be suspended in this case.

And then the said Bill was read the third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass.

*Ordered*, That Mr. N. Conroy do carry back the said Bill to the Council, and acquaint them that this House hath passed the same, without any amendment.

Mr. Rae, from the Committee appointed to draw up reasons to be offered to the Legislative Council at a Conference, for disagreeing to the First amendment made by the Council to the Bill intituled "An Act to amend the Laws for the relief of Insolvent Debtors," presented to the House the

Report of the said Committee, which was again read at the Clerk's Table, and is as followeth:—

"Because the House of Assembly desired only to remedy an imperfection in the provisions for carrying the Act into operation, but not to change its spirit, and still less to diminish the alleviation thereby afforded to the hardship of imprisonment when suffered by those willing to surrender to their creditors the whole of their property.

"Because the first amendment of the Legislative Council imposes on all debtors when incarcerated for a sum exceeding £50, a liability to be obliged to plead for liberation not only before the Commissioners, but also before the Chief Justice, not only in the county where they may have been imprisoned, but in another county; both which circumstances would probably subject them to expense, and to be detained in Jail for a much longer period.

"Because the House of Assembly conceive that expense and detention could in no way conduce to the ends of justice, as the property of the debtor, whether real or personal, whether acquired previous or subsequent to his discharge from confinement, remains liable to be made available for the debt for which he may have been attached; and that the amendment proposed by the House did not diminish this liability, and that the amendment proposed by the Council does not increase this liability, or in any way facilitate the measures necessary to make it effectual.

"Because the right of appeal is given only to the creditor.

"Lastly, because there is no provision for recovering the expense of the appeal."

*Resolved*, That the Report be received and adopted by the House.

*Resolved*, That a Conference be desired with the Council, on the subject matter of their amendments to the said Bill; and that upon such Conference, the Managers on the part of this House, do communicate to the Committee of the Council, the above reasons for disagreeing to their First amendment.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Rae* do go to the Council, and desire the said Conference.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Rae*, Mr. *Thornton*, Mr. *Fraser* and Mr. *J. H. Conroy* be a Committee to manage the said Conference.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Rae* have leave to introduce a Bill to provide for opening Roads to Farms from whence there is no access to any public Road.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was read the first time, and ordered to be read a second time on Wednesday next.

Mr. *Thornton*, from the Committee appointed to prepare and bring in Bills pursuant to the Resolutions reported from the Committee of Ways and Means, with leave to report from time to time, presented to the House a Bill for raising a Revenue; and the same was read the first time, and ordered to be read a second time to-morrow.

A Message from the Council by Mr. *Desbrisay*.

Mr. *Speaker*;

The Legislative Council do agree to a Conference, as is desired by the House of Assembly, on the amendments made to the Bill intituled "An Act to amend the Laws for the relief of Insolvent Debtors," and have appointed the Hon. Mr. *Young* and the Hon. Mr. *Swabey* a Committee to manage the said Conference—to meet in the Conference Room, instanter.

And the names of the Managers being called over,

They went to the Conference.

And being returned—

Mr. *F. Longworth* reported, that the Managers had been at the Conference, and had complied with the instructions given them by this House.

Mr. *Thornton*, from the Committee appointed to prepare and bring in Bills pursuant to the Resolutions reported from the

Committee of Ways and Means, presented to the House a Bill relating to the Trade of the Province of New Brunswick and this Island; and the same was read the first time, and ordered to be read a second time to-morrow.

Then the House adjourned for one hour.

And being met—

A Message from the Council by Mr. *Desbrisay*.

Mr. *Speaker*;

The Legislative Council desire a further Conference with the House of Assembly, on the amendments made to the Bill intituled "An Act to amend the Laws for the relief of Insolvent Debtors," and have appointed the same Committee who managed the last Conference thereon, a Committee to manage this further Conference—to meet in the Conference Room instanter.

And then he withdrew.

*Resolved*, That this House do agree to a further Conference, as is desired by the Council, on the amendments made to the Bill intituled "An Act to amend the Laws for the relief of Insolvent Debtors."

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Thornton* do go to the Council and acquaint them therewith.

*Ordered*, That the same Committee who managed the last Conference thereon, be a Committee to manage this further Conference.

So the Managers went to the Conference.

And being returned—

Mr. *Thornton* reported, that the Managers had been at the Conference; and had met the Committee of the Council, who acquainted them that the Council do not adhere to their First amendment to the said Bill.

The Bill to provide for reprinting the Second Volume of the Laws of this Island, was, according to order, read a second time.

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

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. Jardine took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

Mr. *Jardine* reported, that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made an amendment thereto; which amendment was again read at the Clerk's Table, and agreed to by the House.

*Ordered*, That the said Bill, as amended, be engrossed, and that the title be "An Act to provide for reprinting the Second Volume of the Laws of this Island."

Mr. *Thornton*, from the Committee appointed to report on the Post Office Department in this Colony, presented to the House the Report of the said Committee, and the same was received and read.

*Ordered*, That the said Report be committed to a Committee of the whole House to-morrow.

A Message from the Council, by Mr. Desbrisay.

Mr. Speaker;

The Legislative Council have passed the following Bills, without any amendment, viz:—

"An Act in addition to the Act regulating Fire Engine Companies."

"An Act to repeal the Laws constituting Boards of Health, and to make other provisions in lieu thereof."

And then he withdrew.

*Resolved*, That this House do now resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider further of a Supply.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. Fraser took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chairman reported, that the Committee had made some progress, and had directed him to move for leave to sit again; which the House agreed to.

*Resolved*, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, to take into further consideration the Bill for levying an Assessment on all Lands in this Colony.

Then the House adjourned until to-morrow at Ten o'clock.

## TUESDAY, April 18, 1848.

**T**HE Order of the Day, for the House in Committee on the Report of the Special Committee appointed to report on the Post Office Department generally, being read;

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. D. Macdonald took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

Mr. *D. Macdonald* reported, that the Committee had gone through the Report of

the Special Committee, and had adopted the same, without any amendment; and the Report being again read at the Clerk's Table, was agreed to by the House, and is as followeth:—

Your Committee, appointed to report generally on the Post Office Department in this Colony, submit, that they have been obliged to defer reporting on the affairs of the Post Office Department in this Colony to the present period of the Session, in order to ascertain what measures the neighbouring Provinces might adopt relating to their respective Post Office affairs; but, as yet, your Committee are not in possession of any information on the subject, except with respect

to the Province of New Brunswick, where the Legislature have resolved to let the matter remain over till its next meeting, so as to be in possession of the measures adopted by the Canadian Parliament. The Legislature of the Province of Nova Scotia appears to have passed a Bill, having for part of its provisions, a uniform rate of Postage throughout British America, of three-pence, Halifax Currency, on each Letter under half an ounce weight, prepaid, (and double postage for Letters unpaid) for certain distances.

Your Committee would observe, that the present rate of Inland, or domestic Postage, is Two-pence, P. E. Island Currency, and in proportion for other Letters (or per rate as it is termed) which, for the distance such Letters are conveyed throughout the Colony, bears a sufficiently high rate.

Your Committee, believing that the reduction on the Provincial Postage, to a uniform rate of Three-pence, Halifax Currency, upon each half-ounce Letter, would be received as a boon by the Inhabitants of this Colony, suggest to the House, that the Executive Government of this Island be recommended to adopt the same uniform rates of Postage beyond the Colony, which may be agreed upon between the other British Provinces in America, and under similar regulations; provided the Mails from Britain are brought into this Colony at the charge of the General Post Office Department. The Colonial Postage, together with the domestic Postage of Two-pence P. E. Island Currency, remaining at the disposal of the local Legislature, for the purpose of defraying the expense of the Colonial Mails, and also the expense of conveying Mails to the different Post Offices throughout the Colony.

Your Committee have considered the applications made to the House, and referred to this Committee, for the establishment of Post Offices in the Settlements of Cove Head and Fort Augustus, in Queen's County, and of Indian River, in Prince County, and recommend that Branch Post Offices be established in those places.

The Bill for raising a Revenue, was, according to order, read a second time.

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

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. Haviland took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

Mr. *Haviland* reported, that the Committee had gone through the Bill, without making any amendment thereto; and the report was again read at the Clerk's Table.

*Ordered*, That the said Bill be engrossed, and that the Title be "An Act for raising a Revenue."

A Message from the Council by Mr. Desbrisay.

Mr. Speaker;

The Legislative Council have passed a Bill, intituled "An Act to provide for the summary punishment of persons trespassing on Crown Lands;" to which they desire the concurrence of the House of Assembly.

And then he withdrew.

And then the said Bill was read the first time, and ordered to be read a second time to-morrow.

Read a third time, as engrossed, the Bill intituled "An Act to authorize the appointment of a Master of the Rolls to the Court of Chancery, and an Assistant Judge of the Supreme Court of Judicature, in this Island."

Mr. *Rae* moved, that the following Clause be added to the Bill, and do form part thereof, by way of Rider:

"And be it enacted, That as soon as Her Majesty shall appoint a fit and proper person to be Master of the Rolls for this Island, it shall and may be lawful for the Administrator of the Government for the time being, to nominate and appoint fit and proper persons to the offices of Registrar and Masters, and also to fill such other offices as are or may be necessary or required for the due administration of the Court of Chancery, and for carrying into effect the Orders, Rules and Decrees of the said Court of Chancery, according to any Laws now existing, until an Act shall be passed by the Legislature of this Colony, regulating the procedure of the said Court.

And the said Clause being again read, and the question put thereon;

The House divided:

## YEAS :

Mr. Rae,	Mr. Clark,
Mr. Mooney,	Mr. Le Lacheur,
Hon. Mr. Coles,	Mr. Whelan,
Mr. H. Macdonald,	Mr. D. Macdonald,
Mr. Fraser,	Mr. Jardine.
Mr. Macintosh,	

## NAYS :

Mr. Palmer,	Mr. Thornton,
Mr. J. Longworth,	Mr. Douse,
Mr. Montgomery,	Mr. Haviland,
Mr. N. Conroy,	Mr. D. Maclean,
Mr. F. Longworth,	Mr. J. H. Conroy.

So it was carried in the affirmative.

And the said Clause being thrice read, was agreed to by the House, and ordered to form part of the Bill, by way of rider.

An amendment was proposed by the Hon. Mr. Coles, to be made to the said Bill, in the First Clause thereof, by leaving out the words "nine years," and substituting "seven years."

Mr. Haviland moved, in amendment to the said proposed amendment, to leave out the words "nine years," and insert "eight years" in lieu thereof.

The House divided on the motion of amendment :

## YEAS :

Mr. Haviland,	Mr. Palmer,
Mr. J. H. Conroy,	Mr. J. Longworth,
Mr. Montgomery,	Mr. Thornton,
Mr. D. Maclean,	Mr. F. Longworth,
Mr. N. Conroy,	Mr. Douse.

## NAYS :

Mr. Rae,	Mr. Le Lacheur,
Mr. Mooney,	Mr. Macintosh,
Hon. Mr. Coles,	Mr. Whelan,
Mr. D. Macdonald,	Mr. Clark,
Mr. Jardine,	Mr. Fraser.
Mr. H. Macdonald,	

So it passed in the negative.

Mr. Palmer then moved, in amendment, to the said proposed amendment, to leave out the words "nine years," and insert "seven years," in lieu thereof.

And the motion of amendment being seconded, and the question put thereon,

It was agreed to by the House.

And the Bill was amended at the Table accordingly.

*Resolved*, That the Bill, as amended, do pass.

*Ordered*, That Mr. Palmer do carry the said Bill to the Council, and desire their concurrence.

A Message from the Council by Mr. Desbrisay.

Mr. Speaker;

The Legislative Council have agreed to the amendments made by the House of Assembly, to the following Bills, viz :

A Bill intituled "An Act to prohibit the Commissioners of Boundary Lines from taking proceedings for establishing Boundary Lines on certain Townships in Prince County."

A Bill intituled "An Act to repeal an Act made and passed in the Eighth year of the Reign of Her present Majesty, intituled 'An Act to authorize the Commissioners of Small Debts in their respective Courts to appoint Bailiffs to execute the Processes of the said Courts, and to take security from such Bailiffs for the due execution of the same,' and to make other provisions in lieu thereof."

And then he withdrew.

Then the House adjourned for one hour.

And being met—

A Message from the Council by Mr. Desbrisay.

"COUNCIL CHAMBER,

Tuesday, April 18th, 1848.

"*Resolved*, That a Committee of this House be appointed to join the Committee of the House of Assembly, to prepare an humble Address to Her Most Gracious Majesty, congratulating Her Majesty on the auspicious event of the birth of a Princess, as announced in the Message of His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor.

"*Ordered*, That the Hon. Mr. Young and the Hon. Mr. Hensley be a Committee, on the part of this House, to prepare the said Address.

"*Ordered*, That the said Resolution be communicated by Message, to the House of Assembly."

And then he withdrew.

*Ordered*, That Mr. D. Maclean have leave to introduce a Bill to repeal the Act incorporating the Bank of British North America.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was read the first time.

*Ordered*, That the Tenth Rule of the House be suspended in this case.

And then the said Bill was read a second time.

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

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. D. Macdonald took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

Mr. D. Macdonald reported, that the Committee had gone through the Bill, without making any amendment thereto; and the Report was again read at the Clerk's Table.

*Ordered*, That the said Bill be engrossed, and that the title be "An Act to repeal the Act incorporating the Bank of British North America."

*Resolved*, That this House do now resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, to take into further consideration the Bill for raising a Revenue.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. Haviland took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

Mr. Haviland reported, that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made several amendments thereto; which amendments were again read at the Clerk's Table, and agreed to by the House.

*Ordered*, That the said Bill, as amended,

be engrossed, and that the title be "An Act for raising a Revenue."

The Order of the Day, for the second reading of the Bill relating to the Trade of the Province of New Brunswick and this Island, being read;

A motion being made, that the House do go into the Order of the Day;

Mr. J. Longworth moved, in amendment, that the Order of the Day be discharged, and made the Order of the Day this day three months.

The House divided on the motion of amendment:

YEAS :

Mr. J. Longworth,	Mr. Mooney,
Mr. Douse,	Mr. Rae,
Hon. Mr. Coles,	Mr. D. Macdonald,
Mr. Fraser,	Mr. F. Longworth,
Mr. Macintosh,	Mr. Jardine.

NAYS :

Mr. Clark,	Mr. H. Macdonald,
Mr. Whelan,	Mr. N. Conroy,
Mr. Palmer,	Mr. Montgomery,
Mr. Thornton,	Mr. D. Maclean

So it was carried in the affirmative, and *Ordered*, accordingly.

*Resolved*, That this House do now resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, to take into further consideration the Bill for further levying an Assessment on all Lands in this Colony.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. Haviland took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chairman reported, that the Committee had made some progress, and had directed him to move for leave to sit again; which the House agreed to.

Then the House adjourned until to-morrow at Ten o'clock.

## WEDNESDAY, April 19, 1848.

**R**EAD a third time, as engrossed, the Bill intituled "An Act to provide for reprinting the Second Volume of the Laws of this Island."

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass.

*Ordered*, That Mr. Palmer do carry the said Bill to the Council, and desire their concurrence.

The engrossed Bill from the Council, intituled "An Act to provide for the summary punishment of persons trespassing on Crown Lands," was, according to order, read a second time.

*Ordered*, That the said Bill be now committed to a committee of the whole House. The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. D. Macdonald took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

Mr. D. Macdonald reported, that the Committee had gone through the Bill, without making any amendment thereto; and the Report was again read at the Clerk's Table.

*Ordered*, That the Tenth Rule of the House be suspended in this case.

And then the said Bill was read the third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass.

*Ordered*, That Mr. Haviland do carry back the said Bill to the Council, and acquaint them that this House hath passed the same, without any amendment.

A Message from the Council by Mr. Desbrisay.

Mr. Speaker;

The Legislative Council have passed a Bill intituled "An Act to repeal the Acts for the admission of Barristers, Attorneys and Solicitors, and to make other provisions in lieu thereof;" to which they desire the concurrence of the House of Assembly.

And then he withdrew.

The Bill to provide for opening Roads to Farms from whence there is no access to any public Road, was, according to order, read a second time.

A motion being made, that the said Bill

be now committed to a Committee of the whole House;

Mr. Thornton moved, by way of amendment, that the Bill be printed in the *Royal Gazette*, Newspaper, and do lie over for further consideration until next Session.

The House divided on the motion of amendment:

## YEAS:

Mr. Thornton,  
Mr. N. Conway,  
Mr. Mooney,  
Mr. Montgomery,  
Mr. Douse,  
Mr. J. H. Conway,

Mr. Palmer,  
Mr. D. Maclean,  
Mr. J. Longworth,  
Mr. Jardine,  
Mr. H. Macdonald.

## NAYS:

Mr. Rae,  
Hon. Mr. Coles,  
Mr. Clark,

Mr. Fraser,  
Mr. Macintosh.

So it was carried in the affirmative, and *Ordered*, accordingly.

Mr. Whelan from the Committee appointed to wait upon His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor, with the Address, praying His Excellency to cause to be laid before the House, copies of any Despatches transmitted to Her Majesty's Government by Sir H. V. Huntley, having reference to the introduction, into this Island, of the system of Responsible Government; also, copies of any Despatches that may have been received from the Right Hon. Earl Grey, on the same subject, and subsequent to the date of His Lordship's Despatch of the 16th June, 1847, reported to the House that their Address had been presented to His Excellency, who had been pleased to return for answer, that the question of the introduction of Responsible Government, into this Island, being still under the consideration of Her Majesty's Government, he (the Lieut. Governor) must decline to comply with the desire of the House of Assembly.

Mr. Palmer from the Committee appointed to wait upon His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor, with the Address requesting that His Excellency, in Council, would be pleased by Proclamation, to call in all the old Treasury Notes now afloat, on or before the last day of December, in the present year, reported the delivery

thereof; and that His Excellency was pleased to say, he would comply with the desire of the House.

*Resolved*, That this House do now resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, to take into further consideration the Bill for levying further an Assessment on all Lands in this Colony.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. Fraser took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

Mr. Fraser reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made several amendments thereto; and the Report was again read at the Clerk's Table.

Mr. D. Macdonald proposed to amend the Report, by striking out the whole of the Clause of the said Bill, granting to the Lieutenant Governor, for the time being, out of the moneys to be raised by the Assessment on Lands, the sum of Five hundred Pounds, Currency, annually.

The House divided on the question :

YEAS :

Mr. D. Macdonald,	Mr. Rae,
Mr. Mooney,	Mr. Clark,
Mr. Le Lacheur,	Mr. Whelan,
Mr. Macintosh,	Hon. Mr. Coles,
Mr. Fraser,	Mr. Jardine.

NAYS :

Mr. Palmer,	Mr. J. Longworth,
Mr. Haviland,	Mr. N. Conroy,
Mr. Thornton,	Mr. D. Maclean,
Mr. Montgomery,	Mr. J. H. Conroy,
Mr. Douse,	Mr. H. Macdonald.
Mr. F. Longworth,	

So it passed in the negative.

Mr. Clark moved, to amend the said Report, by leaving out, in the First Clause of the Bill, the words "Six Shillings," and "Three Shillings," and inserting in lieu

thereof, "Four Shillings and two-pence," and "Two Shillings and a penny."

Mr. F. Longworth moved, in amendment to the said proposed amendment, that the Bill be engrossed, and that the title be "An Act for levying further an Assessment on all Lands in this Colony, and for the encouragement of Education, and for other purposes."

The House divided on the said motion of amendment :

YEAS :

Mr. F. Longworth,	Mr. Haviland,
Mr. Montgomery,	Mr. J. Longworth,
Mr. D. Maclean,	Mr. Palmer,
Mr. J. H. Conroy,	Mr. D. Macdonald,
Hon. Mr. Coles,	Mr. H. Macdonald.

NAYS :

Mr. Clark,	Mr. Thornton,
Mr. N. Conroy,	Mr. Jardine,
Mr. Douse,	Mr. Le Lacheur,
Mr. Macintosh,	Mr. Whelan,
Mr. Rae,	Mr. Fraser.
Mr. Mooney,	

So it passed in the negative.

Mr. F. Longworth then moved, in amendment to the said proposed amendment, that instead of the words proposed to be left out, the words "Five Shillings," and "Two Shillings and six-pence," be substituted.

The question being put on the original motion of amendment ;

The House divided :

And the names being called for, were taken down as in the last preceding division.

So it was carried in the affirmative.

*Ordered*, That the said Bill, as amended, be engrossed, and that the title be "An Act for levying further an Assessment on all Lands in this Colony, and for the encouragement of Education."

Then the House adjourned until to-morrow, at Ten o'clock.

## THURSDAY, April 20, 1848.

**T**HE Hon. Mr. Coles, from the Committee appointed to join the Committee of the Council, to prepare an Address to Her Majesty the Queen, congratulating Her Majesty on the Birth of a Princess, presented to the House the draft of an Address as prepared by the Joint Committee; and the said draft Address being again read at the Clerk's Table, was, on the question put

thereon, agreed to by the House, and is as followeth :

TO THE QUEEN'S MOST EXCELLENT MAJESTY.

MOST GRACIOUS SOVEREIGN;

We, your Majesty's dutiful and loyal subjects, the Legislative Council and House of Assembly of Prince Edward Island, in General Assembly convened, humbly approach the Throne with sentiments of

sincere and affectionate attachment to your Majesty's person, to offer to your Majesty our congratulations upon the birth of a Royal Princess, and upon your Majesty's restoration to health.

We sincerely trust, that the Almighty disposer of events, will continue to bless your Majesty, your Royal Consort, and your Royal Family, with every happiness; and that your Royal House may continue to preside over the destinies of the mighty Empire, of which, happily, we form a portion.

*Ordered* That the said Address be engrossed.

*Resolved*, That a Committee be appointed, to join a Committee of the Council, to prepare an Address to His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor, requesting that he will be pleased to transmit the Joint Address of both Houses, congratulating Her Majesty on the birth of a Princess.

*Ordered*, That the same Committee who prepared the Address to Her Majesty, be a Committee, on the part of this House, to prepare the said Address to His Excellency.

*Ordered*, That the foregoing Resolution be communicated by Message to the Legislative Council.

*Ordered*, That Mr. J. H. Conroy do carry the said Message to the Council.

Read a third time, as engrossed, the Bill intituled "An Act for raising a Revenue."

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass.

*Ordered*, That Mr. Thornton do carry the said Bill to the Council, and desire their concurrence.

A Message from His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor.

Mr. Secretary Haviland, by command of His Excellency, delivered the following

**Message :**

DONALD CAMPBELL, Lieut. Governor.

The Lieutenant Governor is desirous that the House of Assembly, at its rising to-day, should adjourn until Saturday the Twenty-second day of April, instant.

Government House,  
April 20th, 1848.

D. C.

*Resolved*, That this House, at its rising to-day, will adjourn until Saturday next, the twenty-second instant.

Mr. Palmer moved, that the Order of yesterday, for engrossing the Bill to be intituled "An Act for levying further an Assessment on all Lands in this Colony, and for the encouragement of Education," be discharged; and that the said Bill be now recommitted to a Committee of the whole House.

The House divided on the question :

**YEAS :**

Mr. Palmer,	Mr. Thornton,
Mr. Haviland,	Mr. F. Longworth,
Mr. Montgomery,	Mr. D. Maclean,
Mr. N. Conroy,	Mr. Clark,
Mr. J. Longworth,	Mr. J. H. Conroy,
Mr. Douse,	Mr. H. Macdonald.

**NAYS :**

Mr. Rae,	Mr. Mooney,
Mr. Le Lacheur,	Mr. D. Macdonald,
Mr. Whelan,	Mr. Jardine,
Mr. Fraser,	Mr. Macintosh.

So it was carried in the affirmative.

Then the House resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. Fraser took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

Mr. Fraser reported, that the Committee had gone into the further consideration of the Bill, and had made several amendments thereto.

Mr. D. Macdonald moved that the Bill be recommitted, for the purpose of amending the same, by adding to the Assessment on the Town and Pasture Lots in the same ratio as is imposed by the Bill on Township Lands.

The House divided on the question :

**YEAS :**

Mr. D. Macdonald,	Mr. Fraser,
Mr. Mooney,	Mr. Le Lacheur,
Hon. Mr. Coles,	Mr. Jardine,
Mr. Macintosh,	Mr. N. Conroy.

**NAYS :**

Mr. Palmer,	Mr. Montgomery,
Mr. H. Macdonald,	Mr. J. Longworth,
Mr. Thornton,	Mr. D. Maclean,
Mr. Haviland,	Mr. Clark.
Mr. F. Longworth,	

So it passed in the negative.

The amendments reported from the Committee, were then read at the Clerk's Table, and agreed to by the House.

*Ordered*, That the said Bill, as amended, be engrossed, and that the title be "An Act for levying further an Assessment on all Lands in this Colony, and for the encouragement of Education."

A Message from the Council, by Mr. Desbrisay.

Mr. Speaker;

The Legislative Council have passed the Bill intituled "An Act to consolidate and improve the Laws for the Election of Members to serve in the General Assembly," with several amendments, to which they desire the concurrence of the House of Assembly.

And also—

The Legislative Council have passed the Bill intituled "An Act to authorize the appointment of a Master of the Rolls to the Court of Chancery, and an Assistant Judge of the Supreme Court of Judicature, in this Island."

And then he withdrew.

The amendments made by the Council to the Bill intituled "An Act to consolidate and improve the Laws for the Election of Members to serve in the General Assembly," were read the first time, and are as follow :

*Folio 52, line 20.*—After the word "person," insert "or not being duly qualified to vote and be polled according to Law, shall wilfully and knowingly vote, and cause himself to be polled."

*Folio 55, last line.*—After the word "proper," insert the following :

"And be it enacted, That nothing in this Act shall prevent any Sheriff, Under-Sheriff, or the lawful Deputy of such Sheriff, from closing the Poll previous to the expiration of the time fixed by this Act, in any case where the proceedings at any Election shall be interrupted, or obstructed by any riot or open violence; in which case the Sheriff, Under Sheriff, or the lawful Deputy of such Sheriff, shall not

for such cause finally close the Poll; but in case the proceedings shall be so interrupted or obstructed at any particular polling place or places, only until the following day, and if necessary, shall further adjourn the same, until such interruption or obstruction shall have ceased, when the said Sheriff, his Under Sheriff or lawful Deputy shall again proceed to take the Poll at such place or places, and any day wherein the Poll shall have been so adjourned, shall not, as to such place or places, be reckoned one of the two days of polling at such Election, within the meaning of this Act; and whenever the Poll shall have been so adjourned by any Under Sheriff, or the lawful Deputy of the Sheriff, he shall forthwith give notice of such adjournment to the Sheriff, who shall not finally declare the state of the Poll, or make Proclamation of the Member or Members chosen, until the Poll, so adjourned, at such place or places as aforesaid, shall have been finally closed, and delivered or transmitted to such Sheriff or Returning Officer, anything hereinbefore contained to the contrary notwithstanding."

*Folio 83, line 3.*—Strike out the words "or value."

*Folio 85, line 1.*—After the word "land," insert "not less than Fifty acres."

*Same folio and line.*—Strike out the word "yearly."

*Same folio, line 2.*—Strike out the word "five," and insert "one hundred."

*Folio 88, line 5.*—Strike out all after the word "exclude," to the end of the Section, and insert, "the Sheriff of any County in this Island, from being elected Member of the Assembly, for any Town or Electoral District within this Island, not being within the County for which he shall be such Sheriff, as aforesaid, nor shall extend, or be construed to extend, or prevent any person, who shall or may be nominated and appointed Presiding Officer, from being elected a Member of Assembly, for any Town or Electoral District within this Island, other than the Town or Electoral District for which such person shall be appointed to act as Presiding Officer."

*Folio 92, line 9.*—After the word "Liquors," insert "or Porter, Ale, Beer or other intoxicating Liquors."

*Folio 94, line 4.*—After the word "Liquors," insert "or Porter, Ale, Beer or other intoxicating Liquors."

*Ordered,* That the said amendments be read a second time on Monday next.

Mr. J. H. Conroy, from the Committee appointed to investigate the present state

of the Treasury, presented to the House the Report of the said Committee, and the same was received and read.

*Ordered,* That the said Report be committed to a Committee of the whole House on Monday next.

Then the House adjourned until Saturday next, at Ten o'clock.

## SATURDAY, April 22, 1848.

**R**ESOLVED, That this House do now resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider further of a Supply.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. Jardine took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chairman reported, that the Committee had made some progress, and had directed him to move for leave to sit again; which the House agreed to.

Then the House adjourned for one hour.

And being met—

A Message from the Council by Mr. Desbrisay.

Mr. Speaker;

The Legislative Council have passed the Bill intituled "An Act to provide for reprinting the Second Volume of the Laws of this Island," with several amendments; to which they desire the concurrence of the House of Assembly.

And also—

The Legislative Council have passed the Bill intituled "An Act for raising a Revenue."

And also—

"COUNCIL CHAMBER,

Thursday, April 20th, 1848.

"Resolved, That a Committee be appointed, to join a Committee of the House of Assembly, to prepare an Address to His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor, requesting that he will be pleased to transmit the Joint Address of both Houses, congratulating Her Majesty on the birth of a Princess.

"Ordered, That the same Committee who prepared the Address to Her Majesty, be a Committee, on the part of this House, to prepare the said Address to His Excellency.

"Ordered, That the foregoing Resolution be communicated by Message to the House of Assembly."

And then he withdrew.

The amendments made by the Legislative Council, to the Bill intituled "An Act to provide for reprinting the Second Volume of the Laws of this Island," were read the first time, and are as follow :

*Folio 1, line 5.*—Strike out the word "requires," and insert "require."

*Folio 3, line 8.*—Strike out the word "Acts," and insert "Statutes;" and before the word "Assembly," insert "General."

*Same folio, lines 8 and 9.*—Strike out the words "to be comprised in the said Second Volume."

*Folio 4, line 5.*—After the word “directed,” insert “after such Report as aforesaid, has been approved of by the Legislature.”

*Same folio, line 8.*—After the word “print,” strike out the words “the said Volume of.”

*Same folio, line 13.*—Strike out the word “thereof,” and insert “for Tenders for such Contracts.”

*Folio 5, line 3.*—Strike out the words “Volume of.”

*Same folio, line 11.*—Strike out the words “of the,” and the whole of the Twelfth line.

*Folio 6, lines 1 and 2.*—Strike out the words “of the said Volume.”

*Folio 8, line 1.*—Strike out the word “Volume,” and insert “Statutes.”

*Same folio, line 4.*—Strike out the word “Volume,” and insert “Statutes.”

*In the Title.*—Strike out the words “the Second Volume of.”

**Ordered,** That the said amendments be read a second time on Monday next.

Read a third time, as engrossed, the Bill intituled “An Act for levying further an Assessment on all Lands in this Colony, and for the encouragement of Education.”

An amendment was proposed by Mr. *Macintosh*, to be made to the Bill, by striking out the Clause granting to the Lieutenant Governor for the time being, the sum of Five hundred Pounds, Currency, per annum.

The House divided on the motion of amendment :

## YEAS :

Mr. <i>Macintosh</i> ,	Mr. <i>Rae</i> ,
Mr. <i>Clark</i> ,	Mr. <i>D. Macdonald</i> ,
Mr. <i>Whelan</i> ,	Mr. <i>Mooney</i> ,
Mr. <i>Le Lacheur</i> ,	Hon. Mr. <i>Coles</i> ,
Mr. <i>Fraser</i> ,	Mr. <i>Jardine</i> .

## NAYS :

Mr. <i>Palmer</i> ,	Mr. <i>Douse</i> ,
Mr. <i>J. H. Conroy</i> ,	Mr. <i>F. Longworth</i> ,
Mr. <i>J. Longworth</i> ,	Mr. <i>D. Maclean</i> ,
Mr. <i>Thornton</i> ,	Mr. <i>N. Conroy</i> ,
Mr. <i>Haviland</i> ,	Mr. <i>D. M. D. D.</i>
	Mr. <i>H. Macintosh</i> .

So it passed in the negative.

Mr. *Rae* moved that the following clause be added to the Bill, and do form part thereof by way of rider :

“Providing always and declaring, as it is hereby specially provided and declared, that

if the expenditure of any one year exceed the Revenue of that year, the said sum of £500 shall not be paid to the Lieutenant Governor, for that year; nor shall such amount be brought forward as a charge on the Revenue of any subsequent year; but that whenever the Revenue shall be equal to the expenditure, then the said sum of £500 shall be paid for each and every such year, and for no more: And further, providing and declaring, that the said allowance of £500 shall cease and finally determine, whenever the present Lieutenant Governor shall be removed from the administration of affairs in this Colony, by removal, decease or otherwise. And further, providing and declaring, that in each and every year of which the said £500 shall be payable, all Fees payable to the Lieutenant Governor for that year, and also the allowance of One hundred Pounds, for travelling expenses, shall be paid into the public Treasury.

A motion being made, that the said clause be read a second time ;

The House divided :

And the names being called for, were taken down, as in the last preceding division.

So it passed in the negative.

A motion being made, that the Bill do pass ;

The House divided on the question :

## YEAS :

Mr. <i>F. Longworth</i> ,	Mr. <i>Palmer</i> ,
Mr. <i>H. Macdonald</i> ,	Mr. <i>Douse</i> ,
Mr. <i>N. Conroy</i> ,	Mr. <i>D. Maclean</i> ,
Mr. <i>Thornton</i> ,	Mr. <i>J. Longworth</i> ,
Mr. <i>Montgomery</i> ,	Mr. <i>J. H. Conroy</i> ,
Mr. <i>Haviland</i> ,	Hon. Mr. <i>Coles</i> .

## NAYS :

Mr. <i>Macintosh</i> ,	Mr. <i>Rae</i> ,
Mr. <i>Jardine</i> ,	Mr. <i>Mooney</i> ,
Mr. <i>Clark</i> ,	Mr. <i>Le Lacheur</i> ,
Mr. <i>Whelan</i> ,	Mr. <i>D. Macdonald</i> .
Mr. <i>Fraser</i> ,	

So it was carried in the affirmative, and **Resolved**, accordingly.

**Ordered**, That Mr. *Palmer* do carry the said Bill to the Council, and desire their concurrence.

*Resolved*, That this House do now resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, to consider further of a Supply.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. Jardine took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

Mr. *Jardine* reported, that the Commit-

tee had come to several Resolutions, which he was directed to submit to the House, whenever it shall be pleased to receive the same.

*Ordered*, That the Report of the Committee be received on Monday next.

Then the House adjourned until Monday next at Ten o'clock.

## MONDAY, April 24, 1848.

**T**HE amendments made by the Council, to the Bill intituled "An Act to provide for reprinting the Second Volume of the Laws of this Island," were, according to order, read a second time.

*Ordered*, That the said amendments be now committed to a Committee of the whole House.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. N. Conroy took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

Mr. *N. Conroy* reported, that the Committee had come to a Resolution; which Resolution being again read at the Clerk's Table, was agreed to by the House, and is as followeth:—

**RESOLVED**, That it is the opinion of this Committee, that this House do concur with the Legislative Council in Eleven of the said amendments, and do not concur in one (the fifth) of the said amendments.

*Resolved*, That a Conference be desired with the Legislative Council, on the amendments made to the Bill intituled "An Act to provide for reprinting the Second Volume of the Laws of this Island."

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Palmer* do go to the Council, and desire the said Conference.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Palmer*, Mr. *J. Longworth*, Mr. *Thornton* and Mr. *N. Conroy* be a Committee to manage the said Conference.

A Message from the Council by Mr. Desbrisay.

Mr. Speaker;

The Legislative Council do agree to a Conference, as is desired by the House of Assembly, on the amendments made to the Bill intituled "An Act to provide for reprinting the Second Volume of the Laws of this Island," and have appointed the Honorable Mr. Holl and the Honorable Mr. Young, a Committee to manage the said Conference—to meet in the Conference Room instanter.

And then he withdrew.

And the names of the Managers being called over,

They went to the Conference.

And being returned—

Mr. *Palmer* reported, that the Managers had been at the Conference, and had complied with the instructions given them by this House.

The amendments made by the Council to the Bill intituled "An Act to consolidate and improve the Laws for the Election of Members to serve in the General Assembly," were, according to order, read a second time.

*Ordered*, That the said amendments be now committed to a Committee of the whole House.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. Jardine took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

Mr. *Jardine* reported, that the Committee had gone through the amendments, and had agreed to the same, with an amendment.

*Resolved*, That a Conference be desired with the Legislative Council, on the amendments made to the said Bill.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Palmer* do go to the Council, and desire the said Conference.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Palmer*, Mr. *Montgomery*, Mr. *Thornton* and Mr. *J. Longworth* be a Committee to manage the said Conference.

A Message from the Council, by Mr. Desbrisay.

Mr. Speaker ;

The Legislative Council do agree to a Conference, as is desired by the House of Assembly, on the amendments made to the Bill intituled "An Act to consolidate and improve the Laws for the Election of Members to serve in the General Assembly ;" and have appointed the Honorable Mr. Solicitor General and the Honorable Mr. Young, a Committee to manage the said Conference—to meet in the Conference Room, at a quarter past two o'clock.

And then he withdrew.

The time for holding the Conference with the Council, on the Bill intituled "An Act to consolidate and improve the Laws for the Election of Members to serve in the General Assembly," having arrived.

And the names of the Managers being called over :

They went to the Conference.

And being returned—

Mr. *Palmer* 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. Desbrisay.

Mr. Speaker ;

The Legislative Council desire a further Conference with the House of Assembly, on the amendments made to the Bill intituled "An Act to provide for re-printing the second volumé of the Laws of this Island," and have appointed the same Committee who managed the last Conference, a Committee to manage this further Conference—to meet in the Conference Room instanter.

And then he withdrew.

*Resolved*, That this House do agree to a further Conference, as is desired by the Council, on the Bill intituled "An Act to provide for re-printing the Second volume of the Laws of this Island."

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Palmer* do go to the Council and acquaint them therewith.

*Ordered*, That the same Committee who managed the last Conference thereon, be a Committee to manage this further Conference.

And the names of the managers being called over, they went to the Conference.

And being returned—

Mr. *Palmer* reported, that the managers had been at the Conference, and had met the Committee of the Council, who acquainted them that the Council do not insist on their Fifth amendment.

A Message from the Council, by Mr. Desbrisay.

Mr. Speaker ;

The Legislative Council desire a further Conference with the House of Assembly, on the amendments made to the Bill intituled "An Act to consolidate and improve the Laws for the election of Members to serve in the General Assembly," and have appointed the same Committee who managed the last Conference thereon, a Committee to manage this further Conference, to meet in the Conference Room instanter.

And then he withdrew.

*Resolved*, That this House do agree to a Conference, as is desired by the Council, on the amendments made to the Bill intituled

‘An Act to consolidate and improve the Laws for the election of Members to serve in the General Assembly.’”

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Palmer* do go to the Council and acquaint them therewith.

*Ordered*, That the same Committee who managed the last Conference thereon, be a Committee to manage this further Conference.

And the names of the managers being called over, they went to the Conference.

And being returned—

Mr. *Palmer* reported, that the managers had been at the Conference, and had met the Committee of the Council, who acquainted them that the Council have agreed to the amendments made by the House to their amendments.

The Hon. Mr. *Coles* from the Committee appointed to join the Committee of the Council, to prepare an Address to His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor, requesting him to forward the Joint Address of both Houses to Her Majesty the Queen, congratulating Her Majesty upon the Birth of a Princess, presented to the House the draft of an Address, as prepared by the Joint Committee; and the said draft Address being again read at the Clerk’s Table, was agreed to by the House, and is as followeth;

To His Excellency SIR DONALD CAMPBELL, BARONET, Lieutenant Governor and Commander-in-Chief in and over Her Majesty’s Island Prince Edward, and the Territories thereunto belonging, Chancellor, Vice Admiral, and Ordinary of the same, &c. &c. &c.

May it please Your Excellency;

The Legislative Council and Assembly having agreed to an Address, congratulating Her Majesty upon the Birth of a Royal Princess, and upon Her Majesty’s restoration to health, respectfully request, that your Excellency will be pleased to transmit the same to be laid at the foot of the Throne:

The Council and Assembly avail themselves of this opportunity to express to your Excellency, their continued desire to co-operate with your Excellency in promoting any measure that may tend to advance the best interests of the Colony.

*Ordered*, That the said Address be engrossed.

*Ordered*, That the same Committee who

prepared the Address, be a Committee to wait upon His Excellency with the same.

Then the House adjourned for one hour.

And being met—

The Order of the Day for the House in Committee on the Report of the Special Committee appointed to investigate the present state of the Treasury, being read;

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. N. Conroy took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

Mr. N. Conroy reported, that the Committee had gone through the Report of the Special Committee, had amended, and then adopted the same; and the Report, so amended, was again read at the Clerk’s Table, and is as followeth:

Your Committee appointed to inquire into the state of the Treasury, since the appointment of Auditors under the Act of 1846, regarding certain indefinite rumours, alleged by the Hon. George Coles, in his place in Parliament, to be in circulation unfavourable to the management of that department of the public service, have to report—That they attended at the Treasury on the last quarter day, when the Auditors were examining the Documents, Books and Cash on hand; they saw a list of the various denominations of money in the Colonial chest, extended on a sheet of paper by the Auditors, as they reckoned each parcel, and noted that the sum corresponded exactly with the balance of the Cash Book. One of your Committee also took the trouble to check the Cash Book, since the previous balance, and found it to be correct. Your Committee further examined the Auditors concerning the general accuracy of the Treasury Accounts, and they state that the business of that branch of the public service, has, ever since their appointment, been conducted with the most scrupulous exactness.

As the Accounts and Cash of the Treasury were investigated in 1846, and declared to be correct, your Committee consider that, besides the limitation of their inquiries by the House of Assembly, it was unnecessary to extend them prior to that time; but as the rumour alluded to—which had been originally brought under the notice of the Assembly in very vague and general terms—assumed a more definite

shape, and was resolved into a reference to some money transactions, which it was alleged the Treasurer had been connected with before the year 1846, they interrogated Mr. Cundall, one of the Commissioners who then assisted to investigate the affairs of the Treasury, and were informed by him, that the Books and Cash were correct then, and that the Accounts had been so since the year 1833; before which date the Commissioners did not consider it necessary to push their inquiries.

Your Committee have no proof that the affairs of the Treasury were in any way implicated in the rumour alluded to, and which, if true, may have been of a private nature, and they are of opinion that it would be unconstitutional for them to institute inquisitorial proceedings into private transactions.

And the Report being again read—

Mr. *Rae* moved, to amend the said Report in the first paragraph thereof, by striking out the following words: "regarding certain indefinite rumours, alleged by the Hon. George Coles in his place in Parliament, to be in circulation, unfavorable to the management of that department of the public service," and, at the end of the Report, to insert the following, to form part thereof:

"That Mr. Coles, as one of the Committee, stated, that Colonel Lane, one of the Securities of the Hon. J. S. Smith, the Treasurer—told him, that at the time of the investigation of the Treasurer's Accounts, in 1846, he had to pay £500 towards relieving him from his difficulties at that time, and therefore determined to withdraw from being one of the Securities of the Treasurer; but was induced by the Attorney General, who became security to him (Col. Lane) against further loss, to allow his name to remain; that about that time he (Col. Lane) had to endorse Bills drawn by the Treasurer on his Brother in St. John, N. B., for a large amount, to enable him to make up the remainder of the deficiency.

"Mr. Coles stated, that he was aware that another person had offered One hundred pounds, sterling, towards making up the deficiency, provided Col. Lane would not make an immediate exposure of the Treasurer's affairs.

"The Committee refused to enter on the consideration of these statements, or to make

any examination into the affairs of the Treasury, further back than the date of the Report by the Commissioners.

"Mr. Coles also stated, that there were more Treasury Notes in circulation than appeared in the Public Accounts, and moved to have examined the Hon. T. H. Haviland, Hon. R. Hodgson, and D. Hodgson, Esq., the three Commissioners for issuing Treasury Notes.

"Mr. D. Hodgson, on examination, stated, that he had been recently appointed Commissioner, and had not issued any Notes, but had exchanged new for old Notes—that he believed there had been issued Three hundred pounds more than appeared by the Public Accounts to be in circulation; but he could not give any certain account how the difference arose. When he first became a Commissioner, the Commissioners were called upon to sign £1,200 of new Notes, to be exchanged for old ones; and these Notes, when signed, were handed to the senior Commissioner. Some time after this, he (Mr. Hodgson) asked the senior Commissioner if he had exchanged the Notes? He replied, 'yes:' and when asked if he had burned the old ones? He replied no, that he had not yet received them from the Treasurer; he (Mr. Hodgson) then asked if the Treasurer had received the new Notes? The Commissioner replied that he had—and to his (Mr. Hodgson's) great annoyance, nearly three months expired before the Commissioners obtained all the old Notes from the Treasurer. Some time after, and in the year 1845, the Treasurer required from the Commissioners a further exchange of £3000 of new Notes. On this application being made, he (Mr. Hodgson) told his brother Commissioners that, as he was the junior one, he would sign the Notes last; and when he got the new Notes, he refused to give them to the Treasurer until the old ones were handed over to him; but to his surprise, he found that the Treasurer had not £100 of old Notes, or thereabouts, to give in exchange; and after frequent applications for the Notes made to him by the Treasurer and the other commissioners (Col. Lane, and the late Hon. J. Brecken), he (Mr. H.) told them that if they persisted, they might have the Notes, but he (Mr. H.) would immediately resign his commission.

Upon this the other two commissioners then declined to take upon themselves that responsibility, and after about eighteen months the whole £3000 were exchanged for old notes. The practice has since been, to receive the old notes, and immediately hand over new notes of equal amount.

“The Hon. T. H. Haviland being examined, stated that he was one of the commissioners appointed to issue the first notes ever issued in the Colony, and thinks the issue then made was £5,780, but cannot, at this distance of time, speak positively, as they kept no record of the amount then handed to the Treasurer—thinks they must have taken receipts from the Treasurer, but does not know where to look for them—the Attorney General has one. The law authorised first, the issue of £5000 of Notes of certain amounts, in equal proportions; thinks that they could not keep these proportions equal but by limiting the issue to £4980. Afterwards, authority was given to issue £800 in 10s. notes, which would have increased the amount in circulation to £5,780, but thinks the issue was only £5,650, being £130 under the amount. As the books of the then Treasurer, Col. Gray, remained private property after his decease, the exact amount cannot be ascertained from any public record. He (Mr. Haviland) became Treasurer in 1830. Does not know in whose hands are the plates of the old Notes, but thinks some of them may have been sent out from London to the commissioners here, along with the new plates. They were transmitted at one time to Sylvester, in London, the man who engraved them. The five shillings plate was, at one time, sent to Halifax, and the five shilling notes struck off there. The ten shilling plate was, at one time, sent to the late Mr. White, of this town, who struck off a considerable number. It was here observed by the Chairman of the Committee, Dr. Conroy, that he believed about that time some three

or four 10s. notes appeared with forged signatures, but being rejected, disappeared; and that after Mr. White's death, Mr. J. Davis, jun., his Executor or Administrator, got in White's Repositories, impressions of Notes to the amount of four hundred pounds, which he handed to the Commissioners for Treasury Notes. Mr. Haviland is of opinion that the amount of Notes afloat is not £11,500, but at least, £11,650, that is, supposing none of them to have been lost; but thinks hundreds will be found to have perished. He admits, that so far as he can see on a cursory glance, there appears still £24 Os. 7½d. due by the securities of Mr. Campbell. At the time he (Mr. Haviland) was Treasurer, it was the practice, in exchanging new Notes for old ones, to receive the new, and give the commissioners the old Notes, according as they were received into the Treasury.”

Mr. *Montgomery* moved, in amendment to the said proposed amendment, that the Report of the Committee be agreed to.

The House divided on the motion of amendment:

## YEAS:

Mr. <i>Montgomery</i> ,	Mr. <i>Haviland</i> ,
Mr. <i>F. Longworth</i> ,	Mr. <i>H. Macdonald</i> .
Mr. <i>Palmer</i> ,	Mr. <i>D. Maclean</i> ,
Mr. <i>J. H. Conroy</i> ,	Mr. <i>Jardine</i> ,
Mr. <i>Douse</i> ,	Mr. <i>J. Longworth</i> ,
Mr. <i>Thornton</i> ,	Mr. <i>N. Conroy</i> .

## NAYS:

Mr. <i>Rae</i> ,	Mr. <i>Macintosh</i> ,
Mr. <i>Mooney</i> ,	Mr. <i>Fraser</i> ,
Mr. <i>Le Lacheur</i> ,	Hon. Mr. <i>Coles</i> ,
Mr. <i>D. Macdonald</i> ,	Mr. <i>Clark</i> .
Mr. <i>Whelan</i> ,	

So it was carried in the affirmative, and Resolved, accordingly.

Then the House adjourned until to-morrow at Ten o'clock.

## TUESDAY, April 25, 1848.

**RESOLVED**, That an Address be presented to His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to direct to be furnished to this House, Copies of the "Blue Book" for the three last preceding years.

*Ordered*, That Mr. Rae, Mr. Jardine and Mr. D. Macdonald be a Committee to prepare the said Address.

A Message from His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor.

Mr. Secretary Haviland, by command of His Excellency, delivered the following

### Message :

DONALD CAMPBELL, Lieut. Governor.

The Lieutenant Governor transmits to the House of Assembly, an Extract from a Despatch of the Right Honorable Earl Grey, relative to the decision of the House of Assembly, in having declared Mr. Warburton's seat in that body vacant, in consequence of his acceptance of a seat in the Executive Council.

Government House,  
April 25th, 1848.

D. C.

*Ordered*, That the said Extract of a Despatch, transmitted to this House, by command of His Excellency, be printed once in each of the Newspapers published in Charlottetown.

[ For said Document, see Appendix (O.) ]

*Resolved*, That the following Address to His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor do now pass :

To His Excellency SIR DONALD CAMPBELL, BARONET, Lieutenant Governor and Commander-in-Chief in and over Her Majesty's Island Prince Edward, and the Territories thereunto belonging, Chancellor, Vice Admiral, and Ordinary of the same, &c. &c. &c.

May it please Your Excellency;

The House of Assembly having had under consideration the state of the Post Office Department in this Colony, more particularly with reference to the contemplated reduction of Postage, did, on the 18th inst., adopt a Report on the subject, a copy of which they respectfully communicate to your Excellency.

The House of Assembly being desirous that the

measures recommended in the Report, should be carried into effect as early as practicable, by the Executive Government of this Colony, trust that these measures will meet with your Excellency's attention and support in carrying them into operation.

*Ordered*, That the said Address be engrossed.

*Ordered*, That Mr. Thornton, Mr. D. Maclean and Mr. Jardine be a Committee to wait on His Excellency with the same, together with a copy of the Report on the Post Office Department, referred to in the said Address.

Mr. Fraser, from the Committee of the whole House, on the consideration of a Supply, reported, according to order, seventy-five Resolutions of the said Committee; which Resolutions were again read at the Clerks Table, and are as follow :—

1. *RESOLVED*, as the opinion of this Committee, That the following salaries, as provided for by Statute, be granted and paid to the respective Officers entitled to receive the same, viz :—

Treasurer,	£500	0	0
Colonial Secretary,	400	0	0
Collector of Impost, Charlottetown,	260	0	0
Adjutant General of Militia,	75	0	0
Wharfinger, Charlottetown,	60	0	0
Market Clerk, do.,	40	0	0
Three Masters Central Academy,	300	0	0
Five Sub-Collectors of Customs,	180	0	0
Sixteen Road Commissioners,	160	0	0

2. *RESOLVED*, That the sum of Twenty Pounds be granted and paid to each of the Sheriffs of King's, Queen's, and Prince Counties.

And to the Keeper of the Light House at Point Prim,	£50	0	0
The Master of the National School,	25	0	0
The Messenger of the Executive Council,	40	0	0
The Jailor of Queen's County,	40	0	0
Jailor of King's County,	30	0	0
Jailor of Prince County,	30	0	0
Road Correspondent,	40	0	0

Assayer of Weights and Measures, Charlottetown,	£10 0 0
Medical Attendant Queen's County Jail, -	10 0 0
Medical Attendant of King's County Jail, -	4 0 0
Medical Attendant of Prince County Jail, -	4 0 0
For Auditing Treasurer's Accounts, - -	20 0 0
Auditors Classifying Public Accounts for past year,	25 0 0
Keeper of Colonial Building,	30 0 0
Librarian to the Legislature,	10 0 0
Market Clerk, Georgetown,	5 0 0
Matron of Queen's County Jail, - -	15 0 0
Buoys and Beacons, -	75 0 0
Coroner's Inquests, -	50 0 0
Premiums on Bears and Loupcerviers, -	20 0 0
Plans and Estimates for Public Works, - -	10 0 0
Unpaid Accounts for Maintenance and Medical Attendance on sick Emigrants, - -	409 19 9
Amount of Verdict in the case of W. H. Hobkirk, for Medical Attendance on persons injured at the Riot at Belfast, 1st March, 1847, should Judgment be finally given by the Court in his favour, - -	35 0 0
Commissioners of Treasury Notes, - - -	75 0 0
Shediac and Georgetown Packets, - - -	60 0 0
Government House and Premises, - - -	
For Drawback, - -	230 0 0
Contingencies for the present year, - . -	250 0 0

3. *RESOLVED*, That there be placed at the disposal of the Government a sum sufficient to pay a Commission of five per cent. upon all moneys advanced during the past year for the purchase of Seed Grain and Potatoes: the said per centage to be divided among the persons composing the different Committees appointed to superintend the expenditure of those moneys, in proportion to the amount expended by each member of the Committee; but this grant shall not include Road Districts Nos. 4, 5 and 15, the

Commission having already been retained in those Districts by the Commissioner, who shall be required to divide the amount retained, agreeably to this Resolution.

4. *RESOLVED*, That there be granted and paid the following sums:—

To Commissioners of Roads, as their per centage,	150 0 0
A sufficient sum for the contingent expenses of the Legislative Council and House of Assembly for the present Session.	
For Crown Prosecutions and Crown Officers' fees,	450 0 0
Conveyance of Summer and Foreign Mails, -	600 0 0
Conveyance of Winter Mails,	400 0 0
Public Postage, - - -	60 0 0
Expenses of 3 County Jails,	350 0 0
Public Printing & Stationary,	350 0 0
Interest on Warrants, -	1500 0 0
Expenses of Light House at Point Prim, - -	60 0 0
Expenses of Light Houses at St. Paul's and Scatterie,	50 0 0

5. *RESOLVED*, That the sum of Two Thousand Pounds be granted and placed at the disposal of the Government, to be applied—or as much thereof as may be necessary—in paying off the contracts, and completing the work of the Colonial Building: the said amount to be paid out of the moneys now in the Treasury, raised under and by virtue of the Act passed in the Seventh year of the Reign of King William the Fourth, intituled "An Act for levying an Assessment on all Lands in this Island."

6. *RESOLVED*, That there be granted and placed at the disposal of the Government the following amounts, to furnish the respective Public Offices in the Colonial Building, viz.:—

Governor's Office, for Furniture not already provided, - -	£17 0 0
Judge of Probate's Office,	13 0 0
Colonial Secretary and Registrar's Office, -	12 0 0
Treasurer's Office, - -	15 9 6
Surveyor General's Office,	9 6 6
Collector of Impost's Office,	8 14 6
Registrar in Chancery's Office	6 15 6
Prothonotary's Office, -	5 6 6

7. *RESOLVED*, That there be granted and paid to the Honorable John Spencer Smith, Colonial Treasurer, the sum of Five pounds, Eleven shillings and one penny half-penny, being the amount of his Account for Public Stationary for the past year.

8. *RESOLVED*, That the sum of One thousand Five hundred Pounds be granted for the encouragement of general Education, as established by Law for the current year, should the same be required.

9. *RESOLVED*, That the sum of Three hundred and Fifty Pounds be placed in the hands of the Committee superintending Government House, for furnishing and repairing said house and premises.

10. *RESOLVED*, That there be granted and paid to the Speaker the sum of Sixty Pounds, and to each of the Members the sum of Thirty Pounds, for their attendance during the present Session, together with the usual travelling expenses coming to and returning from the Legislature; and a proportionate rate to such Members as have attended in their place for a part of the Session.

11. *RESOLVED*, That a sum sufficient be placed at the disposal of the Executive to defray the contingent expenses of the Legislative Council and House of Assembly for the present Session.

12. *RESOLVED*, That the sum of One hundred Pounds be granted and placed at the disposal of the joint Committee having charge of the Legislative Library, for the purchase of Books for the use of the Legislature.

13. *RESOLVED*, That the sum of Three Pounds be granted and paid to William Cundall, Esq., being the amount of his Account for preparing an Index to the Laws of 1846 and 1847.

14. *RESOLVED*, That the sum of Seventy-five Pounds be granted and placed at the disposal of the Lieutenant Governor, or as much thereof as may be necessary, to repair or renew the Jail-yard Fence in King's County; and a further sum of Twenty Pounds, should the same be required, for repairs of the Jail-yard Fence at St. Eleanor's.

15. *RESOLVED*, That the sum of One hundred Pounds be granted and placed at the disposal of the Lieutenant Governor and Council, to be applied towards the repairs of the Queen's County Jail, agreeably to Messrs. Wright & Rider's Estimate, or as much thereof as may be required.

16. *RESOLVED*, That the sum of Twenty-five Pounds be granted and placed at the disposal of the Lieutenant Governor and Council, for the purpose of repairing the Old Court House in Charlottetown, or as much thereof as may be required.

17. *RESOLVED*, That there be granted and paid to Thomas Hunt, Esq., of Prince County, the sum of Two Pounds Seven Shillings and eight-pence, amount of expenses allowed him last year on the Report of a special Committee of the House.

18. *RESOLVED*, That the sum of Ten Pounds be granted and paid to James Keough, late Jailer of

Prince County, to reimburse him for services performed.

19. *RESOLVED*, That the sum of Twenty-six Pounds be granted, and placed at the disposal of the Government, for painting the outside of Point Prim Light House, placing Stove in same, and ceiling lantern with tin.

20. *RESOLVED*, That a sum sufficient be granted, and placed at the disposal of the Governor and Council, to provide for the payment of four Constables, to attend the Hilary and Trinity Terms of the Supreme Court, held in Queen's County; and for the attendance of two Constables at the several Supreme Courts in King's and Prince Counties; and two Constables for the Easter and Michaelmas Terms of Queen's County, at the rate of Three Shillings per day.

21. *RESOLVED*, That the sum of Five Pounds be granted, and paid to James & Hugh McKenna, for services rendered to the Board of Health.

22. *RESOLVED*, That the sum of Ten Pounds be granted, and paid to the Office-bearers of the Charlottetown Mechanics' Institute, in aid of the funds of that Institution.

23. *RESOLVED*, That the sum of Five Pounds be granted, and paid to the Office-bearers of the Princetown Royalty Literary and Scientific Society, in aid of the funds of that Institution.

24. *RESOLVED*, That the sum of Three hundred and Fifty Pounds be granted, towards the support and maintenance of the Lunatic Asylum and House of Industry for the present year, should the same be required for the support of the inmates thereof, and the necessary expenses of the Establishment.

25. *RESOLVED*, That a sum of Two hundred Pounds be granted and placed at the disposal of the Office-bearers of the Central Agricultural Society, for the importation of Live Stock, principally Sheep; and that on their arrival the number shall be divided into three equal portions, as near as may be, to the same value; and one-third sent to King's and Prince Counties respectively—and the amount realized therefrom, after defraying the expenses attending the same, shall be returned into the Treasury of this Island.

26. *RESOLVED*, That the sum of Forty-three Pounds four shillings and nine-pence be granted and paid to Albert H. Yates, of Charlottetown, being a sum equal to the drawback on One hundred and forty barrels of Flour, exported from this Island in the year 1846.

27. *RESOLVED*, That the sum of One hundred and twenty Pounds be granted and paid to John Renouf, of Charlottetown, provided that before receiving the same, he can make it appear to the satisfaction of the Executive Government of this Island, that all his

Creditors, whose claims have arisen out of his contract for building the Lunatic Asylum, have given him a discharge for such demands.

28. *RESOLVED*, That the sum of Eighteen Pounds nineteen shillings be granted and paid to Mark Butcher, being the amount of his account for making and repairing the Furniture of Government House, up to the 5th of January of the present year.

29. *RESOLVED*, That the sum of Ten Pounds be granted and paid to James O'Riely, being the amount of certain License money paid by him, and recommended by the Grand Jury to be returned to him.

30. *RESOLVED*, That there be granted and paid to John Davis the sum of Two Pounds ten shillings, being the value of one gun given to John Sark, an Indian, whose wigwam and shooting materials were burnt.

31. *RESOLVED*, That the sum of One hundred Pounds be placed at the disposal of the Board of Education, for the purpose of procuring Books published by direction of the Commissioners of National Education in Ireland, for the use of District Schools in this Island; the same to be sold at cost and charges, and the amounts realized therefrom to be refunded into the Treasury of this Island; and that there shall be at least six Depositories in each County, for the sale of such Books.

32. *RESOLVED*, That the sum of Six Pounds Five Shillings be granted, and paid to John Ross, Teacher of the Grammar School, Georgetown, being one quarter's Legislative allowance for said School, from the Twelfth July last.

33. *RESOLVED*, That the sum of Three Pounds be granted, and paid to Letitia Muirhead, of Township Sixteen, for having taught a preparatory School for the last twelve months.

34. *RESOLVED*, That there be granted, and paid to Margaret Owen, of Lot Fifty-one, the sum of Seven Pounds Four Shillings, for teaching Eighteen Scholars a period of twelve months past.

35. *RESOLVED*, That there be granted to Neil Maclean, first class teacher, Lot Thirteen, the sum of Seven Pounds Ten Shillings, being six months' allowance to him, for conducting a School previous to the First of December, 1847.

36. *RESOLVED*, That the sum of Twenty Pounds be granted, and paid to Mrs. Ann Cullen, widow of the late William Cullen, Esq.,—who at the time of his death, and for nearly twenty years previously, was Chief Clerk to the House of Assembly.

37. *RESOLVED*, That the sum of Fourteen Pounds be granted, to defray the Assessment on the Government Pews in St. Paul's Church, Charlottetown.

38. *RESOLVED*, That the sum of Ten Pounds be granted, and paid to His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor, to defray the expense of Assessment

on the Pews of St. James's Church, Charlottetown, appropriated to the use of the Administrator of the Government and the Members of the Legislature.

39. *RESOLVED*, That the sum of Six Pounds be granted, and paid to the Trustees of the Wesleyan Chapel, to defray the Assessment on a Pew in that Building, for the use of the Legislature.

40. *RESOLVED*, That the sum of Seven Pounds ten shillings be granted, to defray the Assessment on a Pew in the Catholic Chapel for the use of the Members of the Assembly, for the present year.

41. *RESOLVED*, That the sum of Thirty Pounds be granted to the Deputy Post Master General, for the present year, for conducting the business of the Inland Mails.

42. *RESOLVED*, That the sum of Twenty Pounds be granted, and paid to Philips F. Irving, to reimburse him for damages done to his boats, and for additional expenses incurred by him in the conveyance of the Mails during the past Winter.

43. *RESOLVED*, That the sum of Forty-five Pounds (in addition to the sum of Thirty Pounds allowed by the Act 9th Vic. Cap. 22,) be granted, and paid to the person who shall run a Packet between Georgetown and Pictou the ensuing season, under the provisions of the said Act.

44. *RESOLVED*, That the sum of Five Pounds one shilling and six-pence be granted, and paid to James and George Walsh, of Bedeque, to recompense them for that sum paid for Light Duties on the Packet "Oregon," between Bedeque and Shediak, during the past year.

45. *RESOLVED*, That there be placed at the disposal of the Government, the sum of Fifteen Pounds, out of the amount voted for Contingencies for Roads and Bridges in Prince County, to defray a part of a Balance of Nineteen Pounds due on a Contract for a Slip and repairs at Green's Wharf, Bedeque, during the past year; and that the further balance of Four Pounds be paid by the Road Commissioner of the District, out of any Wharfage fees received during the current year.

46. *RESOLVED*, That the sum of Eight Pounds be granted, and placed at the disposal of the Road Commissioner for District No. 1, for the purpose of procuring a Scow for Large's Ferry.

47. *RESOLVED*, That the application to this House of Alexander Rae, Esquire, for the sum of Thirty-two Pounds, for services as Teacher of a School in Princetown Royalty, in 1837, 1838, 1839, 1840 and 1841 (making in all three years' services), be referred to a Special Committee, to report on the equity of the said claim, to this House in its next Session.

48. *RESOLVED*, That the sum of One hundred Pounds be granted, and placed at the disposal of His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor in Council, to

be expended or not, at his option, in boring for Coal at such place in or near Charlottetown, as may be deemed expedient.

49. RESOLVED, That the sum of Ten Pounds be granted, and paid to the Northern Agricultural Society, for the purpose of promoting Agriculture in that distant part of the Island.

50. RESOLVED, That the sum of Ten Pounds be granted, and placed at the disposal of His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor, for the purpose of procuring a Revenue Gig Boat, for the use of the Impost Department, Charlottetown.

51. RESOLVED, That the sum of Ten Pounds be granted, and paid to John Arbuckle, Third Master of the Central Academy.

52. RESOLVED, That the sum of Fifteen Pounds be granted, and paid to Peter Scott, to remunerate him for additional work performed by him upon the Pownal Street Wharf, not contemplated by him at the time he tendered for the Contract.

53. RESOLVED, That there be granted, and placed at the disposal of His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor, a sum sufficient to defray the expenses incurred in their attending the Legislature, of such Members of the Legislative Council as reside at a distance of Twenty miles from Charlottetown, or upwards, being at a rate not above Thirty Pounds for each such Member, besides his travelling charges, at the rate of eight-pence per mile in coming to and returning therefrom—subject to such deduction for non-attendance, as may be made by the said Council.

54. RESOLVED, That the sum of Twenty Pounds be granted, and placed at the disposal of the Right Revd. B. D. Macdonald, Roman Catholic Bishop of Charlottetown, for the purpose of procuring Books for the use of the Acadian French Schools throughout the Island—the said amount to be refunded on the sale of the Books.

55. RESOLVED, That the sum of Two Pounds be granted and placed at the disposal of John Jardine, Esq., towards the expense of educating Millicent Mitchel, a native Indian girl resident at St. Peter's.

56. RESOLVED, That the sum of Four Pounds be granted and paid to Mr. William Bagnall, for the relief of the following persons:

Mary M'Leod, Lot 22,	£2 0 0
Alexander M'Lennan, Lot 67	2 0 0

57. RESOLVED, That the sum of Eleven Pounds ten shillings be granted and placed at the disposal of the Hon. James Warburton, for the relief of the following persons, viz:

John Morrison,	£2 0 0
Ellspet Collins,	4 0 0
George Murray,	2 0 0
Sally Frances,	1 10 0
Jane Cotton,	2 0 0

58. RESOLVED, That the sum of Fifteen Pounds five shillings be paid to Hugh Macdonald, Esq., for the relief of

Widow Michael Nevil, to pay funeral expenses of her husband,	£1 0 0
Catherine Welsh, Lot 66,	2 10 0
Edward Roach, Dingwell's Road,	2 0 0
Alexander Fraser, Lot 52, Cross Roads to Montague,	1 5 0
Widow Johnston, Grand River, Narrows Creek,	2 0 0
Widow Ronald Crawford,	2 0 0
Mary M'Phee,	2 10 0
Margaret Wilson, for her mother	2 0 0

59. RESOLVED, That the sum of Twenty-two Pounds ten shillings be granted and placed at the disposal of the Ladies' Benevolent Society, for the relief of the following persons, viz:

John M'Canada,	£5 0 0
Flora Nicholson,	2 10 0
Donald Maclean, Anderson's Road,	2 0 0
Widow Brogan, Mill Cove,	4 0 0
Widow Morrison, Lot 30,	2 0 0
Widow Lallow,	3 0 0
Widow M'Sween, Lot 23,	2 0 0
Widow Minchin,	2 0 0

60. RESOLVED, That the sum of Twenty Pounds be granted and paid to the Hon. the Speaker, for the relief of the following persons:

Elizabeth Snow,	2 0 0
John Rice,	3 0 0
Anna Maria Baker,	2 0 0
Catherine Murphy,	1 10 0
Nancy Murphy,	2 0 0
Widow M'Innis, Seven Mile Bay,	1 10 0
Margaret Snow,	2 0 0
William M'Neill,	2 0 0
Diana Crew,	1 10 0
Thomas Condon, Lot 19,	2 10 0

61. RESOLVED, That the sum of Ten Pounds be granted to John Jardine, Esq. for the relief of the following persons, viz:

Mary Nicholson,	£2 0 0
Pierce Walsh,	3 0 0
Christy M'Eachern,	3 0 0
Mrs. Partridge,	2 0 0

62. RESOLVED, That the sum of Ten Pounds be placed at the disposal of the Rev. Peter M'Intyre, for the relief of the following persons, viz:

Barbara Gallant,	£3 0 0
Julian De Roche,	2 0 0
Carey, a blind person,	1 10 0
Prosper Poirier,	2 0 0
George Luke,	1 10 0

63. RESOLVED, That the sum of Ten Pounds ten shillings be granted and placed at the disposal of

Thomas Tod, Esq., for the relief of the following persons:

Patrick M'Carron,	-	-	£3	0	0
James Conway,	-	-	2	0	0
Widow Britt,	-	-	2	10	0
Patrick Kelly,	-	-	3	0	0

64. RESOLVED, That the sum of Ten Pounds be granted to William Cousins, Esq., New London, for the relief of the following indigent persons:

Mary Campbell,	-	-	£2	0	0
Donald Duggan,	-	-	5	0	0
Henry Windsor,	-	-	3	0	0

65. RESOLVED, That the sum of Seventeen Pounds ten shillings be placed in the hands of Allan Fraser, Esq., for the relief of the following persons:

Mary Gallant,	-	-	£3	0	0
Samuel Cameron,	-	-	3	0	0
John Macleod, Quagmire,	-	-	4	0	0
Michael Long,	-	-	2	0	0
Michael M'Rae,	-	-	1	10	0
Peter Reshaur,	-	-	1	10	0
Eliakim Parker,	-	-	2	10	0

66. RESOLVED, That the sum of Nine Pounds ten shillings be granted and placed at the disposal of Samuel Nelson, Esq. for the relief of the following individuals:

Caleb Sentner,	-	-	£3	0	0
Nathaniel Gibb,	-	-	4	0	0
Samuel Martin,	-	-	2	10	0

67. RESOLVED, That the sum of Fifteen Pounds be granted to James Arthur, Esq. New Glasgow, for the relief of the following persons:

Amelia Gallant,	-	-	£3	0	0
Jude Ducett,	-	-	3	0	0
Victoria Petre,	-	-	3	0	0
Pierre Doucette,	-	-	3	0	0
Charles Quittle and wife,	-	-	3	0	0

68. RESOLVED, That the sum of Thirteen Pounds be granted and paid to Mr. James Beairsto, towards the relief of the following persons:

Benjamin Warren,	-	-	£4	0	0
George Howell,	-	-	3	0	0
James Gillis,	-	-	2	0	0
Widow Perry,	-	-	2	0	0
Sarah Macdonald,	-	-	2	0	0

69. RESOLVED, That the sum of Sixteen Pounds be granted and placed at the disposal of Nicholas Conroy, Esq., for the relief of the following persons:

Alexander Bell,	-	-	£3	0	0
Joseph Doucette,	-	-	2	0	0
Elizabeth Ruth,	-	-	8	0	0
James Adams,	-	-	3	0	0

70. RESOLVED, That the sum of Nine Pounds be granted and placed at the disposal of Robert

Mooney, Esq., for the relief of the following persons:

John Macdonald,	-	-	£3	0	0
Adelaide Murphy,	-	-	2	10	0
John Ready,	-	-	2	0	0
James Doolen,	-	-	1	10	0

71. RESOLVED, That the sum of Thirty Pounds be granted and placed at the disposal of John Macintosh, Esq. for the relief of the following persons:

Mary Connors,	-	-	£4	0	0
Robert Main,	-	-	3	0	0
Daniel Connors,	-	-	4	0	0
Thomas Deveraux,	-	-	4	0	0
Nancy M'Eachern,	-	-	2	0	0
Nancy Macdonald,	-	-	2	0	0
Lauchlan Gillis, for his son,	-	-	1	10	0
Widow M'Leod,	-	-	2	10	0
A poor widow on the Mill Road, Lot 45,	-	-	1	10	0
Prosper Fushere, for his daughter,	-	-	1	10	0
Richard Phelan, a blind man,	-	-	2	0	0
Widow of Simon Burke,	-	-	2	0	0

72. RESOLVED, That the sum of Ten Pounds ten shillings be granted to William Underhay, Esquire, for the relief of the following persons:

Mrs. Brown,	-	-	£2	0	0
Mrs. Henderson,	-	-	3	0	0
James Matthieson,	-	-	4	0	0
John De Cost,	-	-	1	10	0

73. RESOLVED, That the sum of Thirty-eight Pounds be granted, and placed at the disposal of the Benevolent Irish Society, for the relief of the following persons:

William Purcel,	-	-	£10	0	0
Margaret McCarty,	-	-	8	0	0
William Maher,	-	-	5	0	0
Jeremiah Keough,	-	-	4	0	0
Patrick O'Kief,	-	-	2	10	0
Bridget Traynor,	-	-	1	10	0
Anastatia Carrigan,	-	-	2	0	0
William M'Grath,	-	-	2	0	0
Jeremiah M'Arthy,	-	-	3	0	0

74. RESOLVED, That the following sums be granted and paid:

To Thomas Haslam, for the relief of Widow Macdonald,	-	-	£2	0	0
To Jeremiah Simpson, Esq., for two blind persons, named McKay,	-	-	10	0	0

75. RESOLVED, That the sum of Five Pounds be granted, and paid to Thomas Heath Haviland, Esq., towards the relief of John Hayes, a lad severely afflicted with Epilepsy, and thereby an insupportable burthen to his parents.

*Ordered*, That the question of concurrence be now separately put on the said Resolutions.

And the First to the Forty-seventh of the said Resolutions, inclusively, being again severally read, were, upon the question being separately put thereon, agreed to by the House.

The Forty-eighth of the said Resolutions being again read, and the question of concurrence put thereon ;

The House divided :

YEAS :

Mr. <i>D. Maclean</i> ,	Mr. <i>Haviland</i> ,
Mr. <i>J. H. Conroy</i> ,	Mr. <i>F. Longworth</i> ,
Mr. <i>Palmer</i> ,	Mr. <i>H. Macdonald</i> ,
Mr. <i>Thornton</i> ,	Mr. <i>N. Conroy</i> ,
Mr. <i>Montgomery</i> ,	Mr. <i>J. Longworth</i> .

NAYS :

Hon. Mr. <i>Coles</i> ,	Mr. <i>Clark</i> ,
Mr. <i>D. Macdonald</i> ,	Mr. <i>Macintosh</i> ,
Mr. <i>Jardine</i> ,	Mr. <i>Fraser</i> ,
Mr. <i>Rae</i> ,	Mr. <i>Whelan</i> ,
Mr. <i>Le Lacheur</i> ,	Mr. <i>Mooney</i> .

And the numbers being equal, Mr. *Speaker* gave his casting vote in the affirmative.

The Forty-ninth of the said Resolutions being again read, and the question put thereon ;

The House divided :

YEAS :

Mr. <i>N. Conroy</i> ,	Mr. <i>F. Longworth</i> ,
Mr. <i>Douse</i> ,	Mr. <i>Montgomery</i> ,
Mr. <i>J. H. Conroy</i> ,	Mr. <i>Thornton</i> ,
Mr. <i>D. Maclean</i> ,	Mr. <i>Palmer</i> ,
Mr. <i>J. Longworth</i> ,	Mr. <i>H. Macdonald</i> .
Mr. <i>Haviland</i> ,	

NAYS :

Hon. Mr. <i>Coles</i> ,	Mr. <i>Mooney</i> ,
Mr. <i>Clark</i> ,	Mr. <i>Whelan</i> ,
Mr. <i>Le Lacheur</i> ,	Mr. <i>Fraser</i> ,
Mr. <i>Jardine</i> ,	Mr. <i>Macintosh</i> .
Mr. <i>D. Macdonald</i> ,	

So it was carried in the affirmative.

The Fiftieth of the said Resolutions being again read, and the question put thereon ;

The House divided :

YEAS :

Mr. <i>Haviland</i> ,	Mr. <i>F. Longworth</i> ,
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Mr. <i>Douse</i> ,	Hon. Mr. <i>Coles</i> ,
Mr. <i>H. Macdonald</i> ,	Mr. <i>J. H. Conroy</i> ,
Mr. <i>J. Longworth</i> ,	Mr. <i>Palmer</i> .

NAYS :

Mr. <i>Le Lacheur</i> ,	Mr. <i>Rae</i> ,
Mr. <i>Jardine</i> ,	Mr. <i>Mooney</i> ,
Mr. <i>Whelan</i> ,	Mr. <i>N. Conroy</i> ,
Mr. <i>D. Macdonald</i> ,	Mr. <i>Montgomery</i> ,
Mr. <i>D. Maclean</i> ,	Mr. <i>Thornton</i> ,
Mr. <i>Macintosh</i> ,	Mr. <i>Clark</i> .
Mr. <i>Fraser</i> ,	

So it passed in the negative.

The Fifty-first of the said Resolutions being again read, and the question put thereon ;

The House divided :

YEAS :

Mr. <i>J. H. Conroy</i> ,	Mr. <i>Douse</i> ,
Mr. <i>Palmer</i> ,	Mr. <i>J. Longworth</i> ,
Mr. <i>Jardine</i> ,	Mr. <i>D. Maclean</i> ,
Mr. <i>N. Conroy</i> ,	Hon. Mr. <i>Coles</i> ,
Mr. <i>Thornton</i> ,	Mr. <i>Haviland</i> ,
Mr. <i>F. Longworth</i> ,	Mr. <i>H. Macdonald</i> .

NAYS :

Mr. <i>Montgomery</i> ,	Mr. <i>Macintosh</i> ,
Mr. <i>Rae</i> ,	Mr. <i>Mooney</i> ,
Mr. <i>Fraser</i> ,	Mr. <i>Le Lacheur</i> ,
Mr. <i>D. Macdonald</i> ,	Mr. <i>Clark</i> .

So it was carried in the affirmative.

The Fifty-second of the said Resolutions being again read, and the question put thereon ;

The House divided :

YEAS :

Mr. <i>J. Longworth</i> ,	Mr. <i>Jardine</i> ,
Hon. Mr. <i>Coles</i> ,	Mr. <i>Palmer</i> ,
Mr. <i>Rae</i> ,	Mr. <i>Le Lacheur</i> ,
Mr. <i>D. Macdonald</i> ,	Mr. <i>Fraser</i> ,
Mr. <i>Macintosh</i> ,	Mr. <i>Mooney</i> ,
Mr. <i>N. Conroy</i> ,	Mr. <i>Haviland</i> ,
Mr. <i>F. Longworth</i> ,	Mr. <i>Douse</i> .
Mr. <i>J. H. Conroy</i> ,	

NAYS :

Mr. <i>Thornton</i> ,	Mr. <i>H. Macdonald</i> ,
Mr. <i>Montgomery</i> ,	Mr. <i>Whelan</i> ,
Mr. <i>Clark</i> ,	Mr. <i>D. Maclean</i> .

So it was carried in the affirmative.

The Fifty-third of the said Resolutions being again read, and the question put thereon ;

The House divided :

YEAS :

Mr. Palmer,	Mr. Douse,
Mr. J. H. Conroy,	Mr. F. Longworth,
Mr. Haviland,	Mr. Thornton,
Mr. H. Macdonald,	Mr. Montgomery,
Mr. J. Longworth,	Mr. N. Conroy.
Mr. D. Maclean,	

NAYS :

Mr. Rae,	Mr. Mooney,
Mr. Clark,	Hon. Mr. Coles,
Mr. D. Macdonald,	Mr. Le Lacheur,
Mr. Jardine,	Mr. Macintosh,
Mr. Fraser,	Mr. Whelan.

So it was carried in the affirmative.

The Fifty-fourth of the said Resolutions being again read,

Mr. *Montgomery* moved to amend the same, by striking out the word "Twenty," and inserting the word "Fifteen," in lieu thereof.

And the motion being seconded, and the question put thereon,

It passed in the negative.

The question being then put on the said Resolution, it was agreed to by the House.

The residue of the said Resolutions being again severally read, were, upon the question being separately put thereon, agreed to by the House.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Montgomery*, Mr. *Clark* and Mr. *D. Maclean* be a Committee for the purpose mentioned in the Forty-seventh of the above reported Resolutions.

*Resolved*, That a Committee of Three members be appointed to prepare and bring in a Bill for appropriating the Supplies granted to Her Majesty this Session.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Fraser*, Mr. *Jardine* and Mr. *D. Macdonald* do compose the said Committee.

Mr. *Rae*, from the Committee appointed to prepare an Address to His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor, on the subject of the "Blue Book," presented to the House the draft of an Address as prepared by the Committee; and the said draft Address be-

ing again read at the Clerk's Table, was agreed to by the House, and is as followeth:—

To His Excellency SIR DONALD CAMPBELL, BARRONET, Lieutenant Governor and Commander-in-Chief in and over Her Majesty's Island Prince Edward, and the Territories thereunto belonging, Chancellor, Vice Admiral, and Ordinary of the same, &c. &c. &c.

May it please Your Excellency;

The House of Assembly request, that your Excellency will be pleased to cause to be transmitted to them, Copies of the Blue Book, for the last year, and the two years immediately preceding.

*Ordered*, That the said Address be engrossed.

*Ordered*, That the same Committee who prepared the Address, be a Committee to wait upon His Excellency with the same.

Mr. *Fraser*, from the Committee appointed to prepare and bring in a Bill for appropriating the Supplies granted to Her Majesty this Session, presented to the House a Bill, as prepared by the Committee, and the same was read the first time.

*Ordered*, That the Tenth Rule of the House be suspended in this case; and that the said Bill be read a second time, at the afternoon's sitting.

Then the House adjourned for one hour.

And being met—

The Bill for appropriating the Supplies granted to Her Majesty this Session, was, according to order, read a second time.

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

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. *Haviland* took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

Mr. *Haviland* reported, that the Committee had gone through the Bill, without making any amendment thereto; and the Report was again read at the Clerk's Table.

Mr. *Palmer* moved to amend the said Bill, in the Clause granting Thirty-five Pounds to W. H. Hobkirk, to defray the amount of verdict in his favor, for Medical Attendance on persons injured at the riot at Belfast, 1st March, 1847, by leaving out the words "should judgment be finally given by the Court in his favor."

The House divided on the motion of amendment:

## YEAS :

Mr. <i>Palmer</i> ,	Hon. Mr. <i>Coles</i> ,
Mr. <i>Jardine</i> ,	Mr. <i>Macintosh</i> ,
Mr. <i>D. Macdonald</i> ,	Mr. <i>Le Lachew</i> .
Mr. <i>Fraser</i> ,	

## NAYS :

Mr. <i>H. Macdonald</i> ,	Mr. <i>Haviland</i> ,
Mr. <i>F. Longworth</i> ,	Mr. <i>Thornton</i> ,
Mr. <i>Clark</i> ,	Mr. <i>J. H. Conroy</i> ,
Mr. <i>Mooney</i> ,	Mr. <i>Montgomery</i> ,
Mr. <i>D. Maclean</i> ,	Mr. <i>N. Conroy</i> .
Mr. <i>Douse</i> ,	

So it passed in the negative.

*Ordered*, That the said Bill be engrossed, and that the title be "An Act for appropriating the Supplies granted to Her Majesty, for the Service of the Year of Our Lord One thousand Eight hundred and Forty-eight."

The Bill intituled "An Act to repeal the Acts for the admission of Barristers, Attorneys and Solicitors, and to make other provisions in lieu thereof," was, according to order, read a second time.

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

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. *Haviland* took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

Mr. *Haviland* reported, that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made the following amendment thereto:

*Folio 3, line 11.*—After the word "College," insert "within Her Majesty's Dominions."

And the said amendment being again read, was, on the question being put thereon, agreed to by the House.

*Ordered*, That the Tenth Rule of the House be suspended in this case.

And then the said Bill, with the amendment, was read the third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill, with the amendment, do pass.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Haviland* do carry back the said Bill to the Council, and acquaint them that this House hath passed the same, with an amendment, to which it doth desire their concurrence.

*Resolved*, That a Committee of Five Members be appointed, to examine and report on the contingencies of the House for the present Session.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Fraser*, Mr. *Haviland*, Mr. *Clark*, Mr. *Thornton* and Mr. *J. H. Conroy* do compose the said Committee.

*Resolved*, That this House do now, according to order, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, to take into consideration the state of the Hillsborough Ferry, opposite Charlottetown.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. *Montgomery* took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

Mr. *Montgomery* reported, that the Committee had come to a Resolution; which Resolution being again read at the Clerk's Table, was agreed to by the House, and is as followeth:—

**RESOLVED**, That the Charlottetown Ferry be let for a term of Twenty-five years, to any person who shall provide a good and sufficient Steam Boat, of not less than Fifteen horse-power, to be placed thereon, and not to exceed the present rates of Ferriage established by law; to cross from the Charlottetown side of the River from some part of the Town, to the Wharf on the opposite side, every half-hour—from sun-rise to sunset—excepting such time as may be required to run twice a-day, morning and evening, to Canso Point, during the time the navigation remains open—the Tenders to be open until the First day of September next: And provided no Tender shall be

received, in accordance with the foregoing conditions, then, the Government to advertize for Tenders for a good and sufficient Team-boat of not less than Four horse-power, for a term not exceeding Five years, and to be in accordance with the foregoing Regulations and Fares, except running to Canso Point.

*Ordered*, That a Committee be appoint-

ted, to prepare and bring in a Bill in accordance with the above reported Resolution.

*Ordered*, That the Hon. Mr. Coles, Mr. J. Longworth and Mr. Thornton do compose the said Committee.

Then the House adjourned until to-morrow, at Ten o'clock.

## WEDNESDAY, April 26, 1848.

**R**EAD a third time, as engrossed, the Bill intituled "An Act to repeal the Act incorporating the Bank of British North America."

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass.

*Ordered*, That Mr. Palmer do carry the said Bill to the Council, and desire their concurrence.

Mr. Thornton, from the Committee appointed to wait upon His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor, with the Address, together with a Copy of the Report adopted by the House, on the subject of the Post Office Department, reported to the House that their Address had been presented to His Excellency, and that he was pleased to say, it should receive his attention.

A Message from the Council by Mr. Desbrisay.

Mr. Speaker ;

The Legislative Council desire a Conference with the House of Assembly, on the Bill intituled "An Act to regulate the Currency of this Island," and have appointed the Hon. Mr. Young and the Hon. Mr. Hensley, a Committee to manage the said Conference—to meet in the Conference Room instanter.

And then he withdrew.

*Resolved*, That this House do agree to a Conference, as is desired by the Council, on the Bill intituled "An Act to regulate the Currency of Prince Edward Island."

*Ordered*, That Mr. Thornton do go to the Council and acquaint them therewith.

*Ordered*, That Mr. Thornton, Mr. D. Maclean, Mr. Palmer and Mr. F. Longworth be a Committee to manage the said Conference.

And the names of the Managers being called over ;

They went to the Conference.

And being returned—

Mr. D. Maclean reported, that the Managers had been at the Conference, and he stated the substance thereof to the House.

The Hon. Mr. Coles, from the Joint Committee of the Council and Assembly, appointed to wait upon His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor, with the Address requesting that he will be pleased to transmit the Joint Address of both Houses to Her Majesty, congratulating Her Majesty upon the Birth of a Princess, reported to the House the delivery thereof; and that His Excellency was pleased to return the following answer :

*Gentlemen;*

I shall have much satisfaction in transmitting the loyal and dutiful Address from the Legislative Council and Assembly, congratulating Her Majesty upon the birth of a Royal Princess, and upon Her Majesty's restoration to health.

I am gratified by the expression of the continued desire of the Council and Assembly to co-operate with me in promoting measures tending to advance the interests of the Colony—a desire which I cordially reciprocate.

The Hon. Mr. Coles, from the Committee appointed to prepare and bring in a Bill to regulate the Charlottetown Ferry, presented to the House a Bill, as prepared by the Committee; and the same was read the first time.

*Ordered*, That the Tenth Rule of the House be suspended in this case; and that the said Bill be read a second time, at the afternoon sitting.

*Resolved*, That a Committee be appointed to examine into the suggestions offered by the Council, at the Conference on the Bill intituled "An Act to regulate the Currency of Prince Edward Island," and to report thereon with all convenient speed.

*Ordered*, That Mr. D. Maclean, Mr. F. Longworth, Mr. Thornton, Mr. Palmer, Hon. Mr. Coles, Mr. Clark and Mr. Rae do compose the said Committee.

Then the House adjourned for one hour.

And being met—

The Bill relating to the Charlottetown Ferry, was, according to order, read a second time.

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

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. D. Macdonald took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

Mr. D. Macdonald reported, that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and had made several amendments thereto; which amendments were again read at the Clerk's Table, and agreed to by the House.

*Ordered*, That the said Bill, as amended, be engrossed, and that the title be "An Act relating to the Charlottetown Ferry."

Then the House adjourned until to-morrow at Ten o'clock.

## THURSDAY, April 27, 1848.

**R**EADE a third time, as engrossed, the Bill intituled "An Act for appropriating certain Moneys therein mentioned, for the Service of the Year of Our Lord One thousand Eight hundred and Forty-eight."

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass.

*Ordered*, That Mr. Fraser do carry the said Bill to the Council, and desire their concurrence.

Mr. D. Maclean, from the Special Committee appointed to examine and report upon the suggestions offered by the Council on the Bill intituled "An Act to regulate the Currency of Prince Edward Island," presented to the House the Report of the said Committee; and the same was received and read.

*Ordered*, That the said Report be now committed to a Committee of the whole House.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. Haviland took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

Mr. Haviland reported, that the Committee had gone into the consideration of the Report to them referred, and had come to a Resolution thereon: which Resolution being again read at the Clerk's Table, was agreed to by the House, and is as followeth:

**RESOLVED**, That the suggestions offered by the Council on the Bill intituled "An Act to regulate the Currency of Prince Edward Island," be agreed to, with amendments.

*Resolved*, That a further Conference be desired with the Council on the said Bill.

*Ordered*, That Mr. Palmer do go to the Council, and desire the said Conference.

*Ordered*, That the same Committee who managed the last Conference thereon, be a Committee to manage this further Conference.

Mr. D. Maclean, from the Committee appointed to prepare an Address to the Queen, on the subject of the Bill intituled "An Act to repeal an Act made and passed in the Fourth year of the Reign of His late Majesty King William the Fourth, intituled 'An Act for ascertaining and establishing the Boundary Lines of Counties and Townships, and parts of Townships, and for regulating the duty of Surveyors, and to repeal a certain Act therein mentioned; and also to repeal a certain other Act in amendment thereof, in so far as the said Acts relate to, or affect Lots or Townships Numbers One to Ten, inclusive, and to make other provisions in lieu thereof,'" presented to the House the Report of the said Committee, and the same was received and read.

*Ordered*, That the said Report be committed to a Committee of the whole House, at the afternoon sitting.

*Ordered*, That the Hon. Mr. Coles have leave to introduce a Bill for establishing the rates in Currency at which Rents reserved in Sterling shall henceforth be paid in this Island.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was read the first time.

*Ordered*, That the Tenth Rule of the House be suspended in this case; and that the said Bill be read a second time at the afternoon sitting.

Then the House adjourned for one hour.

And being met—

A Message from the Council by Mr. Desbrisay.

Mr. Speaker;

The Legislative Council desire a Conference with the House of Assembly, on the amendments made to the Bill intituled "An Act to incorporate a Mutual Fire Insurance Company," and have appointed the

Hon. Mr. Solicitor General and the Hon. Mr. Irving a Committee to manage the said Conference—to meet in the Conference Room instanter.

And then he withdrew.

*Resolved*, That this House do agree to a Conference, as is desired by the Council, on the amendments made to the Bill intituled "An Act to incorporate a Mutual Fire Insurance Company."

*Ordered*, That Mr. Palmer do go to the Council, and acquaint them therewith.

*Ordered*, That Mr. Palmer, the Hon. Mr. Coles, Mr. D. Maclean and Mr. N. Conroy be a Committee to manage the said Conference.

So the Managers went to the Conference.

And being returned—

Mr. Palmer reported, that the managers had been at the Conference, and had met the Committee of the Council, who acquainted them that the Council agree to the first, third and fourth amendments, but disagree to the second and fifth amendments.

*Resolved*, That this House do not insist on their second and fifth amendments.

*Resolved*, That a further Conference be desired with the Legislative Council, on the amendments made to the Bill intituled "An Act to incorporate a Mutual Fire Insurance Company."

*Ordered*, That Mr. Palmer do go to the Council, and desire the said Conference.

*Ordered*, That the same Committee who managed the last Conference thereon, be a Committee to manage this further Conference.

A Message from the Council, by Mr. Desbrisay.

Mr. Speaker;

The Legislative Council do agree to a further Conference, as is desired by the House of Assembly, on the amendments made to the Bill intituled "An Act to regulate the Currency of Prince Edward Island;" and have appointed the Honorable Mr. Holl and the Honorable Mr. Hensley, a Committee

to manage the said Conference—to meet in the Conference Room to-morrow at twelve o'clock.

And also—

The Legislative Council do agree to a further Conference with the House of Assembly, on their amendments made to the Bill intituled "An Act to incorporate a Mutual Fire Insurance Company;" and have appointed the same Committee who managed the last Conference thereon, a Committee to manage this further Conference—to meet in the Conference Room in-stanter.

And then he withdrew.

And the names of the managers being called over—

They went to the Conference.

And being returned—

Mr. Palmer reported, that the Managers had been at the Conference, and had complied with the instructions given them by this House.

*Resolved*, That the following Address to His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor do now pass :

To His Excellency SIR DONALD CAMPBELL, BARONET, Lieutenant Governor and Commander-in-Chief in and over Her Majesty's Island Prince Edward, and the Territories thereunto belonging, Chancellor, Vice Admiral, and Ordinary of the same, &c. &c. &c.

May it please Your Excellency;

The House of Assembly respectfully request, that your Excellency will give directions to require James Yeo, Esq., either to pay forthwith, the One hundred Pounds mentioned in their Resolution of the 7th of April, 1847, or to abide the consequences of the breach of his engagement for the completion and maintenance of Ellis River Bridge, for the period of five years.

The House of Assembly further request, that your Excellency will cause measures to be taken for enforcing payment of all arrears due to the Government upon Verdicts given under the Road Compensation Act; and also, of the Bond given by the Hon. W. W. Irving, in 1844—being the expenses of a

Private Bill, agreeably to the following Resolution of the House of Assembly:

"HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY,

March 6th, 1844.

*Resolved*, That the Bond entered into by the Hon. W. W. Irving, towards securing the payment of the probable expenses of passing a Bill for incorporating a Company in London, for carrying on a Fishery on the Coasts of this Island, be deposited in the hands of the Treasurer of this Island."

*Ordered*, That the said Address be engrossed.

*Ordered*, That Mr. Le Lacheur and Mr. Jardine be a Committee to wait upon His Excellency with the same.

The Bill for establishing the Rates in Currency, at which Rents reserved in Sterling shall henceforth be paid, was, according to order, read a second time.

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

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. F. Longworth took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

Mr. F. Longworth reported, that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made several amendments thereto; which amendments were again read at the Clerk's Table, and agreed to by the House.

A motion being made, that the Bill be engrossed, and that the title be "An Act for establishing the Rates in Currency at which Rents reserved in Sterling shall henceforth be paid."

Mr. Palmer moved, by way of amendment thereto, that all after the word "that" be left out, and the following substituted: "the further consideration of the Bill be deferred until next Session, and that in the meantime the Bill be printed in the *Royal Gazette*."

The House divided on the motion of amendment:

YEAS:

Mr. Palmer,

Mr. Douse.

## NAVS:

Hon. Mr. Coles,	Mr. Le Lacheur,
Mr. J. H. Conroy,	Mr. F. Longworth,
Mr. Macintosh,	Mr. Jardine,
Mr. Haviland,	Mr. Thornton,
Mr. Fraser,	Mr. Mooney,
Mr. Whelan,	Mr. Rae,
Mr. J. Longworth,	Mr. N. Conroy,
Mr. Clark,	Mr. H. Macdonald.
Mr. Montgomery,	

So it passed in the negative.

The question being then put on the main motion,

It was agreed to by the House, and  
*Ordered*, accordingly.

The Order of the Day for the House in Committee on the Address to Her Majesty the Queen, on the subject of the Bill intituled "An Act to repeal an Act made and passed in the Fourth year of the Reign of His late Majesty King William the Fourth, intituled 'An Act for ascertaining and establishing the Boundary Lines of Counties and Townships, and parts of Townships, and for regulating the duty of Surveyors, and to repeal a certain Act therein mentioned;' and also to repeal a certain other Act in amendment thereof, in so far as the said Acts relate to, or affect Lots or Townships Numbers One to Ten, inclusive, and to make other provisions in lieu thereof," being read—

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. J. Longworth took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

Mr. J. Longworth reported, that the Committee had gone through the Address, had amended, and then adopted the same; and the said draft Address, so amended, being again read at the Clerk's Table, was agreed to by the House, and is as followeth:—

TO THE QUEEN'S MOST EXCELLENT MAJESTY.

Most Gracious Sovereign;

We your Majesty's dutiful and loyal subjects, the House of Assembly of Prince Edward Island, most respectfully submit for your Majesty's consideration, the unsatisfactory and inequitable condition of the Lines bounding the first Ten Townships of this Island.

The House of Assembly beg to represent to your Majesty, that about the year 1764 the Island was divided into Townships, containing about 20,000 acres each; and the boundaries, as then laid down, continued undisturbed until the year 1834, when it was deemed expedient that the side lines of said Townships should be retraced. And to effect that object, the Act of 4th Will. 4, cap. 1, enacts, that "the commencement of the several County and Township Boundaries shall be ascertained by admeasurement from such natural or other marks, on each side thereof, as are of the most certain or unchangeable nature, connected with such other evidence as can be best obtained of the real and true commencement of such County and Township Boundaries." The same clause defines the bearings of those lines to be "North, fifteen degrees thirty minutes, West." The 7th clause provides "that all Township Boundary Lines which run through this Island, shall be run from the points of commencement on each side thereof, duly fixed and ascertained under the directions of this Act, to the centre or midway between such points of commencement; and in all cases where lines do not meet or correspond with the original survey of the Island, the Boundary shall be settled and connected by a line perpendicular to the side lines, either north or south, east or west, as the case may be."

From the preceding quotations, your Majesty will perceive that the position of the "natural marks" referred to, was not to be determined by actual measurement, but left entirely to the judgment of the three Commissioners appointed by the Act. Nor does the Legislature of that day seem to have considered maturely, the improbability of finding "natural marks" of an "unchangeable nature" every three or four miles apart, in the bosom of a pathless forest, or upon a coast generally tame, and so friable as to yield almost every where to the action of the waves, and frosts of winter; still, wherever the Commissioners took the old Boundary Line for their guide, no great harm seems to have resulted under the provisions for this very extraordinary survey, except in the substitution of two lines connected by a perpendicular, instead of a single straight line, so as to render the publication of a Map of the Island, under the Act, a measure of rather questionable propriety. But from Townships No. 1 to 10, inclusive, where it is presumed the old lines were obliterated, the new survey has very seriously invaded the rights of private property. A glance at a map will shew that several Townships in that part of the Island cross from sea to sea. The coast there is very flat, rising but little above the level of the sea; and the Commissioners, in searching for "natural marks," have, in some cases, selected stations for commencing Town-

ship Lines upwards of two miles out of their true position, in regard to their respective stations on the opposite shore. The Commissioners having thus entangled themselves in inextricable confusion, abandoned the survey in despair, declaring before the Legislature in 1841 that about  $2\frac{1}{2}$  miles of the coast between North Cape and West Point were actually wanting! Captain Bayfield's chart, however, as might have been expected, shews that there is no deficiency of coast.

Township No. Three has been mostly purchased by small proprietors, who continue to pay their land tax, but cannot obtain possession of their property, because the new Lines have deprived them of about 6000 acres, which have been added to an adjoining Township. Township No. Six has also gained five or six thousand acres, to the prejudice of the owners of Township No. Nine; and, in short, the utmost confusion and uncertainty still prevail regarding the Boundaries and rights of property in those ten Townships; a few lines having been run from the stations fixed upon by the commissioners, others have been measured only about half the distance across, whilst some remain untouched.

Another fruitful source of error, in the bearing of Boundary Lines, arises from the Act having contemplated and permitted, although it did not enforce, a survey by the magnetic needle—a permission of which the surveyors readily availed themselves. From physical causes, which elude the grasp of computation, the House of Assembly is of opinion that the direction of the Boundary Lines could not have been determined with the requisite accuracy by the surveying compass, even had the variation been ascertained by astronomical observation, daily, at the place of survey. But the inefficiency of that instrument must have been greatly increased by having its variation compared only in Charlottetown, about 80 miles distant, with a “meridian line” which, your Petitioners understand, has been ascertained, since the passing of the Boundary Act of 1834, to be about a quarter of a degree out of the meridian. Under these circumstances, the Legislature has annually, for several years, suspended the operation of the Boundary Act in the aforesaid ten Townships; the two branches of the Legislature not agreeing upon any definite remedy in the case.

The House of Assembly beg respectfully to state to your Majesty, that there is no reason to apprehend an insufficiency of land required for the area of those ten Townships; on the contrary, the Surveyor General, by a rough approximation from Capt. Bayfield's chart, computed an excess of 5,500 acres. Under all the circumstances of the case, the House of Assembly believed they would best provide for the several

rights of the proprietors owning that part of the Island, by passing a Bill for a general survey of the ten Townships, the expense thereof to be borne by the owners, in proportion to the quantity of land owned by each. The Bill, as your Majesty will perceive on reference to a copy thereof hereunto annexed, marked (A.), repealed the survey of the Ten Townships under the Boundary Act, and provided that the total area should first be ascertained, and afterwards divided amongst the claimants, in accordance with the original grants: any excess, or deficiency, as the case might be, to be distributed among the several Townships, in equal proportions. And, as the bearing was defined, to a single minute, by the Boundary Act, the House of Assembly were of opinion that the lines could not be run, in terms thereof, except by astronomical observation, and therefore directed the attention of the Surveyor, under certain regulations, to the elongation of a circum-polar star (*polaris*), which would enable him easily to determine the position of the true meridian, to the nearest minute, and consequently of any assignable angle with that meridian, without rendering it imperative upon him to make a single astronomical computation. The Bill, however, permitted the application of higher science, if the Surveyors were qualified to carry it into effect.

The House of Assembly regret to inform your Majesty, that a majority of the Legislative Council, instead of giving the Bill that due consideration which its importance demanded, would not even permit it to be read a second time; assigning as a reason, that the aggrieved parties might carry their complaints to a Court of Law. The House of Assembly would observe, that as the Legislature disturbed Boundary Lines which had been established upwards of Seventy years, it is but equitable to provide that the owners of property do not thereby sustain loss; and, moreover, it is utterly impossible, without a survey, for any Court of Law, or Judicial tribunal, to render justice in the case, and say at what particular point of the coast, lines ought to begin, or over what part of the surface they ought to be traced, in order to award each proprietor his just quantity of land; nor has the majority of the Council attempted to shew the possibility of so doing. And as the Legislative Council superseded the Survey Bill by another—which the Assembly has not agreed to—confirming the mass of errors, and prohibiting all further action in the same—as your Majesty will perceive on reference to the copy thereof, marked (B.), hereunto annexed: the House of Assembly cannot reasonably entertain any expectation that the Council will assent to an equitable settlement of the property in dispute.

May it, therefore, please your Majesty graciously to order the adoption of such measures as to your

Majesty may seem best calculated to render substantial justice to all concerned.

*Ordered*, That the said Address be engrossed.

*Resolved*, That a Committee be appointed to prepare an Address to His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor, requesting that His Excellency will be pleased to forward the foregoing Address to Her Majesty's

Principal Secretary of State for the Colonies, for the purpose of being laid at the foot of the Throne.

*Ordered*, That the same Committee who prepared the Address to Her Majesty, be a Committee to prepare the Address to His Excellency.

Then the House adjourned until to-morrow, at Ten o'clock.

## FRIDAY, April 28, 1848.

**MR. RAE**, from the Committee appointed to wait upon His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor, with the Address, requesting that he would be pleased to cause copies of the Blue Book for the last three years to be transmitted to the House, reported the delivery thereof, and that His Excellency was pleased to say, he would comply with the desire of the House.

Mr. *Le Lacheur*, from the Committee appointed to wait upon His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor, with the Address relative to the recovery of certain sums of money due to the Government, reported the delivery thereof, and that His Excellency was pleased to say he would attend to the same.

*Resolved*, That the following Address to His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor do now pass:

To His Excellency SIR DONALD CAMPBELL, BARONET, Lieutenant Governor and Commander-in-Chief in and over Her Majesty's Island Prince Edward, and the Territories thereunto belonging, Chancellor, Vice Admiral, and Ordinary of the same, &c. &c. &c.

May it please Your Excellency;

The House of Assembly respectfully thank your Excellency for the various communications and Messages sent to the House by your Excellency, in the course of the present Session.

*Ordered*, That the said Address be engrossed.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Rae*, the Hon. Mr. *Coles* and Mr. *Jardine* be a Committee to wait upon His Excellency with the same.

Read a third time as engrossed, the Bill intituled "An Act relating to the Charlottetown Ferry."

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass.

Read a third time, as engrossed; the Bill intituled "An Act for establishing the Rates in Currency, at which Rents reserved in Sterling shall henceforth be paid in this Island."

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass.

*Ordered*, That the Hon. Mr. *Coles* do carry the two last preceding Bills to the Council, and desire their concurrence.

The time for holding the further Conference with the Council, on the Bill intituled "An Act to regulate the Currency of Prince Edward Island," having arrived;

And the names of the managers being called over—

They went to the Conference.

And being returned—

Mr. *Palmer* reported, that the Managers had been at the Conference, and had complied with the instructions given them by this House.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Palmer* have leave to introduce a Bill to define the Boundaries of the Streets and Squares of Charlottetown, and to improve the public thoroughfare therein.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was read the first time.

*Ordered*, That the said Bill be referred to a Special Committee to examine the same, and report thereon to the House, in its next Session.

*Ordered*, That Mr. Palmer, Mr. F. Longworth, Hon. Mr. Coles, Mr. J. H. Conroy and Mr. Haviland do compose the said Committee.

Mr. J. Longworth moved that the following Address be presented to His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor :

To His Excellency SIR DONALD CAMPBELL, BARRONET, Lieutenant Governor and Commander-in-Chief in and over Her Majesty's Island Prince Edward, and the Territories therunto belonging, Chancellor, Vice Admiral, and Ordinary of the same, &c. &c. &c.

May it please Your Excellency;

The House of Assembly request, that your Excellency will be pleased to cause directions to be given to the Road Correspondent, authorizing him to place at the disposal of the Road Commissioner for District No. 7, out of the moneys appropriated this Session by the House of Assembly, for the contingent repairs of Roads and Bridges for Queen's County, the sum of Ten Pounds, for the purpose of being applied towards the repair of that part of the old Tryon Road leading through the rear of Township No. Thirty—no provision having been made for the same.

Mr. Thornton moved, to amend the said proposed Address, by leaving out all after the word "directions," and substituting the following :

"To be given to the Road Commissioner for District No. 7, that Two Pounds ten shillings of the money appropriated for repairs of Melville Bridge, on the old Tryon Road, and Seven Pounds ten shillings of the amount for Wigginton's Bridge, be applied towards the repairs of that part of the old Tryon Road leading through the rear of Township No 30 ; and that the balance of Seven Pounds ten shillings, for "repairs of Melville Bridge on the old Tryon Road, and other Bridges," be expended on "Melville Road, and other Roads and Bridges on Lots 29 and 30, where most required ;" and also, that the sum of Three Pounds, out of

the sum appropriated for "repairs of the North Wiltshire Road" be applied towards the "repairs of Johnston's Road, Lot 32."

The House divided on the motion of amendment :

YEAS :

Mr. Thornton,	Hon. Mr. Coles,
Mr. F. Longworth,	Mr. J. H. Conroy,
Mr. H. Macdonald,	Mr. Montgomery,
Mr. Haviland,	Mr. N. Cowoy,
Mr. Clark,	Mr. Jardine,
Mr. Rae,	Mr. Le Lachew.
Mr. Macintosh,	

NAYS :

Mr. J. Longworth.	Mr. D. Macdonald,
Mr. Palmer,	Mr. Fraser.
Mr. Mooney,	

So it was carried in the affirmative.

The question being then put on the said Address, as amended,

It was agreed to by the House.

*Ordered*, That the said Address be engrossed.

*Ordered*, That the Hon. Mr. Coles, Mr. J. Longworth and Mr. Mooney be a Committee to wait upon His Excellency with the same.

Then the House adjourned for one hour.

And being met—

A Message from the Council by Mr. Desbrisay.

" COUNCIL CHAMBER,  
Friday, April 28th, 1848.

"Resolved, That a Committee be appointed to join a Committee of the House of Assembly, to prepare an Address to His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor, upon the Bill intituled "An Act to Incorporate a Mutual Fire Insurance Company," requesting His Excellency to call the attention of Her Majesty's Government to the urgent necessity there exists of giving the Royal Assent to the said Bill at as early a period as practicable.

"Ordered, That the Hon. Mr. Young and the Hon. Mr. Swabey be a Committee, on the part of this House, to prepare the said Address; and also to join a Committee

of the House of Assembly, to wait upon His Excellency with the same.

“Ordered, That the foregoing Resolution be communicated by Message to the House of Assembly.”

And also—

The Legislative Council desire a further Conference with the House of Assembly, on the Bill intituled “An Act to regulate the Currency of Prince Edward Island,” and have appointed the same Committee who managed the last Conference thereon, together with the Hon. Mr. Solicitor General, a Committee to manage this further Conference—to meet in the Conference Room to-morrow at half-past Eleven o’clock.

And then he withdrew.

*Resolved*, That a Committee be appointed, to join the Committee of the Legislative Council to prepare an Address to His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor, requesting, that he will be pleased to call the attention of Her Majesty’s Government to the urgent necessity there exists of giving the Royal Assent to the Bill intituled “An Act to Incorporate a Mutual Fire Insurance

Company,” at as early a period as practicable.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *F. Longworth*, the Hon. Mr. *Coles*, Mr. *Macintosh* and Mr. *Fraser* be a Committee to prepare the said Address; and also to join the Committee of the Legislative Council, to wait upon His Excellency with the same.

*Ordered*, That a copy of the foregoing Resolution be communicated by Message to the Legislative Council.

*Ordered*, That the Hon. Mr. *Coles* do carry the said Message to the Council.

*Resolved*, That this House do agree to a further Conference, as is desired by the Council, on the Bill intituled “An Act to regulate the Currency of Prince Edward Island.”

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Palmer* do go to the Council and acquaint them therewith.

*Ordered*, That the same Committee who managed the last Conference thereon, together with Mr. *J. Longworth* and Mr. *Jardine*, be a Committee to manage this further Conference.

Then the House adjourned until to-morrow at Ten o’clock.

## SATURDAY, April 29, 1848.

**MR. RAE**, from the Committee appointed to wait upon His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor, with the Address, thanking His Excellency for the various Communications and Messages sent by him to the House in the course of the present Session, reported that their Address had been presented to His Excellency.

Mr. *J. Longworth*, from the Committee appointed to wait upon His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor, with the Address on the subject of the application by the Road Commissioner for District No. 7, of certain Road moneys on Townships 29, 30 and 32, reported the delivery thereof, and that His Excellency was pleased to say, the same should receive his attention.

*Ordered*, That the Hon. Mr. *Coles* and

Mr. *A. Maclean* be added to the Committee appointed to manage the further Conference with the Legislative Council on the Bill intituled “An Act to regulate the Currency of Prince Edward Island,” in the room of Mr. *Thornton* and Mr. *D. Maclean*.

The time for holding the further Conference with the Council, on the Bill intituled “An Act to regulate the Currency of Prince Edward Island,” having arrived;

And the names of the managers being called over;

They went to the Conference.

And being returned—

Mr. *Palmer* reported, that the Managers

had been at the Conference, and he stated the substance thereof to the House.

Then the House adjourned for one hour.

And being met—

*Resolved*, That a free Conference be desired with the Council, on the Bill intituled "An Act to regulate the Currency of Prince Edward Island."

*Ordered*, That Mr. Palmer do go to the Council, and desire the said Conference.

*Ordered*, That the same Committee who managed the last Conference thereon, be a Committee to manage this free Conference.

Mr. Fraser, from the Committee appointed to examine and report on the contingent Accounts for the present Session, presented to the House the Report of the said Committee; which Report was again read at the Clerk's Table;

*Ordered*, That the said Report be now committed to a Committee of the whole House.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. Jardine took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Jardine reported, that the Committee had gone through the Report of the Special Committee, had amended, and then adopted the same.

Mr. Jardine also acquainted the House, that in the course of the debate in the Committee, the following expression was used by the Hon. Mr. Coles, in reference to a Member—Mr. Haviland—"I say he tells a lie;" and he (the Chairman) had taken the words down, by direction of the Committee, for the purpose of reporting them to the House.

The Report of the Committee being again read at the Clerk's Table, was agreed to by the House, and is as followeth:

The Special Committee appointed to examine and report on the Officers' Accounts and Contingent expenses of the present Session, beg to report, that they

have examined the same, and recommend that they be allowed as follow:

JOHN MACNEILL, for his services as Chief Clerk of the House of Assembly, for the present Session,	-	£100	0	0
CHARLES STEWART, for his services as Assistant Clerk, for the present Session,	80	0	0	
H. W. LOBBAN, Sergeant at Arms, for his Fees,	-	38	5	0
H. W. LOBBAN, Sergeant at Arms, for his Disbursement Bill, including Postage of Members and Documents for the House of Assembly; also, including William Birch, Door-keeper, £28 5s. 6d., and Moses Hayes, Assistant Door-keeper, £23 8s. Od.,	-	235	6	2½
THOMAS PLEADWELL, Messenger,	31	16	6	
CHARLES PALMER, Law Clerk,	-	30	0	0
JOHN INGS, for Printing the Journals of the House of Assembly—subject to any deduction or addition which may be made by the Hon. George Coles, Edward Palmer and Francis Longworth, Esquires, or any two of them, who shall examine the same, and certify that the amount so warranted is in conformity with the Contract made by the said Printer.	-	185	0	0
Your Committee recommend that the amount to be paid to the Printer should be paid, one half immediately, and the remainder when the Hon. Geo. Coles, Edward Palmer and Francis Longworth, Esquires, or any two of them, shall certify that the Journals are completed according to contract, and delivered to the care of the Librarian.				
To the Proprietor of the Royal Gazette, for reporting,	-	12	10	0
To the Proprietor of the Islander, for reporting,	-	17	10	0
And a further sum, on condition that the Debates from Mr. Collard's Notes, be extended and published, of	-	10	0	0
To the Proprietors of the Examiner, Newspaper, for reporting; on condition that the Notes of the Reporter to that Paper, of the Debates of this Session be extended, and furnished for publication,	-	20	0	0
To the Library Committee, or as much thereof as may be required, to purchase a Book for transcribing the Journals of the House of Assembly,	-	7	10	0

The Hon. Mr. Coles, in his place, then apologized for the expression used by him, and reported from the Committee of the whole House, as follows:

Mr. Speaker;

I acknowledge the words used by me to be unparliamentary; I therefore apologize to the House, and to the Hon. Member; I regret having used them, and beg to retract the words.

Ordered, That the Hon. Mr. Coles's apology be accepted.

Mr. J. Longworth, from the Committee appointed to prepare an Address to His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor, requesting him to transmit to Her Majesty's Principal Secretary of State for the Colonies, the Address to Her Majesty, on the subject of the Bill providing for a Survey of Townships No. One to Ten, inclusive, presented to the House the draft of an Address, as prepared by the Committee; and the said draft Address being again read at the Clerk's Table, was agreed to by the House, and is as followeth:

To His Excellency SIR DONALD CAMPBELL, BARONET, Lieutenant Governor and Commander-in-Chief in and over Her Majesty's Island Prince Edward, and the Territories thereunto belonging, Chancellor, Vice Admiral, and Ordinary of the same, &c. &c. &c.

May it please Your Excellency;

The House of Assembly beg respectfully to request that your Excellency will be pleased to forward to Her Majesty's Principal Secretary of State for the Colonies, the accompanying Address to Her Majesty, on the subject matter of a Bill passed by the House of Assembly this Session, in regard to a proposed Survey of certain Townships in Prince County, and the proceedings taken thereupon, by the Legislative Council—in order that the same may be laid at the foot of the Throne.

Ordered, That the said Address be engrossed.

Ordered, That the Committee who prepared the Address, be a Committee to wait upon His Excellency with the same.

Then the House adjourned until Monday next at Ten o'clock.

## MONDAY, May 1, 1848.

MR. F. LONGWORTH, from the Committee appointed to join the Committee of the Council, to prepare an Address to His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor, requesting that he will be pleased to call the attention of Her Majesty's Government to the urgent necessity of giving an early consideration to the Bill intituled "An Act to incorporate a Mutual Fire Insurance Company," presented to the House the draft of an Address, as prepared by the Joint Committee; and the said draft Address being again read at the Clerk's Table, was agreed to by the House, and is as followeth:

To His Excellency SIR DONALD CAMPBELL, BARONET, Lieutenant Governor and Commander-in-Chief in and over Her Majesty's Island Prince Edward, and the Territories thereunto belonging, Chancellor, Vice Admiral, and Ordinary of the same, &c. &c. &c.

May it please Your Excellency;

The Legislative Council and House of Assembly

have, during the present Session, passed a Bill intituled "An Act to incorporate a Mutual Fire Insurance Company," and have inserted a suspending Clause therein, that no proceedings thereunder, shall have any force or effect until Her Majesty's pleasure thereon shall be known in relation thereto. And as the persons who contemplate belonging to the said Company, are desirous that the said Company should go into immediate operation, the Legislative Council and Assembly respectfully request, that your Excellency will be pleased to call the special attention of Her Majesty's Government to the urgent necessity of giving the said Bill an early consideration, and of transmitting to your Excellency, as soon as practicable, the decision of Her Majesty's Government thereon.

Ordered, That the said Address be engrossed.

A Message from the Council by Mr. Desbrisay.

Mr. Speaker ;

The Legislative Council desire a Conference with the House of Assembly, on the Bill intituled "An Act for levying further an Assessment on all Lands in this Colony, and for the encouragement of Education," and have appointed the Hon. Mr. Holl and the Hon. Mr. Swabey, a Committee to manage the said Conference—to meet in the Conference Room, at half-past twelve o'clock.

And then he withdrew.

*Resolved*, That this House do agree to a Conference, as is desired by the Council, on the Bill intituled "An Act for levying further an Assessment on all Lands in this Colony, and for the encouragement of Education."

*Ordered*, That Mr. Palmer do go to the Council, and acquaint them therewith.

*Ordered*, That Mr. Palmer, Mr. J. Longworth, Mr. Macintosh and Mr. Montgomery be a Committee to manage the said Conference.

The time having arrived for holding the Conference with the Council on the said Bill—

And the names of the Managers being called over ;

They went to the Conference.

And being returned—

Mr. Palmer reported, that the Managers had been at the Conference, and he stated the substance thereof to the House.

A Message from the Council, by Mr. Desbrisay.

Mr. Speaker ;

The Legislative Council do agree to a free Conference, as is desired by the House of Assembly, on the Bill intituled "An Act to regulate the Currency of Prince Edward Island," and have appointed the same Committee who managed the former Conferences thereon, a Committee to manage this free Conference—to meet in the Conference Room at half-past one o'clock.

And then he withdrew.

A Message from His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor, by Henry Palmer, Esquire, Usher of the Black Rod :

Mr. Speaker ;

His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor commands the immediate attendance of this honorable House, at the Bar of the Council Chamber.

Accordingly, Mr. Speaker, with the House went up to attend His Excellency ;

And being returned—

Mr. Speaker informed the House, that when the House did attend His Excellency this day, in the Council Chamber, His Excellency had, in Her Majesty's name, been pleased to give his assent to the following Bill, viz :—

*An Act for raising a Revenue.*

The time for holding the Free Conference with the Council, on the Bill intituled "An Act to regulate the Currency of Prince Edward Island," having arrived ;

And the names of the Managers being called over ;

They went to the Conference.

And being returned—

Mr. Palmer 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. Desbrisay.

Mr. Speaker ;

The Legislative Council desire a Conference with the House of Assembly on the Bill intituled "An Act for appropriating certain moneys therein mentioned, for the service of the year of Our Lord One thousand Eight hundred and Forty-eight ;" and have appointed the Hon. Mr. Young and the Hon. Mr. Swabey a Committee to manage the said Conference—to meet in the Conference Room, instantler.

And then he withdrew.

*Resolved*, That this House do agree to a Conference, as is desired by the Council, on the Bill intituled "An Act for appropriating certain moneys therein mentioned, for the service of the year of Our Lord One thousand Eight hundred and Forty-eight."

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Fraser* do go to the Council and acquaint them therewith.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Fraser*, the Hon. Mr. *Coles*, Mr. *J. H. Conroy* and Mr. *Jardine* be a Committee to manage the said Conference.

So the Managers went to the Conference.

And being returned—

Mr. *Fraser* reported, that the Managers had been at the Conference, and he stated the substance thereof to the House.

*Resolved*, That a further Conference be desired with the Legislative Council, on the Bill intituled "An Act for appropriating certain moneys therein mentioned, for the service of the Year of Our Lord One thousand Eight hundred and Forty-eight."

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Fraser* do go to the Council, and desire the said Conference.

*Ordered*, That the same Committee who managed the last Conference thereon, be a Committee to manage this further Conference.

A Message from the Council by Mr. *Desbrisay*.

Mr. Speaker;

The Legislative Council have passed the Bill intituled "An Act relating to the Charlottetown Ferry," without any amendment.

And also—

The Legislative Council do agree to a further Conference, as is desired by the House of Assembly, on the Bill intituled "An Act for appropriating certain moneys therein mentioned, for the service of the Year of Our Lord One thousand Eight hundred and Forty-eight," and have appointed the same Committee who managed the

last Conference thereon, a Committee to manage this further Conference—to meet in the Conference Room instanter.

And then he withdrew.

And the names of the Managers being called over;

They went to the Conference.

And being returned—

Mr. *Fraser* 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. *Desbrisay*.

Mr. Speaker;

The Legislative Council desire a further free Conference with the House of Assembly, on the Bill intituled "An Act to regulate the Currency of Prince Edward Island," and have appointed the same Committee who managed the last free Conference thereon, a Committee to manage this further free Conference—to meet in the Conference Room instanter.

And then he withdrew.

*Resolved*, That this House do agree to a further free Conference, as is desired by the Council, on the Bill intituled "An Act to regulate the Currency of Prince Edward Island."

*Ordered*, That Mr. *J. Longworth* do go to the Council, and acquaint them therewith.

*Ordered*, That the same Committee who managed the last free Conference thereon, be a Committee to manage this further free Conference.

So the managers went to the Conference.

And being returned—

Mr. *Palmer* reported, that the Managers had been at the Conference, and he stated the substance thereof to the House.

*Resolved*, That a further free Conference be desired with the Council on the Bill intituled "An Act to regulate the Currency of Prince Edward Island."

*Ordered*, That Mr. J. Longworth do go to the Council and desire the said Conference.

*Ordered*, That the same Committee who managed the last free Conference thereon, be a Committee to manage this further free Conference.

*Resolved*, That a further free Conference be desired with the Legislative Council,

on the Bill intituled "An Act for levying further an Assessment on all Lands in this Colony, and for the encouragement of Education."

*Ordered*, That Mr. J. Longworth do go to the Council and desire the said Conference.

*Ordered*, That the same Committee who managed the former Conferences thereon, be a Committee to manage this further free Conference.

Then the House adjourned until to-morrow at Ten o'clock.

## TUESDAY, May 2, 1848.

**A** MESSAGE from the Council by Mr. Desbrisay.

Mr. Speaker;

The Legislative Council have passed the Bill intituled "An Act to repeal the Act incorporating the Bank of British North America," with several amendments; to which they desire the concurrence of the House of Assembly.

And then he withdrew.

The amendments made by the Council to the Bill intituled "An Act to repeal the Act incorporating the Bank of British North America," were then read the first time, and are as follow :

*Folio 1.*—Strike out from the word "Whereas," in the preamble, to the word "and," and insert the following: "it is deemed necessary to repeal the Sixteenth Section of the Act before mentioned."

*Folio 3, line 3.*—Strike out from the word "Assembly," to the end of the Clause, and insert as follows :—

"That the Sixteenth Section of the Act of the Seventh year of the Reign of His late Majesty King William the Fourth, intituled "An Act to enable the Proprietors or Shareholders of a Company called the Bank of British North America, to sue and be sued in the name of any one of the local Directors, or of the

Manager or Agent for the time being, of the said Company, in this Island, be, and the same is hereby repealed."

*In the Title, folio 1, line 1.*—After the word "repeal," insert "a certain Clause of."

*Ordered*, That the Tenth Rule of the House be suspended in this case.

And then the said amendments were read a second time.

*Resolved*, That the said amendments be agreed to, with an amendment.

*Resolved*, That a Conference be desired with the Council on the subject matter of the amendments to the said Bill.

*Ordered*, That Mr. Palmer do go to the Council, and desire the said Conference.

*Ordered*, That Mr. Palmer, Mr. J. Longworth, Mr. Montgomery and Mr. Haviland be a Committee to manage the said conference.

A Message from the Council by Mr. Desbrisay.

Mr. Speaker ;

The Legislative Council do agree to a conference, as is desired by the House of Assembly, on the Bill intituled "An Act to repeal the Act incorporating the Bank of British North America," and have appointed the Hon. Mr. Holl and the Hon. Mr. Swabey a committee to manage

the said conference—to meet in the conference room instanter.

And then he withdrew.

And the names of the managers being called over ;

They went to the Conference.

And being returned—

Mr *Palmer* reported, that the Managers had been at the conference, and had complied with the instructions given them by this House.

Mr. *D. Macdonald*, from the Committee to whom was referred the Petition of divers Inhabitants of Prince County, praying that all Actions or Suits may be confined to the Court of the County in which such Actions arise; presented to the House the Report of the said Committee; and the said Report being again read at the Clerk's Table, was agreed to by the House, and is as followeth :

Your Committee, to whom was referred the Petition of certain inhabitants of Prince County, praying that all Actions or Suits arising in that County, whether as regards person or property, should be confined to the Court of the County where such Action or Suit arises, beg to recommend, that owing to the lateness of the Session, and in the absence of any evidence of hardship or inconvenience complained of in the Petition, the further consideration thereof be deferred until next Session.

A Message from the Council by Mr. Desbrisay.

Mr. Speaker;

The Legislative Council do agree to a further conference, as is desired by the House of Assembly, on the Bill intituled "An Act for levying further an Assessment on all Lands in this Colony, and for the purposes of Education;" and have appointed the same committee who managed the last conference thereon, a committee to manage this further conference—to meet in the conference room at a quarter before one o'clock.

And also—

The Legislative Council do agree to a

further free conference as is desired by the House of Assembly, on the Bill intituled "An Act to regulate the Currency of Prince Edward Island," and have appointed the same Committee who managed the last conference thereon, a Committee to manage this further conference—to meet in the conference Room instanter.

And then he withdrew.

And the names of the Managers being called over ;

They went to the Conference.

And being returned—

Mr. *Palmer* reported, that the managers had been at the conference, and had complied with the instructions given them by this House.

*Resolved*, That a new Writ be issued for the election of a Member to serve in the General Assembly, for the First Electoral District of Prince County, in room of the Hon. James Warburton, whose seat was declared vacant by this House, on the Fifth day of February last; and that the Speaker of this House do notify His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor accordingly.

The time for holding the further conference with the Council, on the Bill intituled "An Act for levying further an Assessment on all Lands in this Colony, and for the purposes of Education," having arrived ;

And the names of the managers being called over ;

They went to the conference.

And being returned—

Mr. *Palmer* 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. Desbrisay.

Mr. Speaker;

The Legislative Council desire a further Conference with the House of Assembly, on the Bill intituled "An Act for levying further an Assessment on all Lands in this Colony, and for the encouragement of Education;" and have appointed the same committee who managed the last conference thereon, a committee to manage this further conference—to meet in the conference room instanter.

And then he withdrew.

*Resolved*, That this House do agree to a further conference, as is desired by the Council, on the Bill intituled "An Act for levying further an Assessment on all Lands in this Colony, and for the encouragement of Education."

*Ordered*, That Mr. Haviland do go the Council and acquaint them therewith.

*Ordered*, That the same committee who managed the last conference thereon, be a committee to manage this further conference.

So the managers went to the conference.

And being returned—

Mr. Palmer reported, that the managers had been at the conference; and he stated the substance thereof to the House.

A Message from the Council by Mr. Desbrisay.

Mr. Speaker;

The Legislative Council desire a further Conference with the House of Assembly on

the Bill intituled "An Act to repeal the Act incorporating the Bank of British North America;" and have appointed the same committee who managed the last conference thereon, a committee to manage this further conference—to meet in the conference room instanter.

And then he withdrew.

*Resolved*, That this House do agree to a further conference, as is desired by the Council, on the Bill intituled "An Act to repeal the Act incorporating the Bank of British North America."

*Ordered*, That Mr. Haviland do go to the Council and acquaint them therewith.

*Ordered*, That the same committee who managed the last conference thereon, be a committee to manage this further conference.

So the managers went to the conference.

And being returned—

Mr. Palmer reported, that the managers had been at the conference, and had met the committee of the Council, who acquainted them that the Council have agreed to the amendment made by this House to their amendments.

*Resolved*, That the said amendments, as amended in conference, do now pass.

Then the House adjourned until to-morrow, at Ten o'clock.

## WEDNESDAY, May 3, 1848.

**R**ESOLVED, That the following Address to His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor do now pass:

To His Excellency SIR DONALD CAMPBELL, BARONET, Lieutenant Governor and Commander-in-Chief in and over Her Majesty's Island Prince Edward, and the Territories thereunto belonging, Chancellor, Vice Admiral, and Ordinary of the same, &c. &c. &c.

May it please Your Excellency;

The House of Assembly request that your Excel-

lency will cause the several Books of Account of payments of the Land Assessment kept by the Treasurer and his Deputies, for collecting the said Assessment, so far as such Books are filled up, to be transmitted to the Colonial Secretary, to be by him retained as public Records.

*Ordered*, That the said Address be engrossed.

*Ordered*, That Mr. Rae, the Hon. Mr.

*Coles* and *Mr. A. Maclean* be a Committee to wait upon His Excellency with the same.

A Message from the Council by *Mr. Desbrisay*.

Mr. Speaker;

The Legislative Council have passed the Bill intituled "An Act to enable the Government to ascertain the Population of this Colony, and to obtain other Statistical information therein mentioned," with several amendments, to which they desire the concurrence of the House of Assembly.

And then he withdrew.

The amendments made by the Legislative Council, to the Bill intituled "An Act to enable the Government to ascertain the Population of this Colony, and to obtain other Statistical information therein mentioned," were read the first time, and are as follow:

*Folio 6, line 7.*—Strike out the word "June," and insert "July."

*Folio 9, line 6.*—After the word "Township," insert "together with the sums of Money which have been distributed by way of aid, to purchase Seed, or supply the necessaries of life to the inhabitants of each Township, under any Act of the Legislature, or by order of the Executive Government, or by vote of the Legislature, in the years 1846, 1847, and 1848, whether in the form of loan, or to purchase extra labor on the Roads, Seed or otherwise, and to fill up the proper columns, in the Schedule hereunto annexed, with the said amounts, and the names of the recipients."

In the Schedule, add the following Columns.

Names of Recipients in each year.	
To whom repaid.	
Names of those who have repaid.	
Amount of sums repaid.	
Total in 1846, 1847, and 1848.	
Amount in 1848.	
Amount in 1847.	
Amount in 1846.	
Number of persons who have been relieved.	

*Ordered*, That the Tenth Rule of the House be suspended in this case.

And then the said amendments were read a second and third time.

*Resolved*, That the said amendments do pass.

*Ordered*, That *Mr. Haviland* do carry back the said Bill to the Council, and ac-

quaint them that this House hath agreed to their amendments.

A Petition of *Hugh Maclean*, of *St. Peter's Bay*, Trader, was presented to the House by *Mr. F. Longworth*.

*Ordered*, That the Rule limiting the time for the reception of Private Petitions, be suspended in this case.

And then the said Petition was received and read; setting forth, that Petitioner did, subsequent to February last, purchase upwards of Two thousand Bushels of Grain for exportation, in the belief that he would be safe in so doing; that the prohibition of the exportation of Grain at this late period of the year, will subject him to severe loss, by so large a quantity heating, or otherwise, or by compelling him to sacrifice it at a rate which will not remunerate; and having, prior to the mooting of the late Embargo, chartered a Vessel to export his Grain, is not only disappointed himself, but the cause of serious loss and disappointment to others; and praying the House to afford him relief, by purchasing the said Grain at a fair rate, for the Government, or granting him liberty to carry it to a market.

*Ordered*, That the said Petition do lie on the Table.

Then the House adjourned for one hour.

And being met—

A Message from the Council by Mr. Desbrisay.

Mr. Speaker;

The Legislative Council desire a Conference with the House of Assembly on the Bill intituled "An Act relating to Treasury Warrants, and to repeal a certain part of an Act therein mentioned, relating to the cancelling of Treasury Notes;" and have appointed the Hon. Mr. Swabey and the Hon. Mr. Hensley a committee to manage the said conference—to meet in the conference room instanter.

And then he withdrew.

*Resolved*, That this House do agree to a conference, as is desired by the Council, on the Bill intituled "An Act relating to Treasury Warrants, and to repeal a certain part of an Act therein mentioned, relating to the cancelling of Treasury Notes."

*Ordered*, That Mr. J. Longworth do go to the Council, and acquaint them therewith.

*Ordered*, That Mr. J. Longworth, Mr. J. H. Conroy, Mr. Mooney and Mr. F. Long-

worth be a Committee to manage the said Conference.

So the Managers went to the Conference.

And being returned—

Mr. J. Longworth reported, that the Managers had been at the Conference, and he stated the substance thereof to the House.

A Message from the Council by Mr. Desbrisay.

Mr. Speaker;

The Legislative Council have passed the Bill intituled "An Act for levying further an Assessment on all Lands in this Colony, and for the encouragement of Education."

And then he withdrew.

*Resolved*, That a further Conference be desired with the Legislative Council, on the Bill intituled "An Act relating to Treasury Warrants, and to repeal a certain part of an Act therein mentioned, relating to the cancelling of Treasury Notes."

*Ordered*, That Mr. J. Longworth do go to the Council and desire the said Conference.

*Ordered*, That the same committee who managed the last conference thereon, be a committee to manage this further conference.

A Message from the Council by Mr. Desbrisay.

Mr. Speaker;

The Legislative Council do agree to a further conference, as is desired by the House of Assembly, on the Bill intituled "An Act relating to Treasury Warrants, and to repeal a certain part of an Act therein mentioned, relating to the cancelling of Treasury Notes;" and have appointed the same committee who managed the last conference thereon, a committee to manage this further conference—to meet in the conference room instanter.

And the names of the managers being called over;

They went to the conference.

And being returned—

Mr. *J. Longworth* reported, that the managers had been at the conference, and had complied with the instructions given them by this House.

*Resolved*, That a Committee be appointed to search the Journals of the Council, to ascertain the proceedings had upon the following Bills, viz. :

“An Act to provide for the expenses of certain Members of the Legislative Council in attending the Legislature.”

“An Act for establishing the rates in Currency at which Rents reserved in Sterling shall henceforth be paid in this Island.”

“An Act to regulate the Currency of Prince Edward Island.”

“An Act relating to Treasury Warrants, and to repeal a certain part of an Act therein mentioned, relating to the Cancelling of Treasury Notes.”

*Ordered*, That Mr. *J. H. Conroy* and Mr. *Montgomery* do compose the said committee; who returning, reported, that they had found the following entries :

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL CHAMBER,  
Friday, February 25, 1848.

PRESENT:

The Hon. Mr. Attorney General, President,  
Hon. Mr. Macdonald, Hon. Mr. Anderson,  
Mr. Dalrymple, Mr. Swabey,  
Mr. Solicitor General, Mr. Hensley,  
Mr. Holl, Mr. Birnie.  
Mr. Young,

A Message from the House of Assembly by Mr. Palmer, with a Bill intituled “An Act to provide for the expenses of certain Members of the Legislative Council, in attending the Legislature,” to which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

Read the said Bill a first time.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL CHAMBER,  
Tuesday, May 2, 1848.

PRESENT:

The Hon. Mr. Attorney General, President,  
Hon. Mr. Macdonald, Hon. Mr. Rice,  
Mr. Dalrymple, Mr. Swabey,  
Mr. Solicitor General, Mr. Hensley,  
Mr. Holl, Mr. Birnie.  
Mr. Young,

The order of the day for the Second reading of the Bill intituled “An Act for establishing the Rates in Currency at which Rents reserved in Sterling shall henceforth be paid in this Island,” being read—

*Ordered*, That the same be discharged, and that the said Bill be read a second time, this day Three months.

DISSENTIENT:

Mr. Young.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL CHAMBER,  
Wednesday, May 3, 1848.

PRESENT:

The Hon. Mr. Attorney General, President.  
Hon. Mr. Dalrymple, Hon. Mr. Anderson,  
Mr. Macdonald, Mr. Swabey,  
Mr. Solicitor General, Mr. Hensley,  
Mr. Holl, Mr. Birnie.  
Mr. Young,

On motion, the House was adjourned during pleasure, and put into a Committee on the further consideration of the Bill intituled “An Act to regulate the Currency of Prince Edward Island.”—After some time, the House was resumed, and Mr. Holl reported, that the Committee had come to Three Resolutions, which they recommend to the adoption of the House.

The said Resolutions were then read, and are as follow:

“Whereas, it appears that the House of Assembly considers that it “cannot, with a due regard to the public interest,” adopt the suggestions of the Council on the Currency Bill, submitted in the late free Conference; and whereas this Committee believes that the Council has exhibited the best proofs of its attention to the public welfare, by the careful consideration it has bestowed upon the enactments contained in the Bill, and by the numerous alterations and improvements it has suggested at the several Conferences it has held with the House of Assembly: and whereas the Committee consider that this will be most clearly and satisfactorily shewn, by a review of the whole of the proceedings which have been taken upon this Bill, since at a very late period of the Session it was sent down to the Council, to be forwarded through the necessary stages.

“The Council, at the first Conference, submitted to the House of Assembly no less than Fourteen amendments, several of them of the gravest import, and of stringent necessity to the security of the public credit, whenever the proposed measure should be carried into operation.

“The First of those suggestions has reference to a most abstruse and difficult point, and endeavoured to arrange for the time, on equitable principles, some of the embarrassments which invariably arise out of

the admission of a circulation of inconvertible paper.

"This suggestion was agreed to.

"The Second was a verbal alteration (to strike out the words "have been," and insert "hereafter be,")—and was not urged.

"The Third was merely the substitution of the word "debts," for "payments," and was agreed to.

"The Fourth was another verbal correction, and was disagreed to.

"The Fifth was a revision of the preamble of a Clause, and was adopted by the House of Assembly.

"The Sixth suggestion made provision, in its first Clause, for the appointment of an Officer of the Currency, and for the establishment of an Office altogether separate and distinct from the Treasury. It detailed the duties this Officer should have to perform, and recommended that a Salary should be provided, and securities taken for their proper performance.

"This Clause was agreed to, and the Salary of the Officer filled up by the insertion of £200.

"The second Clause of this suggestion, made provision for rendering the present amount of inconvertible paper, payable on demand, so soon as one-half of the Gold and Silver requisite to their liquidation, should be accumulated in the Treasury, and afterwards transferred to the keeping of the Currency Officer; thereby proposing to commence the intended issue of Government paper, upon the basis of Two hundred Pounds of Notes for every One hundred Pounds of Specie lodged in the Currency Office.

"The above Clause was met by a proposition from the Assembly, to commence the operation by the immediate issue of £3,500 in Notes, in addition to those already in issue, so soon as £5,000 should be placed in the hands of the Currency Officer, thereby making the proportion of £300 of Treasury Notes in circulation for every £100 of Gold and Silver Coins in the Office of the Currency Officer.

"Another part of this Clause pointed out the mode in which the Notes of the Government hitherto *entitling* the holders to receive the several amounts at the Treasury, should be made payable, on demand, at the Currency Office of the Island.

"This was agreed to.

"The Third Clause instructed the Treasurer to pay over, on the last day in each week, or oftener if need be, all the Gold and Silver Coins received by him, to the Currency Officer, receiving from him, in lieu thereof, Notes to *double* the amount. This part was corrected by the House of Assembly, by the insertion of *treble*.

"The Clause then proceeded to enact a regulation, having for its object the preservation or restoration of the due proportions between the Gold and Silver deposited in the Currency Office, and the

amount of Notes in issue, by directing the Currency Officer, whenever in the progress of the double issue, the proportions intended to be preserved should be interrupted by the withdrawal of Specie to the amount of £500, to restrict the issue of Notes to Pound for Pound, until the equilibrium is restored.

"This part was accepted by the Assembly.

"The latter part of this Clause restrained the total issue to £3,500, excepting for replacing those cancelled or destroyed. This the House of Assembly amended, by inserting "save and except in exchange for an equal amount in Gold and Silver Coins."

"The Seventh suggestion proposed that the Currency Officer should be directed to pay and satisfy in Gold and Silver Coins, at the respective rates and values established in a previous Section, all Notes now in circulation, or hereafter to be issued by virtue of this Act, so as the amount be not less than £50, and looking forward to the time when the whole amount of Notes intended to be put out into circulation should be completed, it renewed the caution, that Notes paid into the Currency Office for Gold and Silver, must be redeemed from thence by the same amount of Specie, whether presented by the Treasurer or any indifferent party.

"The Eighth suggestion related to the opening of an Account with some Bank, either in one of the neighbouring Colonies, or with some Bank in England, for depositing any sum over and above that which might be deemed necessary to be at all times retained in the Currency Office, to meet the ordinary exigencies of the Colony. It was believed by the Council, that some arrangement of this nature might be made both profitable to the Government, and generally convenient to the commercial interests of the Island.

"This the House of Assembly disagreed to.

The Ninth suggestion restrained the Treasurer from receiving in payment, any Coin not legalized by this Act, or any Notes not issued by the Government of this Colony. Agreed to.

"The Tenth suggestion was withdrawn, as provided for in a separate Bill.

"The Eleventh proposed to insert after the word "Tender," the addition "of money," which was agreed to.

"The Twelfth suggestion was intended to limit the existence of the Notes as legal tenders, to the time in which the Currency Officer should continue to pay them on demand, in legal Coin; to which the House of Assembly added, "but nothing in this Act contained, shall extend to, or be construed to extend to prevent such Treasury Notes being a legal tender to pay or satisfy any debt or demand due to, or on account of the Government of this Island; whether or not the said Notes, at the time of such last men-

tioned Tender, continue to be paid by the said Currency Officer, in legal Coins."

"The Thirteenth suggestion, entrusting to the Lieutenant Governor, by and with the advice of his Council, the carrying out and giving effect to the provisions of this Act, for the further issue of Treasury Notes, under the several restrictions and limitations, was agreed to by the House of Assembly, as forming the First Clause, with some verbal amendments.

"The Second Clause of this suggestion, directing the Treasurer to send in a weekly Report to the Governor, of the total amount of Bonds and Cash remaining in his hands, was altered by the House of Assembly, to a monthly return.

"The Third Clause directed the Currency Officer, in like manner, to make a weekly Report to the Lieutenant Governor, or Administrator of the Government, of the total amount of Gold and Silver Coin, as also of the amount of Notes, as well as of the sum placed to the credit of the Government, and deposited in any Bank either in Great Britain, or in any one of Her Majesty's North American Colonies, at interest. The part of this Clause which relates to the return of the sum deposited in some Bank, was struck out by the Assembly as surplusage.

"The Fourteenth suggestion repealed the "Act to enable the Shareholders of a Company called the Bank of British North America, to sue and be sued, &c." This was not agreed to by the House of Assembly; which proposed that the Sixteenth Section of that Act only should be repealed.

"The Committee believe, that this is a correct statement of the material points of the proceedings upon this Bill, up to this point.

"Upon communicating to the Council the particulars of the amendments made by the House of Assembly to the suggestions of the Council, every disposition to modify and accommodate unimportant enactments to the present views and opinions of the House of Assembly, was shewn by the Council; but the Council believed it to be its duty to insist upon its views with respect to the proportion of Gold and Silver to be kept in the Currency Office, with a modification, as stated in the paper marked (H.) delivered at the last Conference to the House of Assembly.

"To this the House of Assembly responded in the following memorandum:—

"That the House of Assembly, with every disposition to meet the views of the Council, regret that it cannot, with a due regard to the public interests, consent to adopt the suggestions of the Council on the Currency Bill, to a greater extent than previously communicated at the last Conference, which met the unanimous approval of the House."

"Resolved, therefore, That this Committee is abundantly satisfied, that in admitting the gradual extension of the paper circulation of this Island to the amount of £35,000, upon no available resource beyond a reserve of Gold and Silver, amounting to one-half in value of the Notes to be issued, leaving, when the Specie is exhausted, no assets for the liquidation of the remaining half; and taking into view the fact, that no provision is made in the Bill for the funding or redemption of a due proportion of the Treasury Warrants, amounting to Twenty-five thousand Pounds, it has gone to the utmost admissible extent.

"Resolved, That by examination of the machinery of Banks of Issue, it will be found, that for every Note in issue, there is available security of Specie to meet it. There is, in fact, actual capital upon which the credit of the paper is based. The liabilities and assets present an equal amount. In the opinion of the Committee, the Council, reluctantly consented to depart from this strict rule, observed in similar Institutions, from their earnest desire to meet the expected views of the House of Assembly.

"Therefore, Resolved, That it is the opinion of this Committee, and they recommend to the House, that the further consideration of this Bill be deferred until this day Three months.

"The question of concurrence being severally put on the said Resolutions, they were agreed to by the House."

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL CHAMBER,

Tuesday, May 3, 1848.

On motion, the House was adjourned during pleasure, and put into a Committee on the further consideration of the Bill intituled "An Act relating to Treasury Warrants, and to repeal a certain Act therein mentioned, relating to the cancelling of Treasury Notes."—After some time, the House was resumed, and Mr. Swabey reported, that the Committee recommend that the further consideration of the said Bill be deferred for three months.

On motion, Ordered, That the Report of the Committee be agreed to.

Ordered, That Mr. J. Longworth have leave to introduce a Bill to repeal so much of the Land Assessment Act now in force, as relates to the cancelling of Treasury Notes.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Tenth Rule of the House be suspended in this case.

And then the said Bill was read a second and third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *J. Longworth* do carry the said Bill to the Council, and desire their concurrence.

The Hon. Mr. *Coles*, from the Committee appointed to join a Committee of the Council, to wait upon His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor with the Joint Address, requesting that His Excellency would be pleased to call the attention of Her Majesty's Government to the urgent necessity there exists of giving the Royal Assent to the Bill intituled "An Act to incorporate a Mutual Fire Insurance Company," at as early a period as practicable, reported the delivery thereof, and that His Excellency was pleased to say, he would comply with the prayer of the said Address.

Mr. *J. Longworth*, from the Committee appointed to wait upon His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor, with the Address to Her Majesty, on the subject of the Bill to provide for a Survey of Townships Nos. One to Ten inclusive; and with the Address to His Excellency, praying him to forward the same to Her Majesty's Principal Secretary of State for the Colonies, for the purpose of being laid at the foot of the Throne, reported that the Committee had performed the duty assigned them; and that His Excellency had been pleased to say, he would comply with the prayer of the Address.

A Message from the Council by Mr. *Desbrisay*.

Mr. Speaker;

The Legislative Council have passed the Bill intituled "An Act to repeal so much of the Land Assessment Act now in force, as relates to the cancelling of Treasury Notes."

And then he withdrew.

*Resolved*, That this House do now resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, to take into consideration the expediency of negotiating a Loan for the use of the Colony.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. *N. Conroy* took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

Mr. *N. Conroy* reported, that the Committee had gone into the consideration of the matter to them referred, and had come to Two Resolutions thereupon; which Resolutions were again read at the Clerk's Table, and are as follow:—

1. *RESOLVED*, That it is the opinion of this Committee, that it is expedient to obtain a Loan of Twelve Thousand Pounds, Sterling, to enable the Colony to extend the circulating medium, by the issue of a Paper Currency, to be made redeemable in Specie, at the Treasury, and to be rendered a legal Tender in payment of Colonial Debts.

2. *RESOLVED*, That it is the opinion of this Committee, that an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor, requesting that he will be pleased to communicate with Her Majesty's Government on the subject of the said Loan, and to ascertain whether Her Majesty's Government will guarantee the same, upon provision being made by an Act of the Legislature of this Colony, for the repayment thereof in Twelve years, at a rate of interest not to exceed Four and one-half per centum, and for the Principal to be applied to the purpose mentioned in the foregoing Resolution.

And the First of the said Resolutions being again read, and the question of concurrence put thereon;

The House divided:

YEAS:

Mr. <i>Palmer</i> ,	Mr. <i>Haviland</i> ,
Mr. <i>J. H. Conroy</i> ,	Hon. Mr. <i>Coles</i> ,
Mr. <i>Montgomery</i> ,	Mr. <i>Jardine</i> ,
Mr. <i>Whelan</i> ,	Mr. <i>N. Conroy</i> ,
Mr. <i>F. Longworth</i> ,	Mr. <i>D. Macdonald</i> ,
Mr. <i>Fraser</i> ,	Mr. <i>A. Maclean</i> ,
Mr. <i>J. Longworth</i> ,	Mr. <i>Macintosh</i> .

NAYS:

Mr. *Mooney*.

So it was carried in the affirmative.

The Second of the said Resolutions being again read, and the question put thereon;

The House divided:

And the names being called for, were

taken down, as in the last preceding division.

So it was carried in the affirmative.

*Resolved*, That a Committee be appointed, to prepare an Address to His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor, pursuant to the above reported Resolutions.

*Ordered*, That Mr. Palmer, Mr. F. Longworth and the Hon Mr. Coles do compose the said Committee.

Then the House adjourned until to-morrow, at Ten o'clock.

## THURSDAY, May 4, 1848.

**MR. PALMER**, from the Committee appointed to prepare an Address to His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor, pursuant to the Resolutions reported from the Committee of the whole House, on the consideration of the expediency of negotiating a Loan for the use of the Colony, presented to the House the draft of an Address as prepared by the Committee; and the said draft Address was again read at the Clerk's Table, and is as followeth:—

*To His Excellency SIR DONALD CAMPBELL, BARONET, Lieutenant Governor and Commander-in-Chief in and over Her Majesty's Island Prince Edward, and the Territories therunto belonging, Chancellor, Vice Admiral, and Ordinary of the same, &c. &c. &c.*

May it please Your Excellency;

The House of Assembly having had under their consideration the serious difficulties under which the Colony labours for want of a sufficient circulating medium, as well with respect to its Trade and Commerce, as to the needful business transactions of the mass of its Inhabitants, are apprehensive that unless some early and vigorous measure is carried into effect, whereby the resources of the Colony may be developed, and its Trade and business rendered unfettered, and permitted to expand to that degree which its natural growth absolutely requires, and for which the Colony struggles, its energies will become so far paralyzed, that no subsequent time nor efforts may be calculated upon with certainty, to enable it to take its place in the scale of advancement amongst the Sister Provinces.

The House of Assembly having, therefore, passed certain Resolutions on the subject of procuring a Loan of Twelve Thousand Pounds, Sterling, chargeable upon the Revenue of the Colony, and dependent upon the guarantee of the Imperial Government—copies of which Resolutions are herewith submitted to your Excellency—have humbly to request, that your Excellency will be pleased to communicate on the subject thereof with Her Majesty's Government,

and to use your influence in endeavouring to carry into effect an object, which the House of Assembly deem so conducive to the prosperity of this Colony.

*Ordered*, That the said Address be received and adopted by the House.

*Ordered*, That the said Address be engrossed.

*Ordered*, That the Committee who prepared the Address, be a Committee to wait upon His Excellency with the same.

*Ordered*, That the Report of the Committee appointed to search the Journals of the Council, as to the proceedings had on the Bill intituled "An Act to regulate the Currency of Prince Edward Island," and other Bills, be referred to a Special Committee, to report thereon with all convenient speed.

*Ordered*, That Mr. Palmer, Mr. J. Longworth, Mr. N. Conroy, Mr. F. Longworth and Mr. Haviland do compose the said Committee.

Then the House adjourned for one hour.

And being met—

Mr. Palmer, from the Special Committee, to whom was referred the Report of the Committee appointed to search the Journals of the Legislative Council as to the proceedings had upon the Bill intituled "An Act to regulate the Currency of Prince Edward Island," presented to the House the Report of the said Committee; which Report was again read at the Clerk's Table.

*Ordered*, That the said Report be now committed to a Committee of the whole House.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. N. Conroy took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

Mr. N. Conroy reported, that the Committee had gone through the Report of the Special Committee, had amended, and then adopted the same; and the Report, so amended, was again read at the Clerk's Table, and is as followeth:—

The Special Committee to whom was referred the Report of the Committee appointed to search the Journals of the Legislative Council, to ascertain the proceedings had upon the Bill intituled "An Act to regulate the Currency of Prince Edward Island," have to report—That they find that the House of Assembly have endeavoured to carry out the recommendations of Her Majesty's Government, on the important subject of the Currency of this Island, so far as the same could possibly be adopted with a proper regard to the interests of the Colony; and they learn, with deep regret, from the entries on the Journals of the Legislative Council, that that body have rejected a measure which, if carried into effect, in a liberal and proper spirit, could not have failed to impart a stimulus to the trade and commerce of this Island, which have long suffered from a too contracted circulation, and which the credit of the Government might have enabled it to supply with advantage to itself, and affording, at the same time, a security to the public not to be attained by any private institution.

But a more serious cause of regret exists in the present anomalous state of the Laws of this Colony relative to Debtor and Creditor—and for which this Bill provided a remedy. At present the Courts have decided that the legal current money of this Island is Spanish Milled Dollars, at the rate of Five shillings each; whereas, all the transactions of the Government, as well as the ordinary business of individuals, are, and for many years have been conducted in a Currency inferior in value by at least twenty pounds per centum; in consequence of which legal interpretation of the law, Creditors have it in their power to exercise a most injurious and oppressive influence over their Debtors, by exacting the said twenty per cent, although not in the least contemplated by either party when the debt was contracted.

In the review which the Council have given of their proceedings on the Currency Bill, they have very fitly designated some of their suggested amendments as being "grave" and "stringent;" but as that body subsequently agreed to withdraw most of

them, this House refrains from making any detailed observations on them, further than to notice that what the Council, in reference to the second amendment, have been pleased to call a verbal amendment, namely, to strike out the words "have been," and insert "hereafter be," in the Eighth clause of the Bill, was an amendment which would enable Creditors to exercise the power which the decision of the Law Courts enables them to use, of exacting, in payment of all ordinary debts, contracted before the passing of the Bill, Twenty Pounds per centum more than the customary rate, which has been invariably and almost universally adopted in all Government and Mercantile transactions, for the last twelve years, and would have called into active operation, a Law which has almost become obsolete in practice, and is disapproved of by the Colony at large.

The Committee of the House recommended, in order fairly to place before Her Majesty's Government the views entertained by the House, and the objections urged in opposition to them by the Legislative Council, that a Copy of the Bill, as originally sent up, as well as of the several suggestions which have been offered and agreed upon in Conference, as also a Copy of the Bill, with the several amendments incorporated therein—shewing, at the same time, the existing points of difference between the Council and Assembly—should be forwarded to Her Majesty's Government.

It may be necessary to state, that there are at present in circulation in this Colony, Treasury Notes to the amount of £11,500, or thereabouts, which have for upwards of twenty years passed current; and as a proof of the confidence of the public in their value, there are not, at present, more than about £300 in the Treasury of the Island. That the Bill as proposed by the House of Assembly, provided, in order to make the Treasury Notes of this Island already issued, as well as a further sum of £3,500 proposed to be added thereto, a legal tender, and responsible in specie, on demand;—that a sum equal to one third of such issue, should be deposited in the Currency Office; and that for any further issue, up to £35,000, the proportion of deposit should be one-half, and for any further issue above that sum, pound for pound.

That, in addition to the security thus afforded, the Bill gave power to the Governor, in Council, to negotiate a Loan for £5,000 Sterling—equal to £7,500 of the present Currency—and by another Bill relating to Treasury Warrants, which was sent up to the Council at the same time, having reference to the Currency Bill, further power was given to the Governor and Council, to apply the whole of the moneys now in the Treasury, or which would

hereafter become due, amounting to near £5,000, now in hand, and all monies which should hereafter be paid into the Treasury for the purpose of purchasing or paying off Treasury Warrants (which might then have been vested as Government securities) in the Currency Office. The House also agreed to an important provision, by which the Currency Officer was authorized, in case the proportion of one-third should at any time be reduced by the amount of £500, to issue Notes only in exchange for an equal amount of Specie, until the proportion of one-third should be restored.

With the foregoing precautions, and with a restriction that no private Bank should be established with power to issue their own paper, and with the facts before them, that the Government were bound to receive the Revenue of the Colony, amounting to about £25,000 per annum, in their own paper—your Committee are of opinion, that the security to the public would be greater than that of any monetary institution with which they are acquainted, and such as ought, in their opinion to have relieved the Council from those fears of embarrassment, which are alleged by that body as their reason for not adopting a measure approved of by the unanimous vote of the Representatives of the People, on whom the responsibility of providing for the pecuniary wants of the Government more especially devolves; whilst the proposal of the Council would have entailed a loss to the Colony, by withdrawing from circulation, within nine months from the period of the Bill going into operation, a sum equal to £2,250, besides entailing upon the Colony the expense of £200 per annum, as a Salary for a Currency Officer.

Your Committee can find no precedent for so large a proportion of Bullion as one-half, being deposited in any Banking institution, as a security for its issues; while in the scheme proposed by the late Lord Sydenham, when Governor-General of Canada, as applicable to that country, one-fourth in Bullion or Specie, was deemed by that distinguished nobleman and financier as a sufficient deposit for a Government Bank of issue, and three-fourths of the issue to be applied in the construction of Public Works and in the purchase of the Securities of its own Government; in which opinion your Committee concur.

The assertion of the Council, that no provision was made for the funding or redemption of a due proportion of the Treasury Warrants, appears to your Committee to be incorrect, as will appear by reference to the following Clause in the Treasury Warrant Bill:—

“And be it enacted, That all Treasury Warrants already issued, or which shall hereafter be issued by the Government of this Island, and endorsed by the Treasurer for Interest, as aforesaid, shall from time

to time be called in and paid off as and when the sums of money or amount of Treasury Notes at the disposal of the Government, in the hands of the Treasurer from time to time, will hereafter warrant or permit; and it shall be the duty of the Lieutenant Governor, or other Administrator of the Government for the time being, and Her Majesty's Executive Council of this Island, and they are hereby required from time to time hereafter, when and so often as the moneys or amount of Treasury Notes at the disposal of the Government, in the hands of the Treasurer, shall enable or authorize him so to do, to order and direct the said Treasurer to call in and pay off so many or such amount of Treasury Warrants, according to their priority of dates, as they shall deem it safe and prudent, with a due regard to the means and resources of the Government, from time to time, to discharge, keeping in view at all times, the advantage and necessity of liquidating, as quickly as practicable, liabilities bearing interest against the Colony; and they shall, from time to time, continue to repeat such orders to the Treasurer, until the whole amount of Treasury Warrants endorsed, or to be endorsed for interest, as aforesaid, shall, together with the interest due thereon, be paid off and discharged; and the said Treasurer shall not, in any case, after the passing of this Act, venture to pay off any Treasury Warrant so endorsed, or to be endorsed for Interest, except in such way and manner as he shall have been authorized or directed so to do, by any order of the Administrator of the Government and Council, for the time being, to be made as aforesaid: Provided always, that nothing herein contained, shall prevent, or be construed to prevent or prohibit the said Treasurer from accepting or receiving any such Treasury Warrant or Warrants, in payment of Duties due and owing to the Government.”

Nor does it appear to your Committee, that the statement of the Council, that “by examination of the machinery of Banks of issue, it will be found, that for every Note in issue there is available security or specie to meet it,” points out a safe guard to prevent a stoppage of payment in specie in case of a run upon such Bank equal to the security which the public would have on a daily increasing general Revenue of a Country whose Public Debt, including the before mentioned £11,500 of Notes in circulation, does not exceed the insignificant sum of £21,700, P. E. Island Currency.

Your Committee trust, that the foregoing proofs will satisfy Her Majesty's Government of the earnest desire manifested by the House of Assembly to comply with the recommendations on this subject, of the Right Honorable Earl Grey, in his Despatch of the 12th November, 1847, and of its willingness to give effect to any means that may yet be devised by the

Imperial Government, to relieve this Colony from the difficulties connected with its monetary affairs, so far as the same can be made to conduce to the well being of the Colony—but which your Committee believe, can only be done by relieving it from the undue influence of that private interest, to which, the Committee do not hesitate to believe, the loss of the Currency Bill may very justly be attributed.

A motion being made, that the said Report be received and adopted by the House;

Mr. *Rae* moved, in amendment to the said Report, that the whole be struck out, and the following substituted :

“RESOLVED, That the amendments made by the Legislative Council, were, on the whole, not incompatible with that restrictive course of policy which, for many years, the Colonial Department has seen fit to adopt, in regard to the issues of paper by the Government of this Colony; and with the exception of that amendment, by which they created the new Office of Currency, with a Salary, the amendments of the Council did not create any additional burden on the Colony, but had the effect of rendering it imperative on the Legislature to pay off the Debt contracted.”

The House divided on the motion of amendment :

## YEAS :

Mr. <i>Rae</i> ,	Hon. Mr. <i>Coles</i> ,
Mr. <i>Mooney</i> ,	Mr. <i>Whelan</i> .

## NAYS :

Mr. <i>Palmer</i> ,	Mr. <i>A. Maclean</i> ,
Mr. <i>N. Conroy</i> ,	Mr. <i>F. Longworth</i> ,
Mr. <i>Haviland</i> ,	Mr. <i>J. H. Conroy</i> ,
Mr. <i>J. Longworth</i> ,	Mr. <i>Douse</i> .

So it passed in the negative.

The question being then put on the main motion,

It was agreed to by the House.

Ordered, That the Speaker of this House be requested to convey the said Report, together with the Documents therein referred to, to His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor, with a request that His Excellency will be pleased to transmit the same to Her Majesty's Secretary of State for the Colonies.

Mr. *Rae*, from the Committee appointed to wait upon His Excellency the Lieutenant

Governor, with the Address requesting His Excellency to cause the several Books of Accounts of payments of the Land Assessment, to be transmitted to the Colonial Secretary, to be by him retained as Public Records, reported the delivery of the said Address; and that His Excellency was pleased to say, he would adopt measures to have the Books secured.

Mr. *Palmer*, from the Committee appointed to wait upon His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor, with the Address, praying that His Excellency would be pleased to communicate with Her Majesty's Imperial Government, on the subject of procuring a Loan of Twelve Thousand Pounds, Sterling, chargeable on the Revenue of the Colony, and to use his influence in endeavouring to effect the said object, reported to the House, that their Address had been presented to His Excellency; who replied, that he would have much pleasure in complying with the desire of the House.

A Message from His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor, by Henry Palmer, Esquire, Usher of the Black Rod :

Mr. Speaker;

His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor commands the immediate attendance of this honorable House, at the Bar of the Council Chamber:

Accordingly, Mr. Speaker, with the House went up to attend His Excellency; when His Excellency was pleased, in Her Majesty's name, to assent to the several Bills following :

*An Act to continue the Act for establishing the standard weight of Grain and Pulse.*

*An Act to render perpetual an Act passed in the Third year of the Reign of Her present Majesty, intituled "An Act to prevent the running at large of Sheep and Goats in the Town of Charlottetown."*

*An Act to consolidate and amend the Laws now in force, authorising the appointment of Coal Meters, and to repeal a certain Act therein mentioned.*

*An Act further to amend an Act made and passed in the Tenth year of the Reign of His late Majesty George the Fourth, intituled "An Act to regulate the laying out and altering of Highways, and to provide a mode of*

obtaining compensation for those who may thereby be injured, and to cause those who are benefitted thereby, to contribute towards their formation."

*An Act to extend the provisions of the Act relating to Pilots.*

*An Act to amend the Act relating to the manner of proceeding upon controverted Elections of Members to serve in General Assembly.*

*An Act to regulate the importation of Books, and to protect the British Author.*

*An Act to enable the Government to ascertain the population of this Colony, and to obtain other statistical information therein mentioned.*

*An Act for the punishment of Drunkenness.*

*An Act for vacating the Seats of Members of Assembly in certain cases therein mentioned, and to repeal a certain Act formerly passed for that purpose.*

*An Act to repeal an Act made and passed in the Eighth year of the Reign of Her present Majesty, intituled "An Act to authorise the Commissioners of Small Debts in their respective Courts to appoint Bailiffs to execute the Processes of the said Courts, and to take Security from such Bailiffs for the due execution of the same, and to make other provisions in lieu thereof."*

*An Act to repeal the Laws for constituting Boards of Health, and to make other provisions in lieu thereof.*

*An Act to amend the Laws for the relief of Insolvent Debtors.*

*An Act to incorporate a Mutual Fire Insurance Company.*

*An Act in addition to the Act regulating Fire Engine Companies.*

*An Act to amend an Act for the better preventing Accidents by Fire within Charlottetown.*

*An Act to consolidate and improve the Laws for the Election of Members to serve in the General Assembly.*

*An Act to repeal the Acts for the admission of Barristers, Attorneys and Solicitors, and to make other provisions in lieu thereof.*

*An Act to provide for re-printing the Laws of this Island.*

*An Act to repeal a certain part of the Act incorporating the Bank of British North America.*

*An Act relating to the Charlottetown Ferry.*

*An Act to provide for the summary punishment of persons trespassing on Crown Lands.*

*An Act for suspending for a limited period, certain parts of an Act passed in the Fourth year of His late Majesty's Reign, intituled "An Act for ascertaining and establishing the Boundary Lines of Counties and Townships, and parts of Townships, and for regulating the duties of Surveyors, and to repeal a certain Act therein mentioned."*

After which, Mr. Speaker spake as followeth:—

May it please Your Excellency;

On behalf of Her Majesty's faithful Commons of Prince Edward Island, I have now to present several Bills of Aid and Supply voted to Her Majesty during the present Session, to which I have humbly to request your Excellency's assent:

*An Act for the Encouragement of the Seal Fishery.*

*An Act to explain and amend an Act made and passed in the Eighth year of the Reign of Her present Majesty, intituled "An Act to make new provisions for the support of Light Houses, Buoys and Beacons."*

*An Act for levying further an Assessment on all Lands in this Colony, and for the encouragement of Education.*

*An Act to authorize the appointment of a Master of the Rolls to the Court of Chancery, and an Assistant Judge of the Supreme Court of Judicature, in this Island.*

*An Act to repeal so much of the Land Assessment Act now in force as relates to the cancelling of Treasury Notes.*

*An Act for appropriating certain Moneys therein mentioned, for the service of the year of Our Lord One thousand Eight hundred and Forty-eight.*

To each of which His Excellency was pleased, in the Queen's name, to give his assent.

And then His Excellency was pleased to make the following Speech to both Houses:

*Mr. President and Honorable Gentlemen of the Legislative Council;*

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

After a long and close attendance upon your Legislative duties, it affords me much satisfaction to be able to release you from the labors of the present Session.

The various subjects of public interest which I deemed it my duty to bring before you at the commencement, and during the progress of the Session, have been responded to with an unanimity of action, alike honorable to yourselves and gratifying to me; and I cannot doubt that the several important measures which have been matured, will be productive of the happiest effects upon the future prosperity of the Colony.

Among these measures I must not omit to notice the Act for the appointment of a Master of the Rolls to the Court of Chancery, and an Assistant Judge of the Supreme Court, which will facilitate the administration of justice in the latter Court, and afford increased confidence to suitors in the Court of Chancery.

The Act to consolidate and improve the Election Laws will also be found beneficial in its operation, by securing to the constituency the free and unreserved exercise of the elective franchise.

The Act relating to Emigrants, although stringent in its provisions, has become necessary, in order to protect the community from the spread of infectious diseases, and to avert, as far as human efforts can avail, a recurrence of those distressing scenes which were presented last year in all the North American Colonies.

Although you have not been able to perfect a measure for effecting a reform in the Island Currency, the attention which you have given to this important question, affords me a confident expectation that efficient means will be adopted early in the next Session for placing the Currency upon a sound and wholesome basis.

I deeply regret the necessity which has arisen to prohibit the exportation of agricultural produce for a limited period.

The distress which unfortunately prevails in certain districts, from a deficiency in the last year's crop, will be alleviated by the liberal grant you have made for the service of Roads and Bridges, with the view of enabling the destitute Settlers to purchase Seed, and to earn the means of subsistence until the harvest, when I sincerely trust that a kind and beneficent Providence will bless their labours with an abundant increase.

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

I thank you for the liberality with which you have voted the Supplies for the Public Service.

You may rest assured that they will be faithfully applied to the several purposes for which they have been granted.

*Mr. President and Honorable Gentlemen of the Legislative Council;*

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

The intelligence which has been recently received of the birth of a Princess, has afforded you an opportunity of renewing the expression of your solicitude for the health and happiness of her Royal Parent, and of your loyalty and attachment to Her Majesty's person and government. Your dutiful and loyal Address has been forwarded for presentation at the foot of the Throne.

I have observed with satisfaction the zeal and ability with which you have applied yourselves to the public business; and I sincerely hope that the harmony which has so happily subsisted between the three branches of the Legislature at the commencement of my Administration of this Government, may continue so long as I have the honor to preside over the Colony.

In resuming your private avocations, I beg you to be assured that you carry with you my best wishes for your welfare and happiness.

After which the Honorable the President of the Legislative Council said—

Gentlemen;

It is the will and pleasure of His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor, that this General Assembly be prorogued until Tuesday, the Fourth day of July; and this General Assembly is accordingly prorogued until Tuesday, the Fourth day of July next.

End of the Second Session,

**APPENDIX**

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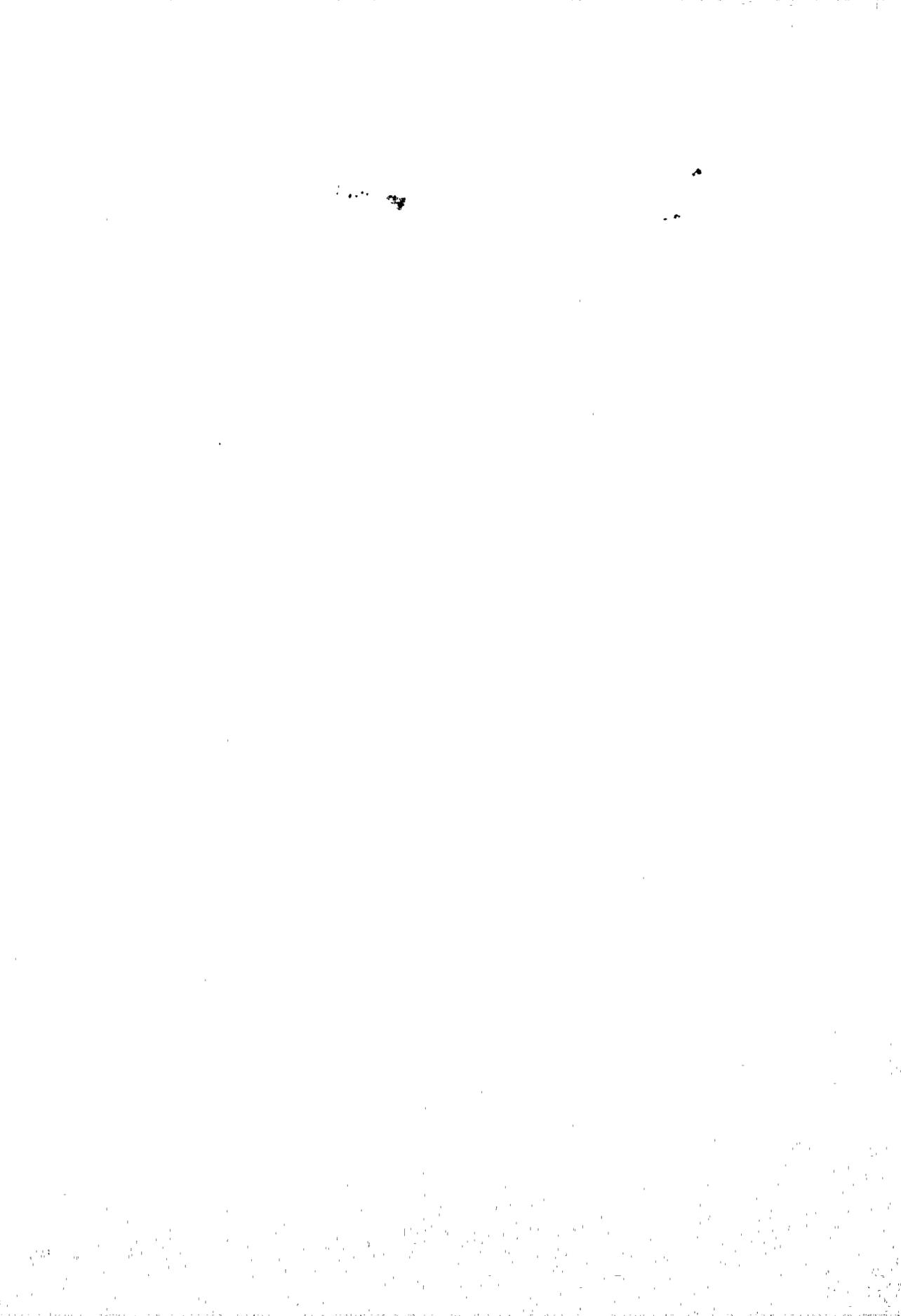
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**PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND;**

*FOR THE SESSION COMMENCING THE FIRST DAY OF FEBRUARY, AND ENDING  
FOURTH DAY OF MAY,*

**IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD**

**1848.**



# APPENDIX

(A.)

[SEE PAGE 23.]

DOWNING STREET, 12th November, 1847.

No. 2.

SIR;

“ Among the subjects which will require the early consideration of yourself and of the Legislature of Prince Edward Island, are several of very great importance to the welfare of that Colony, and to which my attention has been more especially called by the Speaker of the House of Assembly and Mr. Palmer, in an interview which I lately had with those gentlemen.

“ Of these subjects, the state of the Island Currency is one of the most pressing.

“ From the Report of the Commissioners appointed by Sir Henry Huntley, to examine into the state of the Currency of the Island, dated the 9th February last, it is obvious that a most erroneous system has hitherto been pursued by the local Government on this subject, and that a reform of the Currency is most urgently required.

“ It appears to have been the practice of the local Government, up to a very recent period, to issue Treasury Warrants for small sums of money, and Treasury Notes, for still smaller sums, for the purpose of meeting the ordinary expenditure of the Colony. The necessary consequence of this practice has been greatly to depreciate the Currency below its nominal value.

“ In ascertaining the proper remedy for this state of things, two courses present themselves for consideration. First—Whether it would be proper to endeavour to restore this depreciated currency to its original value; or, Secondly—Whether it would not be better to fix its value at its present rate, taking the necessary measures for preventing its further depreciation.

“ Upon the whole; I incline to think the latter course the most desirable to be adopted, and I would recommend it to the consideration of yourself and of the Legislature of Prince Edward Island, for the following reasons:

“ The restoration of the Island Currency to its original value would not be accomplished without a severe pressure upon the Finances of the Colony. It must further be considered, that in all monetary

transactions between individuals, of recent date, debts and engagements have been contracted with reference to the present, and not to the original value of the Currency. If, therefore, the Currency should now be raised above its actual value at the time when such debts and engagements were contracted, injustice would be done to all those parties who would have money to pay under such Contracts; and as in practice it is found, that among the unsettled accounts of individuals, a large proportion are generally of no long standing, it follows that more injustice is usually done by restoring a depreciated Currency to its original value, than by fixing it at the value which it may actually bear.

“ Assuming this latter course to be adopted, the measures by which the Currency of Prince Edward Island may be protected against any further depreciation, appear to me by no means difficult. All that would appear to be necessary is, that the Legislature should pass a Law, enacting that the existing Treasury Warrants should be exchanged for Treasury Notes to the same amount, and that these Notes should be declared a Legal Tender; that it should not be lawful to make any further issue of Treasury Notes except in exchange for the precious metals, the coins of different countries being taken at the value they now actually bear in circulation; and that the Treasury Notes should be made exchangeable at the pleasure of the holders, for coin at the same rate. In order to enable the Colonial Treasurer, or such other Public Officer as might be charged with the management of the Currency Account (which I think should be kept entirely distinct from the ordinary Treasury Accounts), to meet any demands which might be made upon him for Coin in exchange for Treasury Notes, it would be probably necessary to raise a moderate sum by loan, or otherwise, to place in his hands for this purpose. As it would be desirable that such Treasury Notes should continue to circulate in the Colony, and that coin should only be required in exchange for Notes when wanted for remittance to other countries, I see no objection to a restriction being placed upon the holders of such Notes from demanding specie in any less amount than £50.

“ The effect of adopting such a measure as I have indicated, would be, that the Colony would retain the full benefit of the cheapness of a Paper Currency as a medium of exchange; while at the same time it would have the same uniformity of value which distinguishes a metallic circulation. The amount of Paper currency in circulation (and which amount really determines its value,) would fluctuate precisely in the same manner as the amount of Specie currency. If the advance of the Colony in wealth and population, and the consequent increase of its Commercial transactions, should require an extension of the currency, it would be the interest of individuals to import Coin into the Colony, and to obtain Paper in exchange. If on the other hand it should happen at times, that the Currency in circulation should be in excess of the wants of the Colony, and require to be contracted, such contraction would be accomplished by the holders of Treasury Notes presenting them for payment, and thus obtaining Specie which it would then become profitable to export to other countries.

“ If the measures which I have suggested should be adopted by the local Government, it would become necessary that no Paper money, except Treasury Notes, should be allowed to be issued or circulated in the Colony.

“ If Banks should at any future time be established in the Island, they should only be at liberty to carry on their business with the Currency of the Colony.

“ In further explanation of my views on this subject, I enclose for your information an extract of a Despatch which I have recently addressed to the Governor of New Zeland, on the subject of the Currency of those Islands.

“ It will be your duty to impress these views upon the Legislative Council and Assembly of Prince Edward Island. Should those bodies, contrary to my expectation, not think proper to enter upon a reform of the Colonial Currency in the manner I have now suggested, I have to desire that you refuse your consent to any further issue either of Treasury Notes or Treasury Warrants.”

[*Extract of a Despatch from Earl Grey to Governor Gray, dated Downing Street, 2d February, 1847.*]  
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“ Among these subjects, there is one which seems to me to require very early attention; I allude to that of the regulation of the Currency of the Colony.

“ Since the recall of the Debentures which were issued by Captain Fitz Roy, I am not aware that any description of Paper money has been in circulation in the Colony; but judging from what has taken place in other British Colonies, I can entertain no doubt that with the increase of trade, a demand for such a cheap and convenient medium of exchange will speedily arise; nor do I see any objection to the creation of Paper Currency. On the contrary, pro-

vided it is properly regulated, I am of opinion that such a mode of economising capital, where capital is so greatly wanted, must be exceedingly advantageous.

“ The discussions which have taken place of late years, and more especially the proceedings of Parliament upon the occasion of the last renewal of the Bank Charter, have, I apprehend, in the judgment of those whose authority is of most weight on this subject, finally settled the principles upon which a Paper currency ought to be regulated.

“ Although a regard for existing interests has prevented these principles from being acted upon in this country to their full extent, there is no longer much difference of opinion as to the general nature of the system, which an adherence to them would prescribe. In New Zeland I believe that no such interests have yet grown up, though they would not fail speedily to do so; it is therefore, I trust, still possible in that Colony to secure the great advantages which could not fail to result from correct principles. The view which I take of these principles is as follows: The business of banking, or of dealing in money, and that of issuing Paper money, I consider to have not merely no necessary, but no proper connection with each other. The former is a branch of commercial business, which should be left, like every other, to private enterprise; but to issue money—that is, to furnish the authorised medium of exchange—is one of the peculiar, and not the least important functions of the Government. With respect to the coinage, this principle has always been recognized, nor is there any attribute of sovereignty which has been more strongly insisted upon, and more rigidly guarded from invasion by the supreme authority of almost every State, whether of ancient or modern times, than the exclusive right of coining money for the use of its own subjects.

“ As to the issue of paper money, a different rule has generally been followed, but as experience has proved, with the very worst results.

“ By allowing the issue of paper money to become a commercial speculation, the amount issued from time to time has been made to vary, not according to the real wants of the community, but according to the interest of the issuers; the value of this description of currency has been rendered uncertain, and all the evils have been entailed upon the community which result from the want of uniformity in the measure of value, and general medium of exchange.

“ The value of a metallic Currency is not liable to injurious fluctuations; simply because the amount in circulation cannot be arbitrarily varied, but is self-regulated by the exchanges, of which the operation is too powerful to be controlled by law. In order therefore to unite the advantages of cheapness and convenience which belong to a paper currency, with

those of steadiness and uniformity of value, which belong to a metallic currency, one of the former description ought to be so regulated that the amount in circulation should vary according to the same laws which govern the latter. This is to be accomplished by providing, *that paper money beyond some fixed amount clearly within the wants of the country in which it circulates, shall only be issued in exchange for the precious metals, and that it shall always be payable in the same.* Under this system, the circulation can only be increased, when it is in the interest of private individuals to import bullion, which they may exchange for paper; and can only be contracted in like manner, when it is their interest to demand bullion in exchange for paper. The system now established in this country, by the authority of Parliament, is founded upon this principle, to which it conforms as nearly as the necessity of having regard to vested interests could permit, at the time that the arrangement was made. In New Zealand, a simpler and more perfect system may, I hope, be adopted. I would suggest that a law should be passed, authorizing the issue of a Colonial paper Currency, which should be a legal tender in payment of all sums exceeding forty shillings; for sums under forty shillings, British Silver coin should be received, as in this country.

"This Colonial paper should be made payable either in gold, at the English Mint price, or in silver, receiving the coins of different nations (except British silver) at the rated values assigned to them in the Proclamations from time to time issued under the authority of the Lords Commissioners of the Treasury.

"All persons should also have the right on tendering gold and silver at the same rates, to receive Colonial paper in exchange. You are aware that in this country gold is the standard of value, and that silver coins merely circulate as tokens at a nominal value, which is considerably higher than their real worth. By the regulation I have suggested, gold would also be the standard of value in New Zealand. But considering how largely silver dollars circulate in the countries nearest to New Zealand, and with which it would be likely to have the most frequent commercial intercourse, it would, I think, be convenient that such silver coin should be used in common with gold for the payment of the Colonial paper money, at the value assigned to them by Proclamation, with reference to the pound Sterling. Notes for £1, but not for any lower amount, should, I think, be issued. Should you find it practicable to establish such a paper Currency, the mode of bringing it into circulation would be a very simple one. An office for the exchange of paper for gold or silver should be established at Wellington, and another at Auckland.

"To these offices, all money of the description now in circulation received by the Government (except small silver reserved for minor payments) should be sent, to be exchanged for Colonial paper money; and private individuals should be invited, but not required, to do the same. The Colonial Government, by not re-issuing specie which came into its hands, would have no difficulty in speedily substituting the new paper money for the coin now in circulation. The issue of the new paper currency being complete, it would be advisable that one fourth of the specie received in exchange for it, should be retained to meet any demands for payment which might be made; and that the remainder should be invested so as to produce some return to the Colony. With this view, the best arrangement would probably be, that it should be transmitted to Sydney, and deposited, on sufficient security, with one of the principal Banking establishments in that town; the interest which it would produce, should go, in the first place, towards paying the expenses of managing the paper Currency, and the surplus, if any, towards the general expenses of the Colony.

"The same law which established this Currency, should also strictly prohibit the issue of any other description of paper, payable on demand, in New Zealand.

"In suggesting to you the creation of a paper Currency, thus regulated, I am far from meaning to prescribe to you, that such a measure should be adopted if there should exist reasons with which I am unacquainted, which would render it unsafe; for instance, if there should be ground for apprehending, that it would give rise to difficulties with the natives, who might not improbably be unwilling to give up the use of the kind of money to which they are accustomed, for one which it might not be very easy for them to understand. Any such difficulty as this might probably be obviated by making the substitution of the Colonial paper money for specie more gradual, than I have in the preceding part of this Despatch recommended. It would, of course, be easy to make the process of change from one system to the other, as gradual as might be desired, by allowing a given proportion of the specie which might be received by the Government, to be for a time re-issued, so that it might not entirely be withdrawn from circulation, until the use of the substitute provided for it can be understood.

"These are, however, points which I may, with the utmost confidence, leave to your own judgment. All I wish earnestly to press upon you is, the importance of occupying, if possible, the ground by some Government paper, before private Banking Companies shall have taken possession of it.

"If this is neglected, I am persuaded that it will practically be impossible to prevent such companies from being formed, and from issuing Notes for circulation, it will be equally impossible to confine the privilege to any single private Company. Such a monopoly would be sure to create too much dissatisfaction amongst all excluded from sharing in its profits, to be long maintained; the consequence would be that Rural Banks of Issue would be established, and that in seasons of commercial prosperity the competition of these Banks would unduly extend the amount of paper in circulation; thus raising prices, and stimulating, precisely when it ought to be moderated, the spirit of speculation; thereby ensuring—whenever the reaction came, as come it must—a more than corresponding depression, and wide spreading ruin and distress.

"This is the course of events which has been witnessed in the last few years in Australia, in the United States, and—though with less severity—in this country. Like causes would infallibly produce like results in New Zealand; and those causes, therefore, while there is yet time, I wish you to remove."

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No. 2.

(Copy.)

GOVERNMENT HOUSE,  
Montreal, 28th August, 1847.

SIR;

I have the honor to transmit herewith, the copy of a Despatch, with an enclosure, addressed to me by Her Majesty's Secretary of State for the Colonies, under date 31st December, 1846.

This communication treats of several matters which have a very important bearing on the existing and prospective interests of British North America; but I am induced to bring it under your Excellency's notice at the present time, chiefly with the view of calling your attention to the suggestions which it contains, with reference to the future management of the Post Office in these Provinces.

You will observe, from the tenor of the documents herewith enclosed, that Her Majesty's Ministers are prepared to surrender to the Provincial authorities the control of this Department, so soon as, by concert between the several Legislatures, arrangements shall be matured for securing to British North America the advantages of an efficient and uniform Post Office system.

With a view to the more speedy attainment of an object to which the inhabitants of these Provinces attach much importance, it appears to me to be desirable that one or two Members of each of the Executive Councils of Canada, Nova Scotia, New Brunswick and Prince Edward Island, should meet at

Montreal, where the subject may be fully discussed, and a plan matured for submission to the several Legislatures at their next Session.

Should it be in the power of Your Excellency, and of the Lieutenant Governors of Nova Scotia and New Brunswick, to act on this suggestion, I shall be prepared to appoint one or two Commissioners, on behalf of the Council of Canada, to confer with those from the other Provinces, on the arrival of the latter in this place.

I have, &c.,  
(Signed) ELGIN & KINCARDINE.

Sir H. V. Huntley,  
&c., &c., &c.,

[Copy.]—No. 10.

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DOWNING STREET,  
31st Dec., 1846.

My Lord;

Your Lordship is about to assume the Government of British North America at a time when a change of policy is in progress, which is of no ordinary importance to the interests of every part of the British Empire, and perhaps of none more than of that large portion of the Queen's Dominions in which Her Majesty has been pleased to select you to act as her Representative.

I need scarcely say, that I refer to those commercial changes which in the last Session, after long and anxious deliberation, received the sanction of Parliament. By the Acts then passed, it has been provided that with respect to some of the chief articles of National consumption, there should be a considerable immediate reduction, and an eventual abolition of those duties upon imports from Foreign Countries which have hitherto been imposed, not for the purpose of raising Revenue, but with the avowed object of giving an advantage in the markets of this country to the domestic or Colonial producer over his Foreign competitor. It has been enacted, that after a brief interval the Canadian, in common with the British Farmer—and in common also with the Sugar Planters of the British Colonies—must encounter, in the sale of his produce in this Country, the unrestricted competition of the foreign grower. The same relief from the burthen of differential duties which has thus been granted to the British consumer, are of the Statutes to which I have alluded (the 8 and 9 Vic., cap. 94) has enabled their respective Legislatures to extend to the British Colonies, by empowering them to repeal the differential duties in favor of British produce, imposed in these Colonies by former Imperial Acts. This is not an occasion upon which I could with propriety enter into any discussion of the grounds upon which this change of policy has been adopted; but,

without doing so, I may express my firm conviction that eventually the welfare of the Colonies, even more than that of the Mother Country, will be promoted by the abandonment of a system of artificial restrictions upon Trade. Looking to the great natural advantages possessed by the British Colonies, and especially by the fine Provinces of North America, I cannot doubt that adopting a policy of which the object is to render industry productive, by leaving it to follow its natural channels of employment, and by affording every possible facility to commerce, must lead to their rapid advancement in wealth and prosperity. But, with a view to this result, it is of the utmost importance that the Provincial Legislatures should strenuously co-operate with the Imperial Parliament, so far as the repeal of the differential duties hitherto imposed upon Imports into the Colonies from foreign countries, for the purpose of favoring the British producer. I can have no doubt that the Colonial Legislatures will gladly avail themselves of the power conferred upon them, by at once putting an end to these Duties; indeed, so obvious does it appear that this measure ought to be the consequence of repealing differential duties imposed in this Country to favor the importation of Colonial produce, that Parliament, instead of merely enabling the Colonial Legislatures to abolish the Duties alluded to, would probably have at once proceeded to do so by its own authority, had it not been for the late period of the Session at which alone it was possible that the subject should be considered, and the difficulty of determining without more information than could at the time be procured, how far the simple repeal of these Duties, unaccompanied by any precautions, might have affected the finances of some of the Colonies.

I assume, therefore, that these Duties will be speedily put an end to; but it does not appear to me that this is by any means the whole of what is required in order to give to the commerce of British North America all the facilities it ought to enjoy. At present, each of these Colonies has its distinct scale of Custom House Duties, and its distinct establishment of Officers for levying them; the trade between one Province and another being burthened by Duties like that between Countries entirely unconnected with each other. From their geographical position, relatively to each other, Canada, New Brunswick and Nova Scotia being divided only by arbitrary, and in some points still unsettled lines of boundary; and Prince Edward Island being separated from them only by a narrow strait, it is obvious that this state of things must be attended with very great inconvenience, while different rates of Duty are levied upon the same articles in Provinces thus bordering upon, and closely connected with each other; and while one Province imposes Duties upon the produce of another, it is obvious that

a considerable expense must be incurred in maintaining inter-Colonial lines of Custom Houses; that much encouragement must be given to smuggling, and, what is of still more importance, that great difficulties must be thrown in the way of the mutual intercourse of Provinces so well fitted by nature for carrying on with each other an active and beneficial commerce.

The correspondence recorded in this office proves this to be not merely a speculative inconvenience, but one which has been practically and very seriously felt; nor can any reasonable doubt be entertained that if the Duties levied in the different Provinces of British North America could be assimilated, if the establishments for collecting them could be consolidated, and the net produce of the Duties, after defraying the cost of collection, then divided upon some equitable principle, and placed at the disposal of the several Legislatures, the result would be in the highest degree advantageous to these Colonies, and materially contribute to enable them successfully to meet the difficulties which for a time are not unlikely to arise from the removal of commercial restrictions hitherto maintained in this country for their supposed advantage.

Your Lordship will not fail to perceive that the original idea of the policy I have now suggested is derived from the German Customs Union or Zollverein. It is true that in many very important particulars the circumstances of the German States which formed this union, were altogether unlike those of the British North American Provinces, and that therefore what was done in the one case forms no precedent for the other; but still the example of Germany proves that there is no insuperable difficulty in effecting an arrangement by which not merely different Provinces of the same Empire, but a large number of independent States, may combine together for the purpose of establishing a common system of Custom House Duties, and dividing the Revenue which these Duties produce. And further, this example also proves that, in spite of no inconsiderable faults in the mode of effecting such an arrangement, and above all the great one of having adopted a scale of Duties far higher than is consistent with sound commercial and financial views, this Union is admitted to have exercised a highly beneficial influence upon the trade and industry of the States which belong to it. Information with respect to this remarkable institution will not therefore be without its value to your Lordship; and I have accordingly the honor of transmitting to you with this Despatch a copy of a Report upon the subject, which was a few years ago laid before Parliament, by Her Majesty's command.

I do not anticipate that the intelligent inhabitants of British America will differ from me, as to the ad-

vantages which would arise from the adoption of such a measure.

They will readily perceive that by moderate Duties upon imports thus levied, the Revenue required for the Public service in the several Provinces might be raised at a less cost of collection, and with infinitely less of obstruction to commercial enterprise, than by the existing system; and I am convinced they will fully appreciate the importance, at this particular time, of giving such a stimulus to industry and to Trade. But, though the importance of the object to be effected will no doubt be universally recognized, I fear that there will be much practical difficulty in accomplishing it. Such a change can only be carried into operation by the authority of the Provincial Legislatures; since that of the Imperial Parliament could not be made use of for this purpose, without an amount of interference with matters of purely internal concern in the several Provinces, which would be utterly inconsistent with the principles upon which they are now governed. But to obtain the concurrence of four separate Legislatures, in passing a Law involving the arrangement of many details upon which no doubt great diversities of opinion will arise, and upon which a complete agreement of these different authorities would be indispensable, for the success of the measure, seems hardly to be looked for. Even though persons should be appointed by each Province to meet and consider the arrangement it would be proper to make, and should agree upon a Report containing a draft of a Bill, which should be recommended to the several Legislatures, it seems to me rather to be hoped, than expected, that they would all concur in passing such a Bill without amendment; and unless they did so, the whole labour which had been incurred would be fruitless.

In considering how this difficulty may be surmounted, it has occurred to me that the best course which could be adopted, would be for the different Legislatures to pass Acts recognizing the principle of consolidating their Custom House establishments; but which, instead of entering into detail as to arrangements to be for that purpose adopted, should give by anticipation the force of law to such arrangements as might be agreed upon by persons empowered to act for them in that behalf.

I purposely avoid expressing any opinion as to the manner in which the persons empowered to represent and act for the different Provinces should be appointed, whether they should be committees from the two branches of the several Legislatures, or Commissioners named in the Acts which would require to be passed, since they are questions upon which, if the suggestions I have made should be entertained by the Legislatures, they are more able to form a judgment than myself; but I think it right to point out

that in whatever manner they may be appointed, the Representatives of the several Provinces should meet together at Montreal, where their deliberations could be conducted with the benefit of Your Lordship's advice and assistance; and that it would be indispensable to provide in the Acts from which they would derive their authority, that no arrangements to which they might agree should come into force without the previous confirmation of Her Majesty in Council.

In what manner this important subject should be brought under the consideration of the different Provincial Legislatures, and how it would be expedient to submit to them the question of delegating to some central authority a portion of their constitutional powers, I must leave it to Your Lordship's judgment to determine upon the spot. I may, however, remark, that should such an authority be created, its functions need not be confined to the single subject to which I have already referred; there are two other subjects at this moment requiring attention, and with regard to which the co-operation with each other of the different Provinces is highly desirable. Of these, the first is that relating to the service of the Post in the North American Provinces. From the various Despatches and other Documents enumerated in the margin\*, Your Lordship will learn how extreme, and in fact insuperable is the difficulty of placing the affairs of the Post Office in the British portion of that Continent on any secure and convenient footing, without the aid of some central body, competent to arbitrate between the various Provinces, and to establish regulations extending over and throughout them all. I especially refer to the Report of the Post Master General, to the Lords Commissioners of the Treasury, dated on the 18th August last, and to the Letter which, on the 10th of September last, communicated to this Department the views of their Lordships on that Report.

You will thence perceive how willing Her Majesty's Government are to abdicate the powers of the Post Master General in British North America, in favor of any competent local authority, to be legally constituted for the purpose. But Your Lordship will also perceive that the creation of any such authority by the separate act of any one Province, or by separate and unconnected Acts of the several Provinces, is virtually impossible. We have no solicitude to retain any control over the details and management of this service; but the reverse. A body of the kind I have already described, representing and acting for all the Provinces, might make an arrangement for the

\* Sir W. Colebrook, 26th April, 1845.  
Lord Stanley, 1st Oct., 1845.  
Sir W. Colebrooke, 27th April, 1846.  
Mr. Gladstone, 23d June.  
Lord Cathcart, 8th June.  
C. O., 3d July, to Treasury.  
Treasury, 10th September.  
Post Office, 18th August.

future, which would relieve the Post Master General of this inappropriate function. Without such aid, I do not see how he could be exempted from the duty to which, from inevitable and insuperable causes, his department always must be unequal.

The other subject to which I have referred, as requiring the co-operation of the different Provinces, is that of the formation of a great line of Railway communication from the seat of the Government of Canada to the Atlantic.

The execution of such a work would, I am persuaded, be of the greatest advantage to the whole of British America; but the difficulties to be surmounted in so vast an undertaking are of no ordinary kind, and are only likely, I think, to be overcome by the united and energetic exertions of all the Provinces. Should the delegation of authority by the different Legislatures to some central body, representing them all, be assented to, I should consider it highly desirable that advantage should be taken of this, to arrange the mode in which the Provinces should co-operate with each other, and with Her Majesty's Government, in promoting the construction of the proposed Railway.

I have, &c.,

(Signed)

GREY.

The Earl of Elgin,  
&c., &c., &c.

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TREASURY CHAMBERS,  
10th September, 1846.

SIR;

With reference to your Letters of the 27th June, and 3d and 23d July, and to the previous correspondence relating to the Postal arrangements in the American Colonies, I am commanded by the Lords Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury to transmit to you the enclosed copy of a communication from the Postmaster General, dated the 18th ultimo, upon that subject, and I am to request that you will lay the same before Earl Grey, and observe to His Lordship, that with the view of facilitating arrangements for a compliance with the wishes urged at various times for a reduction of Colonial Postage, the Postmaster General proposes to abandon the central control of this country over the establishments in the various Provinces of British North America; and it is needless to point out to Lord Grey the important considerations involved in this proposition.

You will also state to His Lordship that before my Lords entertain this project, they would wish to be favored with the opinion which he may form upon it, after such communication as he may deem necessary with the different Colonies, which would be affected by the proposed arrangement.

I am, &c.

(Signed)

C. E. TREVELYAN.

James Stephen, Esq.  
&c. &c., &c.

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To the Right Honorable the Lords Commissioners  
of Her Majesty's Treasury.

My Lords;

I have the honor to acknowledge the various communications from Canada and New Brunswick, which were forwarded to this Office on the 3d, 14th and 31st ultimo respectively.

During the last two or three years propositions of a similar nature from the North American Provinces for reduction of Postage, have reached this country, and have been referred to this department; but my predecessors, from an apprehension that any considerable diminution in the rates of Postage must occasion such a loss of revenue as would leave an amount insufficient to cover the expenditure of the department, have not felt themselves justified in recommending the adoption of any of the measures suggested.

That there were reasonable grounds for this apprehension, I have little doubt, especially as the Commissioners of Post Office enquiry in British North America, in the report which they made in December, 1841, unequivocally expressed the opinion that a great reduction in the existing rates "must necessarily bring the receipts far below the expenditure of the department."

Looking, however, to the anxiety which is so generally felt throughout the North American Colonies for a reduction in the present rates of Postage chargeable upon Inland letters, I do not think it advisable longer to withhold the measures so strongly urged by the several Legislatures, especially as the Colonists express a disposition to make up the deficiency of the Post Office revenue from the general taxation of the Provinces.

Whether the higher rates mentioned in the Address from the Canadian Legislature, or such as are at present in force in the United Kingdom, and which Sir William Colebrooke thinks ought to be extended to New Brunswick, shall be adopted, in either case the reduction will be very large; and as it must inevitably occasion a serious deficiency in the Postage revenue, I deem it my duty to point out to your Lordships the conclusion at which I have arrived, that under the existence of such a deficiency, the attempt to retain by this department the control of the Post Office in the North American Provinces, would be productive of much inconvenience and of irritation, and that it would be preferable to place the management of the postal arrangements at once in the hands of the local government.

It is true that in one case the Provincial Legislature has offered to guarantee the payment of the sums required to meet the expenditure of the department, and it is not improbable that a similar under-

taking might be obtained from the other Provinces. But however excellent and sincere may be the disposition of the Colonial Assemblies to carry such guarantees into execution, I cannot shut my eyes to the probable consequences of a dependance upon them by this office.

In a department like the Post Office, differences of opinion must necessarily arise between the Colonies and the authorities at home, as to the regulations upon which it should be conducted: the extent of accommodation to be given: the amount of the salaries to be paid; and above all—in a new country in which the Post Office is expected to afford the means of extending civilization, instead of, as at home, following in its train—as to the principle upon which new and frequently expensive Posts should be established. There is no more fertile source of contention in the North American Assemblies than the establishment of new Posts; and if the means of extending such Posts throughout the Colonies were provided by funds, not of the Post Office, but granted from the general Colonial Revenue, however well administered the department might be, I fear it would constantly be subjected to accusations of favoritism and of undue influences.

Even now the disposition to call in question every arrangement made by the Post Office in the North American Provinces, is so strong, that virulent terms of abuse are employed against the Deputy Postmaster General for carrying out measures which have been expressly authorized by this department. But with a deficiency of revenue this feeling would be much strengthened. It would be only reasonable to expect that the Legislative Assemblies would endeavour to ascertain whether by a re-arrangement of the Posts, and other alterations in the administration, the deficiency could not be diminished; and whether greater economy could not be introduced with respect to salaries. Under the influence of the same feeling, the emoluments of one postmaster might be raised, those of another diminished, and the whole administration of the Post Office would practically be made dependent on the annual scrutiny and vote of Assemblies, jealous of the powers of a department nominally exempted from their control; nor should it be overlooked that each member would have the strongest local interest as regarded the extension of the Post in his own County or Township, as well as the amounts to be expended for Post Office purposes in his own section of the Province.

I entertain therefore the conviction that any measure producing such a deficiency in the Post Office revenue as would need to be provided for by a vote in a Colonial Legislature, would be tantamount to a surrender of the administration of the department by the Postmaster General; and as I think that a large

reduction of rates ought to be granted, I am of opinion that it is better the Postmaster General should resign his control over the Post Offices in those Colonies at once. I deem it, however, practicable, and very expedient, to accompany this surrender by certain conditions, and by a demand that the Colonial Post Offices shall be conducted on such principles as will still retain in effect a great portion of the advantages of a Central Government.

I beg leave to suggest that the North American Post Offices should be administered on the following principles, and that no Bills of the Provincial Legislature which are not conformable with them, should receive the assent of the Imperial Government.

FIRST.—That no transit postage shall be chargeable on Letters forwarded between any of the North American Provinces, for the cost of conveyance through any one of those Provinces.

SECONDLY.—That the uniform internal Colonial rate of Two-pence the half-ounce, shall remain in operation as regards Letters transmitted in the British Mails between the United Kingdom, and the North American Provinces; and that the same uniform Rate shall be extended to the correspondence of those Countries, with which we have Postal Conventions, in case such countries should establish Packets of their own, and Her Majesty's Government should demand in their favour, concession of such a privilege. Of course, in the event of an uniform Internal Rate of less amount than Two-pence being adopted for Provincial Letters, the benefit should be given to the correspondence of the United Kingdom, and the Foreign Countries alluded to. This Rate should be collected according to the British scale.

THIRDLY.—That the pre-payment or payment on delivery of Postage, shall still remain optional with respect to the correspondence transmitted between each of the Provinces respectively; but that each Province shall keep, as now, the amount it collects, in order to avoid complicated accounts and heavy expenses for exchanging Offices, for the purpose of ascertaining the actual Revenue to which each is entitled for the *unpaid* Letters which it transmits to either of the other Provinces, and for the *paid* Letters received from those Provinces for delivery. With respect to the correspondence transmitted between the North American Provinces and the United Kingdom, and that forwarded through the United Kingdom, a similar optional payment shall still remain wherever it is practicable; but the existing modes of account shall be retained, both with respect to the British Packet Postage, and the uniform internal Colonial Rate of Two-pence.

These three are, in my opinion, the main conditions which should be insisted upon, if the control of the Mother Country over the North American Post

Offices is surrendered. I take leave also to suggest that the maintenance of an uniform system and Rate of Postage throughout the North American Provinces, is highly desirable. Under the present arrangements this great advantage is enjoyed in those Colonies, and great inconvenience may result from the introduction of different systems, although upon this point we can hardly expect unanimity on the part of the different Provinces. As regards the Rates, it is obvious that an uniform Rate throughout the four Provinces must be the most equitable, and by far the most convenient that could be adopted.

It will be for Her Majesty's Government to determine whether these questions shall be decided at Home, and at once, or shall be left to the discretion of the Colonial Governments. I hope, however, that the British principle of weight, and the scale by which additional Rates are calculated, will in no case be abandoned.

Under the arrangements which I have proposed, the Packet Postage belonging to the United Kingdom—and which in the Lower Provinces has been applied towards the general expenditure of the Department—will of course be remitted Home to the Mother Country, and it will become necessary to settle with Canada the principle upon which the transit Postage due to the United States for the conveyance of the British Mails through that Territory should be defrayed; although it seems to me the most eligible course would be that it should be paid in equal proportions by Canada and by the United Kingdom, as I am not prepared to recommend that an additional Rate should be levied upon the correspondence, to cover the charge for transit.

Arguments may be adduced to show that the Administration of the Colonial Post Offices by the Department at Home, is that best calculated for the interests of the Colonies, and for those of the Mother Country, but for the reasons I have ventured to state to Your Lordships, I am of opinion that, with a large deficiency of Revenue, it would be difficult to continue the control of the Post Offices of the North American Provinces in the hands of the Post Master General of the United Kingdom; and I take leave to recommend the subject to the consideration of Her Majesty's Government, as being of very great importance.

(Signed) CLANRICARDE.

General Post Office, 18th August, 1846.

(Copy.)

HALIFAX, Nov. 19, 1847.

SIR;

The Commissioners appointed—under authority of His Excellency the Governor General, on behalf of Canada, Nova Scotia and New Brunswick—to deliberate on measures suitable for giving effect to the desires expressed by the Legislatures of the British

North American Colonies for a reduced system of Postage, in connexion with the suggestions of the Secretary of State and the Post Master General, have agreed on a Report—subject, perhaps, to some unimportant modifications—a copy of which I have the honor, on behalf of my colleagues in that duty, and myself, to transmit herewith to your Excellency.

The Commissioners not having had the benefit of the assistance of a Commissioner for Prince Edward Island, would be happy to learn your Excellency's sentiments, and the prospect of the concurrence of your Legislature in the opinions expressed in the Report.

I have the honor to be,

Your Excellency's most obed't Servant,  
J. W. JOHNSTON.

To His Excellency Sir H. V. Huntley, Lieutenant Governor, &c., &c., P. E. Island.

To His Excellency the Right Honorable JAMES, EARL of ELGIN and KINCARDINE, K. T., Governor General of British North America, and Captain General and Governor in Chief, in and over the Provinces of Canada, Nova Scotia, New Brunswick and the Island of Prince Edward, and Vice Admiral of the same, &c., &c., &c.

May it please your Excellency;

We, the undersigned, in obedience to the instructions of your Excellency and the Lieut. Governors of Nova Scotia, New Brunswick and Prince Edward Island, to enquire into, and report upon the practicability of establishing an uniform and efficient Post Office system, throughout the British North American Colonies, based upon the views entertained by their Lordship's Earl Grey and Lord Clanricarde, and communicated to Your Excellency by Despatch, dated the 31st December, 1846, have given our best consideration to the various important points embraced in the subject of enquiry, and have now the honor to submit our Report.

On entering upon the duties assigned to us, we directed our attention to the representations and Addresses which had from time to time been presented to the Imperial Government by the several Colonial Legislatures, in reference to the subject of the Post Office, as well for the reason assigned by Lord Clanricarde, that these appeals had induced his Lordship to make the suggestions contained in his letter of the 18th of August, 1846, as from the fact that these representations set forth in a prominent light the various disadvantages under which the British North American Colonies labored, and for which a remedy is now to be sought. A very cursory examination was sufficient to satisfy us that the Provinces, in their remonstrances against the transfer of assumed surplus receipts to the credit of the Imperial Government,

were not actuated by any desire to convert the Postal imposts into a source of revenue, or to call in question the prudent management of the Imperial Government, but were prompted by a growing conviction that the social and commercial interests of the Colonies were intimately connected with the extension of their Postal intercourse, and that they truly regarded it—as Lord Clanricarde has justly observed—as the means, in a new country, of extending civilization. The elaborate report drawn up by the Canadian Commissioners in 1841, the address from the Legislature of that Province, dated the 2d June, 1846, in which it is prayed that if a reduction of the rate of Postage to the extent enjoyed by the Mother Country, could not be conceded, at least the rates now obtaining in the United States might be adopted; the joint Address of the Legislative Council and House of Assembly of New Brunswick, dated the 11th April, 1845, the Report of a select committee of the latter, dated 11th April, 1846; and more recently still, the Resolutions passed by the House of Assembly of Nova Scotia, of the 29th March, 1847, in which are contained pledges for defraying any deficiency that might be created in the Post Office Revenues from the establishment of a low and uniform rate of Colonial and inter-Colonial postage; these, and the several representations from the other Provinces, clearly indicate the unanimous desire entertained by the British possessions in North America to have extended to them a share of those benefits, intellectual, social and commercial, which have, in so large a measure, been conferred upon the Mother Country, by the establishment of the penny postage.

Each day's increasing experience has attested the wisdom that prompted the adoption of a measure which was not at the time more characterised by its boldness than it has subsequently been by its success. The example of cheap postage thus set in Great Britain, has recently been followed in the United States, in a modified form, adapted to a more widely scattered population and extended limits. The success which has attended these reductions, has relieved the experiment of much that appeared hazardous, in a financial point of view, and promises to support the Commissioners in the assumption that any serious diminution in the Provincial Post Office revenues, arising from an effective reduction in rates, would prove but of short duration, and would be more than balanced by the attainment of the many advantages so ardently sought for by the Provinces, and which such reduction would confessedly confer.

In this view, we have more particularly directed our attention to that branch of the subject adverted to in the Post Master General's letter, which refers to the establishment of an independent management

within the Provinces, and the several conditions considered by his Lordship as essential to the efficient working of any well digested scheme; and we have engaged in the duties committed to us under a deep sense of the importance, as well as the delicacy of the task of presenting to Your Excellency a plan which it may be hoped will meet the approval of the Legislatures of the four Provinces.

Hence we have aimed to adapt our suggestions to the attainment of that concurring Legislative agreement through which alone the people of these Colonies can hope to enjoy the great benefits of cheap and extended Postal communications, rather than to frame an organization which, however promising in theory, should contain elements of uncertainty, hesitation, or disagreement, endangering its adoption by any of the Provinces.

At the threshold of our enquiry lay the consideration of the relative advantages of a system of United Revenue and management for the Four Provinces, or of one that would leave the management of the Postal arrangements in the hands of the local Government of each Province, as suggested by Lord Clanricarde, with no greater central control than shall be necessary for securing the Imperial and inter-Colonial postal interests.

We have decided on recommending the latter system, although we have not been insensible to arguments that might be adduced in favor of the former.

The objections that His Lordship the Post Master General has anticipated would result from the control being continued in England after the Provinces shall have assumed the pecuniary responsibilities of the Department, may in great part be applied against a control of equally extended authority and functions established in any one of the Colonies. To these may be added the fact that the most efficient practical security against an imprudent excess in Postal accommodation will be found in the consideration that undue encroachments on the general Revenue for that service would abridge the means of other, and not less valued benefits. But this motive—powerful when confined within the limits of a single Province—might lose much of its force were the Postal revenues of the four Provinces gathered into one fund, and the post accommodations dispensed from one common centre, subjecting the Provinces to a rateable contribution for making good the general excess of expenditures over the receipts. Such an arrangement would afford room for jealous comparisons; and, in the apprehension that might arise in one Province that economical forbearance on its part would not find kindred practice in others, new incentives would not unnaturally be presented for seeking the utmost benefit out of the common fund, by urging an excessive

extension of postal accommodation; and the most effectual check against extravagant expenditures be thus repressed, by weakening the inducement for economy to which we have alluded. Independently, however, of the arguments to be advanced on the merits of either side of the question, we believe the scheme, by which each Province will be left to the disposition of its own Revenue and the extension of its own postal benefits, to be that which is most likely to secure the acquiescence of all the Provinces. It presents, especially to the smaller Colonies, the aspect of less hazard as regards finances, and less uncertainty as regards postal accommodation; and, therefore, as a first step, we conceive it will prove the more practicable and attainable measure, nor will it close the future against a more enlarged and combined system, should experience warrant the extension.

The conditions and usages suggested by His Lordship the Post Master General, in his Letter of the 18th August, 1846, as necessary and valuable under any system of Provincial management, next demanded, and have received our careful consideration.

The following propositions comprise every thing His Lordship has deemed necessary. Concurring in their appropriateness, and believing they will meet the approval of the Provincial Legislatures, we adopt them as part of the scheme we have the honor to recommend in this Report, subject to some explanations which we have subjoined:—

1st. That the British principle of weight, and the scale by which additional rates are calculated, should in no case be abandoned. We also recommend that the system of Accounts, checks and audits, as now used, should be preserved unaltered, as far as practicable.

2d. That there should be maintained throughout the British North American Colonies one uniform system and rate of Postage, with no greater modification than their circumstances may demand.

3d. That no transit postage should be chargeable on Letters forwarded between these Provinces for the cost of conveyance through any of them.

4th. That the uniform internal Colonial rate, of Two-pence sterling the half Ounce, should remain in operation, as regards Letters transmitted in the British Mails between the United Kingdom and the North American Provinces; to be extended to Countries having Postal conventions with Great Britain, as suggested by Lord Clanricarde.

5th. That the pre-payment of postage, as well between the Provinces as between the United Kingdom and the Provinces, shall remain optional.

6th. That, to avoid complicated accounts, each Province shall retain the amount of Postage it col-

lects. A stipulation that involves the understanding of unrestricted freedom, and uniformity of principle, in respect to the pre-payment of Postage.

7th. The Packet Postage, of One Shilling sterling per half ounce, we understand will be collected in the four enumerated Provinces, and be remitted to the Post Master General in England, after the deduction of any just claim in behalf of the Provincial Postal Departments. The internal Colonial rate of Two-pence sterling, chargeable on letters by the British or other Packet Mails, stands on a different footing, and will, we assume, remain at the Credit of the respective Provinces where it may be collected; while in the case of pre-payment in England, it will be passed to the credit of the Province to which the Letters shall be addressed for delivery.

It is also understood that Nova Scotia and New Brunswick are not chargeable, out of their several Postal funds, for the transmission through either of these Provinces of the Packet Mails passing to Colonies lying beyond them respectively.

While this stipulation is advanced by those Provinces as just in itself, it is not calculated to induce practical difficulties, as the Packet Mails referred to are not required to be opened whilst in transit to their destination; and the service may be, and is understood to be now chiefly, if not solely performed, under distinct contracts, leading to no complication of accounts. This service, we assume, will be provided for out of the Shilling sterling Packet postage, and that Her Majesty's Government, out of that fund, will continue to transport the Packet Mails to the Provinces for which they are destined, as formerly was done by the "Unicorn" to Québec, and subsequently through the territory of the United States.

To select the rate of Postage best adapted to promote the objects in view, with a proper regard to the effect of the change on the revenues of the Colonies, was not the least important part of our duty; we are happily, however, not without guides for our direction in its performance.

We have agreed to recommend Three-pence currency per half ounce as the primary rate, in suggesting its restriction to distances of 300 miles, and an additional rate to be superadded for distances beyond that limit. We have been alone actuated by considerations of Revenue, as influencing the probable concurrence of the several Legislatures.

Your Excellency will perceive that we have followed the scale adopted in the United States of America, to which reference was made in the Address of the Canadian Legislature, 2d June, 1846, [quoted in an earlier part of this Report], and which, while it strictly coincides with the rates selected by the Assembly of Nova Scotia, promises to meet the views

expressed on the 11th April, 1845, by New Brunswick. Much that now complicates the Post Office system would be removed, and the benefit of Postal intercourse more widely diffused, were this single rate made applicable to *all* distances within the four Provinces.

Lest, however, any of the Colonial Legislatures should conceive a higher charge for greater distances to be necessary, for the increase of the Postal revenues, we would suggest that the scale we have quoted should again be followed, and the rate of Six-pence per half ounce imposed for all distances over 300 miles. It only remains that we should state the leading provisions which we think may be necessary or convenient in preparing a system under which the management of the Post Office Departments may be transferred from the Post Master General to the Provincial Authorities. These are comprised in the following suggestions, which (subject to our previous explanation) we offer for Your Excellency's consideration.

1st. That there should be an Office of Central Audit in Canada, of which the Post Master General of that Province shall be the head. The duties of this Office shall be to audit the Accounts, quarterly, of the several Provinces; returns of which shall be annually presented to the different Legislatures, to collect and transmit to England the balances due from the four Provinces on the Packet Postage, and, in concert with the chief Officer of the Post Office Department in each Province, to enter into contracts and make all necessary arrangements for the transmission of the Mails along the chief or central route from Canada to Halifax, and between Nova Scotia and Prince Edward Island. The expenses of this Office—with the exception of the salary of the chief officer, from which the three lower Colonies are to be free—shall be borne by the several Provinces, in proportion to their gross collections, exclusive of Packet postage.

2d. That the Post Office Departments in the several Provinces shall be separate and distinct, subject to the authority and control of, and bound to account to their respective Governments, in which shall be vested the power to appoint the chief and subordinate officers, and to extend or contract (subject to the reservations in the preceding clause) the various postal routes, offices, &c., &c., within their own limits. And that each Province shall defray the cost of its own Post Office management and postal routes, stations, couriers, &c.; and shall retain all its collections, including pre-paid Letters. The balance due on Packet Postage to be excepted, which shall be transmitted quarterly to the central office.

3d. That One Shilling sterling per half ounce be accounted for to Great Britain for British Packet

Letters, to cover all charges of transport by sea and land between Great Britain and the limits of the several Provinces for which the Mails may be carried; and that Two-pence sterling per half ounce be the Provincial charge on Packet Letters for all distances within the Province, receiving or mailing such letters, as has been explained in considering Lord Clanricarde's suggestions.

4th. That one uniform rate of Three-pence currency per half ounce for all distances under 300 miles, and, if thought necessary for the purpose of revenue, Six-pence currency for all distances over 300 miles, be established throughout the four Provinces; and that no transit charge for Letters be made. The four Provinces, in the operation of this clause, are considered as one, and no reference is made in it to Packet Mail Letters.

5th. That Newspapers, Parliamentary Documents, and other printed papers be transmitted at present rates. But in each Province the Government, on application of the Legislature, may direct that Newspapers and other printed matter shall be sent through the Post Office within such Province free of charge.

6th. That the pre-payment of Letters, as already explained, shall be optional in all cases when not interfered with by Foreign Regulations.

7th. That all franking privileges be abolished.

All which is respectfully submitted.

(Signed)

W. CAYLEY,  
J. W. JOHNSTON,  
R. L. HAZEN.

October, 1847.

The Deputy Post Master General of Canada has estimated the number of Letters sent through the Post Office during the last year for distances over 300 miles at 210,000, which, at 3d. per Letter, would yield a revenue of £2,625; or, at the increased rate of 6d., would yield £5,250.

Taking the Postal Revenue of Nova Scotia, the next, in point of amount, at one seventh of the Revenue of Canada, and estimating its postage for distance over 300 miles in the same proportion, which may be considered as an over estimate, her Revenue would by the double rate be improved £375. If, however, it may be assumed that correspondence will increase with every reduction of charge, the above calculation will be naturally affected by maintaining throughout the rate of 3d., and the apparent advantage in favor of a second or increased rate proportionably diminished.

(Signed)

W. CAYLEY,  
J. W. JOHNSTON,  
R. L. HAZEN.

[Copy].—No. 5.

DOWNING STREET,  
2d December, 1847.

Sir;

With regard to the unfortunate sickness and distress which occurred amongst the Emigrants from Ireland last year, I have the honor to transmit, for your information, the enclosed Copy of a Despatch addressed by me to the Earl of Elgin, containing the views of Her Majesty's Government on that subject.

You will see that I have instructed his Lordship to propose to the Provincial Legislature the enactment of a Law, which will, I trust, afford some additional security against the occurrence of such misfortunes. And, in order that vessels may not be diverted by that Law to other ports, to which it will not extend, I have to direct you to suggest the enactment of a similar measure to the Legislature of Prince Edward Island. As, however, it will, for obvious reasons, be desirable that there shall be as little difference as may be in the Regulations established in the several British Provinces in North America, I have requested Lord Elgin to take the first opportunity of communicating to you the heads of any measure which may be introduced by the Government in Canada, in order that, so far as you see no reason to suppose that any objection will be felt at the seat of your own Government, you may cause similar provisions to be submitted to the Legislature of Prince Edward Island.

I am, Sir,

Your most obedient Servant,  
(Signed) GREY.

Lieutenant Governor  
Sir D. Campbell, Bart.

[Copy.]

DOWNING STREET,  
December, 1847.

MY LORD;

I have purposely deferred answering your Despatches of the 28th of June, and of the 13th of July, transmitting Addresses to Her Majesty from both Houses of the Provincial Legislature, and from the Corporation of Montreal, on the subject of the Immigration into Canada, of the present year, until the termination of the Season for Emigration had enabled me carefully to review all that had taken place during its progress.

I have now to inform your Lordship, that I have had the honor of laying these Addresses before the Queen, and that Her Majesty has been pleased to receive them very graciously; and I have further to instruct your Lordship to acquaint the Public Bodies from which these Addresses proceed, that in obedience to Her Majesty's Commands, Her confidential Servants have most anxiously applied themselves to consider what measures it may be expedient to adopt,

in order to meet the just wishes therein expressed, by guarding; so far as human precautions may avail to do so, against the recurrence of calamities so deeply to be deplored, as those which, during the year now about to close, have befallen not only the Emigrants who have left our shores, but through them, the Inhabitants of the British North American Colonies.

I need scarcely assure your Lordship that these calamities, as described in your Despatches, and in the Public Journals of the Colony, have caused to us most sincere and lively sorrow; but upon looking back at the melancholy history of these sufferings, it is at least some consolation to us to reflect that they do not appear to have been produced or aggravated by our measures, or by our having neglected any precautions it was in our power to adopt. It is no slight gratification to us now to remember that strongly as we are urged in the beginning of the present year, to take measures for carrying Emigration from Ireland to a much greater extent than that to which it could naturally attain, and to add to the multitudes who flocked unaided to America, by providing, at the Public expense, for the conveyance across the Atlantic, of a large additional number of those who were anxious thus to fly from distress in Ireland, we steadily refused to do this, and abstained from giving any artificial stimulus to the tide of Emigration, while at the same time, we took such precautions as were in our power to mitigate, as far as possible, the sufferings to which we foresaw, that even this spontaneous Emigration would most probably give rise.

As it is highly important that the People of Canada should clearly understand both what were the measures which Her Majesty's Government really adopted in order to meet the difficulties which were anticipated from the Emigration of so large a body of persons from Ireland; and also, why those measures were not carried further, I have called upon the Colonial Land and Emigration Commissioners to draw up a Report, not for my own information, but for that of your Lordship, and of the Public both at Home and in the Colonies, explaining fully the Policy which had been pursued, and the obstacles which stood in the way to any more effectual interference on the part of Her Majesty's Government, for the purpose of averting those calamities which have unfortunately occurred.

I have now the honor of forwarding to your Lordship a Copy of the Report which, in compliance with the instructions I had conveyed to them, has been furnished to me by the Commissioners. In this very able Document, your Lordship will find it to be shewn that it would have been practically impossible, and that if possible it would have been inhuman and unjust to have interfered by any exercise of the authority of the Legislature, or of the Executive

Government, to detain at home the multitudes who during the past year have endeavoured to escape from misery and starvation, by Emigrating from Ireland to America; and also, that the Emigration of so large a number of persons who had previously suffered so severely from the consequences of that visitation with which it had pleased Providence to afflict us, inevitably led to the breaking out of disease, which could not be prevented from spreading itself from the Emigrants to the Inhabitants of the Colonies to which they flocked.

The latter have, however, in this respect, only suffered in common with Liverpool, and various other places in Great Britain, to which the natives of Ireland have brought the Fever which raged in that country.

I need scarcely inform you, that the evils to which these Towns have been exposed from the Immigration from Ireland of vast numbers of persons, suffering from destitution and disease, have been the most serious, and have been the subject of very great complaint. It has been beyond the power of either the Executive Government or of Parliament, to prevent the effects of the calamity by which Ireland has been visited, from being severely felt in other parts of the British Empire, on both sides of the Atlantic.

I must refer you to the Report itself, for the facts and reasonings, upon which are founded these conclusions as to the past, and I now proceed to the more important question, as to what are the measures which, from the experience of the present year, may be considered best adapted to improve the mode of conducting Emigration for the future. Upon this subject, after having maturely considered the different suggestions of the Commissioners, I am not of opinion, that it would be sufficient to accomplish the object in view, that Parliament should pass a new Passengers' Act, enforcing the various additional regulations which they have proposed. It may be expedient that the Passengers' Act should be thus amended, and Her Majesty's Government will not fail very carefully to consider whether any proposal to that effect should be submitted to Parliament, but I am of opinion, that even if this should be done, it would not supersede the necessity of other measures which may best be adopted in the Colonies. Looking to the results of the Emigration, not only of the present, but of former years, it will be found that the health and comfort of Emigrants during their voyage, depend less upon the regulations established by law, than upon the care and humanity of those by whom their conveyance is undertaken. When the Owners and Masters of Ships, and the Brokers to whom the Emigrants apply for passages, have exerted themselves to perform their several duties effectively, and in the spirit of the existing Law, the Regulations

of that Law have proved sufficient to protect Emigrants from any serious amount of suffering except that arising from the attacks of disease, against which it was impossible to guard. On the other hand, it is equally proved by experience, that it is extremely difficult to ensure by detailed regulations, enforced by Penalties, that treatment of Emigrants which is necessary in crowded Ships, in order to prevent their health from being injured. The most perfect Rules which could be devised with regard to the maintenance on board of Emigrant Ships of proper ventilation, cleanliness and regularity, would be of little avail, unless in each Ship there were placed some Public Officer to see that they were obeyed; and this I need hardly observe, the very large number of Ships employed in this trade would render practically impossible. Hence, it seems to follow, that while some general regulations, the breach of which can easily be detected and punished, may with great advantage be established by Law, the requisite attention to the health and comfort of Emigrants may best be secured, by making it the obvious pecuniary interest of those by whom their conveyance to the Colonies is undertaken, that they should arrive without having suffered from sickness. Nor does it appear difficult to devise the means by which this may be accomplished—a very simple alteration of the Colonial Law, under the authority of which the Emigration Tax is levied, would answer the purpose. I would suggest for the consideration of yourself and of your Council, that the Provincial Legislature might, with great advantage, be invited to enact, That in case a ship is placed in Quarantine for more than such a brief specified period as would merely suffice for observation or cleansing, the Tax on every Emigrant on board should be doubled; and if detained so long that the double Tax would not cover the consequent expenditure, the surplus shall also be charged to the Ship, provided that the whole amount levied on this account is not to exceed the rate of £1 per head.

The enactment of a Law of this kind, would render it so manifestly the interest of the Owners and Masters of Ships to avoid receiving on board Passengers labouring under infectious diseases, and to enforce the cleanliness, ventilation and attention to diet, on which the health of large bodies of persons at sea so entirely depends; and so much is in the power of those, whose interests would thus be engaged in preventing abuse, that such a measure would supersede the necessity of a multitude of minute regulations, which it would be extremely difficult to enforce. The same principle might also be applied in attempting to check another evil which has been the subject of much and of great complaint. I observe it is stated in the Reports now before me, that there

have arrived both in Canada and New Brunswick during the present season, a large number of persons totally destitute, and at the same time incapable of labour, and that a considerable burthen is likely to be thrown upon both Provinces, by the maintenance of Emigrants of this description, consisting of Widows and Children, and of the aged and infirm. It is impossible to deny the justice with which the Colonies complain of this burthen; and in order that they may not in future be exposed to it, I am of opinion that it would form a very proper provision in any new Law to be enacted by the Provincial Legislatures, that in every case in which the local authorities of the Port at which an Emigrant Ship arrived, saw reason to apprehend that any of the Emigrants might become a burthen upon the Colony, they should be empowered to require from the Captain before the Vessel should be permitted to clear out on her return voyage, security for the repayment of any expense which might thus become necessary on account of such Emigrants, within one year after their arrival. This would be a provision somewhat similar to that which exists in the Law of New York upon this subject; but that Law requires the Master of a Ship to give security for all his Passengers, at the same time giving him the option of avoiding this obligation, by passing one Dollar a head as Commutation Money, and practically this payment is always preferred. The effect, consequently, of this arrangement, is merely to impose an additional Emigrant Tax of a Dollar a head, without giving to the Ship Owner any motive for preferring Passengers, likely to be able to maintain themselves by their own labor, to those who are not so; it would be advisable in order to discourage the introduction of helpless Paupers into Canada, that the Ship Owner should be required to give security only for those of his Passengers who might obviously come under this description; but that on the other hand he should only be entitled to avoid this obligation by the payment of 10s. a head on all such Emigrants, should it be considered that it would be found practically difficult for the local authorities to determine in what cases to call for this security from the Master of Ships, the object in view might be partially attained by imposing an additional Tax of 5s. upon Women and Children, and Men appearing to be 60 years of age and upwards.

I am aware that an indiscriminate increase of the Tax upon Women and Children, would be less directly calculated to attain the end in view, than the regulation I have first suggested, and it might not be altogether free from objection, still I am of opinion, that such an increase of Tax, without at all preventing able bodied Emigrants from carrying with them their wives and children, would tend to discourage

the arrival of too large a proportion of the class of Emigrants most likely to become chargeable to the Province, while looking to the purposes which the money raised by the Tax is applied, it would be only reasonable that as being the most likely to become chargeable, such Emigrants should pay more than others.

With a similar object, I should suggest, that the Tax otherwise payable, should further be doubled in respect of all Emigrants who should arrive later in the season than the First of September, and should be trebled on those arriving later than the First of October, in each year. There is no doubt that the arrival of Emigrants so late in the season, greatly increases the probability of their becoming a burthen on the Province during the Winter, and the Tax to which they are liable should be augmented in proportion.

It might also be expedient to add a clause imposing a Penalty upon the Ship, if it should appear that during the voyage, the Passengers had not been supplied with a proper amount of provisions.

You will find it explained in the enclosed Report, that the ration of Bread which the Act of Parliament requires to be supplied to Emigrants by the Master of the Ship, was not intended to be their only food, but that in the scarcity of last year many of those who embarked for America were induced to trust entirely to the Ship's provisions, which afford by no means a sufficient allowance for the maintenance of health, it would therefore seem highly expedient that in any Provincial Act which may be passed, the Masters of Emigrant Ships should be required to take care that their Passengers should either put on board a stock of Provisions for themselves, or that such an addition should be made from the Ship's stores to the ration of Bread now required by Law, as to guard against the consequences of an inadequate allowance of Food.

The enactment of such a law as I have now described, would be calculated to relieve the Province, both by diminishing the expenses which would likely to be thrown upon it on account of the Emigrants who arrived, and also by increasing the amount of the Tax now levied upon them, and applicable to these expenses. To such a measure, therefore, not carrying the restrictions to be imposed upon Vessels engaged in this Trade further than I have suggested, Her confidential Servants would be prepared to advise that Her Majesty should assent; but I must remind you, that while it is proper, for the reasons I have stated, that some such regulations as I have recommended, should be enforced, the true interest of the Province, no less than that of this Country, requires that these regulations should not, by their over severity, throw needless obstructions in the way of

an intercourse between the Queen's dominions on this and on the opposite side of the Atlantic, which is of the utmost importance to both. Not only has Emigration been the means of adding largely in the last twenty years to the industrious population, and, therefore, to the wealth of Canada; but also it is to be recollected that the profit derived from the conveyance of Emigrants in the outward voyage, enables the Ships, which carry them, to bring back the produce of Canada, at a much cheaper rate than would otherwise be possible.

With regard, therefore, to any Bill for the regulation of Emigrant Ships which may be tendered for your acceptance by the other branches of the Provincial Legislature, it will be your duty carefully to consider its provisions before you assent to it, and to decline doing so, if you shall judge that it is of too rigorous a character. It is the more indispensable that you should perform this duty with caution and with firmness, on account of the obvious inconvenience which would arise from its being necessary that Her Majesty should disallow an Act upon this subject, to which your own assent had been given, while, at the same time, it would be impossible that Her Majesty should be advised to permit an Act imposing needless or improper restrictions upon so important a Trade to remain in force; I should further recommend that the operation of any Act of this description should be limited to two years, this would remove much of the difficulty of permitting it to continue in force if it should contain any provision of a questionable character.

I have also to instruct you, if any such Act shall be passed, to forward it to me by the very earliest opportunity, in order that Her Majesty's final decision may be pronounced upon it with the least possible delay.

Before I close this Despatch, I have only further to direct your Lordship in bringing this most important subject under the consideration of your Council and of the Legislature, to remind them that, although the enactment of such a Law as I have suggested, might be of great service in checking abuses and preventing the recurrence with the same intensity as before, of the evils which have just been so seriously felt as arising from Emigration, it would do nothing towards the accomplishment of such an improvement as I believe to be no less practicable than it is desirable in the existing mode of settling upon the soil of Canada the host of Emigrants which annually lands in her Ports. Upon this subject I have in former Despatches so fully stated my views, that it is only necessary for me now to repeat my firm conviction, that there is nothing in the situation of Canada, which renders it impossible, by judicious regulations, to provide for the occupation of her vacant territory,

in a regular and systematic manner, instead of leaving this to be effected, as heretofore, by the desultory and too often ill-directed efforts of individuals.

The saving of labour and of capital which would result from such a system, would cause the increase of the numbers of her Inhabitants by Emigration, to be the means of advancing the Province yet more rapidly in wealth and in civilization. The powers necessary for establishing such a system, are by the constitution of Canada, vested in her own Legislature and people; to them, therefore, I must commit the consideration of the subject, only assuring them, through your Lordship, that any measures they may adopt for this purpose, will meet with the best encouragement which it is in Her Majesty's power to afford.

I have, &c.,

(Signed)

GREY.

The Right Hon. the Earl of  
Elgin and Kincardine, &c. &c. &c.

[Copy.]—No. 29.

DOWNING STREET,  
16th June, 1847.

SIR;

I have to acknowledge the receipt of your Despatch No. 86, of the 9th ultimo, enclosing the copy of an Address from the House of Assembly of Prince Edward Island to the Queen, praying for the introduction into that Colony of the system of administering the public affairs, which is denominated in British North America as Responsible Government; and also transmitting the copy of a second Address to the Queen, on the same subject, which was submitted to the consideration of the House of Assembly, but did not eventually receive the approval of that Body.

I have transmitted a copy of your Despatch, and of its annexures, to the Governor General of British North America, and you will refer to his Lordship for instructions as to the course which it would be prudent for you to adopt in reference to the question which you have brought under my notice.

I shall take occasion, before the ordinary meeting of the Legislature of Prince Edward Island, to communicate to you the answer which Her Majesty shall be pleased to command me to return to the Address of the House of Assembly.

I am, Sir,

Your most obedient Servant,

(Signed)

GREY.

Lieutenant Governor,  
Sir H. V. Huntley.

[Copy.]—No. 37.

DOWNING STREET,  
25th August, 1847.

SIR;

An Act passed by the Council and Assembly of Prince Edward Island, in the month of April last, and intituled "An Act to repeal certain Duties and Customs, set forth in a certain Act passed in the Session of Parliament holden in the 8th and 9th years of Her present Majesty's Reign, intituled 'An Act to regulate the Trade of the British Possessions abroad, so far as the same relate to this Colony.'" having been submitted to Her Majesty for her assent, I transmit to you, herewith, an Order of Her Majesty in Council, dated the 10th instant, assenting to the said Act, and ordering that such Assent shall be proclaimed in Her said Island of Prince Edward Island, as soon as may be.

I am, Sir,

Your most obedient Servant,  
(Signed) GREY.

Lieutenant Governor,  
Sir H. V. Huntley.

[Copy.]—No. 54.

DOWNING STREET,  
1st November, 1847.

SIR;

I have had under my consideration an Act passed by the Legislature of Prince Edward Island, in the month of March last, intituled "An Act to prohibit the Exportation of Potatoes, for a limited period." As this Act is no longer in force, being limited to the 1st August, 1847, it is, of course, superfluous that any Order of the Queen in Council should be made upon it; but as the enactment of a similar Law may not be improbable, I have to instruct you to bring under the notice of the Legislature, the objections which appear to me to exist against prohibitions of this nature.

A permanent prohibition against Exportation operates as a permanent discouragement of production, and thus leads to the evil which it is designed to remedy. Temporary prohibitions of the nature of that now under consideration, though not injurious to this extent, are, however, open to two serious objections. First, the fact of the prohibition creates alarm, induces holders to expect, and forces consumers to submit to a rise in prices, beyond what the actual scarcity renders necessary. Secondly, a prohibition against Exportation, operates as a discouragement of importation, since Merchants will not bring their Goods to a Market, from which they cannot withdraw them, if it is found to their advantage to do so. These considerations, the truth of which is capable of

numerous and satisfactory illustrations, will, I trust, induce the Legislature of Prince Edward Island, to abstain from the renewal of similar Acts.

I have the honor to be, Sir,

Your most obedient humble Servant,  
(Signed) GREY

The Officer Administering the  
Government of Prince Edward Island, &c. &c.

[COPY.]

At the Court at Osborne House, Isle of Wight, the  
10th day of August, 1847.

PRESENT:

THE QUEEN'S MOST EXCELLENT MAJESTY,  
HIS ROYAL HIGHNESS PRINCE ALBERT,

<i>Lord Chancellor,</i>	<i>Lord John Russel,</i>
<i>Duke of Norfolk,</i>	<i>Viscount Palmerston,</i>
<i>Earl Grey,</i>	<i>Lord Campbell.</i>
<i>Earl of Auckland,</i>	

**W**HEREAS by an Act passed in the Session of Parliament, holden in the Ninth and Tenth years of the Reign of Her present Majesty, intituled "An Act to enable the Legislatures of certain British Possessions, to reduce or repeal certain Duties of Customs," it is enacted, that if and whenever the Legislature or other proper Legislative authority of any of the British Possessions in America, or the Mauritius, make or pass any Act or Ordinance reducing or repealing all or any of the Duties of Customs imposed by a certain Act therein referred to, intituled "An Act to regulate the Trade of the British Possessions abroad," upon any Articles imported into such Possession, and if Her Majesty, by and with the advice of Her Privy Council, assent to such Act or Ordinance, such Duties of Customs shall, upon the Proclamation of such assent in the Colony, or at any time thereafter, which may be fixed by such Act or Ordinance, be so reduced or repealed in such Possession, as if such reduction or repeal had been effected by an Act of the Imperial Legislature.

And whereas an Act has been passed by the Lieutenant Governor of Her Majesty's Island of Prince Edward, with the Council and Assembly of the said Island, intituled:

No. 699.—"An Act to repeal certain Duties and Customs set forth in a certain Act passed in the Session of Parliament, holden in the Eighth and Ninth years of Her present Majesty's Reign, intituled "An Act to regulate the Trade of the British Possessions abroad," so far as the same relate to this Colony."

And whereas the said Act has been submitted to Her Majesty for her Assent.

Now, therefore, Her Majesty, by and with the Advice of Her Privy Council, doth hereby Assent to

the said Act, and doth order, and it is hereby ordered, that such Assent shall be proclaimed in Her Majesty's Island of Prince Edward, as soon as may be.

And the Right Honorable the Lord's Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury, and the Right Honorable Earl Grey, one of Her Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State, are to give the necessary directions herein, as to them respectively may appertain.

(Signed) C. GREVILLE.

[COPY]

At the Court at Windsor, the 30th of October, 1847.

PRESENT:

THE QUEEN'S MOST EXCELLENT MAJESTY;  
 HIS ROYAL HIGHNESS PRINCE ALBERT;  
*Lord President, Lord John Russell,*  
*Duke of Norfolk, Lord Campbell,*  
*Marquis of Clanricarde, Mr. Labouchere,*  
*Lord Chamberlain, Sir George Grey, Bart.,*  
*Earl Grey, Mr. Chancellor of*  
*Earl of Auckland. [the Exchequer,*

**W**HEREAS the Lieutenant Governor of Her Majesty's Island of Prince Edward Island, with the Council and Assembly of the said Island, did, in the Months of March and April, 1847, pass Eighteen Acts, which have been transmitted, entitled as follows, viz:—

- No. 701.—“An Act to provide for the Summary Trial of Common Assaults and Batteries.”  
 No. 702.—“An Act for raising a Revenue.”  
 No. 704.—“An Act relating to the Pumps and Wells of Charlottetown, and to repeal a certain Act therein mentioned.”  
 No. 705.—“An Act to provide against Nuisances in the Streets and Squares of Charlottetown.”  
 No. 706.—“An Act to prevent the running at large of Hogs within the Town, Common and Royalty of Charlottetown.”  
 No. 708.—“An Act for the encouragement of Education.”  
 No. 709.—“An Act to abolish Deodands.”  
 No. 710.—“An Act to alter and amend the Law now in force, regulating the Sale by License of Spirituous Liquors, and to repeal certain Acts therein mentioned.”  
 No. 711.—“An Act to authorize the calling in of all Treasury Notes now in circulation, and the re-issue of the amount thereof from Plates of a new design, and to explain and amend the Acts therein mentioned.”  
 No. 713.—“An Act to alter and amend an Act made and passed in the Sixth year of the Reign of Her present Majesty, intituled ‘An Act to alter and amend an Act for the Establishment of an Academy in Charlottetown.’”

No. 714.—“An Act relating to Treasury Warrants.”

No. 715.—“An Act to revive, continue and add to the Act relating to the Charlottetown Market House.”

No. 716.—“An Act to prevent the failure of Justice, by reason of variances between Records and the evidence produced in support thereof.”

No. 717.—“An Act to render valid certain proceedings heretofore had before the Courts of Commissioners for the recovery of Small Debts.”

No. 718.—“An Act for compensating the Families of Persons killed by accidents.”

No. 719.—“An Act for suspending for a limited period certain parts of an Act passed in the Fourth year of His late Majesty's Reign, intituled ‘An Act for ascertaining and establishing the Boundary Lines of Counties and Townships and parts of Townships, and for regulating the duties of Surveyors, and to repeal a certain Act therein mentioned.’”

No. 720.—“An Act for doing away with the Oath of Abjuration heretofore imposed on Roman Catholics.”

No. 721.—“An Act for appropriating certain Monies therein mentioned, for the service of the year of our Lord One thousand Eight hundred and Forty-seven.”

And whereas the said Acts have been referred to the Committee of the Lords of Her 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 Her Majesty, that the said Acts should be left to their operation; Her Majesty was thereupon this day pleased, by and with the advice of Her Privy Council, to approve the said Report: Whereof, the Governor, Lieutenant Governor, or Commander in Chief, for the time being, of Her Majesty's Island of Prince Edward, 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 Windsor, the 30th of October, 1847.

PRESENT:

THE QUEEN'S MOST EXCELLENT MAJESTY;  
 HIS ROYAL HIGHNESS PRINCE ALBERT;  
*Lord President, Lord John Russell,*  
*Duke of Norfolk, Lord Campbell,*  
*Marquis of Clanricarde, Mr. Labouchere,*  
*Lord Chamberlain, Sir George Grey, Bart.,*  
*Earl Grey, Mr. Chancellor of the*  
*Earl of Auckland, [Exchequer.*

**W**HEREAS the Governor of Her Majesty's Island of Prince Edward, with the Council

and Assembly of the said Island, did, in the month of April, 1847, pass an Act which has been transmitted, intituled as follows, viz:

No. 712.—“An Act to extend the provisions of the Act relating to the establishment of Township Boundary Lines.”

And whereas the said Act has been referred to the Committee of the Lords of Her 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 Her Majesty, that the said Act should receive Her Majesty's special confirmation; Her Majesty was thereupon, this day pleased, by and with the advice of Her Privy Council, to declare Her 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, for the time being, of Her Majesty's Island of Prince Edward, and all other persons whom it may concern, are to take notice, and govern themselves accordingly.

(Signed) W. L. BATHURST.

# APPENDIX

## (B.)

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*ABSTRACT of Moneys paid and received under Land Assessment Act,  
7th Will. 4th, Cap. 31.*

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1848.	£	s.	d.	1848.	£	s.	d.
Jany. 31.—To amount received to date, - - -	£17,450	2	2½	Jany. 31.—By amount paid on account of Colonial Building to date, -	£14,295	10	8
				Balance,	3190	11	6½
	£17,450	2	2½		£17,450	2	2½
To Balance - - -	£3190	11	6½				

J. SPENCER SMITH, Treasurer.

Treasurer's Office, 31st January, 1848.

# APPENDIX

(C.)

[SEE PAGE 26.]

## REPORT AND RESOLUTIONS

OF THE

SELECT COMMITTEE OF THE HOUSE OF COMMONS,

APPOINTED TO EXAMINE INTO THE ACCOUNTS OF

## COLONIAL

## RECEIPT AND EXPENDITURE.

### REPORT.

The Select Committee appointed to examine into the Accounts of Colonial Receipt and Expenditure laid on the Table of this House, and to report their opinion as to the mode in which it may be desirable to frame the same for the future, in order to introduce uniformity, regularity, correctness and completeness, and who were empowered to Report the MINUTES OF EVIDENCE:—HAVE considered the Matters referred to them, and have agreed to the following RESOLUTIONS, which they recommend should be conveyed to the Crown Colonies for prompt adoption, in all cases in which they may not have been already adopted and complied with under the instructions that have been issued for the guidance of Colonial Accountants, and to the Colonies having Representative Assemblies, as suggestions for the improvement of the Colonial Accounts, for carrying out the objects recommended to the attention of Your Select Committee.

Resolved,

1. THAT in the opinion of this Committee it is desirable that a uniform plan of Colonial Estimates be adopted.

Resolved,

2. THAT it is the opinion of this Committee that such Estimates be prepared (wherever it is possible) in time to receive the sanction of the Treasury Board and Secretary of State before the commencement of the service to which the Estimates apply.

Resolved,

3. THAT it is the opinion of this Committee that

such Estimates be accompanied by a comparative statement of the receipts and expenditure, made up to the close of the year previous to that in which the Estimates are prepared.

Resolved,

4. THAT it is the opinion of this Committee that such Estimates as regards the Colonial Receipts shall represent the gross revenues under their several and distinct heads.

Resolved,

5. THAT it is the opinion of this Committee that, as regards the Colonial Expenditure, the different charges, including the charges of collecting the Revenue, be classed separately under their different heads, and that the same order of arrangement be universally adopted.

Resolved,

6. THAT it is the opinion of this Committee that the fixed charges for salaries and other personal services be kept distinct from all other charges.

Resolved,

7. THAT it is the opinion of this Committee that in case of extraordinary or unanticipated expenditure a Supplementary Estimate, in the same form as the Yearly Estimate, be prepared in the colony, and forwarded without delay to the Colonial Office.

Resolved,

8. THAT it is the opinion of this Committee that, immediately after the local examination in each colony of the annual account has been completed, a comparative statement of the estimated and actual receipts and disbursements of the year should be prepared by the Auditors, or other officers by whom

the accounts are examined, showing, under each head of revenue and expenditure, any difference that may have occurred between the estimated and actual receipts and disbursements of the year, and explaining the cause of any such differences.

Resolved,

9. THAT it is the opinion of this Committee that, as all the evidence taken before the Committee proves the superiority of the double-entry system of book-keeping,—its success wherever introduced into the public departments, and its general adaptation to the public service, it is expedient that the said system be adopted for keeping the accounts of Colonial Revenue and Expenditure.

Resolved,

10. THAT it is the opinion of this Committee that a cash book, journal, and ledger be kept in all the colonies, and that the ledger distinctly represent the various heads of receipt and expenditure, as exhibited in the Estimates.

Resolved,

11. THAT it is the opinion of this Committee that, with a view to the prompt examination of the Colonial Accounts, in all cases where a local auditor has not been appointed, provision should be made for a speedy and efficient local examination of the Accounts; and the auditor, or other officer to whom such local examination is entrusted, should be empowered at any and all reasonable times to compare the cash or other balances of the Treasurer, or any other officer entrusted with public money, with the balances represented in the cash accounts of their respective departments; but such inspection and comparison are not to supersede the periodical verification of public balances by Committees or otherwise, which the Governors of colonies have heretofore been instructed to institute.

Resolved,

12. THAT it is the opinion of this Committee that the accounts of receipt and expenditure, when sent to the Audit Board in London, be accompanied by the Estimates for the year to which the accounts belong.

Resolved,

13. THAT it is the opinion of this Committee that the Colonial Accountants be required to make up and forward their accounts to the Audit Board in London within three months after the close of the financial year to which the accounts refer, or specially to report the causes of any greater delay.

Resolved,

14. THAT it is the opinion of this Committee that, in addition to the accounts sent home after audit in the colonies, copies of the colonial cash book and journals be forwarded to the Audit Board.

Resolved,

15. THAT it is the opinion of this Committee that, where any inquiries or questions necessary for the elucidation and prompt audit of the Colonial Accounts are suggested by the Board of Audit, the Colonial Accountant be required to reply to the same within one month after their receipt, or to send a special report as to the causes of delay, stating the period at which the explanations may be expected.

Resolved,

16. THAT it is the opinion of this Committee that, in case such replies or explanations shall not be received by the Audit Board within a reasonable time (to be estimated according to the distance of the colonies and the facilities of communication with the same), the Audit Board shall call the attention of the Lords of the Treasury to the neglect of the Colonial Accountant.

Resolved,

17. THAT it is the opinion of this Committee that a quarterly report be made by the Audit Board to the Lords of the Treasury on the state of the Colonial Accounts, showing the arrears and the causes of the arrears, and calling the attention of the Treasury Board to every case of irregularity and delay.

Resolved,

18. THAT it is the opinion of this Committee that abstracts of the accounts of the various colonies, after being examined by the Audit Board, be annually presented to Parliament; and that they be accompanied with copies of the Estimates for the years to which they refer.

Resolved,

19. THAT it is the opinion of this Committee that it is desirable that steps should be taken for ensuring the more punctual transmission of the periodical Returns of Revenue and Expenditure, provided for in the 7th chapter of the "Rules and Regulations for the Colonial Service;" and that it is also desirable that a systematic record should be kept at the Audit-office, in a complete and concentrated shape, of the results of all the Colonial Accounts rendered to and examined in that department, in such manner as at all times would afford the means, so far as regards the Crown Colonies, of giving to Government and Parliament specific information on all points relating to the Colonial Receipt and Expenditure; and likewise that the Board of Audit should, from time to time, suggest the introduction of such improvements in the existing modes of keeping or rendering the Colonial Accounts as would remove the present anomalies, and secure a uniform, regular, and correct system of colonial book-keeping; and should also suggest the needful instructions to the colonial officers for that purpose, and prepare such forms and models as may be useful to give effect to these instructions.

# APPENDIX

(D.)

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## EXPENDITURE

ON

### ROADS, BRIDGES AND WHARVES,

FOR THE YEAR 1847.

#### PRINCE COUNTY.

*District No. 1.—Hon. James Warburton, Commissioner.*

	Voted.	Paid.
	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Western Road,	20 0 0	17 8 0
M'Neill's Road, from Cascumpeque to Tignish and Little Tignish Bridge,	45 0 0	52 14 0
Road from Mrs. Travers's towards Tignish,	10 0 0	10 0 0
Road at Horse Head,	15 0 0	10 0 0
At Sea Cow Pond,	5 0 0	5 0 0
From Western Road to Halloran's,	10 0 0	8 1 0
From Kildare Bridge to Western Road,	5 0 0	5 0 0
From Cascumpec to Western Road,	10 0 0	8 4 0
Lot 11 Road and Bridge,	30 0 0	28 11 6
Road from Haloran's to Tignish,	20 0 0	1 5 0

*District No. 2.—Joseph Higgins, Commissioner.*

Road from Haloran's to Colin Leach's,	10 0 0	} 17 1 4
Bridge at Michael Dalton's,	5 0 0	
Road from Haloran's towards West Point,	8 0 0	
Bridge across Pier Jacques' River, at Bett's Mill,	8 0 0	8 0 0
Road both sides Pier Jacques' River, towards the shore,	10 0 0	10 0 0
Road from Bett's Mill at Jacques', to M'Williams and Boltan's Mills,	15 0 0	15 0 0
Bray Bridge, opposite the Chapel,	10 0 0	8 15 0
Road from S. Gallant's to Bray Bridge,	7 0 0	3 12 0
Haloran's to Western Road,	30 0 0	18 3 9
Roads North of Diamond's Ferry,	5 0 0	0 10 0
Road from Barlow's towards M'Lean's,	10 0 0	9 6 6
Western Road,	20 0 0	17 10 0
Barlows's Road,	12 0 0	9 10 6

*District No. 3.—Harry C. Green, Commissioner.*

From Port Hill to Western Road, by M'Lean's,	10 0 0	8 14 0
From M'Lean's to Barlow's Mill and Bedford Yard,	8 0 0	0 13 0
From Port Hill to Trout River, by way of Diamond's and Main Road,	10 0 0	11 5 0
From Ellis River Ferry to the Chapel,	5 0 0	5 0 0
From Garrett's to Cross River,	4 0 0	4 0 0
Bridge near Carr's,	4 0 0	4 0 0
Road from Cross River to Western Road, including Main Western Road,	10 0 0	10 0 0
Expended where most required,	5 0 0	4 3 0
Egmont Bay to Higgins's Ferry,	6 0 0	6 0 0
Fifteen Point to Abraham's Village,	5 0 0	5 0 0
Bridge at Dutchman's Creek, and Road to it,	22 0 0	22 0 0
Road to Back Settlement, Fifteen Point,	5 0 0	5 0 0
Bridge at Mill's Mill,	13 0 0	13 0 0
Road from Main Western Road to M'Lean's,	3 0 0	3 0 0
Rodger's to Fraser's Shore,	3 0 0	3 0 0
Main Western Road from Miscouche to Kent's,	14 0 0	14 0 0

	Voted.			Paid.		
	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
St. Eleanor's to Miscouche, by Morris's,	5	0	0	5	0	0
Miscouche to Fifteen Point,	5	0	0	5	0	0
St. Nicholas to Main Western Road,	6	0	0	6	0	0
Hugh Smith's to J. Ramsay's shore,	4	0	0	4	0	0
Road from Darby's to Green's shore,	4	0	0	4	0	0
St. Nicholas to shore between Gaudet's,	5	0	0	5	0	0
Linkletter's, by way of J. Sharp's, to shore,	4	0	0	4	0	0
<i>District No. 4.—Robert M<sup>c</sup>Nutt, Commissioner.</i>						
Indian River Bridge,	10	0	0	10	0	0
Princetown Wharf,	30	0	0	28	7	0
Darnley Bridge,	20	0	0	20	0	0
Channel beneath said Bridge,	2	10	0	2	10	0
Flag Pond Bridge,	3	0	0	3	0	0
Davison's Mill Dam,	10	0	0	10	0	0
Bank at Mills, Lot 18,	2	0	0	2	0	0
Line between Lots 19 and 25,	5	0	0	5	0	0
Bridge at R. Stewart's,	3	0	0	3	0	0
Barrett's towards St. Eleanor's,	4	0	0	4	0	0
Slip at M <sup>c</sup> Lellan's shore,	7	10	0	7	10	0
Fermoy to Champion's,	4	0	0	4	0	0
From Town Road to Mathew's Mill,	4	0	0	4	0	0
Where required,	5	0	0	5	0	0
From James Cousin's to New London,	4	6	2	4	6	2
Bridge between Anderson's and Coles,	4	0	0	4	0	0
Long River Wharf,	5	0	0	5	0	0
Bridge at Irishtown,	5	10	0	5	10	0
<i>District No. 5.—Hon. Joseph Pope, Commissioner.</i>						
<i>Business finished under Stephen Wright.</i>						
Wilmot Creek Bridge,	100	0	0	100	0	0
Bridge at Clark's Mill,	15	0	0	15	0	0
“ near Maxfield's,	15	0	0	15	0	0
“ over Dunk River branch,	15	0	0	15	0	0
County Line 26 and 67,	10	0	0	10	0	0
Causeway at Tryon,	10	0	0	10	0	0
Bridge and Causeways, Cape Traverse,	7	10	0	7	10	0
Bridge and Road near M <sup>c</sup> Rae's	5	0	0	5	0	0
Road and Bridge through Lot 26,	10	0	0	10	0	0
“ from Seven Mile Bay to Tryon Road,	10	0	0	10	0	0
“ on M <sup>c</sup> Farlane's Point,	5	0	0	5	0	0
General Repairs,	7	10	0	7	10	0
Anderson's Road and Bridge,	12	0	0	12	0	0
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<b>QUEEN'S COUNTY.</b>						
<i>District No. 6.—Jeremiah Simpson, Commissioner.</i>						
Mill Vale Road,	3	0	0	3	0	0
Wheatley River Bridge,	3	0	0	3	0	0
New Glasgow Road,	4	0	0	4	0	0
Road from New Glasgow Road, by Bagnall's,	3	0	0	3	0	0
Wharf at New Glasgow,	17	0	0	0	0	0
Johnston's Road, from Princetown Road to Anderson's Road,	5	0	0	5	0	0
Bridge at Mallet's Brook on Graham's Road,	6	0	0	6	0	0
Bridge at Anderson's Creek—near Mill River,	15	0	0	0	0	0
Monahan Road, Lot 22,	3	0	0	3	0	0
New Glasgow Bridge,	40	0	0	0	0	0
Bridge at Theobald's, Rustico,	2	0	0	2	0	0
From County Line to Johnston's,	14	0	0	12	4	9
Bridges on East Settlement Road, Lot 23,	9	0	0	7	5	0
Hunter River Bridge, West Settlement Road, Lot 23,	10	0	0	0	0	0
Bridge on Anderson's Road,	4	0	0	4	0	0
Bungay Road,	3	0	0	3	0	0
Macleod's Ferry Wharf,	15	0	0	13	0	0
Bridge on Wigmore's Road,	5	0	0	5	0	0
Bridge at Campbelltown,	3	0	0	3	0	0

	Voted.			Paid.		
	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
<i>District No. 7.—Thomas Wright, Commissioner.</i>						
Anderson's Road, - - - - -	8	0	0	8	0	0
Wharf near Canseau Point, Lot 65, - - - - -	30	0	0	0	0	0
Wigginton's Bridge, Crapaud, - - - - -	30	0	0	30	0	0
Dog River Bridge, - - - - -	7	0	0	7	0	0
Road from North River Bridge to Crapaud, - - - - -	9	0	0	9	2	0
New Central Road, from M'Phee's, - - - - -	8	0	0	8	0	0
Bridges on old Tryon Road, - - - - -	8	0	0	8	0	0
Bridge over Mackie's Creek, - - - - -	17	0	0	0	0	0
Road on Lots 30 and 65, - - - - -	6	0	0	6	4	0
Princetown Road to Anderson's, by Johnston's, - - - - -	2	0	0	2	0	0
Bridge across Maclean's Creek, Lot 31, - - - - -	5	0	0	5	0	0
Bridge on Road from Old Tryon Road, to New Bedeque Road, - - - - -	9	0	0	9	0	0
From Crabb's to Anderson's, - - - - -	5	0	0	5	0	0
Bridges on Melville Road, Lot 29, - - - - -	3	0	0	3	0	0
Leading from Tryon Road to Bedeque Road, - - - - -	4	0	0	3	10	0
Road leading from Scotch Settlement to Town Road, - - - - -	4	0	0	4	0	0
<i>District No. 8.—Owen Curtis, Commissioner.</i>						
From Curtis' to Dalrymple's Mills, - - - - -	2	0	0	1	18	0
Princetown Road and Bridges, - - - - -	23	0	0	22	15	0
New Glasgow Road and Bridges, - - - - -	2	0	0	2	0	0
Bridge near Webb's, Rustico, - - - - -	2	0	0	2	0	0
Poplar Island Bridge, - - - - -	100	0	0	99	14	2
Wharf at Rustico, - - - - -	13	0	0	4	13	0
Winsloe Road and Bridges, - - - - -	10	0	0	9	3	0
Union Road and Bridges, - - - - -	9	0	0	9	0	0
Union Road to Covehead, by Saw Mill, - - - - -	5	0	0	5	0	0
From Winsloe Road to Brackley Point Road, - - - - -	3	0	0	3	0	0
Brackley Point Road, North end, - - - - -	3	0	0	3	0	0
<i>District No. 9.—David Higgins, Commissioner.</i>						
Corran Ban Bridge, - - - - -	38	0	0	38	0	0
Cardigan, Mount Stewart and Vernon River Road, - - - - -	7	0	0	7	0	0
Hill on Road from Clark's to Pisquid, - - - - -	2	0	0	3	19	0
Clark's and Duffy's Bridges, - - - - -	9	0	0	7	1	0
Tarentum Settlement, - - - - -	2	10	0	2	10	0
Through Sand-hills to Point De Roche, - - - - -	4	13	5	4	13	5
Savage Harbour to Gulf, - - - - -	3	10	0	3	10	0
From Tracadie to Sand-hills, - - - - -	4	0	0	4	0	0
From French Village to St. Peter's Road, - - - - -	4	0	0	4	0	0
From French Fort towards St. Andrew's, - - - - -	14	10	0	14	0	0
Donagh Road Swamp and Bridge, - - - - -	2	0	0	2	0	0
From Five Houses to Cranberry Point, - - - - -	2	0	0	2	0	0
Cass's Bridge, - - - - - [40s. added for Iron.]	6	16	5	8	16	5
Hills near Saw Mill Bridge, - - - - -	10	0	0	10	0	0
Goff's Bridge, - - - - - [30s. extra work.]	20	0	0	21	10	0
Seaman's Bridge, - - - - -	10	0	0	10	0	0
Suffolk Road and Bridges, - - - - -	5	0	0	5	0	0
Road between Foster's and Lawson's, - - - - -	4	0	0	4	0	0
From Auld's Mill, - - - - -	2	0	0	2	0	0
<i>District No. 10.—John R. Bourke, Commissioner.</i>						
Ferry to Cross Roads, - - - - -	30	0	0	30	0	0
Bridge at M'Callum's, - - - - -	8	0	0	7	19	0
From Forbes's Mill to Johnston's River, - - - - -	5	0	0	5	0	0
Barren's, - - - - -	2	0	0	2	0	0
Wharf at M'Rae's, - - - - -	30	0	0	0	0	0
Barrens (M'Mullan), - - - - -	2	10	4	2	10	4
M'Mullan's to County Line, - - - - -	2	0	0	2	0	0
From Ship-yard to Vernon River Bridge, - - - - -	5	0	0	5	0	0
Vernon River Head to Uigg Lot 50, - - - - -	4	0	0	4	0	0
Back Settlement at Myre's, to M'Rae's, Lot 49, - - - - -	8	14	0	8	14	0
Johnston's River Bridge, - - - - -	14	19	1	14	10	0
Georgetown Road and Bridges, - - - - -	8	0	0	8	0	0
<i>District No. 11.—Allan M' Dougall, Commissioner.</i>						
Newtown Bridge, - - - - -	10	0	0	10	0	0

	Voted.			Paid.		
	£.	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Bridge at Pinette River, - - -	40	0	0	40	0	0
Hill and Road to Pinette River (South and North), - - -	20	6	0	20	0	0
Bridge lower Wood Island Road, - - -	40	0	0	40	0	0
Bridge, Wood Islands to Little Sands, - - -	8	0	0	8	0	0
				£708	2	1
<b>KING'S COUNTY.</b>						
<i>District No. 12.—Peter M'Callum, Commissioner.</i>						
Mount Stewart, towards Cardigan, - - -	7	0	0	7	0	0
Road to Alexander M'Eachen's, - - -	5	0	0	5	0	0
Road County Line, to head St. Peter's Bay, - - -	30	0	0	28	2	6
Murdoch Murray's, past Thos. Pope's, - - -	5	0	0	0	0	0
From Head of St. Peter's Bay, to Lot 42, by Whelan's - - -	3	0	0	3	0	0
Head of Bay, towards Cardigan, - - -	10	0	0	8	9	0
St. Peter's Bay, towards Cable Head, - - -	2	0	0	2	0	0
do. do. towards Greenwich, - - -	2	0	0	2	0	0
From Main Road, to Harbour's Mouth, - - -	2	0	0	1	17	0
From Head of Bay, to Line of 42, - - -	2	0	0	1	18	0
From West Line of 42, Cable Head Settlement, - - -	2	0	0	0	0	0
Head of Hillsborough, - - -	2	0	0	0	14	6
Road West side Morel, - - -	2	0	0	2	0	0
Road to back farms, - - -	2	0	0	2	0	0
Marsh road from Gleeson's, - - -	2	0	0	2	0	0
Wharf at head of Bay, - - -	40	0	0	38	0	0
Wharf at end of Cable Head road, - - -	15	0	0	11	5	0
To improve navigation of Morel, - - -	40	0	0	0	0	0
<i>District No. 13.—W. Underhay, Commissioner.</i>						
M'Rae's to Dingwell's mills, - - -	8	0	0	6	6	0
Dingwell's mills to Grand River, - - -	20	0	0	15	14	0
Head of Grand River to Cooper's mills, - - -	15	0	0	14	1	8
Red House to Grand River Wharf, - - -	10	0	0	10	0	0
Fortune Church to Line of 42, - - -	10	0	0	8	0	0
Fortune Bridge, - - -	3	0	0	3	0	0
Line road between Lots 43 and 44, - - -	14	0	0	13	10	0
Bridge on Bear River and Swamp, - - -	60	0	0	19	16	6
Western line of Lot 42 to Hollow River, - - -	10	0	0	9	4	0
Cow River Bridge, - - -	4	0	0	4	0	0
Naufrage Bridge, - - -	6	0	0	5	10	0
<i>District No. 14.—John McGowan, Commissioner.</i>						
Little Harbour Bridge, - - -	7	0	0	7	0	0
Western Black Pond Bridge, - - -	10	0	0	10	0	0
Hollows at Donald McInnis's, - - -	10	0	0	10	0	0
Hollows at West River Bason, - - -	5	0	0	5	0	0
Eastern Bridge at Bason, - - -	5	0	0	5	0	0
Scott's Bridge, - - -	5	0	0	5	0	0
Bridge at Kennedy's, - - -	5	0	0	5	0	0
Portage to East Point, - - -	7	0	0	7	0	0
Souris to do., - - -	10	0	0	10	0	0
Hollow at M'Kinnon's, - - -	5	0	0	5	0	0
Big Pond Bridge, - - -	10	0	0	10	0	0
Bear River Bridge, - - -	7	10	0	7	10	0
Mill road through Lot 45, - - -	10	0	0	6	4	0
M'Aulay's to Lawrence Peters, - - -	7	10	0	4	14	0
French Mill Bridge, - - -	4	0	0	4	0	0
Little River Bridge, - - -	2	0	0	2	0	0
Railing Priest Pond Bridge, - - -	3	10	0	3	10	0
North Lake Bridge, - - -	9	0	0	9	0	0
Murray's Mill Bridge, - - -	7	10	0	7	10	0
Bridge at Flanagan's, - - -	4	0	0	4	0	0
Hay River Bridge, - - -	3	10	0	3	10	0
From Main Road to New Harmony, - - -	5	0	0	3	17	0
<i>District No. 15.—Edward Goff, Commissioner.</i>						
De Gross Marsh to Grand River, - - -	5	0	0	5	0	0

	Voted.			Paid.		
	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Narrow's Creek Road, - - - - -	8	0	0	6	2	0
Cardigan River Wharf, - - - - -	15	0	0	15	0	0
Road from Dingwell's, between Grand River and Cardigan,	15	0	0	15	0	0
St. Peter's Road, - - - - -	10	0	0	10	0	0
Pisquid Road, - - - - -	12	0	0	11	5	0
Baldwin's Road, - - - - -	6	0	0	6	0	0
Georgetown Main Road, - - - - -	15	0	0	15	0	0
Road from Georgetown Road to Montague Bridge, -	3	0	0	3	0	0
Road and Bridge from Cardigan Wharf to Grand River,	5	0	0	0	0	0
North end of Baldwin's Road, - - - - -	5	0	0	0	0	0
Montague Bridge, - - - - -	15	0	0	15	0	0
From Pisquid Road to new Settlement, - - - - -	5	0	0	5	0	0
Georgetown Royalty Roads, - - - - -	20	0	0	18	0	0
From Buck's to County Line, - - - - -	6	0	0	6	0	0
<i>District No. 16. — Edward Thornton, Commissioner.</i>						
Montague Bridge, - - - - -	54	0	0	54	0	0
Cape farm, Gurney's Cove, - - - - -	7	0	0	6	18	0
South River to Murray Mills, - - - - -	9	0	0	9	0	0
Bridge at Cowan's, - - - - -	11	19	0	11	19	0
Wharf at Clow's shore, - - - - -	9	0	0	0	0	0
Whim Road and Bridge, - - - - -	20	0	0	20	11	6
Douse's Road, - - - - -	13	0	0	13	6	0
Wood Island Road, - - - - -	7	0	0	6	13	0
Aitken's to St. Andrew's point, - - - - -	10	0	0	10	0	0
St. Mary's Road, - - - - -	12	0	0	11	14	0
From Peters' Road to Murray River, - - - - -	10	0	0	10	0	0
Horse Slip, - - - - -	10	1	0	10	1	0
Road over Murray Mill-dam, - - - - -	2	0	0	0	0	0
At Commissioner's disposal, - - - - -	4	0	0	4	0	0
				£657	12	8

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OLD APPROPRIATIONS.

PRINCE COUNTY.

	£	s.	d.
1847.			
April 28.—To paid Thomas Dumville for Bridge on Road from Bett's Mill to Hamilton's, Lot 8, (vote of 1845) J. Higgins, - - - - -	4	15	0
“ 29.—To paid Thomas Bulger for contract on Road from Betts' Mill to Hamilton's Mill, on Lot 8, (vote of 1845), J. Higgins, - - - - -	0	7	6
	£5	2	6

QUEEN'S COUNTY.

April 30.—To Alex. Martin, for keeping Anderson's Road clear of windfalls, for 1846, one year, - - - - -	2	15	0
May 18.—To Patrick Mooney, for balance on contract for building Wharf opposite Cranberry Point, - - - - -	7	3	0
July 31.—To John Mooney for hollow near French Fort Creek, appropriated in 1845, - - - - -	3	0	0
	£12	18	0

KING'S COUNTY.

April 30.—To paid Donald M'Intyre for labour on Road from head of St. Peter's Bay to line of Lot 42, Bay Fortune Road, (1845), - - - - -	£1	0	0
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## CONTINGENT EXPENSES.

## PRINCE COUNTY.

		£	s.	d.	
1847.					
June 18.	—To T. M'Carrill, for road from Burris's to Haslem's.—J. Pope,		0	15	0
" 19.	—To James Tod, for his contract for windfalls on Anderson's Road, in Prince County.—J. Pope,		1	0	0
July 31.	—To James Yeo, to pay contract of windfalls from Kent's to Yeo's Mills, for year 1846,		5	15	0
" 31.	—To William Glover, his contract for windfalls in Mr. M'Nutt's District,		2	0	0
Oct. 2.	—To Melam Arseneaux, in clearing windfalls on Western Road, in 1st District.—J. Warburton,		3	12	0
Nov. 24.	—To Cornelius Kilbride, for windfalls from Western Road from Kent's to Lot 5, for year 1847,		5	15	0
Dec. 23.	—To Thomas Large, for labour on Landing, near Walsh Town Ferry, in District No. 1.—J. Warburton,		0	10	0
Jan. 27.	—To John Taylor, windfall contract in 5th District,		0	10	0
Feb. 2.	—To Charles M'Dougald, for Bridge on Road leading to old Bideford Yard, Lot 12.—J. Higgins,		2	0	0
"	To James Finnan for a Bridge on the Barlow Road, Lot 12, in 2d District, J. Higgins,		1	0	0
Feb. 8.	—To M. Peters, for Bridge at Ram Creek.—J. Warburton,		2	5	0
"	To George Palmer, for his yearly contract for windfalls on Barlow's Road.—J. Warburton,		1	0	0
			£26	2	0

## QUEEN'S COUNTY.

		£	s.	d.	
1847.					
May 29.	—To D. M'Leod, repairs on Wheatly River Bridge,		0	16	0
"	To Charles Rodd for two drains, Little York Road.—D. Higgins,		0	15	0
June 12.	—To James Mobbs, for repairing drains, on do. do.,		0	7	0
" 24.	—To A. Martin, for clearing windfalls.—J. Simpson,		0	5	0
" 26.	—To D. M'Leod, do. (Queen's County).—Pope,		0	8	0
"	To J. Ryan for repairing Road from Ferry to Vernon River.—Bourke,		1	5	0
"	To Allan M'Leod, for clearing windfalls on Johnston's Road.—Simpson,		0	6	0
July 3.	—To C Higgins, for timber for Bridges in Higgins's District,		1	0	0
" 6.	—To J. Gillis, for clearing windfalls, District No. 6.—Simpson,		1	9	0
" 17.	—To A. Matheson, contingent expenses in 8th District,		1	10	0
"	To O. Connelly, for clearing windfalls in 10th District.—Bourke,		0	10	0
" 21.	—To S. Westacott, for timber for Bridges on St. Peter's Road.—D. Higgins,		0	12	0
Aug. 12.	—To E. Coffin, for three Bridges on St. Peter's Road, (St. Andrew's)—do.,		1	10	0
" 26.	—To J. Matheson, for Uigg Bridge on Murray Harbour Road.—Bourke,		2	7	6
" 28.	—To J. Beot, for Bridge at Dourant's.—Simpson,		2	0	0
Sept. 4.	—To Conway, Labour Poplar Island Bridge.—Curtis,		3	0	0
" 22.	—To Leo M'Cormack, Bridge, Point de Roche.—D. Higgins,		0	10	0
" "	—To P. Macgowan, Road Correspondent, for journey to Vernon River, in matter of Petition against J. R. Bourke,		1	3	4
Oct. 28.	—To P. M'Caron, Windfalls, Fyfe's Ferry, No. 6,		0	15	0
Nov. 8.	—To J. Bassett, Bridge on Matheson's Mill Road,		0	7	6
" 24.	—To J. Kennedy, repairing Brackley Point Road.—Curtis,		3	0	0
" 25.	—To Lowther, Bridge on old Tryon Road.—Wright,		3	0	0
" 27.	—To D. Scott, repairing Bridge at Acorn's.—Bourke,		3	19	0

1847.		£	s.	d.
Decr. 4.—	To Pat Mooney, repairing French Fort Bridge.—Higgins,	-	0	10 0
" 8.—	To H. Connors, repairing Seaman's Bridge.—Higgins,	-	9	0 0
" 11.—	To J. Buonet, Bridge at Dourant's, Rustico.—Simpson,	-	0	18 0
" " —	To N. Macdonald, repairing Ready's Bridge, Lot 34.—Higgins,	-	2	10 0
" 14.—	To J. R. Bourke, repairs Seal River Bridge,	-	5	0 0
" 24.—	To J. Main, Bridge Free Town Road.—Simpson,	-	0	3 0
" 31.—	To A. Collet, for repairs to West River Bridge,	-	0	9 0
			<u>£49</u>	<u>5 4</u>

## KING'S COUNTY.

1847.		£	s.	d.
May 17.—	To D. Steel, for repairs to Grand River Bridge, in 13th District,	-	1	10 0
" 29.—	To D. M'Diarmid, repairs County Line to Bay,—M'Callum,	-	0	15 0
June 12.—	To James M'Lellan, repairs Cable Head Road,	-	0	12 6
" 23.—	To J. M'Aulay, Windfalls on Pisquid Road,—Goff,	-	0	15 0
" 25.—	To A. M'Cormack, incidental repairs in 15th District,—Underhay,	-	1	0 0
" " —	To A. Macintosh, do. do. do.	-	1	0 0
" " —	To Joseph Gillis, do. do. do.	-	1	0 0
July 2.—	To James Coffin, do. do. do.	-	0	5 0
" 26.—	To J. O'Brian, repairs from Bay to Cardigan.—M'Callum,	-	0	15 0
Aug. 6.—	To A. M'Aulay, Road from Midgell to Head of Bay,	-	0	5 0
" 23.—	To Steel and M'Phee, windfalls on Launching Road.—Goff,	-	1	13 0
"	To D. Steel for Narrow's Creek Road, in 15th District.—Goff,	-	1	0 0
" 24.—	To J. M'Donald, being excess of Grant for Seed.—J. M'Gowan,	-	1	8 10
Sep. 1.—	To J. Steel, incidental repairs in 13th District.—Underhay,	-	0	6 0
Oct. 4.—	To E. Morrow, for Bridge in 14th District —M'Gowan,	-	1	10 0
" 11.—	To H. M'Lean, for Bridge at Hugh M'Eachern's.—M'Gowan,	-	1	0 0
"	To Thomas Lyons, for Road east of Souris.—M'Gowan,	-	2	10 0
" 16.—	A. M'Donald, for Big Pond Bridge, 14th District.—M'Gowan,	-	4	0 0
" 26.—	To M'Lellan, Bridge on Seal River.—Goff,	-	5	0 0
" 30.—	To J. M'Cormack, incidental repairs.—Underhay,	-	0	5 0
Nov. 24.—	To J. M'Innis, repairing Bridge at East Point.—M'Gowan,	-	0	12 6
"	To R. M'Cormack, repairing Flanagan's Bridge, Souris.—M'Gowan,	-	1	0 0
1848.				
Jan. 13.—	To J. M'Phee, repairing Big Pond Bridge.—M'Gowan,	-	1	5 0
" 22.—	To Sloane and M'Lellan, for rebuilding Bridge across Seal River, in 15th District (Order Council).—Goff,	-	14	0 0
Feb. 1.—	To J. Sutherland, repairing Road Little Harbour.—M'Gowan,	-	1	10 0
"	To D. M'Donald, repairing two Bridges at Little Harbour.—M'Gowan,	-	1	10 0
			<u>£46</u>	<u>7 10</u>



*Road Correspondent's Supplementary Account of Payments made under Appropriations of 1847.*

MARCH 1.		£ s. d.	1848.
To paid for repairs of two Bridges on Barlow's Road, in 2d District in Prince County, -	3 0 0		Feb.— By balance in hand at date, £128 8 10
To Road from Cascumpec to Western Road No 1, -	1 2 0		
To Road from Haloran's to Tignish, No. 1,	4 0 0		
To Road from Haloran's to Colin Leitch's, No. 2, -	1 0 0		
To Brae Bridge, opposite the Chapel, From Stephen Gallant's to Brae Bridge, No. 2, -	1 5 0		
From Haloran's to Western Road, No. 2,	2 16 0		
Roads north of Diamond's Ferry, do., Barlow's Road, - do.,	9 7 6		
M'Lean's to Barlow's mill and Bideford yard, No. 3, -	4 10 0		
Wharf at M'Rae's, No. 10,	3 14 0		
To repairs to Fox River Bridge in District No. 13, -	4 2 0		
Wharf head of St. Peter's Bay, No. 12,	15 0 0		
Wharf at Cable Head, do.	0 10 0		
M'Rae's to Dingwell's mills, No. 13,	2 0 0		
Dingwell's mills to head of Grand River, District No. 13, -	1 14 0		
Grand River to Cooper's mills, No. 13,	7 6 0		
Fortune Church to line of Lot 42, No. 13,	0 18 4		
Western line of Lot 42 to Hollow River, District No. 13, -	2 0 0		
Naufrage Bridge, No. 13, -	0 16 0		
	0 10 0		
	<u>£66 10 10</u>		
Balance, -	61 18 0		
	<u>£128 8 10</u>		
		1848.	<u>£128 8 10</u>
		March 1. —By balance in hand,	<u>61 18 0</u>

PETER MACGOWAN,  
Road Correspondent.

CHARLOTTETOWN, 19th February, 1848.

DEAR SIR;

By desire of the Commissioner, Mr. Curtis, I beg to call your attention to the repairs yet required to be done to Poplar Island Bridge, which were pointed out before, but deferred to a future period.

You will remember that when tenders were called for in September, 1846, there were not funds available for the repairs specified, nor was the subsequent grant of the Legislature designed to cover the whole. What was done to the Bridge was effectual to the extent intended at the time; but there yet remains a portion of the plank cover, and also of the string pieces of the lower side of the Bridge which were included in the former specification, that must be made new.

It was in contemplation to make all the hand-rails and stanchions also entirely new, but as there have been portions of them supplied, and the rest re-fixed, they may still be kept up with occasional repairs.

The Aboiteau which connects Poplar Island with the eastern shore requires also to be raised and repaired.

The following estimate embraces only what appears to be immediately required:—

182 feet running—say 42 squares of plank cover, at 23s.,	-	-	£48	6	0
190 feet of new string pieces, at 1s.,	-	-	9	10	0
Repairing caps, braces, &c., and perhaps some new piles—say,	-	-	15	0	0
Raising the Aboiteau, and new string pieces,	-	-	15	0	0
			<hr/>		
			£87	16	0
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I have the honor to be,

Dear Sir,

Your obedient Servant,

ISAAC SMITH.

To Peter Macgowan, Esquire, Correspondent  
of Road Commissioners, &c. &c. &c.

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ROAD DISTRICT No. 3.

ST. ELEANOR'S, July 8th, 1847.

Mr. Anthony Crasswell to receive £19 for building a new Slip, and repairing the Wharf at Green's Shore—to be completed August 1st, 1847.

HARRY C. GREEN,  
Commissioner.

ST. ELEANOR'S, July 9th, 1847.

DEAR SIR;

I have to inform you that I must draw for £19 above what has been appropriated for Roads and Bridges for this District. It is for building a Slip, replacing Piles on the outside block, and doing other necessary repairs to the Wharf at Bedeque or Green's Shore, (Mr. Anthony Crasswell is the contractor); and as the neighbourhood of this wharf is now become such a public place, and vessels passing to and from it continually, and a large amount of business carried on there, it has been found almost impossible to do longer without a Slip for the convenience of small vessels and boats—especially at low water; for a great many passengers are daily passing to and fro. The Piles for the outside block and the other repairs were absolutely required for protection to the Wharf, and to prevent its being further injured, which I trust will justify my proceeding in drawing for this amount, (£19), as it will be attended with a very great benefit and convenience to the public.

I remain, dear Sir,

Yours truly,

HARRY C. GREEN.

Peter Macgowan, Esq., Charlottetown.

[REPLY.]

CHARLOTTETOWN, 19th July, 1847.

SIR;

In answer to your letter of the 9th instant, only received this day, I have only to repeat the general instructions issued by the Lieutenant Governor in April last, that you will not, in any instance whatever, exceed the grants provided by the Legislature. You will, therefore, immediately abrogate the contract for building the Slip in question, and not presume in future to enter into any fresh contracts without authority.

I am, Sir,

Your obedient Servant,

PETER MACGOWAN,

Road Correspondent.

To H. C. Green, Esq., Road Commissioner.

ST. ELEANOR'S, August 16, 1847.

DEAR SIR;

Yours of the 19th July, came to hand too late to enable me to abrogate the contract for building the Slip and repairing the Wharf at Green's Shore, for the contract was completed when I received your letter; so now what is to be done? The very great advantage this work is to the public, must be a guarantee for what I have done; besides the safety of all the outward end of the Wharf depended on it. Please write me up what is best to be done. Would it not be better to make a statement before the Governor and Council, and lay my letters before them.

I am, Sir,

Yours truly,

HARRY C. GREEN.

To Peter Macgowan, Esq., Charlottetown.

P. S.—The contractor is the bearer of this letter, he will speak to you on the subject.

H. G.

ST. ELEANOR'S, September 22d, 1847.

Sir;

I respectfully beg to solicit your attention to the following circumstance, and to request your approbation of my proceedings in the matter:

Early in the summer, I advertised and sold the repairing the Wharf at Green's Shore; and also, I have had a Slip built to said Wharf (the same which your Excellency landed on from the ship *Electra*, this summer), for which is required Nineteen Pounds, to remunerate the parties who have performed the work. But on writing to Mr. Macgowan on the subject, he informed me that there was no provision for extra work, more than was provided by the Legislature, and that I should on no account have exceeded these Grants. But the very great necessity there was for the repairs and improvements which I have made to the Wharf must now be my guarantee. The place has of late become very public, and a convenient or proper Slip or place for landing on, was loudly called for by all parties; and, indeed, the safety of the whole outward end of the Wharf depended on the repairs I had put upon it, for I have had it piled and secured on all the exposed sides.

Now, as Mr. Macgowan has promised to have my letters on the subject laid before your Excellency and Council, I beg to call your Excellency's favourable attention to it, so that I may be enabled to draw for the within named sum of Nineteen Pounds.

I have the honour to subscribe myself,

Your Excellency's very obedient Servant,

HARRY C. GREEN.

To His Excellency Sir H. V. Huntley,  
Lieutenant Governor, &c. &c. &c.

# APPENDIX

(E.)

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## Extract of a Despatch from the Right Honorable Earl Grey, to His Excellency Sir Donald Campbell, Bart.

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No. 2.

DOWNING STREET, 12th November, 1847.

“The next point to which I am desirous of directing your attention is the Land Tax.

“I can see no objection to the renewal of this Tax. On the contrary, I am of opinion that in the present circumstances of Prince Edward Island, it is by far the best mode that could be adopted for providing for the necessary expenditure of the Colony. I should even be prepared to advise the Queen to sanction any Law which might be passed by the local Legislature for raising a larger proportion of the Colonial Revenue from this source, so as to admit of a reduction of Duties, with a view to the encouragement of the Trade of the Colony. I would suggest, however, that the Tax should be levied at the same rate per Acre upon all Lands, whether the same be improved or unimproved.”

# APPENDIX

(F.)

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## Estimates of the Expenditure of the Government of Prince Edward Island for the year 1848.

### SALARIES AND ALLOWANCES FIXED BY STATUTE.

	£	s.	d.		£	s.	d.
The Chief Justice, travelling allowance,	100	0	0	Messenger of Executive Council, &c.,	40	0	0
Colonial Secretary, -	400	0	0	Jailer of Queen's County, -	40	0	0
Treasurer, -	500	0	0	Jailer of King's County, -	30	0	0
Collector of Impost, Charlottetown,	260	0	0	Jailer of Prince County, -	30	0	0
Five Sub-Collectors of Customs,	180	0	0	Correspondent with Road Commissioners,	40	0	0
Three Masters of Central Academy,	300	0	0	Deputy Post Master General, for con-			
Adjutant General of Militia,	75	0	0	ducting Inland Mails, -	30	0	0
Wharfinger, &c., at Charlottetown,	60	0	0	Assayer of Weights and Measures for			
Market Clerk at do.,	40	0	0	Queen's County, -	10	0	0
Sixteen Road Commissioners,	160	0	0	Medical Attendants to the three County			
Lunatic Asylum, -	350	0	0	Jails, -	18	0	0
General Education, including Visitors				Auditors of Treasurer's Accounts,			
of Schools, and Board of Education,	1500	0	0	Keeper of Colonial Building, -			
<b>SALARIES AND ALLOWANCES NOT FIXED BY STATUTE:</b>				Librarian to Legislature, -	10	0	0
Three High Sheriffs, -	60	0	0	Market Clerk at Georgetown,	5	0	0
Keeper of Light House at Point Prim,				Matron of Queen's County Jail,	15	0	0
Master of National School, -	25	0	0				

## CONTINGENT EXPENSES OF THE GOVERNMENT.

	1848.	APPROPRIATIONS IN 1847.	BALANCE OF APPROPRIATIONS.	EXCESS OF EXPENDITURE.
Roads and Bridges, - - -		2600 0 0	75 0 0	
Incidental repairs of Roads and Bridges, - - -		150 0 0	140 0 0	
Per centage to Commissioners on expenditure in Roads, Bridges, &c., - - -		135 0 0	35 0 0	
Contingent expenses of Legislative Council, - - -				
Do. do. House of Assembly, - - -				
Crown Prosecutions and Crown Officer's Fees for miscellaneous services, - - -	450 0 0	450 0 0		70 0 0
Conveyance of Summer Foreign Mails, - - -	600 0 0	600 0 0	6 0 0	
Do. Winter Mails, Foreign, - - -	220 0 0	220 0 0	9 0 0	
Do. Inland Mails, - - -	400 0 0	300 0 0		198 0 0
Public Postage, - - -	60 0 0	50 0 0		20 0 0
Expenses of three County Jails, - - -	350 0 0	350 0 0	24 0 0	
Public Printing and Stationary, - - -	350 0 0	300 0 0		64 0 0
Interest on Warrants, - - -	1500 0 0	1800 0 0		
Light House at Point Prim, - - -	60 0 0	60 0 0		14 0 0
Do. St. Paul's and Scatarie, - - -	50 0 0	60 0 0	16 0 0	
Buoys and Beacons, - - -	75 0 0	100 0 0	39 0 0	
Coroners Inquests, - - -	50 0 0	100 0 0	51 0 0	
Premiums for Bears and Loupcerviers, - - -	20 0 0	20 0 0		
Plans and Estimates of Public Works, - - -	20 0 0	20 0 0	20 0 0	
Assessment on Government Pews in St. Paul's Church, - - -	14 0 0	14 0 0		
Unpaid Accounts for maintenance and Medical Attendance on sick Emigrants, - - -	409 19 9			250 0 0
Amount of Verdict in the case of W. H. Hobkirk, for Medical attendance on persons injured at the Riot at Belfast on the 1st of March last, - - -	35 0 0	25 0 0	25 0 0	
Commissioners of Treasury Notes, - - -	75 0 0	30 0 0		12 0 0
Shediac and Georgetown Packets, - - -	60 0 0			
Repairs, &c., in and about Government House, - - -		290 0 0	85 15 7	
Paupers and indigent persons, - - -				
Drawbacks, - - -				
Lazaretto, - - -				
Central Academy, painting, repairs, &c., - - -				
Contingencies, - - -	250 0 0			

## BALANCE OF SPECIAL APPROPRIATIONS UNEXPENDED.

Road from West Cape to Main Western Road, - - -	£168 8 3
Colonial Building, - - -	975 15 0
Committee for Furnishing Colonial Building, - - -	450 17 8

Agreed to in Council, February 24th, 1848.

T. H. HAVILAND, C. C.

## Extract from a Despatch from Earl Grey to Sir William Gomm, No. 210, of 25th October, 1847.

“It is obvious that if, under these circumstances, Paper Money could be substituted as the medium of exchange for a part of the Metallic circulation which is now made use of, a proportionate economy of capital would be effected by this substitution of a cheap for an expensive instrument for performing the same service. I propose, therefore, than an issue of Paper Currency should be resorted to, for the purpose of assisting the mercantile interest in the Colony to meet the difficulties of its present position. Experience has, however, only too clearly established the absolute necessity of not having recourse to this expedient, except under precautions of the strictest kind. Any temporary relief which might be obtained by the issue of Paper Money in such a manner as to alter the standard value, and to depreciate the currency of the Island, must end by aggravating the difficulties it is meant to mitigate. I have, therefore, to instruct you, in bringing this subject under the consideration of the Legislative Council, distinctly to inform the members of that Body, that you are not at liberty to assent to any measure for the issue of a Paper Currency, which does not embody the whole of those precautionary regulations which I am about to prescribe to you; and I confidently rely, that the same firmness you have, on all occasions hitherto displayed, will be shewn in resisting any instances, however urgent, which may be made to induce you to deviate from these instructions. Before I proceed to state the heads of the Ordinance which I wish you to pass for the creation of the proposed Paper Currency, I must once more observe, that the object of that measure is to give to the Colony the advantage of a medium of exchange which, though more economical than one consisting exclusively of the precious metals, shall be equally free from the danger of depreciation. With that view, I conceive that there is no authority in the Colony to which the issue of Paper Money could safely be confided, except that of the Government; and that it is necessary that this issue should take place under rules allowing of no discretion on the part of those officers of the Government to whom the management of this business is entrusted. It is not intended that the Government should engage in any transactions of the character of banking—a business which must be left to individuals; but that in issuing a Paper Currency, it should confine itself to functions analogous to those performed by a Government Mint in the supply of a Metallic Currency. With this preliminary explanation, I now proceed to

state to you the heads of an Ordinance which you will, with the least possible delay, bring under the consideration of the Legislative Council:

1st. A Board of Commissioners of the Currency to be established, consisting of the Colonial Treasurer, the Auditor General and one Manager, appointed expressly to attend to this duty.

2d. The Commissioners to be authorized to issue Notes for five and ten rapees, payable on demand.

3rd. These Notes to be a legal tender both in private transactions and in payment of Taxes to the Government.

4th. All the coin now in the Treasury, except such an amount as it may be necessary to retain for small payments to be transferred to the Commissioners of the Currency; and if this sum shall be less than £150,000, such further amount from the growing produce of the taxes as shall make the total amount, so transferred, equal to that sum.

5th. The Currency Commissioners to transfer to the Colonial Treasurer Notes to twice the amount of the Coin so received from him, the Notes so transferred not exceeding in the whole £300,000.

6th. The Colonial Treasurer shall retain one half of the Paper so received, to be issued for the purpose of defraying the current expenses of the Government in lieu of the Coin so transferred, and shall advance the other half on the security of Sugar Supplies shipped by the merchants and planters.

7th. After the issue of £300,000 of Paper under the foregoing regulations, no further issues of Paper are to be made by the Commissioners of Currency except in exchange for Specie. And of the Specie so received, one half shall be retained by them, the other half being transferred to the Colonial Treasury, to be invested in such manner as shall hereafter be directed by the Lords Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury.

8th. All persons to be entitled to obtain from the Currency Commissioners either Notes in exchange for Specie, or Specie in Exchange for Notes on demand. All Coins to be taken at the values assigned to them by the Proclamation now in force.

9th. The Commissioners to be entitled, in meeting demands for payment of the Notes, to use such description of Coins legally current under the Proclamation above adverted to, as may, from time to time, be most convenient.

10th. If at any time the Specie in the hands of the

Currency Commissioners shall be reduced by the presentation of Notes for payment, so as to fall short of the required proportion of one half of the issues by as much as £30,000, the deficiency shall be supplied by the Colonial Treasurer; who, for that purpose, shall be authorized, if necessary, to negotiate Drafts on the Agent for the Colony, in this country, on account of such investments as may be made, either of the proceeds of the Bills to be taken from the shippers of Sugar, or of any other investments that may have been made in aid of the Colonial Government.

“An ordinance embodying the above provisions, with due precautionary regulations for preventing surreptitious issues of the Notes, or the circulation of forged Notes, would establish a paper currency upon a secure and solid foundation; and there are only a few further remarks in explanation of the general design to which, before I close this Dispatch, I think it necessary to call your attention. You will observe that, beyond the fixed sum of £150,000, which it is proposed to advance to the merchants and planters, in order to relieve them from the difficulties to which it is anticipated that they will be immediately exposed, the whole of the new Paper circulation is to be issued only in exchange for Specie, and that of the Specie so received, one half is always to be retained by the Commissioners to meet any demands upon them, while the remainder will be transferred to the Colonial Treasurer, for the purpose of being invested under the directions which will hereafter be conveyed to you in securities bearing interest for the benefit of the Colony.

“You will further observe, that until the issues amount to £300,000, the Specie in the hands of the Colonial Government is to be transferred to the Currency Commissioners, in order to enable them to circulate this amount of Paper, on the security of Specie furnished by the Colonial Government when the issues shall have reached this point, the Government will take no steps further to extend them; but

no check will be placed on the additional issue to be made to individuals in exchange for Specie.

“I have directed that the Notes to be issued, should represent Rupees rather than Sterling Money; because I am led to believe that this will be for the convenience of all classes, and especially of the planters in the payment of their labourers.

“The adoption of the above measures renders it absolutely necessary that the issue of Paper by the existing Banks should be put an end to. I believe that owing to the failure to which I have before adverted, the Notes of these Banks will have ceased to be convertible on demand; and that they will, therefore, under the terms of their Charters, have forfeited the privilege of issue. But if this should not be the case, and should either of these Banks be in a position to continue its business, you will inform the merchants and planters, that the above described measures for their relief cannot be adopted unless they can induce the conductors of that Institution to forego the privilege of issuing Notes with which they have been invested by their charter.

“On the other hand, if the Banks, or either of them, should apply for your assistance to enable them to pay off and cancel such of their Notes as may be in actual circulation at the time this Despatch reaches your hands, you are at liberty, from the money which will come into the Colonial Treasury, under the arrangements already described, to direct advances to be made to them to that extent, and for that purpose only, at a moderate interest; provided, of course, that valid and very ample security can be given to the amount so advanced; and that, in consideration of this assistance, the privilege of issuing paper is resigned.

“It is hardly necessary to caution you that no representations as to the distress which will be occasioned by the non-payment of the Notes now in circulation must be allowed to induce you to take upon the Government the payment of these obligations of concerns which may be insolvent.”

[Omitted to be printed in the Appendix to the Journal of 1845.]

Dr.	Crown Lands.			Cr.			
1844.	£.	s.	d.	1844.	£	s.	d.
May 8.—To Cash paid Thomas H. Haviland, per order of Lieut. Governor, being His Excellency's Travelling allowance for the current year, under the authority of Lord John Russell's Despatch, of 23d September, 1839,	-	100	0 0	Jan. 20.—By balance as per Return furnished,	-	2190	14 0 $\frac{1}{4}$
March 6.—Warrant to Power & Renouf, dated 1st August, 1844, No. 340,	-	500	0 0	Decr. 31.—By amount from Surveyor General on Account of Sales,	-	100	0 0
Decr. 8.—Power & Renouf, 5th Dec., No. 495,	-	100	0 0				
“ “ Watson Duchemin, 5th Dec., No. 496,	-	9	18 6				
Balance,	-	1580	15 6 $\frac{1}{4}$				
		<u>£2290</u>	<u>14 0<math>\frac{1}{4}</math></u>			<u>£2290</u>	<u>14 0<math>\frac{1}{4}</math></u>
				Dec. 31.—To Balance,	-	£1580	15 0 $\frac{1}{4}$

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J. SPENCER SMITH, Treasurer.

Treasurer's Office, 31st December, 1844.

Dr.	Crown Lands.	Cr.	
1847.	£ s. d.	1847.	£ s. d.
Feb. 10.—To Cash paid Warrant to Peter Ferguson, dated 4th Feb., 1847, No. 98, -	30 0 0	Jany. 20.—By balance as per Return furnished, - -	237 10 3½
“ 12.—T. H. Haviland, per order Lieut. Governor, on account of his Travelling allowance for the current year, under authority of Lord John Russell's Despatch of 23d September, 1839, No. 5, -	50 0 0	Oct. 28.—By amount from the Surveyor General, on account of Sales, - -	90 0 0
March 9.—Warrant to Abraham Gesner, dated 4th Feb. 1847, No. 97, - -	50 0 0	1848.	
“ 10.—Warrant to John Stewart, dated 3d Dec. 1846, No. 513,	10 2 6	Jany. 19.—By amount from do. do.,	69 0 0
May 12.—T. H. Haviland, per order Lieut. Governor, on account of his Travelling allowance for the current year, under authority of Lord John Russell's Despatch, of 23d Sep., 1839, No. 5, - -	50 0 0		
July 17.—T. H. Haviland, per order Lieutenant Governor, on account of Fencing Government House, under authority of Despatch from the Secretary of State, dated 12th February, 1846, No. 5, -	25 0 0		
Aug. 12.—Warrant to Henry Smith, dated 5th Aug., 1847, No. 477,	10 3 6		
Dec. 15.—Henry Griffin, per order,	8 8 2		
“ 30.—Garland & Welsh, -	12 15 0		
1848.			
Jany. 21.—To Cash paid the General Revenue, per order in Council, dated 7th Jany., 1848, and under the authority of a Despatch from the Right Honble Earl Grey, dated 6th Octr., 1847, No. 48, being to replace a like sum drawn by the late Lieut. Governor, by Warrant, on the 25th Aug. last, to meet his contingent expenses on a Mission to the Governor General, at Montreal, -	75 0 0		
Balance, -	75 1 1½		
	<u>£396 10 3½</u>		
			<u>£396 10 3½</u>
		Jany. 31.—By balance, -	£75 1 1½

## Liabilities of Proceeds of Sales of Crown Lands.

James H. Peters,	-	-	-	-	£21 0 0
Fencing Government Farm,	-	-	-	-	133 0 0
Balance of expenses of Sir H. V. Huntley, on his Mission to Governor General,	-	-	-	-	30 0 0

T. H. HAVILALD, Secretary.

Secretary's Office, February 26th, 1848.

## Return of Lands remaining in the Crown in Prince Edward Island.

SITUATION.	TOWNSHIP LANDS.	TOWN LOTS.	EIGHT ACRE PASTURE LOTS.
	ACRES.		
Township No. 15,	5,755		
Township No. 55,	2,540		
Georgetown,		136	
Georgetown Royalty,			117
Princetown Royalty,			50
Princetown,		480	
Total,	8,295	616	167

GEO. WRIGHT, Surveyor General.

Surveyor General's Office,  
21st February, 1848.

## Statement of the Upset Minimum prices of all Crown Lands in Prince Edward Island.

DESCRIPTION AND SITUATION OF LANDS.	UPSET PRICE PER ACRE.	UPSET PRICE PER LOT.		
		1st CLASS.	2d CLASS.	3d CLASS.
	CURRENCY. £ s. d.	CURRENCY. £ s. d.		
Township No. Fifteen and Fifty-five, Water Lots in Georgetown having 84 feet front, Town Lots in Georgetown 84 feet front by 120 feet in depth,	1 0 0	25 0 0		
Pasture Lots in Georgetown Royalty, 8 acres each,		10 0 0	7 10 0	
Town Lots in Princetown 60 feet in front by 100 feet,		12 0 0	10 0 0	8 0 0
Pasture Lots in Princetown Royalty, 8 acres each,		10 0 0	5 0 0	
		12 0 0		

GEO. WRIGHT, Surveyor General.

Surveyor General's Office,  
27th March, 1848.

## Statement of Account of Sales of Crown Lands for the year ending 20th January, 1848.

DR.		CR.	
1847. To this sum in the hands of the Surveyor General, as per statement made 20th January, 1847, - To amount of Land sold during the year on which the full amount of the purchase money has been paid, To amount received on Land sold during the year on which a deposit of 10 per cent. has been paid, which the purchasers forfeit, the terms of sale not being complied with, £189 9 2	£ s. d. CURRENCY. 16 0 2 153 0 0 20 9 0 £189 9 2	1847. Oct. 28.—By this sum paid into the Colonial Treasury, 1848. Jan. 18.—By this sum paid into the Colonial Treasury, By the Surveyor General's account of expenses during the year, By this sum in the hands of the Surveyor General at this date, - £189 9 2	£ s. d. CURRENCY. 90 0 0 69 0 0 28 14 2 1 15 0 £189 9 2

NOTE.—The only amount due by purchasers is £60 on a Water Lot sold in Charlottetown on the 24th December, 1847.

GEO. WRIGHT, Surveyor General.

Surveyor General's Office,  
20th January, 1848.

### Crown Lands,

### To George Wright, Dr.

JULY, 1847. To expenses in travelling to Georgetown for the purpose of holding a sale of Crown Lands, being engaged 3 days, - To Surveying 16 Pasture Lots, viz: Nos. 16, 31, 65, 138, 152, 156, 206, 208, 214, 219, 220, 222, 235, 263 in the Royalty, and Nos 18 and 19 adjoining the Royalty of Georgetown—7s. 6d. currency each, - To Plans and descriptions of 15 Lots, at 5s., - 5 Chain-bearers and Labourers employed 4 days in Surveying the above named Pasture Lots, - To J. D. Haszard's Account for advertising Sales, - J. D. Haszard's Account for 2 blank Books, obtained by order of Sir H.V. Huntley, - John Ings's Account for advertising Sales, - Commission on £173 9s., being the amount collected during the past year, 5 per cent., -	£ s. d. 3 10 0 6 0 0 3 15 0 3 17 0 0 18 0 1 0 9 1 0 0 8 13 5 Currency, £28 14 2
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Surveyor General's Office,  
20th January, 1848.

GEO. WRIGHT, Surveyor General.

## List of Persons who have located themselves upon Crown Lands, in Prince Edward Island.

NAMES OF SQUATTERS.	WHERE LOCATED.	PARTICULAR LOT ON WHICH THEY HAVE LOCATED.	NO. OF ACRES OCCUPIED.	NO. OF ACRES IMPROVED.	NO. OF YEARS IN OCCUPATION.	REMARKS.
Bazelle Perry,	Township No. 15.	Half of Lot No. 129,	50	5	2	These people are all Acadian French; they are all very poor, and unable to purchase the land on which they have settled, the greater part of which is of inferior quality.
Romain Perry,	" "	half of Lot No. 129,	50	6	2	
Moses Gaudet,	" "	half of Lot No. 128,	50	1	1	
Joseph Gallant,	" "	half of Lot No. 128,	50	9	7	
Joseph Arseneaux,	" "	Lot No. 126,	100	5	5	
John de Roach, jr.,	" "	Lot No. 126,	100	4	2	
John Richard,	" "	part of Lot No. 190,	66	3	2	
Bazelle Arseneaux,	" "	part of Lots 189 & 190,	64	2	1	
Clement Arseneaux,	" "	part of Lot No. 189,	62	4	3	
John Arseneaux,	" "	part of Lots 188 & 189,	60	4	3	
Fidelle Arseneaux,	" "	part of Lot No. 188,	58	4	3	
Alexr. Arseneaux,	" "	part of Lots 187 & 188,	56	2	1	
John Wedge,	" "	Lot No. 181,	100	5	4	
Romain Arseneaux,	" "	Lot No. 179,	100	6	5	
Lazar Arseneaux,	" "	Lot No. 178,	100	7	8	
Christain Gallant,	" "	Lot No. 177,	100	6	6	
John Mac Inally,	" "	Lot No. 94,	100	8	7	
Barney Gillis,	Cardigan Point, Georgetown Royalty.	Lot No. 48,	8	8	5	These 40 Lots are not all in the Crown, some having been granted to other persons many years ago.
John Sudbury,	On the intended site of Princetown.	About 40 Town lots & a part of 5 streets, ad- joining the Wharf.	10	10	12	
John Whealen,	do.	About 60 town lots and a part of 7 streets.	20	20	50	
David Palmer,	Princetown Royalty.	Pasture Lots, Nos. 325, 326, and half of 333.	20	20	35	This person states that he applied to the Government for a Grant of these Lots, previous to settling thereon; but in consequence of that part of the Royalty not being surveyed at that time, he could not obtain it.
John Cochran,	Princetown Royalty.	Lots Nos. 267, 268, 274 and 275.	32	32	63	
Alexander Henry,	Princetown Royalty.	Lots 461, 462, 463 and 468.	32	32	40	This person was allowed by the Government to occupy Lots Nos. 274 & 275, while keeping Darnley Ferry, which is now done away with, and states some steps were taken towards giving him a Grant of some others, which were not completed, except with regard to one Lot.
James Crozier,	" "	Lots 464, 465, 481 and 482.	28	20	16	
George Curry,	" "	Lots Nos. 467 & 468.	23	6	7	
John Clarke,	" "	Nos. 354, 355, & 361.	21	10	2	
		Total Acres, .....	1460	239		

I certify the above to be the substance of a Return furnished His Excellency Sir H. V. Huntley, on the 30th November, 1844.

GEORGE WRIGHT, Surveyor General.

Surveyor General's Office, 18th February, 1848.

## The Colonial Government,

To Isaac Smith, Dr.

### FOR REPAIRS TO THE CENTRAL ACADEMY.

	£	s.	d.
1847.			
Sep. 3.—To 1 man one day renewing covers of Steps (east end),	0	6	0
“ 60 feet of Boards, 5s., 3 lb. Nails, at 7d.,	0	6	9
“ 23. 1 man 2½ days work fixing weights to doors, boarding up a window and sundry other jobs,	0	16	6
“ 17 panes of 12 × 10 glass and putty and glazing, at 1s. 4d.—22s. 8d., 18 feet of boards, 1s. 6d.,	1	4	2
Nov. 6.—To 5 days work making and fixing writing tables and sundry jobbing,	1	10	0
“ 82 feet of board (prime), at 1½d.—8s. 6½d; 6 pairs hinges and screws, 4s.; 3 lb. nails, 2s.,	0	14	6½
“ 29. 5 days making and hanging two doors, and repairing windows, &c.,	1	10	0
“ 96 feet of boards and plank, 10s.; 2 locks, at 7s.; 1 do., 4s. 6d.,	1	7	6
“ 3 pairs hinges and screws, 1s. 1d.; 1 thumb latch and screws, 1s.,	0	4	7
Dec. 31.—To 1½ day repairing staircase, making boxes for weights, &c.,	0	10	6
“ 25 feet of boards, 1s.—1s. 1d.; 2 lb. nails, at 8d.—1s. 4d.,	0	3	5
1848.			
Jan. 4.—To 1½ day pasting cotton round the sashes, and repairing windows, &c.,	0	7	6
“ 1½ yard cotton, at 10d.,	0	1	3
“ 14. 1 day repairing doors, &c., 6s.; 4 pulleys, at 10d.,	0	9	4
“ 1½ piece of 4 cord sash line,	0	3	6
	<u>£9</u>	<u>15</u>	<u>6½</u>
Iron stays and staples for tables, by Thomas Davy, as per Bill herewith,	0	15	9
Repairing locks, bells, &c., per David O'Neil,	0	10	9
	<u>£11</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>0½</u>

Charlottetown, 20th April, 1848.

The above work has been done at the Central Academy.

WM. CUNDALL, Head Master.

### CENTRAL ACADEMY,

To DAVID O'NEIL, DR.

	£	s.	d.
1848.			
Jan. 14.—To making a key and repairing a mortice lock,	0	3	9
“ mortice crank,	0	3	0
“ repairing a bell,	0	4	0
	<u>£0</u>	<u>10</u>	<u>9</u>

Charlottetown, April 17th, 1848.

The above work has been done for the Central Academy.

WM. CUNDALL, Head Master.

### TRUSTEES OF THE CENTRAL ACADEMY,

To THOMAS DAVY, DR.

	£	s.	d.
1847.			
November 1.—12 Straps, 24 staples,	0	12	0
“ 24.—2 long stays,	0	3	9
	<u>£0</u>	<u>15</u>	<u>9</u>

## TRUSTEES OF THE CENTRAL ACADEMY,

TO THOMAS DENNIS, DR.

	£	s.	d.
1847.			
Novr. 9.—Large Iron plate for Chimney, and fixing Franklin,	-	-	0 18 0
“ 13.—Waterpot,	-	-	0 4 6
“ “ —21 feet of Stove pipe, at 1s. 6d.; Wire and fixing, 2s. 6d.,	-	-	1 14 0
“ 23.—Dustpan, 2s. 6d.; 15 feet large rivetted pipe, at 1s. 9d.; Wire and fixing, 2s. 6d.	-	-	1 11 3
Decr. 1.—4 feet pipe, at 1s.; 1 plate of Iron, and fixing, 3s.,	-	-	0 7 0
“ 16.—2 feet of pipe, at 1s.; plate of Iron, and fixing,	-	-	0 4 6
“ 22.—Plate of Iron for Chimney, and fixing Stove,	-	-	0 15 0
1848.—Jan. 6.—Fixing Stove, 1s. 6d.; 8th.—1 length pipe, 3s.; 16 feet do., at 1s.	-	-	1 0 6
“ “—1 plate of Iron, 3s.; Wire and fixing, 3s. 6d.,	-	-	0 6 6
			<u>£7 1 3</u>

The above work, to which my attention was called by one of the Masters, appears, as far as I can ascertain, to have been all faithfully done, and charges proper.

ISAAC SMITH.

## Presentment of Grand Jury, relative to the Jail of Charlottetown.

### QUEEN'S COUNTY.

The Grand Jury having had their attention called by the High Sheriff to the condition of the County Jail, beg leave to present to this Honorable Court, that they have, in a Body, inspected that Building, and that every attention appears to be paid to the Prisoners therein confined, by the Jailer and Matron: that the apartments are clean and well warmed, and the yard for the use of the Prisoners, sufficiently spacious: But the Fence around the Yard appropriated to the use of the Criminals, and also that around the Yard for the use of the female Prisoners, are becoming rotten and insecure, and will require to be renewed; that the Building requires shingling and painting for its preservation; and also, that a new foundation is required under the corner floor of the under ground cells.

For self and fellows,

WM. CUNDALL, Foreman:

Grand Jury Room, 6th June, 1848.

## Presentment of Grand Jury for Prince County.

### PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND —PRINCE COUNTY.

#### PRESENTMENT.

We the Grand Jurors of Our Sovereign Lady the Queen, on our Oaths, present the Pickets inclosing the Jail Yard, are in an insecure state, and not sufficient to prevent the escape of Prisoners; and also, the Steps at the entrance of the Court House are in a decayed and dangerous state, and recommend they be replaced by stone or solid logs of cedar.

For self and fellows,

(Signed)

THOMAS C. COMPTON, Foreman.

Grand Jury Room, June 4th, 1847.

A true Copy,

D. HODGSON, C. C.

## Communication from the Hon. Charles Young, with various enclosures and accounts of expenditures of the Central Board of Health.

To His Excellency SIR DONALD CAMPBELL, BARONET, Lieutenant Governor and Commander-in-Chief in and over Her Majesty's Island Prince Edward, and the Territories thereunto belonging, Chancellor, Vice Admiral, and Ordinary of the same, &c. &c. &c.

May it please Your Excellency :

In the month of June last, the Members that composed the former Central Board of Health tendered their resignation to His Excellency the late Lieutenant Governor, in consequence of a censure passed upon them by His Excellency in Council, and also in pursuance of a recommendation made to them, and which resignation was at once accepted. That on the fifteenth day of June last His Excellency, in Council, caused twelve gentlemen to be gazetted, as Members of a new Board of Health, seven of whom declined to act. That from that period, up to the 13th July last, no Board was in existence; because persons in the community, from party consideration, would not consent to act. On the day last mentioned, new names were gazetted, and on the 16th July, the present Board met, and was duly organised. That the Board then appointed me to be its Chairman, Dennis Reddin, Esquire, to be its Treasurer, and Mr. James N. Harris to be its Clerk. That the Board then directed the Chairman to apply and obtain from the former Chairman of the late Board, all the minutes, proceeding, accounts, moneys, and documents of every description connected with the Board. That although the Board, through their Chairman, made several applications to the Chairman of the former Board, yet he did not receive them until the 26th July, when he submitted them to the Board—which passed a Resolution, as follows—that is to say:—

“ *RESOLVED*, That the said Minutes are in such a state, as to render them almost impossible to be understood. That although the Board had been in existence for several years past, yet its Minutes commence only on the 29th May last, and have been continued in a most imperfect state up to the 21st of June last. That copies of important letters appear as if they should have been entered as minuted, when they are not recorded.”

That the Board having discovered that the second section of the Act 5 Will. 4, cap. 7, had never been complied with. It [divided Charlottetown into six Wards, and appointed two of its Members to be Health Wardens for each Ward; who, having examined their

several Wards, reported to the Board at its then next Meeting upon their state and condition, and measures were adopted to remedy certain nuisances that had been reported to be in existence:

That the Board directed the Chairman to insert an advertisement in the *Royal Gazette* newspaper, calling on all persons who had demands against the former Board, to furnish their accounts, duly certified, without delay. That sundry accounts were rendered, referred to a Committee of the Board, who carefully investigated the same, and then reported at a Meeting of the Board, held on the 11th August last, that they had passed them; also setting forth, that the whole amount, with the exception of the sum of about Thirty Pounds, had been incurred by the former Board since the 24th May last. A list of the said accounts, amounting to the sum of £183 4s. 9d., was forwarded by the Chairman to the Hon. T. H. Haviland, Colonial Secretary. That since that period, Dr. Mackieson has rendered another account of £40 5s. 7d. to the Board, for services performed by him on account of the late Board; making the expenditure of the former Board, from the 24th May, 1847, up to the 16th July last, amount to the sum of nearly £200; besides the sum of £50 that had been previously granted, and with the exception of £8 8s. 6d. expended by them.

That on the 12th August last, when the Chairman enclosed the list of the above accounts, in accordance with a Resolution of the Board, he applied for a Grant of £200 to liquidate them, and to meet additional outlays. That on the 15th day of October last, the Chairman received from the Hon. Mr. Haviland two Warrants of £100 each, which he immediately handed to the Treasurer, and the above accounts were forthwith paid.

That on the 19th November last, at a Meeting of the Board, it passed the following Resolution—viz:

“ *RESOLVED*, That the Infirmary be now closed, as all the patients have been discharged in a convalescent state, and that a Committee be appointed to inspect it, preparatory to its being handed over to the Government.”

That Typhus Fever again broke out in several parts of the Town, and the Infirmary having been cleansed and purified, the Board sent the Patients to the old Hospital; when a loud complaint having been made by the Inhabitants of that part of the Town, the Board was obliged to rescind the foregoing Resolution,

and to cause the patients to be removed to the Infirmary, which continued open until the thirteenth day of January last, when, by Resolution, it was ordered to be delivered over to the Government; and which was communicated by the Chairman on the same day, by letter, to the Hon. T. H. Haviland, for Your Excellency's information.

That at a Meeting of the Board, held on the ninth day of August last, a Committee was appointed for the purpose of supplying the Infirmary with what necessaries might be required, so that a due regard to economy might be exercised, and so that nothing might be furnished but what was actually necessary—a precaution that the former Board did not deem necessary to adopt.

That by the Reports of the Medical Officer that have been furnished to Your Excellency by the Chairman, on the 13th ultimo, Your Excellency will be pleased to observe, that there have been received into the Infirmary, from the 16th June last up to the 27th December last, ninety-eight persons, all of whom had to be supplied with necessaries and medicines, having a physician and nurse to attend upon them, and the keeper of the Building—whom the Board has partly paid, and is still to pay, without any further charge to the Government; and also a messenger to carry provisions to the Infirmary, and perform other necessary services. That such being the case, Your Excellency will not be surprised to learn that the liabilities of the present Board amount to the sum of £409 19s. 9d.

In thus reporting to Your Excellency some of the leading transactions of the Board for the past year, I have not entered into other duties that have necessarily been performed by the Board; and which, although requiring much time, attention and labor, have been most cheerfully undertaken by the respective Members of the Board.

The Board deem it necessary to call Your Excellency's attention to some of the facts that led to the occupation of the Lunatic Asylum and House of Industry as an Infirmary for patients infected with Typhus. When the Barque Lady Constable arrived in this Port in May last, having fever patients on board, the former Board of Health finding that the Hospital was totally unfit for their reception, applied to His Excellency the late Lieutenant Governor in Council for a part of the Lunatic Asylum, to be appropriated for the reception of fever patients. His Excellency, in Council, referred the Board to the Trustees of the Asylum, who, on the 7th June last, passed Resolutions to the effect, that they could not recognise the right of the Lieutenant Governor, in Council, to appropriate the Lunatic Asylum as an Hospital, or for any other purpose; and that it was their opinion that they were precluded by the Act

from appropriating the building to any other purpose than the Act contemplated; but added, that if the Executive should persist in requiring the building as an Hospital, that they would then deem it to be their duty to discharge the officers and inmates, and surrender the building to the Government, to use as it should think fit.

That in the meantime, from the crowded state of the old Hospital, and from the want of proper accommodation, the condition of the patients was most deplorable, and deaths were taking place every day. All these dreadful consequences might have been avoided, and life would, in all probability, have been preserved, had an airy and efficient Hospital been in the first instance secured. That these facts having been before His Excellency in Council, clearly adduced, he very properly acted upon the resolution of the Trustees of the Asylum; and with that humanity that characterised His Excellency's proceedings, he caused those of the sick emigrants who remained in the old Hospital to be transferred to the Asylum, where only a few deaths took place under the efficient management of Dr. Hobkirk, and the remainder gradually became convalescent, and were discharged.

The Board need scarcely remind Your Excellency of its almost total helplessness, should emigrants arrive in the ensuing Spring, infected with fever, or any other contagious disorder, on account of the want of any proper place for their reception. By a Resolution of the Board, passed on the 2d August last, it was suggested to the Executive as to the propriety of selling the old Hospital, and the lot of land whereon it is built, and to apply the proceeds towards the erection of an Hospital in a more suitable situation; and which resolution was communicated by the Chairman to Mr. Haviland, on the following day. That the said lot of land and Hospital have been sold in accordance with the foregoing suggestion, as the Board have understood. But the Board have heard of no measures that have yet been adopted for the procuring of a sufficient site, or for the erection of a Lazaretto for this Port. The Board are of opinion that, had there been a building ready for the reception of the sick emigrants from the Barque Lady Constable, and suitable for the ordinary wants of the Port, very much of the distress that afterwards ensued would have been prevented, few or no lives would have been lost, much expense would have been saved, and the infection would not have been extended beyond the precincts of the Hospital.

The Board would most respectfully urge upon Your Excellency the great necessity that exists of adopting such measures as may be necessary to enable Your Excellency to place at the disposal of the Board a sum of money sufficient to erect a Lazaretto, to be ready on the opening of the navigation in the

ensuing Spring. The Board being fully convinced that both humanity and economy loudly call for such a building to be erected as will be suitable for the wants of this Port.

All which is respectfully submitted.

CHARLES YOUNG,

Chairman Central Board of Health.

Charlottetown, P. E. I.,

February 8, 1848.

CHARLOTTETOWN,

February 12th, 1848.

SIR;

Your letter of the 29th ultimo, with its enclosures, has been received, and laid before the Board of Health.

In pursuance of the direction given by His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor, in Council, I have caused a full account of the Expenditure of the Board for the support, &c., of the Sick Emigrants, landed from the Barque "Lady Constable," to be prepared; and shall cause them, in pursuance of the Statute 5th Vict., cap. 5, sec. 11, to be laid before each of the Branches of the Legislature at an early day.

I beg now to enclose to you for His Excellency's information, the Report of the proceedings of the Board since its organization; and also, an additional List of Accounts, passed on the 8th inst.

I have the honor to remain, Sir,

Your obedient servant,

CHARLES YOUNG,

Chairman.

The Honble. T. H. Haviland,

&c., &c., &c.,

Colonial Secretary's Office.

CHARLOTTETOWN, January 13, 1848.

SIR;

On the receipt of your letter of the first instant, I applied to the Medical Officer having charge of the "Lunatic Asylum and House of Industry," and received yesterday the last Report No. 4, now enclosed, shewing that there are now no fever patients in that Institution. I also enclose the Medical Officer's Reports, Nos. 1, 2 and 3, for the information of His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor. The Reports Nos. 2 and 3, shew the number of Patients who have been admitted subsequently to the 14th June last, the diseases under which they severally laboured, the number of patients discharged as convalescent, the periods when admitted, discharged, &c. Those persons who are described in the Report No. 2, as having been received from the old Hospital, are the names of the sick emigrants who were landed from on board the Barque "Lady Constable." By the Re-

port No. 4, His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor will perceive that there are now only three persons remaining in the Asylum—one afflicted with ulcers, another a lunatic, and the third having cancer. These three persons were received by the Board in consequence of the urgent entreaties of the Ladies' Benevolent Society, each being so destitute as to have no other place of refuge.

I have been directed by the Board to communicate to you, for the information of His Excellency, that the "Lunatic Asylum" is now in a condition to be handed over to the Government, and that it has been properly fumigated and cleansed.

I also enclose a list of Accounts passed by the Board; and I am instructed to apply for a grant of Two hundred and Fifty Pounds to pay off the same, and other demands not yet rendered.

I have the honor to be, Sir,

Your humble and obedient Servant,

CHARLES YOUNG,

Chairman C. B. of Health.

The Hon. T. H. Haviland,

Colonial Secretary, &c. &c.

TO THE HON. CHARLES YOUNG, PRESIDENT OF THE CENTRAL BOARD OF HEALTH.

HON. SIR;

I beg to transmit you the accounts and names of claimants of sums investigated and passed by the Central Board of Health, together with a copy of a Resolvend which the Board beg your attention to.

I am, Hon. Sir,

Your very obedient Servant,

JAMES N. HARRIS,

Secretary.

Central Board of Health Office,

December 31st, 1847.

William Wristen,	-	£34	0	0
Michael M'Carthy, truckage,		0	5	0
George Foster, burial,	-	0	7	6
M'Kenna & Brothers, supplies,		68	11	1
Thomas Connors, truckage,		2	12	0
James N. Harris, services,	-	10	0	0
James Connell, white-washing,		3	15	0
James Scantlebury, coffins,	-	2	12	0
Arthur O'Neil, bread,	-	15	12	0
Doctor Hobkirk,	-	53	13	4
P. G. Clark, supplies,	-	0	14	0
		£192	1	11

*Resolved*, That S. Mitchell's account be referred to the President for further inspection and adjustment.

*Resolved*, That the President do apply to Govern-

ment for Two hundred and Fifty Pounds, to defray the foregoing accounts, and other demands not yet rendered.

By Order,

JAMES N. HARRIS,

Sec'y C. B. of Health.

Central Board of Health Office,

December 31st, 1847.

(COPY OF MINUTES.)

At a Meeting of the Central Board of Health, held at the Honble. the President's, February 8, 1848.

The Committee appointed to investigate the Accounts, reported investigation of the same as follows, for payment:

Doctor Mackieson, attendance at the former Board,	-	-	£40	5	7
Doctor Hobkirk—Medical attendance,			33	13	4
S. Mitchell, Keeper,	43	1	9		
	17	10	8		
	<hr/>		60	12	5

Mary McQuaide,	-	19	14	3	
		9	5	9	
		<hr/>		29	0
Theo. Desbrisay—Medicines,	-	-	-	32	12
Dennis Reddin—Supplies,	-	-	-	7	9
J. J. Pippy—Advertising,	-	-	-	0	3
John Gainsford—Bread,	-	-	-	2	19
William Wriston—Services,	-	-	-	11	5
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				£217	17

The President's attention to obtain payment for the above, was requested.

After which, a draft of a Report to His Excellency the Lieut. Governor was presented, and it was then

RESOLVED, That the President be requested to get the same engrossed, and forwarded to His Excellency.

JAMES N. HARRIS,

Secretary,

No. 1.

## List of Sick in the Quarantine Hospital, Charlottetown.

NAMES.	AGE.	ADMIT- TED.	DISEASE.	DIED.	WHEN DISCHARGED.	REMAIN- ING.	REMARKS.
Michael Noone	45	May 24	In health		June 2		Father of 4 children in Hospital
Mary Noone	40		do.			1	Mother of 4 do. do.
Man Noone	11		Dysentery	May 27			
Judy Noone	9		do.			1	
William Noone	6		In health			1	
Bridget Noone	3		Dysentery	May 31			
Catherine Hughes	40		do.		May 30		
Thomas Hughes	5		do.		do.		
Edward Hughes	1		do.		do.		
Ann M'Kenna	45		Dys'nt. & cough	May 30			Severe cough, with expectoration
Mary Maloney	29		In health			1	Mother of 2 children in Hospital
Mary Maloney	7		Dysentery			1	
Margaret Maloney	6 m'ths		cold after me'sl's	June 1			Caught cold after the measles
Mary M'Cowal	40		Dysentery			1	
James Flanning	45		do.		June 1		
Margaret Flanning	20		Diarrhoa		do.		
Mary Flanning	19		In health		do.		
Elizabeth Leitchfield	47		Diarrhoa			1	
Joseph Leitchfield	8		Measles			1	
Fred. Leitchfield	5		Pneumonia	June 1			Subsequent to measles
Matilda Leitchfield	5		Dysentery			1	
Bidy M'Avery	30		Diarrhoa			1	Mother of the 3 following [dren
Mary M'Avery	7 $\frac{1}{2}$		Cough, &c.			1	Cough subsequent to measles
Rosy M'Avery	4		Diarrhoa			1	Diarrhoa do. do.
Helen M'Avery	3		Dysentery	May 26			
Sophia Morell	31		In health			1	Mother of the 2 following
Ann Jane Morell	6		Dysentery			1	
Isabella Morell	2		Diarrhoa			1	
Rosy M'Quaid	45		do.			1	
James M'Quaid	35		Typhus Fever			1	
Mary M'Quaid	30		Cough			1	[cines
Pat. M'Quaid	7		Dysentery	June 1			Refused nourishment and medi-
John M'Quaid	1		Measles	May 24			Cold subsequent to measles
John Finningan	35		In health		June 3		Father of sick children
Rosa Finningan	31		do.		do.		Mother of do.
Job Finningan	14		fever & dysentery	May 27			A desperate case from the first.
John Finningan	12		In health		June 3		
Henry Finningan	10		Dysentery		do.		
Francis Finningan	5		In health		do.		
Mary Finningan	6 w'ks		Atrophy	June 1			Subsequent to measles
Job Carver	23		Typhus			1	
Ann Carver	18		do.			1	
John Walker	40	May 25	Typ. & dysentery	May 29			A severe and complicated attack
Biddy Keon	45		Dysentery		June 1		
Mary Keon	7		In health		do.		
Biddy Keon	4		do.		do.		
Ann Sherry	15		Dysentery	June 3			Another severe and acute case
Mary M'Kenna	21		Thypus			1	
Nelly Trainer	45		Dysentery			1	
Robert Hamy	21		Typhus			1	
Margaret Morell	8	June 4	Fever			1	
James Morell	4	" 4	Diarrhoa			1	
William Hanny	16	" 4	Fever			1	
Total admitted,	53			12	Discharged 15	26	

Discharged, 15  
Died, 12  
Remaining, 26  
Total, 53

J. MACKLESON

No. 2.

## Return of Sick treated in the Lunatic Asylum, from the 15th June, to the 22d November, 1847.

NUMBER.	NAMES.	AGE		DISEASES.	DATE OF ADMISSION.	DATE OF DISCHARGE.	DIED.	REMARKS.
		YEARS.	MONTHS.					
1	David Morell	33		Typhus Fever		15th July		From the old Hospital.
2	Sophia Morell	35		do		15th "		
3	Margaret Morell	8		do		15th "		
4	Ann Jane Morell	6		do		15th "		
5	James Morell	4		do		15th "		
6	Isabella Morell	1	10	do			22d June	
7	Robert Hannah	19		do		15th "		
8	William Hannah	17		do		15th "		
9	Ellen Trainer	46		do		24th June		
10	Mary McKenna	20		do		24th "		
11	Ellen Trainer, jun.	18		do		24th "		
12	Andrew Regan	34		do		21st "		
13	Patrick Barrigan	18		do		21st "		
14	Owen McEwie	36		do			24th June	
15	James McQuade	37		do		22d November		
16	Mary McQuade	35		do		3d August		
17	Patrick McQuade	7		do		22d November		
18	Rose McQuade	43		do		22d "		
19	Bridget Casscelly	40		do			25th June	
20	Mary Casscelly	18		do		1st July		
21	Bridget Casscelly	8		do		1st "		
22	Margaret Casscelly	5		do		1st "		
23	Mary McKenna	20		do		20th August		
24	Bernard McKenna	13		do		9th "		
25	Rebecca Lichfield	46		do		7th September		
26	Joseph Lichfield	8		do		7th "		
27	Matilda Lichfield	6		do		7th "		
28	Ann Garven	19		do		15th November		
29	Catharine Maloy	30		do		1st July		
30	Anthony Maloy	4		do		1st "		
31	Patrick Maloy	2		do		1st "		
32	Patrick M' Mahon	54		do			25th June	
33	Mary Regan	32		do		24th June		
34	Bridget Regan	6		do		24th "		
35	Mary Regan	3		do		24th "		
36	Sylvester Hammell	35		do	17th June	15th July		
37	Margaret Hammell	27		do	17th "	15th "		
38	Mary Hammell	5		do	17th "	15th "		
39	Margaret Walker	12		do	17th "	2d September		
40	George Watson	21		do	18th "	23d June		
41	Elizabeth Clarken	30		do	20th "	10th July		
42	Mary McEwie	21		do	22d "	24th June		
43	James McEwie	—	4	do	22d "	24th "		
44	Alexr. M'Kinnon	38		do	28th "	24th July		
45	Ann McMahan	44		do	29th "	23d August		
46	Ellen Trainer	46		do	5th July		6th July	
47	Ellen Trainer, jun.	18		do	6th "	21st July		
48	Mary McEwar	21		do	9th "	28th "		
49	Mary Trainer	39		do	12th "	20th August		
50	Mary Casscelly	18		do	12th "	30th July		
51	Bridget Casscelly	8		do	12th "	6th August		
52	Margaret Casscelly	5		do	12th "	18th July		
53	Joseph Goldin	18		Dropsy	14th "		3d August	
54	Mrs. Jackson	56		Typhus Fever	16th "		23d July	
55	Bella Kearns	33		do	27th "	28th August	Nurse attending on the Sick.	
56	John Kearns	7		do	27th "	28th "		
57	Ann Griffin	28		do	27th "	14th "		
58	William Smith	37		do	28th "	11th "		

NUMBER.	NAMES.	AGES.		DISEASES.	DATE OF ADMISSION.	DATE OF DISCHARGE.	DIED.	REMARKS.
		YEARS.	MONTHS.					
59	Thomas Bim	17		Typhus Eever	31st July	19th August		
60	John Butler	27		do	3d August	19th "		
61	James McMahon	10		do	7th "	4th October		
62	James Kearns	10		do	13th "	28th August		
63	Thomas Kearns	4		do	13th "	29th "		
64	Susan Lilly			do	13th "	12th September		
65	Ann Lilly			do	13th "	3d "		
66	Lilly Wright			do	13th "	12th "		
67	Fanny Carpenter			do	14th "	28th August		
68	Chas. Wm. Strong	18		do	14th "	23d "		
69	Elizabeth Boylen	20		do	14th "	28th "		
70	Ann Moor	18		do	16th "	7th September		
71	Mary Shepperd			do	17th "	28th August		
72	Michael Bradly	23		do	18th "	20th "		
73	Amelia Byers			do	19th "		23d August	
74	John Kearns	30		do	21st "	8th September		
75	Keziah Byers			do	25th "	12th "		
76	Charles Walsh	19		do	26th "	22d "		
77	Henry Bryant	18		do	27th "	16th October		
78	George Byers			do	28th "	12th September		
79	Susan Byers			do	28th "	12th "		
80	Eliza Winsor	26		do	14th September	4th October		
81	George Carpenter			do	11th October		2d November	
82	Susan Carpenter			do	12th "	2d November		
83	William Carpenter			do	12th "	2d "		
84	H. B. Williams			do	12th "	27th October		
85	Ann Paul	44		do	23d "	2d November		
96	Margaret Bertram	52		do	4th November		11th November	
87	William Compton	48		do	6th "		6th November	

## No. 3.

### Admission and discharge Return of Sick in the Lunatic Asylum, from 24th November to 13th December, 1847

NAMES.	AGE.	DISEASES.	DATE OF ADMISSION.	DATE OF DISCHARGE.	DIED.	REMARKS.
Mary Ann Burns	17	Typhus Fever	24th November	13th December		
Jane Paul	44	Ulcers	4th December			
Jane Paran	44	Typhus Fever	9th do.			
Rosanna Paran*	10	In health	9th do.			
Mary Paran*	7	do.	9th do.			
George Paran*	12	do.	10th do.			
Elizabeth Paran*	2	do.	10th do.			
William Coles*	2	do.	10th do.			
Mrs. M'Pherson,	40	Lunatic	10th do.			

\* The above children are the family of Jane Paran, and have got no person to take care of them.

W. H. HOBKIRK,  
Medical Officer C. Board of Health.

## No. 4.

### Admission and discharge Return of Sick in the Lunatic Asylum, from 14th December, 1847, to 10th January, 1848.

NAMES.	AGE.	DISEASES.	DATE OF ADMISSION.	DATE OF DISCHARGE.	DIED.	REMARKS.
Ann Paul	44	Ulcers	4th December			
Ann Paran	44	Typhus Fever	9th do.	22d December		
Rosanna Paran	10		9th do.	do.		
Mary Paran	7	The family of Ann Paran	9th do.	do.		
George Paran	12		10th do.	do.		
Elizabeth Paran	2		10th do.	do.		
William Coles	3		10th do.	do.		
Catharine M'Pherson	40	Lunatic	10th do.			
Ellen M'Grath	15	Typhus Fever	14th do.	6th Jan. 1848		
Patrick Carrigan,	56	Cancer	27th do.			

W. H. HODKIRK,  
Medical Officer Central Board of Health.

# APPENDIX

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## To the Honorable the House of Assembly, in General Assembly convened.

The Members of the Board of Education beg leave to bring under the notice of your honorable House that the objects which the Legislature had in view, in the supply of such Books as, from time to time, can be purchased with the limited funds at their disposal, would be more efficiently carried out, if they had the means of introducing, for the use of Schools, the series of Books adopted by the Board of Commissioners of National Education in Ireland, the cheapness of which Books (about two thirds less in price than those now in use), together with the propriety of the selection, adapt them in a peculiar manner to the wants of this Island. The Board further observe, that the money now left of the last grant will not enable them to put this improved system into operation, without a Legislative Grant.

The list accompanying this communication will exhibit the great saving that the adoption of the recommendation of the Board would occasion.

The Board of Education would also respectfully remark, that the requirements of the 41st section of the Education Act have not been complied with (with one exception only, in the case of the Depository at Charlottetown.)

By Order of the Board,

WM. CUNDALL, Secretary.

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**PRICE LIST FOR POOR SCHOOLS NOT "NATIONAL."**


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SOLD FOR IN IRELAND.		SOLD FOR IN P. E. ISLAND.	
First Book of Lessons	-	1d.	Murray's First Book is sold at 8d. Cy.
Second do.	-	4d.	Humphrey's Spelling do. 1s. 6d.
Sequel to the Second Book	-	6d.	
Third Book of Lessons	-	8d.	Murray's Introduction do. 2s. 8d.
Fourth do.	-	10d.	
Supplement to the Fourth Book	-	1s. 0d.	English Reader do. 4s. 6d.
Fifth do. (Boys')	-	1s. 0d.	
Reading Book for Girls' School	-	1s. 0d.	
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# APPENDIX

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## Report of the Commissioners for managing the Government Shares and property in the P. E. Island Steam Boat Company.

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CHARLOTTETOWN, February 3rd, 1848.

SIR;

The Commissioners appointed by authority of an Act of the General Assembly of this Island, to manage certain shares and property in the Prince Edward Island Steam Boat Company, on behalf of the Government, have to request Your Excellency's consideration of the following statement, to the end that the proper proceedings may be taken for the final arrangement of the affairs of the Company, and the disposition of the amount pertaining to the Government upon the One hundred and Ninety-eight Shares originally subscribed for by it, and now standing in the names of the Commissioners in the Books of the Company.

It will be seen by reference to the several Acts relating to the affairs of this Company, that in the year One thousand Eight hundred and Forty-two, an appropriation was made by the Legislature for the purchase of One hundred and Fifty Shares in the Company, and the Commissioners were appointed to manage the Shares and property of the Government therein.

In the Session of One thousand Eight hundred and Forty-three, it having been found necessary to make some alteration in the previously arranged route of the Steam Boat employed by the Company; and the Shareholders of Georgetown and its vicinity representing this alteration to be an infraction of the understanding by which they were induced to become Shareholders; the Government listened to the plea, and purchased their Shares—nineteen in number, at the original cost, allowing them four per cent. interest per annum, from the time of payment. At the same time, the Government purchased other twenty-nine Shares, which remained undisposed of, making the whole number of Shares held by the Government to per cent. be one hundred and ninety-eight.

For the encouragement of private shareholders, the Legislature made a special provision (see 6th Vic. cap. 6, sec. 6th), "That in the event of the profits of the Company being found insufficient to make a dividend equal in amount to five per cent per annum, upon the whole number of shares of the Company, that it should be lawful for the Directors to apply the whole profits to the payment of the said dividend of five to the private shareholders only."

In One thousand Eight hundred and Forty-five, upon the representation of the Directors of the Company, that the traffic between the Ports of Pictou, Charlottetown and Miramichi, had been found insufficient and altogether unproductive of profit, it was deemed advisable (as the machinery and boilers of the Steam Boat required extensive repairs) to negotiate the sale of the vessel, and the Commissioners were empowered (8th Vic. cap. 13) to concur in the sale, and to apply any proceeds to the purchase of another Steam Boat, in conjunction with the other Directors of the Steam Navigation Company.

Accordingly, in the fall of the year, the St. George was disposed of to certain parties at Quebec; and the Directors entered upon enquiries and correspondence for the purpose of replacing her by a vessel better suited to these harbors and voyages, and to the general purposes for which such a vessel is required.

The result of their enquiries proved very unsatisfactory; and it was resolved at a general meeting of Shareholders, held at the Court House on Tuesday the Twenty-ninth day of July, One thousand Eight hundred and Forty-seven—the Directors having reported that they had been unsuccessful in their endeavours to obtain a suitable Steam Boat (in conformity with the Resolution of February last), and that they had no expectation of being able soon to procure one—that public notice be given by advertisement in the Island Papers thereof; and that having ascertained by the sale of the Stores belonging to the Company, &c., that the present value of each Share is Six Pounds Nineteen Shillings: all Shareholders wishing to withdraw from the Company will be permitted to do so, receiving that amount per Share, upon application to the Honorable T. H. Haviland, Treasurer of the Company, any time between the date hereof and the first day of October next. That parties not applying previous to that date, will be considered as willing to give their aid and support in the further prosecution of the objects of the Company, if any favorable opportunity should present itself, and will be expected to give a ready compliance with any further calls of instalment which may be found requisite. That the most part of the Shareholders have taken advantage of this proposal, and have withdrawn the amount of their Shares, whereby the Company is virtually dissolved.

The Commissioners have, therefore, to request that Your Excellency will be pleased to take such steps as may be needful for the instruction of the Commissioners, of the course to be pursued by them with respect to the property of the Government in the Company, which they have been appointed to manage.

We have the honor to be,

Your Excellency's

most obedient humble Servants,

CHARLES HENSLEY,  
JOSEPH POPE.

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COPY.

COUNCIL CHAMBER, February 24th, 1848.

At a Meeting of Council,

PRESENT:

HIS EXCELLENCY THE LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR,  
&c. &c. &c.

Upon reading the accompanying communication from the Commissioners appointed to manage the Government Shares in the Prince Edward Island Steam Navigation Company—

It was ordered, that the Treasurer of the Company be directed to pay into the Colonial Treasury the amount pertaining to the Government upon the 198 Shares originally subscribed for by it, and now standing in the names of the Commissioners, on the Books of the Company.

It was also further ordered, that the foregoing communication be transmitted to the House of Assembly.

T. H. HAVILAND, C. C.

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# APPENDIX

(I.)

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## A Circular from the Right Honorable Earl Grey, transmitting Act of Parliament relative to the naturalization of Aliens.

### CIRCULAR.

DOWNING STREET,  
25th September, 1847.

SIR;

In the last Session of Parliament an Act was passed "for the Naturalization of Aliens," 10th and 11th Vict., ch. 83. I herewith enclose a Copy of it.

The preamble of that Act explains briefly the circumstances in which it originated. In almost all of the British Colonies Laws had, of late years, been enacted, the object of which was to impart the privileges of Natural-born British Subjects to Aliens inhabiting the Colonies in which those enactments were made. On referring those Acts to the successive Law Officers of the Crown, it appeared from their answers to such references, to be a matter of great doubt whether they were valid and effectual for their purpose, and whether the Queen could properly be advised to confirm them. The principal ground of this doubt was the existence in the British Statute Book of various General Acts respecting the Naturalization of Aliens, some of which Acts of Parliament, and especially the Statute 7th & 8th Vict., ch. 66, were supposed by Her Majesty's Legal Advisers to extend to, and be in force throughout the British Colonies. But the Colonial Acts in question being found to be in several respects, at variance with, and repugnant to those Acts of Parliament, it was inferred that such Colonial Enactments were null and void either in whole or in part.

To obviate a conclusion replete with so much inconvenience, and recommended by no assignable advantage, Her Majesty's Government recommended to Parliament in their last Session, the passing of the Act which I now enclose.

The result of that Act is First, to give validity to all Colonial Naturalization Acts formerly passed, and to declare that they shall be taken to have been valid from the time of their Enactment. Secondly,

the Act then proceeds to provide that all Naturalization Acts which shall hereafter be passed by any Colonial Legislature shall, within the limits of the Colony, have the force of Law, any Law or Statute to the contrary notwithstanding. But Thirdly, both the retrospective and the prospective operation of the 10th & 11th Vict., ch. 83, is confined to Colonial Acts, which authorize the enjoyment of the privileges of Naturalization within the limits of the Colony within which such Act shall have been, or shall be, made. It also declares, Fourthly, that all such Naturalization Laws shall be subject to the Rules which regulate the Enactment and disallowance of Colonial Laws on any other subject. And, Finally, it declares that the 7th & 8th Vict., ch. 66, does not extend to the British Colonies.

The result of these enactments will be to remove all doubts which have hitherto prevented the confirmation of various Naturalization Acts of the different British Colonies, and to ascertain the competency of the Colonial Legislatures to confer on Aliens the privileges of Natural-born British Subjects, if the exercise of those privileges be limited to the particular Colony in which the Enactment may be made.

It may obviate a possible misconception to add, that inasmuch as that part of the Navigation Act which confines to British Subjects the ownership of British Registered Shipping, is not repealed, but continues in full force,—the disability of an Alien naturalized under a Colonial Act, to own such Shipping, is not removed by the accompanying Statute 10th & 11th Vict., ch. 83. It would, indeed, be at variance with the terms of that Act, to claim such a privilege in pursuance of it, inasmuch as the privileges which it authorises the Colonial Legislatures to confer, are expressly restricted to the limits of the Colony within which they may so be conferred.

I propose, in a series of separate Despatches, to advert to, and dispose of, the particular questions of this kind which have hitherto been pending; those

separate Despatches being, of course, addressed to the Governors of those Colonies only in which any such questions have arisen.

I have the honor to be,  
Your obedient humble Servant,  
GREY.

Lieut. Governor  
Sir H. V. Huntley.



ANNO DECIMO & UNDECIMO  
**VICTORIÆ REGINÆ.**

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C A P. LXXXIII.

An Act for the Naturalization of Aliens.

[22d July, 1847.]

**W**HETHERAS by divers Acts, Statutes or Ordinances enacted by the Legislatures of divers of Her Majesty's Colonies or Possessions abroad, Provision hath been made for imparting to divers Aliens there resident the Privileges or some of the Privileges of Naturalization, to be exercised and enjoyed within the respective Limits of such Colonies and Possessions respectively: And whereas Doubts have arisen as to the Competency of the said Legislatures to enact any such Laws, Statutes, or Ordinances, and as to the Validity of the same when so enacted, and it is expedient that such Doubts be removed: Be it therefore and it is hereby declared and enacted by the Queen's most Excellent Majesty, by and with the Advice and Consent of the Lords Spiritual and Temporal, and Commons, in this present Parliament assembled, and by the Authority of the same, That all Acts, Statutes, and Ordinances heretofore made and enacted by the Legislatures of any of Her Majesty's Colonies and Possessions abroad, for imparting to any Person or Persons the Privileges or any of the Privileges of Naturalization, to be by any such Person or Persons exercised and enjoyed within the respective Limits of such Colonies or possessions respectively, shall within such Limits have and be taken and reputed to have had from the Time of the Enactment thereof respectively, all such and the same Force and Effect as doth by Law belong to any other Law, Statute, or Ordinance made or enacted by any such respective Legislature.

II. And be it and it is hereby enacted and declared, That all Laws, Statutes, and Ordinances which shall hereafter be made and enacted by the Legislatures

of any of Her Majesty's Colonies or Possessions abroad for imparting to any Person or Persons the Privileges, or any of the Privileges of Naturalization, to be by any such Person or Persons exercised and enjoyed within the Limits of any such Colonies and Possessions respectively, shall within such Limits have the Force and Authority of Law, any Law, Statute, or Usage to the contrary in anywise notwithstanding: Provided nevertheless, that all such Laws, Statutes, and Ordinances shall be made and enacted in such Manner and Form, and subject to and in conformity with all such Rules as now are or hereafter shall be in force in respect of other Laws, Statutes, or Ordinances enacted or to be enacted by any such Legislatures respectively, and shall and may be confirmed or disallowed by Her Majesty in such and the same manner, and subject to the same Rules and Regulations as extend or as shall hereafter extend to the Confirmation or Disallowance of any other such Laws, Statutes, or Ordinances.

III. And whereas a certain Act was made and enacted in the Seventh and Eighth Year of the Reign of Her present Majesty, intituled *An Act to amend the Laws relating to Aliens*: And whereas Doubts have arisen whether the said recited Act of the Seventh and Eighth Year of Her Majesty's Reign extends to and is in force in Her Majesty's Colonies or Possessions abroad; now it is hereby further enacted and declared, That the said recited Act of the Seventh and Eighth Year of Her Majesty's Reign, or any Part of it, doth not extend to the said Colonies or Possessions, or to any of them.

IV. And be it enacted, That this Act may be amended or repealed by any other Act of this present Session of Parliament.

(Copy.)

FREDERICTON, N. B.,  
February 22d, 1848.

SIR;

The Legislature of this Province having made provision for the Survey and Exploration of the Line of country between the City of St. John and the Fort of Shediac, with a view to the construction of a Branch Railway to join the Main Trunk Railway from Halifax to Quebec, upon the Line recommended by Major Robinson and Captain Henderson, the Officers appointed by Her Majesty's Government for that exploration; I take the earliest occasion to inform your Excellency, that the Officers who have been selected to conduct the Survey and Exploration of the Shediac and St. John Line, will commence their operations without delay, after the opening of the Spring; and as the undertaking is one of importance to the Inhabitants of Prince Edward Island,

the Legislature of that Island may be desirous of co-operating in it.

I have, &c.,  
(Signed) WM. COLEBROOKE.

His Excellency  
Sir Donald Campbell, Bart.,  
Lieutenant Governor,  
&c., &c., &c.

**FURNITURE  
FOR  
PUBLIC OFFICES.**

*Copy from Colonial Rules and Regulations, page 65, Edition 1843.*

"9. The Government Offices in the respective Colonies, will also be supplied at the public expense, with such Furniture of a plain, but substantial kind, as may be absolutely requisite for the proper accommodation of the persons belonging to the Departments while engaged in the transaction of the Public Business.

"10. The Lords Commissioners of the Treasury consider Carpeting unnecessary for this purpose, except in climates where a considerable degree of cold is experienced."

**ESTIMATE of FURNITURE, &c., required for the PUBLIC OFFICES in the COLONIAL BUILDING.**

**JUDGE OF PROBATES' OFFICE.**

Fitting up the safety Clpset in 27 compartments or "Pigeon-holes," and Iron bar for additional security	£1 18 0
2 arm chairs, 30s. & 20s.; 4 common do. 20s. & 10s.; (Hair seats)	7 0 0
1 Office Desk, 40s.; 1 Table with 2 drawers, 18s.;	2 18 0
1 Book Case, with folding doors,	4 0 0
1 set of Fire Irons, 15s.; Coal Scuttle, 6s.; Hearth brush, 3s.;	1 4 0
1 large Office Inkstand,	0 10 0
1 Scotch or Kidderminster Carpet, 26 yds. at 6s.; making, 10s.;	8 6 0
1 Window Blind, 7s. 6d.; 1 Cloth Table Cover, 12s. 6d.,	1 0 0
	£26 16 0

**GOVERNOR'S OFFICE.**

1 Scarlet Moreen Window Curtain, 18 yards, at 3s.,	£2 14 0
Making do., 15s.; Blind, 7s. 6d.,	1 2 6
1 Brussels Carpet, 36 yds. at 8s.; making do. 10s.;	14 18 0
1 set fire irons, 18s.; hearth brush, 3s.,	1 1 0
1 Office ink stand, 10s.; coal scuttle 6s.,	0 16 0
	£20 11 6

**COLONIAL SECRETARY AND REGISTRAR'S OFFICE.**

3 Window blinds, at 7s. 6d.,	£1 2 6
1 Scotch Carpet, 26 yds., at 6s.; makings do., 10s.,	3 6 0
1 railed Desk (double), 60s.; 2 stools, at 9s. each,	3 18 0
2 Tables for laying Records on, at 15s.	1 10 0
1 large Table, 18s.; Cloth cover for do., 12s. 6d.,	1 10 6
2 Oil Cloth Covers, at 7s. 6d.,	0 15 0
2 Arm Chairs, at 30s.; 3 common do. at 20s., (Hair seats)	6 0 0
2 large Office Ink stands, at 10s.; 2 sets fire irons, at 15s.,	2 10 0
1 coal scuttle, 6s.; 2 hearth brushes, at 3s.,	0 12 0
Altering a large Press, now in use, for Papers,	1 0 0
	£27 4 0

**TREASURER'S OFFICE.**

3 Window Blinds, at 7s. 6d.; 1 Clerk's desk and Stool, 50s.,	£3 12 6
1 Scotch Carpet, 26 yds. at 6s.; making do. 18s.,	8 6 0
1 Table 18s.; Cloth cover for do. 12s. 6d.	1 10 6
1 Press for Papers, with folding doors,	3 10 0
1 Coal scuttle, 6s.; 2 sets fire irons, at 15s.,	1 16 0
2 Office ink stands, at 10s.; 2 hearth brushes, at 3s.,	1 6 0
2 Arm Chairs, 30s. & 20s.; 2 common do. at 20s.	6 0 0
Lining 2 doors and 2 shutters with sheet iron, and bars, for additional security,	4 0 0
	£30 1 0

**SURVEYOR GENERAL'S OFFICE.**

1 Scotch Carpet, 26 yards at 6s.; making do., 10s.,	£8 6 0
1 window blind, 7s. 6d.; 1 office ink stand, 10s.,	0 17 6
2 Tables, at 15s.; Cloth Cover, 12s 6d Holland do., 7s. 6d.,	2 10 0
1 large press for Plans, Maps, Papers, &c.,	4 0 0
2 Arm Chairs, 20s. & 30s.; 2 common do. 10s. & 20s.,	5 0 0
1 Office Ink stand, 10s.; 1 sett Fire Irons, 15s.,	1 5 0
1 Coal Scuttle, 6s.; 1 hearth brush, 3s.; 1 stool, 9s.,	0 18 0
	£22 16 6

## COLLECTOR OF IMPOSTS' OFFICE.

1 Scotch Carpet, 26 yds. at 6s.; making do. 10s., - - -	£8 6 0
1 Table, 18s.; cloth cover for do., 12s. 6d.; - - -	1 10 6
1 Window blind, 7s. 6d.; 1 Office Ink stand, 10s., - - -	0 17 6
1 Clerk's Desk, 30s.; 1 stool for do., 9s., - - -	1 19 0
1 Press for Papers, with folding doors, - - -	3 10 0
1 sett fire irons, 15s.; Coal scuttle, 6s., - - -	1 1 0
1 Hearth brush, 3s.; 1 arm chair, 20s. & 30s.; 2 common do., 10s. & 20s., - - -	3 13 0
	<u>£20 17 0</u>

## REGISTRAR IN CHANCERY'S OFFICE:

1 Carpet, 166s.; 1 window blind, 7s. 6d.; inkstand, 10s., - - -	£9 3 6
1 Arm chair, 20s. & 30s.; 2 common do. 20s. & 10s., - - -	3 10 0
1 Table, 18s.; cloth cover, 12s. 6d.; - - -	

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Case for Books and Papers, 70s., - - -	£5 0 6
Fire Irons, 15s.; hearth brush, 3s.; - - -	
Coal Scuttle, 6s., - - -	1 4 0
	<u>£18 18 0</u>

## PROTHONOTARY'S OFFICE.

1 window blind, 7s. 6d., - - -	£0 7 6
1 Table with 2 drawers & cloth cover, - - -	1 10 6
1 sett fire irons, 15s.; coal scuttle, 6s., - - -	1 1 0
2 Office ink stands, at 10s., - - -	1 0 0
2 hearth brushes, at 3s., - - -	0 6 0
2 Arm Chairs, at 30s.; 4 common do. at 20s., - - -	7 0 0
	<u>£11 5 0</u>

Total amount, - £178 9 0

Deduct Carpet for Office of Collector of Impost, - - -	8 6 0
	<u>£170 3 0</u>

Charlottetown, 3d March, 1848.

# APPENDIX

(J.)

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## FIRST AND SECOND REPORTS ON PAUPER PETITIONS.

### FIRST REPORT.

Your Committee, to whom was referred the several Petitions for the relief of Paupers, beg to recommend, that it would tend to simplify the proceedings and bear more equitably on all parts of the Island, if the amount annually voted for the relief of Paupers were equally divided between the several Electoral Districts; and, after giving such Paupers as might be thought in need of relief, severally, such sums as circumstances will admit of, that the residue, if any, be expended, in the said several Districts, in the repairs of Roads and Bridges.

Your Committee further submit, that the sum of Three Hundred and Thirty Pounds is as much as the present financial circumstances of the Colony will admit of being appropriated for the whole Island, including therein such sums as may be necessary for the relief of the Ladies' and Irish Benevolent Societies, &c.

Henry Windsor,	-	-	£3	0	0
Two blind persons, named M <sup>c</sup> Kay,	-	-	10	0	0
Wilhow McDowall,	-	-	2	0	0
Pierre Ducett,	-	-	3	0	0
			£46	10	0

#### 2nd DISTRICT.

Jane Kier,	-	-	£1	10	0
James Conway,	-	-	2	0	0
Catherine Barret,	-	-	1	10	0
Mary Brit,	-	-	2	0	0
John Austin,	-	-	2	0	0
John Ready,	-	-	2	0	0
Philip Cody,	-	-	2	0	0
Patrick Keely,	-	-	3	0	0
James Doolan,	-	-	1	10	0
Patrick McArran,	-	-	3	0	0
John McDonald,	-	-	3	0	0
Adelaide Murphy,	-	-	2	10	0
Catherine McDonald,	-	-	3	0	0

£29 0 0

### SECOND REPORT.

Your Committee having maturely considered the subject to them referred, are of opinion that the Petitioners and others, for whom aid is solicited, be relieved according to the amounts respectively attached to their names in the following scale:—

#### QUEEN'S COUNTY.

##### 1st. DISTRICT.

Mary Campbell, New London,	-	£2	0	0
Charles Quiltie and Wife	-	3	0	0
Daniel Duggan,	-	5	0	0
Michael Malone,	-	2	0	0
Flora Nicholson,	-	2	10	0
Amelia Gallant,	-	3	0	0
Jude Ducett,	-	3	0	0
Victoria Petre,	-	3	0	0
John McCanady,	-	5	0	0

##### 3d DISTRICT.

John Hines,	-	-	£3	0	0
John M <sup>c</sup> Leod, Montague,	-	-	1	10	0
Mary M <sup>c</sup> Aulay, for her Son,	-	-	8	0	0
Magdalene Hearn,	-	-	2	10	0
Marcella Kelly,	-	-	2	10	0
John McMillan,	-	-	2	0	0

£19 10 0

##### CHARLOTTETOWN.

Ladies' Benevolent Society,	-	£40	0	0
Nathaniel Gibbs,	-	4	0	0
Patrick O'Keefe,	-	2	10	0
Bridget Trainor,	-	1	10	0
William Purcel,	-	10	0	0
Anastatia Corrigan,	-	2	0	0
Samuel Martin, (Black]	-	2	10	0
Jeremiah Keough,	-	4	0	0

Elizabeth Lallow, - - -	£3 0 0
William McGrath, - - -	2 0 0
Patrick Keefe, - - -	2 10 0
Margaret M'Arty, - - -	8 0 0
William Mahar, - - -	5 0 0
	£87 0 0
	£182 0 0

### KING'S COUNTY.

#### 1st. DISTRICT.

Mary Connors, - - -	£4 0 0
Robert Maine, - - -	3 0 0
Daniel Connors, - - -	4 0 0
Thos. Devereaux, - - -	4 0 0
Nancy M'Eachern, - - -	2 0 0
Nancy M'Donald, - - -	1 10 0
Lauchlan Gillies' Son, - - -	1 10 0
Widow M'Leod, - - -	3 0 0
A poor Widow on the Mill Road, Lot 15,	1 10 0
Prosper Fisher, - - -	1 10 0
	£26 0 0

#### 2nd. DISTRICT.

John Mathieson, - - -	£4 0 0
John De Cost, - - -	1 10 0
Mary Nicholas, - - -	2 0 0
Pierce Welsh, - - -	3 0 0
Christy M'Eachern, - - -	3 0 0
Mrs. Partridge, - - -	2 0 0
Mrs. Brown, - - -	2 0 0
Mrs. Henderson, - - -	3 0 0
Catherine Johnson, - - -	2 0 0
	£22 10 0

#### 3d. DISTRICT, including GEORGETOWN.

Nicholas Richards, - - -	£2 0 0
Edward Roach, - - -	2 0 0
Henry Prouse, - - -	6 0 0
Alexander Fraser, - - -	1 5 0
Catherine Welsh, - - -	2 10 0
Mr. Gardiner, - - -	1 10 0
MacGregor's Orphan Children, -	4 10 0
John Griffin and Sisters, - - -	5 0 0
Mrs. Coady, - - -	3 0 0
Richard Butler, - - -	2 0 0
Samuel Le Cook, - - -	1 5 0
Widow Michael Level, to pay Funeral expenses, - - -	1 0 0
Duncan Cameron, - - -	1 10 0
Mary M'Phee, - - -	2 10 0
Margaret Wilson, - - -	2 0 0
	£38 0 0
	£86 10 0

### PRINCE COUNTY.

#### 1st. DISTRICT.

John Morrison, Grand River, -	£2 0 0
Alexander Bell, - - -	3 0 0

Elspett Collins, - - -	£4 0 0
George Murray, - - -	2 0 0
Joseph Ducett, - - -	2 0 0
Sally Francis, - - -	1 10 0
Jane Cotton, - - -	2 0 0
Elizabeth Ruth, - - -	8 0 0
James Adams, - - -	3 0 0
	£27 10 0

#### 2nd. DISTRICT, including PRINCETOWN & ROYALTY.

Samuel Cameron, - - -	£3 0 0
John M'Leod, Quagmire, - - -	4 0 0
Mary Gallant, - - -	3 0 0
Michael Long, - - -	2 0 0
Michael M'Grath, - - -	1 10 0
Peter Richards, - - -	1 10 0
Sarah Macdonald, - - -	2 0 0
Benjamin Warren, - - -	3 0 0
George Howell, - - -	2 0 0
James Gillies, - - -	2 0 0
Widow Benj. Perry, - - -	2 0 0
	£26 0 0

#### 3d. DISTRICT.

Elizabeth Snow, - - -	£2 0 0
John Rice, - - -	3 0 0
Anna Maria Baker, - - -	2 0 0
Catherine Murphy, - - -	1 10 0
Nancy Murphy, - - -	2 0 0
Morris Corrin, - - -	2 0 0
Widow M'Innis, - - -	1 10 0
Margaret Snow, - - -	2 0 0
William M'Neil, - - -	2 0 0
Dianah Crew, - - -	1 10 0
	£19 10 0
	£73 0 0
Amount to King's County, -	£86 10 0
Amount to Queen's County, -	182 0 0
	£341 10 0

Your Committee have further to report, that the undermentioned persons have been on the Pauper List of former years, but your Committee cannot get any information as to their present circumstances, or even any evidence as to whether they are in actual existence; and therefore, your Committee do not see it advisable to make any grants in their behalf.

Donald Maclean,	Margaret Finlayson,
John M'Donald,	Flora Macleod,
Patrick Kelly,	John Macleod,
Patrick Corrigan,	Christy Curry,
Margaret M'Sween,	Michael O'Neil,
Malcolm M'Aulay,	Mary M'Phee,
Alexander M'Lennan,	Widow Bridget Murphy.
James Maddox,	

# APPENDIX (K.)

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*Goods on which Impost Duties have been paid, & the Duties thereon, for the Year ending January 31st, 1848.*

PORT OF ENTRY.	TEA.		TOBACCO—manufactured.		TOBACCO—unmanufactured.		BEER, PORTER.		WINE.	
	Weight.	Duty.	Weight.	Duty.	Weight.	Duty.	Recr.	Porter.	Quantity.	Duty.
<b>CHARLOTTETOWN,</b>	lbs.	£ s d	lbs.	£ s d	lbs.	£ s d	gals.	£ s d	gals.	£ s d
	66,498	1108 6 0	2102½	35 0 10	60,574	504 15 8	1230	10 5 0½	1375½	137 11 0
	21,828	363 16 0	1383½	23 1 2	11,688	97 8 0	347	2 17 10	686½	68 13 0
	58,309	971 16 4	4340½	72 6 10	26,460	220 10 0	235	5 18 6½	1264½	189 13 6
<b>GEORGETOWN,</b>	lbs.	£ s d	lbs.	£ s d						
	5927	98 15 8	271	4 10 4			5	0 0 10	60	6 0 0
	1341	22 7 0	135	2 5 0			240	2 0 0		
	1863	31 1 0	50	0 10 0			141	1 13 6	51	5 2 0
<b>SOURIS,</b>	lbs.	£ s d	lbs.	£ s d						
	10,188	169 16 0	2341	39 0 4			233	4 0 7	177	26 2 6
	219	3 13 0	268	4 9 4						
	1880	31 6 8	813	13 11 0						
<b>BEBEQUE,</b>	lbs.	£ s d	lbs.	£ s d						
	1843	30 14 4	470	7 16 8						
	4689	78 3 0	1245½	20 15 2						
	437	7 5 8	140	2 6 8						
<b>RICHMOND BAY,</b>	lbs.	£ s d	lbs.	£ s d						
	1070	17 16 8								
	3008	50 2 8	227	3 15 8						
	8945	149 1 8	48	0 16 0						
<b>NEW LONDON,</b>	lbs.	£ s d	lbs.	£ s d						
	4705	78 8 4	68	1 2 8						
	388	6 9 4			72	0 12 0		0 5 0	20	
	1176	19 11 10	195	3 5 0						
<b>CASCUMPEQUE,</b>	lbs.	£ s d	lbs.	£ s d						
	919	15 6 4	603	10 1 0						
	132	2 4 0	144	2 8 0						
	142	2 7 4	35	0 11 8						
<b>SAINT PETER'S,</b>	lbs.	£ s d	lbs.	£ s d						
	247	4 2 4	228	3 16 0						
	587	9 15 8	435	7 5 0						
	336	5 12 0								
<b>BELFAST,</b>	lbs.	£ s d	lbs.	£ s d						
	196,677	£3,277 18 10	15,523	£258 14 4	98,791	£823 5 8	2461	£27 1 3½	50½	£443 10 0

PORT OF ENTRY.	RUM.		GIN.		BRANDY.		BREAD.		BUTTER.				
	QUARTER ENDING.	Qty.	Duty.	Qty.	Duty.	Qty.	Duty.	Wt.	Value.	Duty.	Wt.	Value.	Duty.
	gals.	£ s d	gals.	£ s d	gals.	£ s d	lbs.	£ s d	lbs.	£ s d	lbs.	£ s d	£ s d
CHARLOTTETOWN,	June 30	6892	603 1 0	1444	144 8 0	1879	187 18 0				446	18 15 0	1 18 10
	Sept. 30	5588	498 19 0	785	78 10 0	923	92 6 0				365	7 18 4	1 4 2
	Dec. 31	11,161	1255 12 3	2368	384 16 0	2550½	414 9 1½				7326	21 5 3	0 17 9½
	Mar. 31	3685	322 8 9	125	12 10 0	138	13 16 0				83	3 15 7	0 7 11
	June 30	916	80 3 0	5	0 10 0	5	0 10 0						
GEORGETOWN,	Sept. 30	2351	264 9 9	20	2 0 0	61	6 2 0				784	2 5 6	
	Dec. 31	10	0 17 6	326	49 15 6	161	26 3 3						
	Mar. 31	736	64 8 0	2	0 4 0	16	1 12 0						
	June 30	358	31 6 6	69	11 4 3	69	6 18 0						
	Sept. 30	1164	130 19 0										
SOURIS,	June 30	124	10 17 0										
	Sept. 30	101	8 16 9										
	Dec. 31	435	48 18 9	78	12 13 6	144	23 8 0				78	0 4 6	
	Mar. 31												
	June 30												
BEDEQUE,	Sept. 30												
	Dec. 31												
	June 30												
	Sept. 30												
	Dec. 31												
RICHMOND BAR,	June 30												
	Sept. 30												
	Dec. 31												
	June 30												
	Sept. 30												
NEW LONDON,	Dec. 31												
	June 30												
	Sept. 30	244	21 7 0										
	Dec. 31	348	39 3 0										
	June 30												
CASCOMBEQUE,	Sept. 30	110	12 7 6	1	0 3 3								
	Dec. 31												
	June 30												
	Sept. 30												
	Dec. 31												
SAINT PETER'S,	June 30												
	Sept. 30												
	Dec. 31												
	June 30												
	Sept. 30												
BELFAST,	Mar. 31	34,223	3383 14 9	5223	£696 14 6	5946½	£773 2 4½	8982	£20 6 9		810	£3 18 0	

PORT OF ENTRY.	QUARTER ENDING.	BOOTS & SHOES.		BOARDS.		BUFFALO ROBES,		CHEESE.			
		Value.	Duty.	Quantity.	Value.	Duty.	Value.	Duty.	Quantity.	Value.	Duty.
CHARLOTTETOWN,	June 30	£ 937 6 8½	£ s d 92 10 7	fccf. 12,900	£ s d 21 1 8	£ s d 2 13 4	£ s d 32 2 6	£ s d 3 19 2½	9 1 19	32 2 6	3 19 2½
	Sept. 30	323 17 9	32 7 9	27,500	33 5 0	5 2 0	55 16 3	7 10 8½	19 0 0	55 16 3	7 10 8½
	Dec. 31	334 8 7	33 8 10	71,375		5 15 5			25 0 18		10 1 3
	Mar. 31	6 6 0	0 12 7								
GEORGETOWN,	June 30	13 6 7	1 6 7½								
	Sept. 30	6 1 3	0 12 1½								
	Dec. 31										
	Mar. 31										
SOURIS,	June 30	6 0 0	0 12 0								
	Sept. 30	33 5 0	3 6 6								
	Dec. 31	30 11 0	3 1 1								
	June 30										
BEDEQUE,	Sept. 30			1500	2 5 0	0 6 0					
	Dec. 31			3500		0 8 9					
	Mar. 31										
	June 30	57 16 8	5 15 8	250	0 7 6	0 0 7½					
RICHMOND BAY,	Sept. 30	46 11 1	4 13 1	3250	4 17 6	0 8 1½					
	Dec. 31			5000		0 7 6					
	June 30	0 7 6	0 0 9								
	Sept. 30			1000		0 2 6					
NEW LONDON,	Dec. 31			4000	6 0 0	0 16 0					
	June 30										
	Sept. 30										
	Dec. 31	20 13 6	2 1 4	1000							
CASCUMPEQUE,	June 30										
	Sept. 30										
	Dec. 31										
	June 30										
SAINT PETER'S,	Dec. 31										
	June 30										
	Dec. 31										
	Mar. 31										
BELFAST,	June 30										
	Sept. 30										
	Dec. 31										
	Mar. 31	£1816 11 7½	£190 8 11½	129,275		£19 5 9	£257 5 0	£25 14 6	53 2 9		£21 11 2

PORT OF ENTRY.	QUARTER ENDING.	COFFEE.			CHOCOLATE.			CORN & OATMEAL.			CIGARS.			CLOCKS.	
		Weight.	Value.	Duty.	Weight.	Duty.	Quantity.	Duty.	Value.	Duty.	Value.	Duty.	Value.	No.	
		cut. qrs. lbs.	£ s d	£ s d	lbs.	£ s d	bbls.	£ s d	£ s d	£ s d	£ s d	£ s d	£ s d		
CHARLOTTETOWN,	June 30	16 1 3	39 7 8	3 12 1											
	Sept. 30	36 2 4	86 17 0	7 19 10											
	Dec. 31	29 1 9		20 10 7½	114	0 9 6	13	3 5 0	7 2 6	1 15 7½	14 4 8	41 14 6			
	Mar. 31	2 2 14	8 15 6	0 14 0½										84	
GEORGETOWN,	June 30	3 3 8	7 12 0	0 15 3											
	Sept. 30														
	Dec. 31	1 3 15		1 6 4½	50	0 4 2	4	1 2 0	2 2 6	0 12 9					
	Mar. 31	0 1 7	1 5 0	0 1 7½											
SOURIS,	June 30	2 2 20	8 7 4	0 13 9											
	Sept. 30	1 3 15	4 15 0	0 8 6½											
	Dec. 31	4 1 9		3 0 7½	49	0 4 1	12	2 19 0	0 12 0	0 3 0	0 6 0				
	June 30	1 0 0		0 2 0										1	
RICHMOND BAY,	Sept. 30														
	Dec. 31														
	Mar. 31														
	June 30	1 0 14	3 2 6	0 5 4½											
NEW LONDON,	Sept. 30														
	Dec. 31														
	June 30														
	Sept. 30														
CASUMPEQUE,	Dec. 31														
	June 30														
	Sept. 30														
	Dec. 31	1 2 11	4 17 0	0 9 1½											
SAINT PETER'S,	June 30														
	Dec. 31														
	Mar. 31														
BELFAST,		103 1 27		£39 18 2½	213	£0 17 9	29	£7 6 0	£207 10 6	£58 4 2½	£89 17 0		85		

PORT OF ENTRY.	QUARTER ENDING.	CLOCKS.		CARRIAGES.		CATTLE.		HORSES.		SOLE LEATHER.	
		Value.	Duty.	Value.	Duty.	No.	Value.	Duty.	No.	Value.	Weight.
CHARLOTTEOWN,	June 30	£ s d	£ s d	£ s d	No.	£ s d	£ s d	lbs.	£ s d		£ s d
	Sept. 30	6 12 10½	15 14 9	104 18 4				9262	450 2 9		
	Dec. 31	6 5 2	2 17 9	19 5 0				11,922½	495 18 8		
	Mar. 31	21 0 0	0 5 9½	1 18 9	1 Cow	0 10 0		15,700¼			
GEORGETOWN,	June 30	0 3 9						2277	103 0 7		
	Sept. 30							755	34 16 11		
	Dec. 31							521	23 11 6		
	Mar. 31							3603			
SOURIS,	June 30							165	8 12 6		
	Sept. 30							1311	64 14 8		
	Dec. 31							64	3 2 0		
	Mar. 31							754½			
BEDEQUE,	June 30							491	22 11 5		
	Sept. 30	0 5 0	1 13 0	11 0 0	1 head	0 16 6		251	11 10 0		
	Dec. 31		0 15 0	5 0 0	2	2 0 0		1252			
	Mar. 31										
RICHMOND BAY,	June 30							471	30 12 3		
	Sept. 30							484	31 1 8		
	Dec. 31							104			
	Mar. 31										
NEW LONDON,	June 30							110	5 12 0		
	Sept. 30							266½			
	Dec. 31							122	7 15 7		
	Mar. 31							83	5 5 0		
CASUMPEQUE,	June 30							106			
	Sept. 30										
	Dec. 31										
	Mar. 31										
SAINT PETER'S,	June 30										
	Sept. 30										
	Dec. 31										
	Mar. 31										
BELFAST,	June 30										
	Sept. 30										
	Dec. 31										
	Mar. 31										
		£31 6 9½	£21 5 3¼	£145 2 1	6 head.	£3 10 3	£52 10 0	£5 12 6	3	50,161	

PORT OF ENTRY.	QUARTER ENDING.	SOLE LEATHER.		UPPER LEATHER.		HARNESS LEATHER.		LARD.			
		Weight.	Duty.	Value.	Duty.	Weight.	Value.	Duty.	Value.	Duty.	
CHARLOTTETOWN,	June 30	1315½	£ 40 16 0½	£ 183 12 8	£ 20 3 4½	lbs. 205	£ 14 14 2	£ 1 11 9½			
	Sept. 30	383	49 12 7	43 2 0	5 6 10	492½	35 14 11	3 16 9½			
	Dec. 31	1247	130 16 9	S 7 10	20 15 8	1031		S 11 10			
	Mar. 31	78	9 17 10½		1 1 4½						
GEORGETOWN,	June 30		3 6 3½			10	1 10 0	0 2 4			
	Sept. 30		2 5 3								
	Dec. 31		30 0 2		1 18 8						
	Mar. 31		0 15 6	14 2 0	1 11 9						
SOURIS,	June 30		5 19 4½	24 15 0	2 15 7						
	Sept. 30		0 5 9½	2 0 0	0 5 10						
	Dec. 31		6 5 9		1 11 4						
	June 30		2 2 10½	14 11 10	1 17 7½						
BEDFORD,	Sept. 30		1 1 11½	9 6 0	1 1 11½						
	Dec. 31		10 8 8		3 6 4						
	Mar. 31										
	June 30		2 10 2½	36 17 9	4 12 8½						
RICHMOND BAY,	Sept. 30		2 11 3	22 15 8	2 8 6						
	Dec. 31		0 17 4								
	June 30										
	Sept. 30		0 4 6½	2 6 9	0 2 10						
NEW LONDON,	Dec. 31		2 4 5		0 5 0						
	June 30		0 12 10½	5 18 3	0 14 8						
	Sept. 30		0 8 8½	1 16 0	0 4 6						
	Dec. 31		0 17 8								
CASCOMPEQUE,	June 30										
	Sept. 30										
	Dec. 31										
	June 30		0 12 6								
SAINT PETER'S,	Dec. 31										
	June 30										
	Sept. 30										
	Dec. 31										
BELFAST,	June 30										
	Dec. 31										
	Mar. 31	455½	£305 14 4½		£70 4 6½	1740½		£11 1 1½	3 cwt.	£7 10 0	
											£1 2 6



PORT OF ENTRY.	BROWN SUGAR.		WHEATEN FLOUR.		MANUFACTURES OF WOOD.		SHIP CHANDLERY.	
	QUARTER ENDING.	Weight.	Duty.	Quantity.	Value.	Duty.	Value.	Duty.
CHARLOTTETOWN,	June 30		£ s d	bbls.	£ s d	£ s d	£ s d	£ s d
	Sept. 30							
	Dec. 31	1533 3 5	690 4 2	6	10 17 6	2 0 10½	479 17 3	35 19 7
	Mar. 31			752	332 7 0		162 14 6	12 4 0
GEORGETOWN,	June 30							
	Sept. 30							
	Dec. 31	136 3 17	61 12 0½	41	15 14 0		449 16 1	44 19 7
	Mar. 31						2 19 0	0 4 5½
SOURIS,	June 30							
	Sept. 30							
	Dec. 31						7 19 0	0 13 1½
	Mar. 31						113 14 9½	11 7 5
REDEQUE,	June 30							
	Sept. 30							
	Dec. 31	31 3 21	14 7 7½	37	15 14 6		2 5 0	0 3 4½
	Mar. 31						16 12 0	1 4 10
RICHMOND BAY,	June 30							
	Sept. 30							
	Dec. 31	44 3 24	20 4 7½	5	2 2 6		6 8 3	0 9 7½
	Mar. 31						9 15 0	0 15 4½
NEW LONDON,	June 30							
	Sept. 30							
	Dec. 31	6 3 6	3 1 2				34 13 0	3 9 3½
	Mar. 31						14 10 0	1 1 9
CASUMPEQUE,	June 30							
	Sept. 30							
	Dec. 31	17 1 11	7 16 3	1½	2 19 0		3 0 0	0 3 7
	Mar. 31							
SAINT PETER'S,	June 30							
	Sept. 30							
	Dec. 31	3 2 4	1 11 10					
	Mar. 31							
BELFAST,	June 30							
	Sept. 30							
	Dec. 31	1775 1 4	£798 17 5½	875½	£371 6 7		£1304 3 9½	£112 15 11½
	Mar. 31							
							£28,195 6 1½	£704 18 2½

Goods not otherwise enumerated, paying Advalorem Duty.			Home Distilled Spirits.			Amount of Duty each quart.			Collectors' Commission.			Net Amount.			Net amount for each Port.			
£	s	d	gals.	£	s	d	£	s	d	£	s	d	£	s	d	£	s	d
37,146	10	5 <sup>1</sup>	1875	6	0	0	5271	10	10 <sup>1</sup>	5271	10	10 <sup>1</sup>	5271	10	10 <sup>1</sup>			
7,337	19	2 <sup>1</sup>	396	17	7 <sup>1</sup>	4	1868	4	11 <sup>1</sup>	1868	4	11 <sup>1</sup>	1868	4	11 <sup>1</sup>			
36,013	4	5 <sup>1</sup>	190	6	6	5	7593	7	4	7593	7	4	7593	7	4			
3,447	7	10 <sup>1</sup>	171	5	11	0	651	16	11	32	11	10	622	2	1			
799	1	5 <sup>1</sup>					158	3	6	7	18	2	158	3	6			
1,579	17	0 <sup>1</sup>					78	2	9 <sup>1</sup>	7	5	6	138	7	0 <sup>1</sup>			
5,016	0	5 <sup>1</sup>					502	13	6	55	6	11 <sup>1</sup>	1070	12	3 <sup>1</sup>			
112	15	6					29	13	8 <sup>1</sup>	1	0	7 <sup>1</sup>	19	12	7 <sup>1</sup>			
1,416	2	2 <sup>1</sup>					212	11	5 <sup>1</sup>	19	12	7 <sup>1</sup>	201	19	11 <sup>1</sup>			
865	4	11					151	8	10 <sup>1</sup>	7	11	5 <sup>1</sup>	195	14	5 <sup>1</sup>			
5,172	3	1					131	5	3 <sup>1</sup>	21	1	1 <sup>1</sup>	457	6	11			
705	1	5 <sup>1</sup>					62	3	4 <sup>1</sup>	3	2	2 <sup>1</sup>	59	1	2 <sup>1</sup>			
727	5	11 <sup>1</sup>					68	18	2 <sup>1</sup>	3	5	11 <sup>1</sup>	65	9	3 <sup>1</sup>			
877	1	11 <sup>1</sup>					251	7	1	12	11	1	111	12	9			
			1209 <sup>1</sup>	43	6	3												
3,553	7	6					15	6	5	2	9	3	41	5	0			
980	6	8					269	18	9	18	9	11	521	3	10			
396	1	1					130	5	0	9	0	3	171	3	9			
							25	18	1	1	6	11	25	11	5			
363	5	11 <sup>1</sup>	137	6	11	1	6	11	1	0	6	7	6	4	9			
226	7	2 <sup>1</sup>	83 <sup>1</sup>	2	15	8	68	1	3 <sup>1</sup>	3	8	2 <sup>1</sup>	61	16	0 <sup>1</sup>			
							96	5	1	1	16	5	91	11	11			
48	4	1 <sup>1</sup>					10	11	10	0	10	11	10	0	11			
192	16	1					13	8	0	0	11	3	13	3	9			
135	8	10 <sup>1</sup>					21	6	6	1	15	8	22	10	10			
295	0	5 <sup>1</sup>					32	1	6	1	2	3	30	12	3			
106	4	0					11	5	0	0	11	3	13	10	9			
101	2	11					6	1	1	0	6	0 <sup>1</sup>	5	19	3 <sup>1</sup>			
£101,508	5	1	5060 <sup>1</sup>	£102	6	7	£1889	5	7 <sup>1</sup>	£212	1	10 <sup>1</sup>	£18,677	0	9			

Of this amount £12 5s. 1d. is unpaid.

# TREASURY WARRANTS,

UNPAID 31st JANUARY, 1848.

(Of the Issue of 1840)		£	s	d							
476	Edward Connors,	-	7	15	0	220	Bedeque do.	-	£10	0	0
(Of the Issue of 1844.)						222	St. Eleanor's do.	-	10	0	0
310	Malcolm Macdonald,	-	£10	0	0	223	Cascumpeque do.	-	10	0	0
379	John Stewart,	-	10	0	0	224	Tignish do.	-	10	0	0
(Of the Issue of 1845.)						226	Souris Farming Club,	-	23	0	0
35	Ewen Lamont,	-	10	0	0	231	Mary Tanton,	-	20	0	0
42	William Coates,	-	27	15	11	232	Isaac Scales,	-	20	0	0
45	James H. Peters,	-	13	6	8	233	Catherine Brown,	-	20	0	0
58	W. Mackay,	-	0	5	0	236	John S. Macdonald,	-	36	0	0
64	Peter Macgowan,	-	100	0	0	241	John Dalziel,	-	12	10	0
71	T. H. Haviland,	-	14	9	0	242	James Yeo,	-	25	0	0
74	Thomas Crabbe,	-	38	3	6	243	The Speaker,	-	30	0	0
75	James Feehan,	-	15	18	6	246	James Arthur,	-	12	0	0
76	Samuel Lane,	-	34	10	0	254	James Warburton,	-	20	0	0
77	Paul Mabey,	-	13	13	6	255	William Cullen,	-	153	18	6½
79	Peter Macgowan,	-	100	0	0	260	J. W. Smith,	-	12	0	0
83	John Beaton,	-	10	0	0	263	P. F. Irving,	-	18	0	0
94	Robert Hodgson,	-	31	17	2	266	John M'Lean,	-	10	0	0
97	William Clark,	-	7	15	0	267	Joseph Mackay,	-	7	12	0
101	John Knight,	-	26	0	0	269	J. B. Cooper,	-	65	11	0
116	Peter Macgowan,	-	100	0	0	271	Peter Macgowan,	-	100	0	0
118	John Arbuckle,	-	14	11	6	277	James Warburton,	-	102	8	0¼
120	John Sinclair,	-	10	0	0	279	John Macneill,	-	40	0	0
126	Duncan Robertson,	-	10	0	0	286	Peter Macgowan,	-	100	0	0
132	John M'Kinnon,	-	8	8	0	291	Peter Macgowan,	-	100	0	0
141	Joseph Pope,	-	10	0	0	294	Chief Justice,	-	25	0	0
157	E. R. Humphreys,	-	15	0	0	296	J. S. Smith,	-	125	0	0
160	Malcolm M'Kenzie,	-	10	0	0	297	J. D. Macdonell,	-	65	0	0
173	John S. Macdonald,	-	30	0	0	299	Joseph Pope,	-	10	0	0
175	Edward Palmer,	-	30	0	0	306	John Arbuckle,	-	12	10	0
178	Allan Fraser,	-	33	1	4	307	John Macneill,	-	18	15	0
180	William Dingwell,	-	33	9	4	319	Theophilus Desbrisay,	-	10	0	0
182	Alexander Rae,	-	32	13	4	321	Robert Barry,	-	10	0	0
184	Alexander Macgregor,	-	30	7	0	326	E. J. M'Cormack,	-	10	0	0
185	John Dalziel,	-	32	14	8	327	Edward Brennan,	-	10	0	0
187	George Coles,	-	30	0	0	332	P. F. Irving,	-	23	5	6
188	William Douse,	-	30	0	0	334	James D. Haszard,	-	121	7	3
194	William Cullen,	-	50	0	0	336	P. & A. Scott,	-	50	0	0
197	H. W. Lobban,	-	51	13	0	347	John Dunn,	-	36	4	2
198	Thomas Pleadwell,	-	15	0	6	348	Committee for furnishing Colonial Building,	-	100	0	0
199	Charles Binns,	-	30	0	0	349	Do. do. do.	-	50	0	0
210	E. R. Humphreys,	-	40	0	0	350	Do. do. do.	-	50	0	0
211	Ladies' Benevolent Society,	-	30	0	0	353	Peter Macgowan,	-	100	0	0
212	Saint Paul's Church,	-	14	0	0	354	do.	-	100	0	0
214	Vesleyan Chapel,	-	6	0	0	357	do.	-	100	0	0
218	New London Agricultural Society,	-	10	0	0	358	do.	-	100	0	0
						359	do.	-	100	0	0
						360	do.	-	50	0	0
						361	do.,	-	50	0	0
						363	Archibald Macneill,	-	10	0	0



75	Richard Walsh,	£10	0	0	183	Charles Binns,	£20	0	0
79	Peter Macgowan,	300	0	0	184	J. D. Haszard,	50	0	0
80	Daniel Scott,	10	0	0	185	Dr. Jenkins,	40	0	0
87	Charles Crosby,	10	0	0	186	T. H. Haviland,	162	3	5
88	W. H. Richardson,	10	0	0	187	Henry Palmer,	27	0	0
91	Edward Hill,	10	0	0	189	Patrick Furlong,	21	7	6
92	Angus Steel,	7	4	0	190	R. B. Irving,	50	0	0
93	Anthony M'Cormack,	6	0	0	191	Catherine Brown,	10	0	0
95	Robert Hodgson,	60	15	0	192	William Cundall and others,	30	0	0
96	James H. Peters,	9	6	8	195	Infant School,	10	0	0
98	Daniel Hodgson,	70	16	5½	198	Ladies' Benevolent Society,	30	0	0
101	Edward Moore,	3	10	4	199	Mary Tanton,	20	0	0
104	Board of Education,	16	0	0	201	Wesleyan Chapel,	6	0	0
105	E. R. Humphreys,	15	0	0	202	Hector Macdonald,	4	0	0
Total amount to Feb. 20th,		£1205	8	0½	203	Allan Fraser,	7	0	0
107	Peter Macgowan,	£80	9	3	204	J. S. Macdonald,	37	0	0
109	John Mackay,	10	0	0	208	Alexander Rae,	7	10	0
111	Robert Robertson,	10	0	0	210	James Yeo,	16	10	0
114	Charles Fowle,	10	0	0	211	W. B. Aitken,	20	0	0
115	F. R. Vincent,	10	0	0	214	John Macintosh,	15	0	0
116	Donald Kelly,	7	12	0	218	George Monkley,	20	1	0
117	James Foley,	7	12	0	225	Alexander Macdonald,	10	0	0
119	Mary MacNutt,	10	0	0	228	Roderick Mackinnon,	10	0	0
120	P. F. Irving,	78	0	0	230	Allan Fraser,	15	0	0
127	Peter Macgowan,	100	0	0	231	James Gillender,	10	0	0
129	T. H. Haviland,	100	0	0	234	Charles M'Eachren,	10	0	0
131	J. D. Macdonell,	65	0	0	238	William Cundall,	84	4	10
133	Joseph Pope,	10	0	0	243	Peter M'Callum,	70	0	0
134	W. S. Macgowan,	10	0	0	245	Joseph Higgins,	50	0	0
137	Ambrose Lane,	18	15	0	246	Harry C. Green,	80	0	0
138	E. R. Humphreys,	37	10	0	247	do.,	55	0	0
139	John Kenny,	25	0	0	249	J. D. Haszard,	55	3	1
140	John Arbuckle,	12	10	0	250	Peter M'Callum,	20	0	0
143	Simon Dodd,	15	0	0	252	Thomas Hunt,	20	0	0
146	Nicholas Harvie,	10	0	0	253	Joseph Pope,	83	0	0
148	James Keough,	7	10	0	260	James Warburton,	36	9	0
154	Paul Macdonald,	10	0	0	261	J. R. Bourke,	60	0	0
155	Malcolm M'Kenzie,	10	0	0	262	Jeremiah Simpson,	45	0	0
158	Robert Hutchinson,	23	2	10	264	Thomas Wright,	50	0	0
164	J. S. Macdonald,	20	0	0	265	do.,	50	0	0
165	John Cambridge,	23	6	8	267	James Coles,	52	3	0
168	William Dingwell,	23	6	8	269	William Underhay,	61	0	0
169	Alexander Macgregor,	20	9	4	270	do.,	39	0	0
171	John Macintosh,	22	18	8	271	do.,	30	0	0
173	Edward Thornton,	22	4	0	274	David Higgins,	21	0	0
174	Alexander Rae,	22	13	4	275	do.,	19	0	0
175	Edward Palmer,	20	0	0	276	do.,	16	5	0
176	William Cullen,	50	0	0	277	do.,	14	0	0
177	John Macneill,	80	0	0	278	Robert M'Nutt,	90	0	0
178	Henry W. Lobban,	29	16	9	279	do.,	30	0	0
179	do.,	91	18	10½	280	do.,	20	0	0
180	Thomas Pleadwell,	20	5	0	281	David Higgins,	13	0	0
181	William Birch,	20	14	10	282	John Ross,	25	0	0
182	J. B. Cooper,	72	11	0	285	Joseph M'Kay,	7	12	0
					286	Michael Dunn,	7	12	0
					287	John McInnes,	7	12	0

290	Allan Fraser,	£23	1	4	398	John McLeod,	£7	4	0
293	Donald Montgomery,	22	6	8	402	Edward Thornton,	5	17	7
294	William Bearisto,	22	13	4	406	Laurence Yeo,	20	6	0
295	Donald Macdonald,	23	6	8	411	George Dalrymple,	12	5	8
297	Robert Hodgson,	38	15	8	414	Peter Macgowan,	100	0	0
302	H. Minchin,	4	10	0	426	Patrick McQuaid,	10	0	0
303	John Macgowan,	100	0	0	427	Malcolm M'Neill,	10	0	0
304	James Warburton,	50	0	0	430	Prudence Logan,	6	0	0
305	do.,	50	0	0	432	Daniel Keough,	12	8	0
306	H. C. Green,	30	0	0	435	J. M. Holl & others,	7	0	0
307	do.,	28	2	0	438	Chief Justice,	25	0	0
309	Edward Thornton,	100	0	0	439	T. H. Haviland,	100	0	0
311	Allan McDougall,	35	8	0	440	J. S. Smith,	125	0	0
312	do.,	20	0	0	444	W. S. Macgowan,	10	0	0
314	do.,	6	0	0	448	E. R. Humphreys,	37	10	0
316	do.,	5	0	0	449	John Kenny,	25	0	0
317	do.,	5	0	0	450	J. Arbuckle,	12	10	0
318	do.,	5	0	0	454	John Rider,	10	0	0
322	do.,	5	0	0	459	John Inge,	12	10	0
323	do.,	8	0	0	461	Daniel Hodgson,	9	12	9
325	J. R. Bourke,	63	18	0	462	A. Mitchell,	22	0	0
326	Allan Macdougall,	37	12	11	463	J. D. Haszard,	88	0	0
327	Chief Justice,	25	0	0	464	do.	66	11	7
330	J. D. Macdonell,	65	0	0	467	Donald Levingston,	10	0	0
333	W. S. Macgowan,	10	0	0	469	Donald Graham,	10	0	0
336	Ambrose Lane,	18	15	0	470	Peter Macgowan,	50	0	0
337	E. R. Humphreys,	37	10	0	471	William Cundall,	7	12	11
338	John Kenny,	25	0	0	475	Joseph Higgins,	130	0	0
343	John Rider,	10	0	0	478	William Coates,	23	16	11½
346	Hugh Logan,	7	10	0	479	John Wright,	24	0	0
349	B. De St. Croix,	5	0	0	480	George Monkley,	33	3	0
353	John Butler,	10	0	0	484	Simon Dodd,	20	0	0
354	John M'Lellan,	10	0	0	487	John Stewart,	10	0	0
355	John LePage,	10	0	0	490	Owen Curtis,	10	0	0
356	Miss Cameron,	10	0	0	491	David Higgins,	10	0	0
359	Robert Barry,	10	0	0	492	Allan Macdougall,	10	0	0
360	William G. Carson,	7	12	0	494	William Cundall,	63	15	7
362	Hugh Martin,	7	4	0	495	Peter M'Callum,	60	3	5
366	Thomas Hunt,	62	17	3½	496	Thomas Hunt,	65	12	8½
371	Jeremiah Simpson,	47	0	0	497	Roderick Macdonald,	22	0	0
373	Robert Macnutt,	69	0	0	498	Archibald Mackay,	4	19	0
374	James Macdonald,	10	0	0	506	James Stewart,	10	0	0
375	Elizabeth M'Kendrick,	7	4	0	508	James Warburton,	10	0	0
377	James D. Haszard,	116	15	3	509	John R. Bourke,	10	0	0
381	Peter Macgowan,	100	0	0	510	Jeremiah Simpson,	10	0	0
383	Joseph Pope,	40	0	0	511	George Anderson,	9	9	0
384	Peter Macgowan,	50	0	0	514	Edward Thornton,	100	0	0
386	Edward Goff,	60	0	0	515	do.,	20	0	0
387	Joseph Pope,	70	0	0					
389	John Macdonald,	10	0	0		Total,	£6264	4	4
390	Duncan Robertson,	10	0	0					
392	James Fitzgerald,	10	0	0					
393	Edmond Shea,	10	0	0					
349	Patrick Fitzgerald,	10	0	0					
395	Alexander M'Neill,	10	0	0					
396	Thomas Keefe,	10	0	0					
					No.	(Of the issue of 1847.)			
					2	T. H. Haviland,	100	0	0
					3	J. Spencer Smith,	125	0	0
					4	J. D. Macdonell,	65	0	0
					5	Charles M'Nutt,	10	0	0

		(Of the issue of 1847, after Jan. 20.)					
	£	s	d	No.			
6 Joseph Pope,	£10	0	0	71 John M'Neill,	10	0	0
7 Hugh Macdonald,	10	0	0	72 John Kenan,	10	0	0
8 W. S. Macgowan,	10	0	0	73 William Emery,	10	0	0
10 Ambrose Lane,	18	15	0	75 Mathew Redmond,	10	0	0
11 E. R. Humphreys,	37	10	0	76 Daniel Scott,	10	0	0
12 John Kenny,	25	0	0	77 Donald Lamont,	10	0	0
13 J. Arbuckle,	12	10	0	78 Robert Robertson,	10	0	0
14 John Macneill,	18	15	0	80 J. M'Cormack,	7	12	0
16 Simon Dodd,	15	0	0	81 Jane Douglass,	6	0	0
17 John Ings,	12	10	0	83 Peter Macgowan,	25	0	0
18 John Rider,	10	0	0	84 Daniel Hodgson,	52	16	6
20 Nicholas Harvie,	10	0	0	85 do.,	60	7	3½
21 James Keough,	7	10	0	86 Samuel Lane,	31	10	0
22 Hugh Logan,	7	10	0	87 Michael Egan,	17	17	6
23 Sarah Harvie,	7	10	0	88 George Monkley,	35	5	0
24 B. de St. Croix,	5	0	0	89 Laurence Yeo,	18	4	0
25 Theophilus Desbrisay,	5	0	0	90 P. F. Irving,	36	0	0
26 E. R. Humphreys,	15	0	0	91 Thomas Owen,	21	10	1
27 Board of Education,	12	0	0	92 Henry Stamper,	15	9	8
28 Neil Bethune,	15	0	0	94 Lazar White,	5	0	0
29 Donald M'Quarrie,	10	0	0	95 William Hayden,	5	0	0
30 Dubois Smith,	10	0	0	96 Joseph Wightman,	21	15	0
31 Archibald Macneill,	10	0	0	100 Patrick Sweeney,	10	0	0
32 Thomas Munroe,	10	0	0	101 Charles Fowle,	10	0	0
33 Donald Macdonald,	10	0	0	102 D. Stewart,	10	0	0
34 John Hudson,	7	12	0	103 Thomas Mooney,	7	12	0
35 John Walker,	7	12	0	104 Lewis Serriat,	5	0	0
37 Robert M'Nutt,	10	0	0	105 Robert Howlet,	3	16	0
38 Joseph Pope,	10	0	0	106 Spencer Green,	17	15	0
40 Peter M'Callum,	10	0	0	107 Thomas Wright,	10	0	0
41 William Underhay,	10	0	0	108 R. B. Boggs,	15	14	6
42 John Macgowan,	10	0	0	109 John Knight,	35	2	6
43 Edward Goff,	10	0	0	113 Isaac Smith,	11	2	2
44 Edward Thornton,	10	0	0	114 J. S. M'Donald,	9	9	9
45 Daniel Green,	12	0	0	115 H. W. Lobban,	10	0	0
46 William M'Neill,	4	9	0	116 Colonel Lane,	65	15	8½
48 Cornelius Higgins,	9	10	0	117 William Cundall,	81	5	2
49 Nicholas Harvie,	11	19	0	118 do.,	13	17	7
50 do.,	12	1	0	119 do.,	12	7	4
51 John Anderson,	50	0	0	120 John Mackieson,	15	8	3
52 do.,	52	0	0	121 Chief Justice,	25	0	0
53 Thomas Owen,	49	10	5½	122 T. H. Haviland,	100	0	0
56 J. D. Hazard,	49	8	8	123 J. S. Smith,	125	0	0
58 Ambrose Lane,	15	14	2	124 J. D. Macdonnell,	65	0	0
59 James Peake,	63	12	2½	125 Charles M'Nutt,	10	0	0
62 John Ings,	8	6	6	127 W. S. Macgowan,	10	0	0
63 Peter Macgowan,	40	0	0	129 Nicholas Conroy,	5	0	0
64 do.,	78	19	6	130 Ambrose Lane,	18	15	0
65 T. H. Haviland,	6	13	4	131 E. R. Humphreys,	37	10	0
66 Daniel Hodgson,	11	11	6	132 John Kenny,	25	0	0
67 Samuel Mitchell,	9	0	0	133 John Arbuckle,	12	10	0
68 Charles Hensley,	11	10	7½	134 John M'Neill,	18	15	0
69 do.,	10	2	6	135 W. H. Nelis,	6	5	0
				136 S. Dodd,	15	0	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>£1206</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>5½</b>				

137	John Rider,	£10	0	0	199	H. W. Lobban,	£100	0	0
138	George Lewis,	10	0	0	200	do.,	100	0	0
139	Nicholas Harvie,	10	0	0	202	T. Pleadwell,	28	17	6
141	R. Lyle,	7	10	0	203	John Ings,	102	8	6
142	Sylvan Arsneaux,	10	0	0	204	J. D. Haszard,	25	0	0
143	Charles Crosby,	10	0	0	209	Dr. Jenkins,	40	0	0
144	Donald Bethune,	10	0	0	210	T. H. Haviland,	100	0	0
145	Archibald Bickford,	10	0	0	211	do.	48	17	8
146	John M'Kay,	10	0	0	212	William Cundall,	50	0	0
147	John M'Lauchlan,	10	0	0	213	Henry Palmer,	38	0	0
148	Angus McLeod,	10	0	0	214	John Rider,	69	13	1½
150	Fidele M. Gaudet,	10	0	0	215	Patrick Furlong,	29	12	6
151	James B. M'Kenna,	10	0	0	216	Geo. & J. Walsh,	30	0	0
152	John McDonald,	10	0	0	217	George Lewis,	7	10	0
153	M. M'Wade,	10	0	0	218	James D. M'Donnell,	20	10	0
154	W. Ross,	10	0	0	219	John Arbuckle,	10	0	0
155	Emma Yates,	10	0	0	220	Ladies' Benevolent Society,	30	0	0
156	Sarah Holland,	7	12	0	221	Trustees Central Academy,	9	3	11
157	James D. Haszard,	58	6	8	223	Patrick Murray,	10	0	0
158	Daniel Hodgson,	20	1	8	226	John Dalziel,	11	12	6
159	David Kaye,	8	16	4	227	H. W. Lobban,	6	19	0
160	Edward Thornton,	5	17	10	228	do.	20	11	6
161	Joseph Higgins,	10	0	0	229	do.	5	10	6
162	do.,	10	0	0	230	Hugh Logan,	20	0	0
163	John Hobbs,	23	0	0	231	Daniel Brenan,	19	19	4½
164	Joseph Dodd,	12	0	0	232	H. W. Lobban,	6	10	0
165	T. H. Haviland,	44	7	5	233	Government House Committee,	13	16	6½
166	Robert Hutchinson,	13	0	1½	234	do. do.	72	11	0
167	Robert Hill,	38	0	4½	235	Benjamin Davies,	25	0	0
168	W. S. Mitchell,	10	0	0	236	Catherine Brown,	10	0	0
169	do.	18	0	0	237	Mary Tanton,	10	0	0
170	Joseph Pope,	62	8	0	238	John Dalziel,	11	0	0
171	John Longworth,	30	0	0	239	Edward Thornton,	20	10	0
172	T. H. Haviland, jun.,	30	0	0	240	Nicholas Conroy,	10	0	0
173	John Jardine,	31	16	0	241	William Underhay,	5	0	0
174	John M'Intosh,	32	18	8	242	Hugh Macdonald,	9	10	0
176	Duncan M'Lean,	32	0	0	243	Rev. John M'Lennan,	30	10	0
177	Donald M'Donald,	33	6	8	244	John Jardine,	8	0	0
178	Donald Montgomery,	32	5	0	245	James Warburton,	12	0	0
179	Nicholas Conroy,	36	2	8	246	Allan Fraser,	10	10	0
180	Edward Whelan,	25	14	0	247	Alexander Rae,	11	10	0
181	James Warburton,	34	13	4	248	John Macintosh,	28	10	0
183	Allan Fraser,	33	2	8	249	Benevolent Irish Society,	33	0	0
184	Alexander M'Lean,	11	14	0	251	Jeremiah Simpson,	10	0	0
185	John Little,	6	18	0	252	James Arthur,	15	0	0
186	John M'Dougall,	8	2	0	254	Robert Mooney,	16	0	0
187	John Le Lacheur,	32	16	0	256	The Speaker,	15	0	0
188	Robert Mooney,	30	13	4	257	J. S. Macdonald,	19	10	0
189	Edward Thornton,	32	5	4	258	Alexander Mackinnon,	2	0	0
190	George Coles,	30	0	0	260	Roderick Macdonald,	5	0	0
192	Edward Palmer,	30	0	0	262	E. R. Humphreys,	40	0	0
193	William Clark,	32	14	8	263	Representatives of P. S. Macnutt,	9	9	3
194	James H. Conroy,	30	0	0	266	Rev. John M'Lennan,	30	0	0
195	Alexander Rae,	32	13	4	267	Mechanics' Institute,	10	0	0
197	William Cullen,	50	0	0	270	Commissioners of Treasury Notes,	42	7	6
198	H. W. Lobban,	38	5	0	271	Robert Hodgson,	19	10	0

272	Lunatic Asylum,	£56	16	10½	355	Robert M'Nutt,	£13	7	9
273	Committee of Colonial Building,	59	15	10	356	Jeremiah Simpson,	10	4	7½
274	do.,	100	0	0	357	Thomas Wright,	8	4	6
275	Malcolm Mackenzie,	10	0	0	358	David Higgins,	5	8	0
276	John Sinclair,	10	0	0	363	John Macgowan	9	7	3
278	Lawrence Buchanan,	10	0	0	364	Edward Goff,	14	8	9
279	James Foley,	7	12	0	365	Peter Macgowan,	100	0	0
280	John M'Innis,	10	0	0	366	do.,	100	0	0
281	John Stewart,	10	0	0	367	Patrick Mooney and others,	12	0	0
282	Malcolm Darrach,	10	0	0	368	William Cundall,	26	7	11
283	James Douglas,	10	0	0	369	do.,	20	0	0
286	James Warburton,	11	2	6	372	Philips F. Irving,	54	0	0
294	Chudleigh & M'Kay,	15	6	6	373	do.,	50	0	0
295	William Cundall,	78	1	0	374	Thomas Allan,	37	16	0
299	Isaac Smith,	40	0	0	377	James Peake,	35	0	4
304	Chudleigh & M'Kay,	4	4	5	378	Trustees of Lunatic Asylum,	87	10	0
306	Jane Douglas,	10	0	0	379	J. D. Haszard,	97	9	6
307	Ambrose Lane,	5	0	0	380	Charles Desbrisay,	25	0	0
308	Edward Thornton,	100	0	0	383	William Underhay,	100	0	0
309	Thomas Wright,	100	0	0	384	do.,	50	0	0
310	do.,	50	0	0	385	John Macgowan,	75	0	0
311	Owen Curtis,	50	0	0	386	Peter M'Callum,	75	0	0
312	do.,	50	0	0	390	David Higgins,	50	0	0
313	David Higgins,	100	0	0	392	Allan Macdougall,	50	0	0
314	John Macgowan,	100	0	0	393	do.,	50	0	0
315	Peter M'Callum,	100	0	0	394	do.,	30	0	0
316	do.,	50	0	0	395	do.,	20	0	0
317	John R. Bourke,	100	0	0	396	Robert M'Nutt,	20	0	0
318	do.,	50	0	0	397	Owen Curtis,	10	0	0
319	Jeremiah Simpson,	100	0	0	398	Chief Justice,	25	0	0
320	do.,	50	0	0	399	T. H. Haviland,	100	0	0
321	John Macgowan,	50	0	0	400	J. Spencer Smith,	125	0	0
322	Edward Goff,	100	0	0	401	J. D. Macdonell,	65	0	0
323	do.,	50	0	0	402	Charles M'Nutt,	10	0	0
324	Joseph Pope,	50	0	0	403	Joseph Pope,	10	0	0
325	do.,	50	0	0	404	W. S. Macgowan,	10	0	0
326	do.,	50	0	0	407	Ambrose Lane,	18	15	0
327	Joseph Higgins,	100	0	0	408	E. R. Humphreys,	37	10	0
331	Harry C. Green,	50	0	0	409	John Kenny,	25	0	0
332	George Dalrymple,	50	0	0	410	John Arbuckle,	12	10	0
333	Robert M'Nutt,	50	0	0	411	William H. Nelis,	6	5	0
334	do.,	37	0	0	413	John Rider,	10	0	0
336	do.,	30	0	0	414	George Lewis,	10	0	0
337	James Warburton,	50	0	0	415	Nicholas Harvie,	10	0	0
338	do.,	50	0	0	416	Hugh Logan,	7	10	0
339	do.,	50	0	0	419	B. de St. Croix,	5	0	0
340	Jeremiah Simpson,	75	0	0	420	Theophilus DesBrisay,	5	0	0
341	James Warburton,	75	0	0	421	John LePage,	10	0	0
343	David Higgins,	50	0	0	423	Allan Fraser,	25	0	0
344	Thomas Wright,	50	0	0	424	John Ross,	25	0	0
345	William Dodd,	10	0	0	425	do.,	10	0	0
346	Malcolm Macdonald,	10	0	0	427	Roderick M'Kinnon,	10	0	0
342	Joseph Pope,	75	0	0	428	Robert Barry,	10	0	0
347	Charles M'Eachran,	10	0	0	429	John Butler,	10	0	0
352	Patrick Kavanagh,	10	0	0	430	Donald C. Campbell,	10	0	0
354	Harry C. Green,	10	18	0	431	John Mackay,	10	0	0

433	Emma Yates,	£10	0	0	506	William H. Nelis,	-	£6	5	0
434	Antony M'Cormack,	7	12	0	508	John Rider,	-	10	0	0
435	Alexander Macdonald,	16	0	0	509	George Lewis,	-	10	0	0
436	Peter M'Callum,	25	0	11½	510	John Ings,	-	12	10	0
437	do.,	20	0	0	512	Hugh Logan,	-	7	10	0
438	John Macneill,	80	0	0	513	James Reed,	-	7	10	0
440	J. D. Haszard,	108	3	9	514	John Brooks,	-	15	0	0
441	John Anderson,	67	10	0	515	Edmond Shea,	-	10	0	0
442	William Coates,	22	13	1	516	William G. Carson,	-	10	0	0
443	do.,	35	6	11½	517	David J. Thomson,	-	10	0	0
444	Simon Dodd,	15	7	2½	518	James Macdonald,	-	10	0	0
450	Peter Macgowan,	100	0	0	519	Donald Campbell,	-	10	0	0
451	do.,	100	0	0	520	Malcolm M'Innes,	-	10	0	0
452	John R. Bourke,	15	0	0	521	Alexander M'Neill,	-	10	0	0
453	Peter Macgowan,	100	0	0	522	William Richardson,	-	10	0	0
454	Alexander Macdonald,	45	10	10	525	James H. Fitzgerald,	-	10	0	0
455	Robert Hodgson,	59	18	10	524	John Levingstone,	-	10	0	0
456	do.,	30	11	4	523	William Reed,	-	10	0	0
457	do.,	14	5	0	526	William M'Phail,	-	10	0	0
458	James H. Peters,	33	12	2½	527	Patrick F. Doyle,	-	10	0	0
459	do.,	9	6	8	528	Alexander M'Lean,	-	10	0	0
460	Daniel Hodgson,	51	1	9	530	Thomas Mooney,	-	7	12	0
461	do.,	74	1	7	531	John M'Neill,	-	5	0	0
464	Thomas Owen,	20	13	0	532	Angus M'Leod,	-	5	16	8
465	George Monkley,	37	5	0	533	Francis Buote,	-	5	0	0
466	Lawrence Yeo,	18	4	0	534	Joseph Higgins,	-	7	10	0
467	Samuel Lane,	26	14	0	535	Edward Thornton,	-	8	19	0
468	Michael Egan,	17	17	6	536	Jeremiah Simpson,	-	9	5	7
469	John Ings,	12	10	0	537	Edward Goff,	-	9	2	0
470	do.,	4	12	6	538	Joseph Pope,	-	12	1	7
571	William Cullen,	50	0	0	539	Daniel Green,	-	17	10	0
472	Thomas O'Brien,	5	4	0	540	David Kaye,	-	5	13	1
474	John Cheason,	5	0	0	541	John Wright,	-	13	10	2½
475	William Cundall and R. Hayes,	5	17	8	542	H. W. Lobban,	-	45	19	6
476	James Peake,	19	7	6	543	Roderick Macdonald,	-	45	15	9
481	Peter Macgowan,	100	0	0	545	Thomas Owen,	-	30	0	0
482	do.,	100	0	0	546	W. H. Scovil,	-	100	0	0
483	do.,	100	0	0	547	Do.	-	100	0	0
484	do.,	100	0	0	548	Do.	-	80	0	0
485	do.,	100	0	0	549	George Monkley,	-	31	4	0
486	do.,	100	0	0	550	Laurence Yeo,	-	22	12	0
487	do.,	100	0	0	551	Michael Egan,	-	17	17	6
488	do.,	100	0	0	552	Samuel Lane,	-	27	6	0
489	do.,	100	0	0	553	Thomas Owen,	-	9	5	0
490	do.,	100	0	0	554	Wrights & Smith,	-	56	0	0
493	Chief Justice,	25	0	0	555	Charles Young,	-	100	0	0
494	T. H. Haviland,	100	0	0	556	Do.	-	100	0	0
495	J. S. Smith,	100	0	0	557	Stephen Wright,	-	39	8	9
496	do.,	25	0	0	558	Do.	-	42	3	0
497	J. D. Macdonell,	65	0	0	559	Peter Macgowan,	-	100	0	0
498	Charles Macnutt,	10	0	0	560	do.	-	100	0	0
500	W. S. Macgowan,	10	0	0	561	do.	-	100	0	0
502	Nicholas Conroy,	5	0	0	562	do.	-	100	0	0
503	Ambrose Lane,	18	15	0	563	do.	-	100	0	0
504	John Kenny,	25	0	0	564	do.	-	100	0	0
505	John Arbuckle,	12	10	0	565	do.	-	100	0	0

566	Peter Macgowan,	£100	0	0	7	William Macgowan,	£10	0	0	
567	J. D. Haszard,	-	65	8	4½	9	Nicholas Conroy,	5	0	0
571	William Underhay,	-	6	1	6	10	Ambrose Lane,	18	15	0
572	Daniel Hodgson,	-	7	5	10	11	William Cundall,	37	10	0
573	William Coates,	-	21	2	0	12	John Kenny,	25	0	0
574	do.	-	29	8	1	13	John Arbuckle,	12	10	0
575	William Cundall & George Birnie,	-	12	2	10	15	John M'Neill,	8	6	8
578	James Keough,	-	26	3	10	16	John Ross	8	6	8
579	Donald Bethune,	-	5	0	0	17	E. S. Blanchard,	8	6	8
580	Neil M'Eachran,	-	7	12	0	18	Simon Dodd,	15	0	0
581	John M'Kinnon,	-	10	0	0	19	John Rider,	10	0	0
582	Patrick M'Quaid,	-	10	0	0	20	George Lewis,	10	0	0
583	Elizabeth M'Kendrick,	-	7	4	0	21	John Ings,	12	10	0
584	Mary Ann Ross,	-	10	0	0	22	Nicholas Harvie,	10	0	0
585	Antoine Poirier,	-	5	0	0	23	Hugh Logan,	7	10	0
586	Fredrica Holland,	-	7	12	0	24	James Reed,	7	10	0
587	E. R. Humphreys,	-	35	9	0	26	B. De St. Croix,	5	0	0
588	John Ings,	-	105	18	6	27	W. H. Nelis,	7	10	0
589	John M'Neill,	-	7	8	0	28	Thomas Preedy,	17	4	0
590	John Ross,	-	7	8	0	30	Nicholas Harvie,	12	0	0
593	Joseph Dodd,	-	19	0	0	31	do.	3	10	0
594	T. H. Haviland,	-	30	0	0	32	Board of Education,	14	0	0
595	James Coles,	-	5	12	7	33	E. R. Humphreys,	13	18	9
596	Peter Macgowan,	-	100	0	0	34	William Cundall,	5	0	0
597	do.	-	100	0	0	35	W. Cundall & R. Brecken,	20	0	0
598	Allan Stewart,	-	10	0	0	36	do. do:	5	0	0
599	Angus Martin,	-	10	0	0	37	William Ross,	7	10	0
600	Donald Macdonald,	-	10	0	0	38	Donald Livingstone,	10	0	0
601	Roderick Macdonald,	-	10	0	0	39	Sampson Farquharson,	7	10	0
602	Strang Hart,	-	12	14	2	40	Dubois Smith,	10	0	0
603	Emily M'Cormack,	-	7	10	0	41	Peter Ross,	7	10	0
604	Emma Yates,	-	7	10	0	42	John Le Page,	7	10	0
606	Thomas Rogers,	-	6	16	0	43	William Emery,	7	10	0
608	Owen Curtis,	-	10	0	0	44	Michael M'Kenna,	7	10	0
609	David Higgins,	-	7	19	0	45	Malcolm M'Donald,	5	0	0
610	John Macgowan,	-	7	2	6	46	John Macgowan,	10	0	0
611	James Warburton,	-	9	14	6	47	John R. Bourke,	10	0	0
612	Owen Curtis,	-	12	7	8	48	Harry C. Green,	10	0	0
613	John R. Bourke,	-	6	15	2	49	James Warburton,	10	0	0
614	Allan M'Dougall,	-	8	3	0	50	Edward Goff,	10	0	0
616	J. & G. Walsh,	-	30	0	0	51	Allan M'Dougall,	10	0	0
619	H. W. Scovil,	-	100	0	0	52	Jeremiah Simpson,	10	0	0
621	do.	-	70	0	0	53	William Underhay,	10	0	0
622	Sebastian Davison,	-	10	0	0	54	do.	8	16	2
	Total		£14,081	9	1½	55	Ambrose Lane,	16	7	7
						56	Robert M'Nutt and others	2	15	0
						57	John Davis,	40	7	9
						58	Daniel Hodgson,	8	9	1
						60	John Kearney,	5	0	0
						61	Robert Turnbull,	55	0	0
						62	Samuel Lane,	29	16	0
						63	Michael Egan,	17	17	6
						64	George Monkley,	33	3	0
						65	Laurence Yeo,	20	6	0
						67	James D. Haszard,	100	15	0
						68	Edward Whelan,	10	17	0

(Of the issue of 1848.)

No.		£	s	d
1	Chief Justice,	25	0	0
2	T. H. Haviland,	100	0	0
3	J. S. Smith,	125	0	0
4	J. D. M'Donnell,	65	0	0
5	Charles M'Nutt,	10	0	0
6	Joseph Pope,	10	0	0

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69	Commissioners Treasury Notes,	£100	0	0	74	Commissioners Treasury Notes,	£46	10	0
70	Isaac Smith,	3	10	0	75	Sir H. V. Huntley,	15	11	0
71	Theophilus Desbrisay,	3	15	0					
72	Peter Macgowan,	40	0	0		Total to January 31st,	£1363	3	10
73	H. W. Lobban	10	0	0					

# APPENDIX

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## PORT OF PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND.

### A List of Vessels Launched and Registered at this Port, in the Year ended 31st December, 1847.

VESSELS NAMES.	OWNERS NAMES.	TONS.
Gleam,	Messrs. Sutton and Rossiter,	129
Brothers,	James Robertson,	47
Lily,	Messrs. Leslie,	19
Ann,	J. Matheson,	74
Henrietta,	James Peake,	120
Atlas,	Donald Beaton,	39
Pomona,	Charles Braddock,	119
Mary,	James Cowan,	35
Velocity,	Nicholas Jenkins,	49
Rover,	Messrs. Nelson,	53
Cleopatra,	James Macdonald,	96
Sarah,	Dennis Reddin,	124
Mary,	Messrs. Graham,	23
Zebulon,	James Orr,	24
Plenty,	William Cooper,	273
Othello,	William Welsh,	178
Protector,	James Peake,	330
Midas,	Andrew Duncan,	674
Sophia,	W. Saunderson,	125
Alice Yeo,	James Yeo,	106
Elizabeth Jane,	William M'Ewen,	97
Margaret,	James Peake,	186
Jane,	Finlay M'Neill,	108
James,	James Peake,	209
Conquest,	William Heard,	169
Fanny,	James Yeo,	135
Atlantic,	W. W. Lord,	335
Free Trader,	James Peake,	304
Alert,	Andrew Duncan,	118
Rover,	James Peake,	84
Erin,	Daniel Brenan,	731
Firefly,	Francis Longworth,	143
Echo,	John C. Sims,	183
Josephine,	Benjamin Davies,	335
Rosebud,	Finlayson and Mutch,	138
Mary,	S. Nelson and W. Nelson,	232
Margaret,	A. M'Gougan,	38
Irene,	Charles Welsh,	132
Louisa Margaretta,	Messrs. Haszard and Hensley,	297
Three Brothers,	Messrs. M'Dougald,	18
Susan,	Robert Longworth,	390
Concordia,	James Peake,	412

NAMES OF VESSELS.	OWNERS NAMES.	Tons.
Fame,	John S. Macdonald,	309
Boreas,	James Duncan,	463
Paragon,	Andrew Mitchell,	164
Helen,	Andrew Mitchell,	188
Corsair,	Benjamin Davies,	143
Glynwood,	Francis Longworth,	324
Francis,	John Sutton,	67
Dolphin,	D. M'Laren,	29
Enterprise,	Messrs. M'Craith and Coffin,	388
Violet,	Messrs. Cox and M'Kenzie,	136
William,	Joseph Dingwell,	237
Pitton,	John Tucker,	203
Ino,	James Peake,	173
Agnes,	Donald Beaton,	48
Jenny Lind,	W. Douse,	64
Mary Elizabeth,	Messrs. Dewar & Wightman,	81
Greyhound,	Jas. Peake,	159
Prince Edward,	Benjamin Davies,	320
Ariel,	Angus Finlayson,	22
Wanderer,	Messrs. Tims & Orr,	173
George,	Jas. Peake,	234
Prudence,	Joseph M'Donald,	394
Mary,	Messrs. Johnson & Pearson,	90
Arthur,	Daniel Brennan,	292
Margaret,	Messrs. M'Gill,	354
Don Colino,	John S. M'Donald,	184
Matilda,	J. B. Cox,	187
James & Anastatia,	Messrs. M'Innis & M'Aulay,	100
Elizabeth,	James Peake,	133
Nymph,	E. Read,	33
Ann,	Messrs. Maclean,	144
Primrose,	Messrs. Dingwell,	136
Margaret Walker,	Andrew Mitchell,	365
Dove,	Daniel Flynn,	156
Ben Nevis,	Alexander Maclean,	407
Mary M'Whinnie,	James Reddin,	307
Rapid,	Messrs. Nelson,	137
Brigand,	Francis Longworth,	131
Superb,	Joseph Dingwell,	141
Veronica,	Andrew Mitchell,	211
Susanna,	Messrs. Yeo,	150
Recovery,	Messrs. Yeo,	346
Bellona,	James Yeo,	507
Josepha,	James Yeo,	538
Scottish Lass,	Messrs. Dingwell,	143
Pearl,	Henry Calbeck,	140
Venus,	William White,	198
Juno,	Archibald M'Millan,	112
Elizabeth,	Alexander Hancock,	411
Oscar,	James Peake,	158
Matilda,	James Peake,	187
Ann,	W. W. Lord,	114
Isabella,	William M'Gill,	183

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Total Tons, 18,445  
G. R. GOODMAN, Collector.

### PORT OF PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND.

*An Account of the Number and Tonnage of Vessels transferred to other Ports, in the Year ended 31st December, 1847.*

NUMBER OF VESSELS.	TONS.
60	9,608

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### PORT OF PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND.

*An Account of the Number and Tonnage of Vessels engaged in the Foreign and Coasting Trades in the Year 1847.*

FOREIGN TRADE.		COASTING TRADE.	
No.	TONS.	No.	TONS.
88	20,506	209	7,499

GEORGE R. GOODMAN, Collector.

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# PORT OF CHARLOTTETOWN, PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND.

AN ACCOUNT OF GOODS IMPORTED IN THE YEAR ENDED 5TH JANUARY, 1848.

ARTICLES IMPORTED.	Great Britain.			British West Indies.			British North American Colonies.			Foreign Countries.			Total.			
	£	s	d	£	s	d	£	s	d	£	s	d	£	s	d	
BRANDY,																
CORDAGE,	141	18	0							1185	15	6				
CANDLES,	589	6	10							1422	18	11				
COALS,	234	16	7							393	7	10	106	18	8	
Dry GOODS,	19	19	6							1093	3	0				
EARTHENWARE,	168	94	4	6						6924	5	10				
FISH (pickled)	755	16	3							587	19	4	31	1	8	
FISH (dry)										1184	16	0				
GENEVA,	39	3	0							604	10	0				
HARDWARE,										832	9	1				
IRON,	458	9	15	3							1843	8	1	60	11	6
LEATHER,	412	6	14	0							733	6	8			
MOLASSES,	81	0	0							860	1	4	530	19	6	
NAILS,	1041	6	7							2733	18	9	677	13	11	
OAKUM,	603	5	0							653	4	4	15	4	2	
RUM,	418	9	7							153	2	0	101	9	2	
SOAP,										4409	3	6	675	12	3	
SUGAR,	44	14	6				260	0	0	598	0	0	27	16	8	
SEEDS,	1585	4	10							4607	2	3	58	3	4	
TEA,	12,528	12	8							74	7	0	43	4	11	
TOBACCO,										4639	13	6	421	10	6	
SUNDRIES,										656	10	3	612	2	0	
										14747	11	7	3012	12	9	
TOTAL,	£48,803	7	1	£267	17	6	£50,943	14	9	£6375	1	0	£106,390	0	4	

Custom House, 5th January, 1848.

G. R. GOODMAN, Collector.

PORT OF CHARLOTTETOWN, PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND.

AN ACCOUNT OF GOODS EXPORTED IN THE YEAR ENDED 5TH JANUARY, 1848.

ARTICLES EXPORTED.	Great Britain.			British West Indies.			British North American Colonies.			Foreign Countries.			Total.		
	£	s	d	£	s	d	£	s	d	£	s	d	£	s	d
BARLEY,															
BOARDS AND PLANK, 1197,902 feet,	2836	4	6												
BEEF, 99 bbls., 4 hhd.,				3	11	4									
CATTLE, 195 head,															
DRY FISH,															
FLOUR, 215 bbls., 30 bags,															
LATHWOOD, 265½ cords,															
OATS, 96,177½ bushels,	267	17	0												
OATMEAL, 4 tons; 281 bags, 155 bbls.,	5322	11	0	176	8	0									
PORK, 2 hhd., 111 bbls.,				17	0	0									
PICKLED FISH, 405 bbls.,															
PIGS, 16,															
POTATOES, 26,961 bushels,															
SPARS, 9,	4	0	0												
SCANTLING, 10 tons, 57 M. feet, 225 pieces,															
SHINGLES, 369 M.,															
SHEEP, 241,				42	3	0									
TURKISH, 7,299 bushels,	3991	13	6	5	0	0									
TIMBER, 4,769 tons,	4841	10	0	5	10	4									
SUNDRIES,															
<b>TOTAL,</b>	<b>£17,263</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>£249</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>£15,465</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>£496</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>£33,475</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>2</b>

Custom House, 5th January, 1848.

G. R. GOODMAN, Collector.

# OUT-PORT OF BEDEQUE, PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND.

AN ACCOUNT OF GOODS IMPORTED IN THE YEAR ENDED 5TH JANUARY, 1848.

ARTICLES IMPORTED.	Great Britain.			British West Indies.			British North American Colonies.			Foreign Countries.			TOTAL.			
	£	s	d	£	s	d	£	s	d	£	s	d	£	s	d	
PICKLED FISH,																
DRIED FISH,																
FISH OIL,																
DRY GOODS,																
HARDWARE,																
EARTHENWARE,																
IRON & STEEL,																
NAILS,																
TEA,																
TOBACCO,																
MOLASSES,																
SUGAR,																
BRANDY,																
GIN,																
RUM,																
PORTER,																
SOAP,																
SALT,																
LEATHER,																
INDIGO,																
STOVES,																
SUNDRIES,																
TOTAL,	£30	0	0				£2,388	15	9				£2,418	15	9	

Custom House, Bedeque, 5th January, 1848.

JOSEPH POPE, Sub-Collector.

# OUTPORT OF BEDEQUE, PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND.

AN ACCOUNT OF GOODS EXPORTED IN THE YEAR ENDED 5TH JANUARY, 1848.

GOODS EXPORTED.	Great Britain.		British West Indies.		British North American Colonies.		Foreign Countries.		Total.		
	£	s d	£	s d	£	s d	£	s d	£	s d	
BARLEY,					70	10	0		70	10	0
OATS,					1970	15	0		1970	15	0
WHEAT,					829	10	0		829	10	0
FLOUR,					145	0	0		145	0	0
OATMEAL,					262	2	8		262	2	8
PICKLED FISH,					162	0	0		162	0	0
BEEF,					28	10	0		28	10	0
PORK,					13	10	0		13	10	0
TIMBER,		312	14	0					312	14	0
DEALS,		456	0	0					456	0	0
LATHWOOD,		10	4	0					10	4	0
SPARS,		3	12	0					3	12	0
BOARDS & PLANK											
SHINGLES,											
HORSES,					52	12	0		52	12	0
CATTLE,					6	8	0		6	8	0
SHEEP,					399	0	0		399	0	0
PIGS,					155	0	0		155	0	0
POTATOES,					56	14	0		56	14	0
TURNIPS,					17	0	0		17	0	0
HOMESPUN CLOTH,					80	0	0		80	0	0
OYSTERS,					6	0	0		6	0	0
BUTTER,					235	5	0		235	5	0
BRICKS,					190	0	6		190	0	6
SUNDRIES,					78	6	8		78	6	8
					35	10	0		35	10	0
					128	18	0		128	18	0
<b>TOTAL,</b>		<b>£782</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>£4922</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>10</b>		<b>£5705</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>10</b>

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JOSEPH POPE, Sub-Collector.

# OUT-PORT OF MALPEQUE, PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND.

AN ACCOUNT OF GOODS IMPORTED IN THE YEAR ENDED 5TH JANUARY, 1848.

ARTICLES IMPORTED.		Great Britain.			British West Indies.			British North American Colonies.			Foreign Countries.			TOTAL.		
		£	s	d	£	s	d	£	s	d	£	s	d	£	s	d
BRANDY,	9½ Tons, 175 Coils,	1214	0	10										1296	3	6
CORDAGE,	101 Packages,	2052	13	2				82	2	8				2718	5	9
DRY GOODS,	22 Kegs, 68 bags and 15 lbs.,	140	4	1				665	12	7				190	6	3
NAILS,	8 Puncheons and 1 Keg,							50	2	2						
MOLASSES,	9 Bolts and 44 Sails,	529	3	5				30	9	1				559	12	6
SAIL CLOTH,	1 Parcel,	9	9	3										9	9	3
STATIONARY,	26 Boxes,	31	19	6				8	11	11				40	11	5
SOAP,	19 BbIs. and 1 Hhd.							104	8	11				104	8	11
SUGAR,	5 Puncheons,							136	15	6				136	15	6
RUM,	195 Chests,	624	2	0				282	0	10				906	2	10
TEA,	1 Cask,							4	5	0				4	5	0
WINE,	48 tons, 3 cwt., 263 bars, and 101 bundles,	619	16	6				52	11	3				672	7	9
IRON,		1611	16	2				654	16	10				2,266	13	0
SUNDRIES,		£26,833	4	11				£2154	14	0				£8,987	18	11
TOTAL,																

Custom House, 5th January, 1848.

CHARLES MACNUTT, Sub-Collector.



# OUT-PORT OF CASCUMPEC, PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND.

AN ACCOUNT OF GOODS IMPORTED IN THE YEAR ENDED 5TH JANUARY, 1848.

ARTICLES IMPORTED.	Great Britain.			British West Indies.			British North American Colonies.			Foreign Countries.			Total.		
	£	s	d	£	s	d	£	s	d	£	s	d	£	s	d
TEA,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	38	6	8
TOBACCO,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	10	12	6
SALT,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	40	15	0
DRY GOODS,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	84	7	0
COALS,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	16	10	0
LEATHER,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	23	0	0
IRON,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	13	0	0
SUNDRIES,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	112	11	4
TOTAL,													£339	2	6

NICHOLAS CONROY, Sub-Collector.

Custom House, 5th January, 1848.

# OUT-PORT OF CASCUMPEC, PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND.

AN ACCOUNT OF GOODS EXPORTED IN THE YEAR ENDED 5TH JANUARY, 1848.

ARTICLES EXPORTED.	Great Britain.			British West Indies.			British North American Colonies.			Foreign Countries.			TOTAL.				
	£	s	d	£	s	d	£	s	d	£	s	d	£	s	d		
PINE TIMBER,	453	Tons,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-		
BIRCH TIMBER,	53	Tons,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-		
DEALS,	6450	Feet,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-		
LATHWOOD,	16	Cords,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-		
SEARS,	17		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-		
BOARDS,	12,250	feet,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-		
CODFISH,	648	Quintals,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-		
OYSTERS,	2701	Bushels,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-		
BEEF,	106	Barrels and 4 carcasses,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-		
OATS,	2656	Bushels,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-		
HIDES,	20		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-		
POTATOES,	420	Bushels,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-		
WHEAT,	1380	Bushels,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-		
CATTLE,	2	Head,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-		
SHINGLES,	4000,		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-		
TURNIPS,	150	Bushels,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-		
TREENAILS,	30,000,		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-		
BUTTER,	4	Firkins,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-		
SHEEP,	17	Head,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-		
<b>TOTAL,</b>																	
				£409	11	0				£1737	10	0			£2147	1	0

NICHOLAS CONROY, Sub-Collector.

Custom House, 5th January, 1848.

# OUT-PORT OF COLVILLE BAY, PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND.

AN ACCOUNT OF GOODS IMPORTED IN THE YEAR ENDED 5TH JANUARY, 1848.

GOODS IMPORTED.		Great Britain.	British West Indies.	British North American Colonies.	Foreign Countries.	Total.
		£ s d	£ s d	£ s d	£ s d	£ s d
BRANDY,	-			13 19 6		
CORDAGE,	-			486 16 7		
DRY GOODS,	-			2882 17 8		
NAILS,	-			124 12 4		
MOLASSES,	-			285 19 0		
SAIL CLOTH,	-			291 10 9		
SALT,	-			145 19 0		
STATIONARY,	-					
SOAP,	-			39 14 4		
SUGAR,	-			83 18 7		
RUM,	-			403 18 5		
TEA,	-			550 12 5		
TOBACCO,	-			83 1 9		
WINE,	-			6 6 0		
IRON,	-			426 5 7		
SUNDRIES,	-			2680 16 2		
	TOTAL,			£8205 19 4		

Custom House, Colville Bay, 5th January, 1848.

W. S. MACGOWAN, Sub-Collector.

# OUT-PORT OF COLVILLE BAY, PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND.

AN ACCOUNT OF GOODS EXPORTED IN THE YEAR ENDED 5TH JANUARY, 1848.

ARTICLES EXPORTED.	Great Britain			British West Indies.			British North American Colonies.			Foreign Countries.			Total.		
	£	s	d	£	s	d	£	s	d	£	s	d	£	s	d
OATS,	26	6	0										23	11	17
BARLEY,													33	4	0
WHEAT,															
PEARL BARLEY,															
FLOUR,															
OATMEAL,															
BEEF,															
PORK,															
DRY FISH,															
PICKLED FISH,															
TIMBER,															
LATHWOOD,															
SPARS,															
STAVES,															
SCANTLING,															
BOARDS AND PLANK,	200	7	6												
SHINGLES,															
CATTLE,															
SHEEP,															
PIGS,															
TURNIPI,															
POTATOES,															
SUNDRIES,															
<b>TOTAL,</b>	<b>£468</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>£5417</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>£5886</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>£5886</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>£5886</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>0</b>

Custom House, Colville Bay, 5th January, 1848.

W. S. MACGOWAN, Sub-Collector.

# OUT-PORT OF THREE RIVERS, PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND.

AN ACCOUNT OF GOODS IMPORTED IN THE YEAR ENDED 5TH JANUARY, 1848.

ARTICLES IMPORTED.	Great Britain.			British West Indies.			British North American Colonies.			Foreign Countries.			TOTAL.		
	£	s	d	£	s	d	£	s	d	£	s	d	£	s	d
ANCHORS,															
BRANDY,	32	10	0												
BREAD,	10	8	0												
CORDAGE,															
CLOVER SEED,	176	0	0												
CIGARS,															
CLOCKS,															
COFFEE,															
CANDLES,															
CHAIN CABLES,	222	15	0												
CANVAS,	23	6	8												
COALS,															
CODFISH,															
DRY GOODS,	313	12	11												
FLOUR,															
FISH (pickled)															
GIN,	17	4	4												
HARDWARE,	144	2	0												
IRON,	299	15	0												
INDIGO,	16	15	0												
LEATHER,															
MOLASSES,															
MEAL,															
NAILS,	44	0	0												
OAKUM,	14	0	0												
OIL,															
PITCH, TAR & ROSIN,															
PAINT,															
RUM,															
RAISINS,															
SUGAR,															
SOAP,															
SHOES & BOOTS,															
TEA,	182	0	0												
TOBACCO,															
WINE,															
SUNDRIES,	50	0	0												
TOTAL,	£1546	9	11	£15,069	5	6	£690	12	2	£17,306	6	7			

Custom House, 5th January, 1848.

HUGH MACDONALD, Sub-Collector.

OUT-PORT OF THREE RIVERS, PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND.

AN ACCOUNT OF GOODS EXPORTED IN THE YEAR ENDED 5TH JANUARY, 1848.

ARTICLES EXPORTED.		Great Britain.			British West Indies.			British North American Colonies.			Foreign Countries.			TOTAL.		
		£	s	d	£	s	d	£	s	d	£	s	d	£	s	d
ANCHOR & CHAIN,	1															
BILLETS,	41 Pieces,	50	0	0										50	0	0
BOARDS,	216 M. feet,	4	10	0										4	10	0
BARLEY,	4694 Bushels,							473	0	0				473	0	0
CODFISH,	918 Quintals,							669	2	0				669	2	0
CORN MEAL,	4 Barrels,							516	7	6				516	7	6
COFFEE,	1 Bag,							4	0	0				4	0	0
CATTLE,	60 Head,							2	10	0				2	10	0
DRY GOODS,	1 Case, 2 boxes, 1 chest, 2 trusses and 1 bale,	20	0	0				23	0	0			270	0	0	
FURS,	1 Box,	50	0	0										43	0	0
DEALS,	672 M. feet,	4032	0	0										50	0	0
FLOUR,	27 Barrels,							42	0	0				4032	0	0
FISH (pickled)	90 Barrels,							90	0	0				42	0	0
FIREWOOD,	16 Cords,							6	10	0				90	0	0
INDIGO,	1 Box,							2	5	0				6	10	0
JUNIPER KNEES,	6,	2	0	0										2	5	0
LATHWOOD,	17½ Cords,	142	18	6				7	10	0				142	18	6
MOLASSES,	1 Punccheon,							1654	0	0				7	10	0
OATS,	30,905 Bushels,	2347	0	0										4001	0	0
OATMEAL,	6 Barrels,							9	0	0				9	0	0
OIL,	800 Gallons,							90	0	0				90	0	0
PORK,	10 Barrels,							47	10	0				47	10	0
POTATOES,	4143 Bushels,							299	5	0				299	5	0
RUM,	1 Cask,							8	0	0				8	0	0
SCANTLING,	184 Tons and 27 pieces,	6	0	0				77	0	0			6	10	0	
SPARS,	152,	20	0	0				4	0	0			3	10	0	
STAVES,	1½ M.,							8	10	0				8	10	0
SHINGLES,	247 M.,							111	10	0				111	10	0
SUGAR,	1 Bbl.,							3	15	0				3	15	0
SLEEPERS, for railways	16,258 Pieces,	1009	0	6										1009	0	6
SHEEP,	60 Head,													45	0	0
TEA,	4 Chests,							24	0	0				24	0	0
TOBACCO,	3 Kegs and boxes,							12	0	0				12	0	0
TIMBER, (Pine)	35 Tons,	30	12	6										30	12	6
DITTO, (Hemlock)	460 ditto,	287	10	0										287	10	0
DITTO, (Hardwood)	2581 ditto,	1902	4	3				7	0	0				1909	4	3
TURNIPS,	303 Bushels,							15	0	0				15	0	0
SUNDRIES,								11	4	0				11	4	0
Total,		£9903	15	9				£4217	18	6				£325	0	0
														£14,446	14	3

Custom House, 5th January, 1848.

HUGH MACDONALD, Sub-Collector.

# PORT OF PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND.

AN AGGREGATE ACCOUNT OF IMPORTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 5TH JANUARY, 1848.

PORTS.	Great Britain.			British West Indies.			British North American Colonies.			Foreign Countries.			TOTAL.		
	£	s	d	£	s	d	£	s	d	£	s	d	£	s	d
CHARLOTTETOWN,	48,803	7	1	267	17	6	50,943	14	9	6375	1	0	106,390	0	4
BEDIQUE,	30	0	0				2388	15	9				2418	15	9
CASCUMPEC,							339	2	6				339	2	6
THREE RIVERS,	1546	8	11				15,069	5	6	690	12	2	17,305	6	7
MALPEQUE,	6833	4	11				2154	14	0				8987	18	11
COLVILLE BAY,							8205	19	4				8205	19	4
TOTAL, ,	£57,133	0	11	£267	17	6	£79,101	11	10	£7065	13	2	£143,647	3	5

Custom House, 5th January, 1848.

G. R. GOODMAN, Collector.

# PORT OF PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND.

AN AGGREGATE ACCOUNT OF EXPORTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 5TH JANUARY, 1848.

PORTS.	Great Britain			British West Indies.			British North American Colonies.			Foreign Countries.			Total.		
	£	s	d	£	s	d	£	s	d	£	s	d	£	s	d
CHARLOTTETOWN,	17,263	16	0	249	12	8	15,465	11	6	496	10	0	33,475	10	2
COLVILLE BAY,	468	13	6	-	-	-	5417	19	6	-	-	-	5886	13	0
MALPEQUE,	3261	16	0	-	-	-	6305	17	11	-	-	-	9567	13	11
THREE RIVERS,	9903	15	9	-	-	-	4217	18	6	325	0	0	14,446	14	3
CASCUMPEC,	409	11	0	-	-	-	1737	10	0	-	-	-	2147	1	0
BEDEQUE,	782	10	0	-	-	-	4922	11	10	-	-	-	5705	1	10
<b>TOTAL,</b>	<b>£32,090</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>£249</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>£38,067</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>£821</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>£71,228</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>2</b>

Custom House, 5th January, 1848.

G. R. GOODMAN, Collector.

## PORT OF PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND,

*An Account of Duties received under Act 5th and 9th Victoria, cap. 93, in the Year ended 5th January, 1848, with the application thereof.*

ARTICLES:	DUTY:	ARTICLES:	DUTY:
Accordian - - -	£0 1 4	Paper - - -	£3 9 8
Apples (dried) - - -	0 3 8	Paints - - -	0 1 7
Balances - - -	0 12 3	Pepper - - -	0 2 11
Beads - - -	0 0 10	Pitch - - -	1 8 4
Beans - - -	0 2 9	Raisins - - -	0 13 11
Brandy - - -	56 19 6	Rum - - -	117 1 6
Books - - -	0 18 7	Salaratus - - -	0 6 9
Brooms and Buckets - - -	2 1 7	Scales - - -	0 16 4
Candles - - -	9 9 0	Seeds - - -	0 15 0
Cards - - -	0 8 9	Scythe Sneaths - - -	0 6 8
Carriages - - -	1 10 0	Snuff - - -	0 1 2
Chairs - - -	2 16 6	Shoes and Boots - - -	6 8 7
Cheese - - -	4 9 8	Soap - - -	1 0 4
Coffee - - -	9 16 9	Sofas - - -	0 2 8
Confectionary - - -	0 3 9	Spices - - -	0 6 10
Cigars - - -	0 4 5	Stoves, - - -	20 6 6
Clocks - - -	3 13 8	Sugar, - - -	337 19 1
Churns and Tubs - - -	0 8 7	Tar, - - -	1 18 8
Dry Goods - - -	0 4 4	Tea, - - -	8 8 7
Figs - - -	0 3 7	Tobacco, - - -	25 8 0
Flour - - -	8 8 0	Toys, - - -	0 1 0
Forks - - -	0 2 11	Treacle, - - -	1 14 0
Gelatines - - -	0 1 6	Trees, - - -	0 0 9
Glassware - - -	2 19 10	Turpentine, - - -	0 3 0
Gin - - -	55 15 6	Varnish, - - -	2 6 7
Hardware - - -	4 6 0	Vinegar, - - -	0 2 9
Hats - - -	0 1 11	Whalebone, - - -	0 0 2
Hops - - -	1 12 10	Whips, - - -	0 2 4
Indigo - - -	4 18 10	Wick, - - -	0 2 0
India Rubbers - - -	0 9 8	Window Blinds, - - -	0 2 11
Lamps - - -	0 9 2	Wine, - - -	18 11 0
Leather - - -	47 1 5	Wood-manufactures,	3 11 3
Lemon Syrup - - -	0 0 8		
Mahogany - - -	1 2 6		£1257 6 4
Matches - - -	0 0 7	Paid in by Sub-Collectors,	240 5 1
Medicines - - -	1 3 4	Surcharges, - - -	5 8 4
Molasses - - -	472 15 3	Balance from last year,	369 5 7
Mustard - - -	0 0 6		
Nails - - -	1 1 4		Total, £1872 5 4
Nuts - - -	0 5 5		
Oakum - - -	4 18 2	Paid into Colonial Treasury,	1077 9 10
Oil - - -	0 9 11	Expended in service H. M. Customs,	778 12 11
Oil Cloth - - -	0 7 2	Balance in Hand, - - -	16 3 7
Pails - - -	0 3 7		
			Total, £1872 5 4

Custom House, 5th January, 1848.

G. R. GOODMAN, Collector.

# APPENDIX

(M.)

[SEE PAGE 87.]

## [Despatch from Sir Henry Vere Huntley, to Lord Stanley, relative to an Increase of Salary.]

[Copy.] No. 43.

Government House,  
Prince Edward Island, Dec. 23, 1844.

MY LORD;

I have the honor to lay before your Lordship certain papers, laid by myself before the Executive Council, and relating to two questions submitted upon the subject of the Salary of the Lieutenant Governor of this Island; and, having laid these papers, I withdrew during the discussion.

I have also the honor to transmit to your Lordship the copy of a Resolution, upon which I received the assurance that I should have a clear majority, if opposition was offered to it; and it was solely upon the faith of this assurance—derived from a member—that the Council was summoned.

With reference to the reply given by the Council to the second question, I have only to observe, that as their advice involves the imposition of a tax, which is in direct opposition to your Lordship's views, I have not the slightest disposition to offer it the most distant support; in saying which, I repeat what I stated to the Council on my return, after the discussion had terminated.

Adverting to the conduct of the Council upon the resolution, of which the copy is enclosed, I must frankly observe, that a more extraordinary departure from a previously expressed intention, I do not remember to have met with; or, if no such departure, then I am at a loss to reconcile the character of the assurance of support with that of the conduct upon the occasion, and upon the faith of which assurance alone, I repeat, the Council was consulted.

However, I leave this most unpleasant, and very inexplicable part of the subject, to place your Lordship in possession of a true knowledge of the position of the Lieutenant Governor in this Colony, the consequence of its continuance, and the proposal of a measure, which will, if advanced under your Lordship's sanction, infallibly terminate all differences, and in a manner that, while it guarantees no loss to the Imperial Government, will also offer an advantage to the Governor, and people of the Colony.

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The position of the Lieutenant Governor is expressed in general terms, in the unanimous reply given by the Council to the first of the two questions submitted by me. The fact of the inadequacy of the salary to meet the demands upon the office of the Lieutenant Governor, is then so fully admitted—and I have upon other occasions so prominently set it forth—that to enlarge here upon that point, would be an improper occupation of your Lordship's time and attention. However, I am sure that your Lordship will permit me to state that, from my own experience during three years, these demands, although controuled by circumspection, have caused an annual expenditure to me of not less than £600 sterling beyond the amount of the salary I enjoy—and your Lordship is aware that I received nothing beyond that from the Colony, but a few fees, producing possibly £50 sterling per annum.

The expenditure of my predecessor, Sir Charles A. Fitz Roy, exceeded this sum; and there can be no doubt of the demands upon the Lieutenant Governor increasing, as this Island becomes more generally occupied with settlers belonging to a class of a more elevated description than heretofore sought it as a refuge from European expenses.

The consequences which have, from the period of 1833, attended this state of things, are prejudicially felt in the Colony. At that period it was that the attempt to make the vote in favour of the Lieutenant Governor annual, and dependent upon his conduct, with reference to political views, was resisted; for an annual vote can, I think, be considered only as a security for subservience, when granted by a branch of the Legislature to which the controul of the public purse is conceded; to another branch of the same Legislature, without the concurrence of which the acts of the first are inoperative, no application for an increase of salary was made until 1840, although the inadequacy of that received was complained of by every successive Lieutenant Governor, and admitted by every respectable family; I may, indeed, say, by every person of any consideration in the Colony. In that year, by direction of Lord John Russell, then Secretary of State for the Colonies, a recommendation for an increase of salary to the amount of £1000

sterling, was laid before the Legislature of this Island. It was unanimously accepted as a proper measure in the Legislative Council, but rejected in the Assembly, and upon arguments that shew the leading opposition to the measure to be founded upon very false grounds.

This took place immediately before my arrival to assume the Government; and I do not hesitate to say, that I was led to believe, previously to the Elections—which were to take place the next year—that the necessity of an increase would be brought before a House more capable in judgment, and more willing to establish an allowance to enable the Lieutenant Governor to meet expenses which increase of society, and considerations belonging to the character of the office, created; in conjunction with the fact of the Legislature having placed him in a house of most expensive dimensions, in which it is to be presumed that the interior reception was intended to correspond with the exterior appearance.

However, the impression conveyed to me before the Elections, was not carried out after the Elections; and I, in consequence, have, as much as possible, adapted my proceedings—with regard to reception of the inhabitants—to the extent of the liberality of the Assembly; and this acceptance, combined with what is due to visitors, and expenses incurred by contingencies attached to a residence in a large building, have annually increased an expenditure, over and above the salary, to the amount already mentioned.

I think your Lordship will readily see that this system can be productive of no good feeling throughout the Colony. The inhabitants imagine themselves deprived of entertainments to which they say they are entitled; and the Lieutenant Governor declines these entertainments, because the inhabitants do not force their Representatives to make some provision for the outlay upon them. The said Representatives urge that the People do not like any expenditure upon the Lieutenant Governor, or the premises he occupies; and as these Representatives consent to consider themselves the servants of the people, instead of judges placed by the People to conduct the affairs of the Colony, with all possible justice to all parties, they obey the wishes of the people—their admitted masters—and do an injustice to the Lieutenant Governor's office.

In point of fact, my Lord, there is such a complete net work of alliance throughout this community, that no one mesh can be strained without affecting the whole. The upper classes are connected with the middle classes; and these again are connected with the lower, both in relationship and pecuniary pursuits; the consequence is, that every project is measured by the probable extent of its operation upon a long current course of remuneration in business; so the Salary question being opposed to the "wishes of

the people,"—the phrase used to me by Members of the Assembly—the freedom of action is paralysed in the Member who thinks possibly that opposition to those wishes, might be prejudicial to his future receipts; this again is urged upon the higher parties, and a glaring public injustice is committed, rather than risk the disturbance of a system of private gain, which has for many years existed here, and, indeed, which has drawn a great portion of the present society from obscurity; under this state of things, it is futile to expect that much consideration will be given to any plan that has not some general beneficial operation upon the community, either presently or prospectively; and one of this character, I now beg leave to submit to your Lordship.

Your Lordship is aware, that a Tax upon the Land is levied, and will be levied here until the year 1849, when it expires; from this Tax, the Colony derives annually about £2,000; of it, there has been between thirteen and fourteen thousand pounds expended upon the new Provincial Building, and there will be, when the whole amount is collected, during the ten years for which the tax is to be continued, about £6,000 unappropriated; or, I should rather say that, that last named sum is not now appropriated at all. Your Lordship is also aware, that this tax is levied to form a sum towards erecting Public Buildings, "and for other purposes."

I now beg to ask your Lordship's attention to the paper enclosed, and marked "No. 1," being that in which I was assured there was a majority in the Executive Council, but which, after all, was not more than partially suggested, certainly not brought forward, and a vote taken upon it, as intended. This Resolution goes to ask your Lordship to sanction the introduction of a Bill into the Legislature of this Colony, authorizing an Assessment upon all Lands in the Island, in lieu of the Quit Rents; and out of the proceeds of that Assessment, to appropriate permanently the sum of £—— to the Lieut. Governor, as an increase of Salary; and the Resolution further asks, that out of the sum of money arising from the present tax upon land, of which about £6,000 is now unappropriated, that the sum of £—— be paid to, and for the use of the Lieutenant Governor during the next four years, at the expiration of which this tax would cease, and the other commence.

So far as it goes, it would, if carried through the Legislature, have the effect of settling a question that certainly has, and will have, while undecided, a very injurious tendency, as I have already said; but I am disposed to think that, if your Lordship were to sanction a measure founded upon the Resolution in question, (numbered one), the Assembly would very pro-

bably decline entertaining it, upon the ground that they at present enjoy a certain tax, and that as four years must expire before they can be deprived of it, so they will prefer leaving matters as they are.

With this view, I beg, therefore, to submit to your Lordship, a plan which will force that body into compliance with a just line of conduct, at the same time that it offers the Colony an advantage; the coercion will therefore be salutary, and to refuse it will be, not only in accordance with their injustice towards the Lieut. Governor, but also inflicting one upon the People, whose servants they describe themselves to be

I, therefore, ask permission to suggest (assuming that at the expiration of four years from this period, the Quit Rents will be resumed, or a tax upon the land equivalent to them allowed) your Lordship's sanction to a measure that will, of necessity, completely set this question at rest immediately. I beg to propose that your Lordship should offer to give up the Quit Rents at once, and in perpetuity to the Colony, on condition that out of the amount derived from them, (£1,700 sterling), seven hundred pounds sterling shall be annually paid, as an allowance to the Lieutenant Governor; and further, on condition that from the 1st of January, 1845, the present tax upon the land shall be abolished, and the arrangement as to the Quit Rents, and payment from them to the Lieutenant Governor shall commence.

I should also propose an explicit declaration from your Lordship, that in the event of the Legislature refusing this offer, an allowance of £700 sterling will be made to the Lieutenant Governor, from the Imperial Treasury, during the next four years, after which the Quit Rents will be again collected, and that from them the Imperial Treasury will reimburse itself, retaining, for such uses as the Crown shall dictate, the remainder of the amount collected under them.

My Lord, there is not the most remote chance of the Legislature refusing this arrangement, because they will loose the controul of a certain sum of money if they do; whereas, if they accept, they will gain a perpetual right over that certain share which will in some degree compensate for the objection to pay anything towards the expenses of the office of Lieutenant Governor.

In urging this subject, I do assure your Lordship that I am influenced as much by what I feel to be due to the office I have the honor of filling, as I am by any consideration of private inconvenience. I cannot help feeling that the conduct of the House of Assembly is, in every respect, as connected with the Lieutenant Governor's position, disrespectful to that officer, as Her Majesty's Representative, unjust to

himself, and highly injurious to the social relations of the Colony.

I have the honor to be, my Lord,  
Your Lordship's most obedient,  
Humble Servant,

(Signed) H. V. HUNTLEY,  
Lieut. Governor.

The Right Honorable  
Lord Stanley, &c. &c. &c.

(Copy)—No. 124.

DOWNING STREET,  
March 1, 1845.

SIR;

I have to acknowledge the receipt of your Despatch No. 43, of the 23d December, with its enclosures, in which you represent the inadequacy of the salary of the Lieutenant Governor of P. E. Island, and suggest a mode of augmenting it.

I have given my best consideration to the plan by which you propose to accomplish this object, but I am unable to satisfy myself that it would be prudent to relinquish the right of the Crown to the Quit Rents, or to abolish the Land Tax, as an inducement to the Legislature to increase the salary of your office.

I am of opinion that it is, on all accounts, very undesirable to agitate either of the proposals which you have submitted to me on this subject.

I have the honor to be, Sir,  
Your most obedient,

Humble Servant,  
(Signed) STANLEY.

Lieutenant Governor  
Sir Henry Huntley.

GOVERNMENT HOUSE,  
December 19, 1844.

At a Special Meeting of Council;

PRESENT:

HIS EXCELLENCY SIR HENRY VERE HUNTLEY,  
Hon. Colonel Lane, Hon. Joseph Pope,  
" T. H. Haviland, " J. S. Macdonald,  
" The Attorney General, " Edward Palmer,  
" John Brecken, " Charles Hensley,  
" George R. Goodman,

His Excellency laid before the Board a Despatch which had been received by his predecessor in the Government, Sir Charles A. Fitzroy, from the Right Honorable Lord John Russell, then Her Majesty's Principal Secretary of State for the Colonial Department, conveying Her Majesty's gracious permission to propose to the Colonial Legislature, that the sum of £1000 Sterling; per annum, should in future be paid from the funds of the Island towards the support of the Lieut. Governor.

His Excellency also submitted for the consideration of the Board, the following questions:

First. In the opinion of the Board, is the salary derived from the Imperial Treasury (£1000 sterling) by the Lieut. Governor, in proportion to the expenses necessarily attached to his position?

Secondly. If the Board is of opinion, that the Salary is disproportioned, what appears the most suitable method of bringing the subject before the Legislature of this Island, in the most just and satisfactory manner to all parties?

His Excellency having retired during the discussion of these questions, after leaving the following memoranda as a guide to the Board in its deliberations, viz.:—

“1st. Lieutenant Governor Colonel Ready annually received £400 from the Colonial Revenue; besides which, he had allowed from the same source £150 for house-rent; exclusive of which, he received £1000 Sterling per annum from the Imperial Treasury, and considerable allowances as a Military officer. The population at this time was 23,000, and the Revenue £5,000.

1833.—“2d. Sir Aretas Young was voted £300, as an allowance to meet the demands upon the office he held; which he declined, because it was granted by an annual vote, instead of being made a permanent increase to his Salary as Lieutenant Governor. The population 33,000—Revenue £9,000.

1840.—“During the administration of the Government by Sir C. A. Fitzroy, the Secretary of State recommended an increase of £1000 Sterling to the Salary of the Lieutenant Governor; the Assembly, differing from previous Assemblies, refused, not only this, but also any increase whatever, although the Lieutenant Governor was now residing in a Government House built by the Colony for his residence, extremely large, and which necessarily enhanced his expenses. The population upwards of 45,000—the Revenue of 1840 was £16,200.

1844.—“Since the above mentioned period, the same practice has been observed. The population has increased probably to 50,000; and the Revenue of 1844 will exceed that of 1843 by upwards of £1000. The former was £13,800.

In Newfoundland, £200 per annum is allowed for Fuel for the Government House.

In New Brunswick also, a fair allowance is made for Fuel.

In Prince Edward Island, no allowance of any kind.

Every other Colony of England, many with smaller revenues, (and with no Crown properties or rights given up to the Colony), pays an allowance as an increase to the Salary of the officer governing; where such rights, &c., have been given up, arrangements have been made between the Imperial and Colonial Governments, for a Civil List.”

Upon His Excellency resuming his seat at the Board, its opinions were declared as follow:—

Answer to the first question—The Council is unanimously of opinion, that the Salary derived from the Imperial Government, of £1,000 sterling per annum, by the Lieutenant Governor, is inadequate to the expenses necessarily attached to his position as Her Majesty's Representative in this Colony.

Answer to the second question—The Council is of opinion, that as Lord John Russell's Despatch has already been laid before the House of Assembly, and that body having refused to entertain it, it would be unavailing again to bring it under their consideration. The Board is therefore of opinion, that the only eligible method of providing the necessary means to increase the Lieutenant Governor's Salary, is to obtain the sanction of Her Majesty's Government to introduce a Bill into the Colonial Legislature, for levying a permanent Assessment on Land.

(A true Extract)

T. H. HAVILAND, C. C.

(Copy.)

At the Court at Buckingham Palace, the 11th day of  
L. S. February, 1848.

PRESENT:

THE QUEEN'S MOST EXCELLENT MAJESTY,  
HIS ROYAL HIGHNESS PRINCE ALBERT,

<i>Archbishop of York,</i>	<i>Earl of Auckland,</i>
<i>Lord Chancellor,</i>	<i>Lord John Russell,</i>
<i>Lord President,</i>	<i>Viscount Palmerston,</i>
<i>Duke of Norfolk,</i>	<i>Lord Campbell,</i>
<i>Marquis of Abercorn,</i>	<i>Sir John Hobhouse, Bart.,</i>
<i>Lord Steward,</i>	<i>Sir George Grey, Bart.,</i>
<i>Earl Grey,</i>	<i>Mr. Hayter.</i>

Whereas the Lieutenant Governor of Her Majesty's Island of Prince Edward, with the Council and Assembly of the said Island, did in the month of March, 1847, pass an Act, which has been transmitted, entitled as follows, viz:—

No. 707.—“An Act for the better prevention of Smuggling.”

And whereas the said Act has been referred to the Committee of the Lords of Her 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 Her Majesty, that the said Act should be left to its operation:

Her Majesty was thereupon this day pleased, by and with the advice of Her Privy Council, to approve the said Report; Whereof the Governor, Lieutenant Governor, or Commander in Chief for the time being, of Her Majesty's Island of Prince Edward, and all other persons whom it may concern, are to take notice, and govern themselves accordingly.

(Signed) WM. L. BATHURST

# APPENDIX

(N.)

[SEE PAGE 122.]

## Post Office Correspondence.

GENERAL POST OFFICE,  
Charlottetown, October 12th, 1847.

SIR;

I had the honor to receive your communication of the 8th instant, directing me, by command of His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor, "to draw up, with the least possible delay, a statement containing every information respecting the Post Office of this Island, with a view of conveying the same to the Right Honorable the Governor General, as a guide with reference to connecting the Postal arrangements of this Island with those of the other British Provinces in North America."

I have the honor, in compliance with the command of His Excellency, to submit—That in every thing connected with the Post Office department in this Island, the rates of Postage, and general instructions, are the same as those of Nova Scotia, except that an uniform charge for Inland Postage of Two-pence, currency, per rate, has been demanded, under the sanction of His Lordship the Postmaster General, upon the local correspondence of the Colony, with an addition of Two-pence per rate upon all Colonial and American Letters forwarded from the General Post Office, Charlottetown, into the interior; and the same Inland charge has also been paid upon all Letters forwarded from the Country Offices to Charlottetown, for transmission to Her Majesty's Colonies in North America, and the United States.

The whole proceeds of Postage, British, Colonial and Domestic, after paying the respective Postmasters and Way-office keepers their commission, and some other charges for assistance in the General Post Office, Charlottetown, Office Rent, and other expenses, directed to be paid by the Postmaster General, have been paid into the Colonial Treasury towards disbursing the amount for the conveyance of the Mails in the Colony, and for Steam and Winter communication with the Mails between this Island and Nova Scotia and New Brunswick.

I will take the liberty to annex a statement of British, Colonial and Domestic Postage received during the two last years ended the 5th July last, and an account of charges upon the department for the same

period—exclusive of the amount paid by the Colonial Government for the conveyance of the Mails—which amounts annually to about the sum of £950, Halifax currency; and I will also state the sum paid into the Provincial Treasury during the same period.

By this statement it will be observed that the whole proceeds of Postage heretofore received have fallen short of the amount paid by the Colony for the Mail service; and any considerable diminution in the Colonial Postage will materially decrease the Post Office Revenue, and will leave a much larger sum to be provided by the Legislature of the Island than has heretofore been paid; and more particularly if Her Majesty's Government withdrawn from the Colony the amount of the British Packet Postage, which His Lordship the Postmaster General has intimated in his communication of the 10th September, 1846, would require to be remitted to England.

The number of Inland Offices established in the Colony are Twenty-seven, to Six of these Mails are forwarded from the Post Office, Charlottetown, and received, twice each week; and to and from the others once a week; and without being called upon to make any suggestion, I would take the liberty to state, that if it should be determined to reduce the present rates of Colonial postage, and establish one uniform rate for the British Provinces in North America, should that exceed the present sum of two-pence charged upon the Inland or Domestic correspondence of the Island, any addition, so far as regards the immediate internal Postage, would be injurious, and felt as a serious inconvenience, as from the limited extent of the Island, the charge is considered quite high enough.

The persons conducting the Post Offices in this Colony are now paid by Commission upon the Postage received by them; and a reduction of the Colonial rates of Postage will materially reduce their income, and at the same time very much increase the duties to be performed, from the additional correspondence which it is expected will result from a reduced charge of postage. If such should be the case, salaries will have to be provided, or competent persons will not be obtained to do the duty.

In submitting these remarks to you, I am not certain that they contain all the information that His Excellency may require; but should there be any thing further, I will be glad if it is in my power to communicate it.

I have the honor to be, Sir,  
Your most obedient, humble servant,  
(Signed) THOMAS OWEN.

The Honorable  
T. H. Haviland.

	Amount Internal Postage.	Amount Colonial Postage.	Amount British Postage.	Gross Amount of Postage.	Amount Dead Letters, &c.	Net Amount of Postage.	Commissions.	Amount Incidental Expenses.	Amt. paid into Provl. Treasury.
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(COPY.)

GOVERNMENT HOUSE,  
Prince Edward Island,  
October 18th, 1847.

MY LORD;

I regret that the transmission of the enclosed statement relating to the Post Office of this Island, has been delayed until this late period, but I was unable to make an application so soon as I had led your Lordship to expect, in consequence of the usual conveyances between Boston and St. John, N. B. having been suspended in their proceeding by gales of wind and fogs, which circumstance prevented my reaching this Island until the 13th instant.

I have, however, the honor to furnish your Lordship with the statement and opinions of the Deputy Postmaster General of this Island, which I trust may be of use; but it appears to me that he has not sufficiently considered the subject of a reduction of the rate of Postage, as argued by him in the paragraphs I have marked with two marginal lines. If the correspondence increases in proportion to the diminution of the rate, the receipts will at least not retrograde, though the duties may be a little enlarged; my own opinion is, that the reduction of the Postal rates would cause such an increase in the receipts, as would create ample compensation to the tenant of the Post Office for any additional duty that might be thrown upon him.

I have the honor to be, &amp;c. &amp;c.

(Signed) H. V. HUNTLEY,  
Lieut. Governor.

The Right Honorable  
The Earl of Elgin and Kincardine,  
&c. &c. &c., Montreal.

(COPY.)

GENERAL POST OFFICE,  
Charlottetown, Jan. 8th, 1848.

SIR;

In obedience to your Excellency's desire, I have perused with much attention the Report of the Commissioners appointed by the Provinces of Canada, Nova Scotia and New Brunswick, to enquire into and report upon the practicability of establishing an uniform and efficient Post Office System throughout the British North American Colonies, based upon the views entertained by Earl Grey and His Lordship the Postmaster General, as communicated to the Right Honorable the Governor General, by a Despatch, dated the 31st December, 1846.

If the suggestions of these gentlemen, as contained in their elaborate Report, be carried into effect, there cannot be a doubt that a great boon will be conferred upon the Colonies; but previously to the assumption that the Legislature of this Colony will give its assent to the measure, it will be necessary

that your Excellency should be put in possession of information, upon two or three particulars, which I take the liberty to bring under your notice.

It is stated in the 3d suggestion of the Commissioners, "That one shilling sterling per half-ounce be accounted for to Great Britain, for British Packet Letters, to cover all charges of transport, by sea and land, between Great Britain and the limits of the several Provinces for which the Mails may be carried; and that two-pence sterling per half-ounce be the Provincial charge on Packet Letters for all distances within the Province, receiving or mailing such letters as has been explained in considering Lord Clanricarde's suggestions."

It is material for your Excellency to be informed whether it is contemplated by the foregoing suggestions that Charlottetown shall be considered the limits of this Colony, to and from which the British Mails shall be carried for the One Shilling Packet Postage.

The next and very important question of local interest which occurs to me is, whether the contemplated rate of Three-pence currency per half-ounce for all distances under Three Hundred Miles, is intended to alter the present internal and uniform rate of two-pence per half-ounce Island currency, which has long been established in this Colony, and sanctioned by the Postmaster General, on its domestic correspondence.

During the last Summer, I was called upon by your Excellency's predecessor to report such information respecting the Post Office department of this Island as it was in my power to afford; and I beg to hand your Excellency a copy of the communication which I had the honor to submit to Sir Henry Vere Huntley on that occasion.

I have the honor to be, Sir,

Your most obedient,

Humble Servant,

(Signed) THOMAS OWEN.

His Excellency

Sir Donald Campbell, Bart.

[COPY.]

GOVERNMENT HOUSE,  
Prince Edward Island,  
January 11, 1848.

SIR;

My attention has recently been directed to a communication, addressed by you, on the 19th November last, to Sir H. V. Huntley, my predecessor in this Government, transmitting a Report of the Commissioners appointed, on behalf of Canada, Nova Scotia and New Brunswick, to deliberate on measures suitable for a reduced system of Postage for the British North American Colonies; and, at the same time.

requesting to learn my predecessor's sentiments, and the prospects of the concurrence of the Legislature of this Island in the opinions expressed in that Report.

It has also been intimated to me, that, as your communication was not received by Sir H. V. Huntley until a few days previously to his retirement from the Government, it is probable that no steps were taken by him to afford the information required by you, on behalf of yourself and your colleagues, with respect to the questions embodied in the very able Report to which I have referred.

The short period which has elapsed since my assumption of the Government of this Island will not warrant me in venturing to offer an opinion upon the details of the system which you and your colleagues recommend for the future postal arrangements of these Colonies, or how far they may receive the approval of the local Legislature; but its great advantages, as a general principle, cannot be disputed.

I have, however, submitted the Report to Mr. Owen, the Deputy Postmaster General of this Island, whose practical knowledge and experience entitle his opinion to public confidence; and I beg to transmit herewith his observations on two points of considerable importance to our local interest, together with a copy of a Report, submitted by him for the information of the Right Honorable the Governor General on the 12th October last, with reference to the proposed change in the postal arrangements of these Colonies; and if I could be favored with the benefit of your views upon the points referred to by Mr. Owen, previously to the meeting of the local Legislature—which is fixed to take place on the first day of February next—it would enable me to bring the question before them without the risk of misapprehension, on their part, as to the meaning and intent of its details.

I have the honor to be,

&c., &c., &c.,

(Signed) DONALD CAMPBELL.

The Hon. J. W. Johnston,  
&c., &c., Halifax, N. S.

[Copy.]

HALIFAX,

19th Jan., 1848.

SIR;

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your Excellency's Letter of the 11th instant, with its enclosures, and lost no time in communicating them to Mr. Cayley, the Canadian Commissioner on the Postal arrangements, who will be earlier acquainted with the views of the British Government than I shall be.

It was understood in Montreal, that after the British Government had interchanged with the Governor General its sentiments on the plan suggested by the Commissioners, some definite proposals would probably be submitted to the different Legislatures; and I am not aware that the final decision can be much advanced of this important subject by any previous measures of the local Assemblies, beyond the annunciations of general views and principles; and so far, it is probable all the North American Colonies have advanced in the matter.

In relation to Mr. Owen's suggestions, I suppose the Commissioners would have considered Charlottetown as the postal limit of Prince Edward Island, in the meaning involved in Mr. Owen's enquiry; and I think that the maintenance of a rate of Postage lower than the uniform Inter-Colonial rate proposed by the Commissioners, limited to Correspondence originating and confined within the Island, as the 2d. rate mentioned by Mr. Owen is stated to be, might be preserved, without disturbing the general system recommended in the Report. How far this opinion may be sanctioned, I cannot say; the point was not definitely considered by the Commissioners, nor were they, as far as I know, aware of this low rate in Prince Edward Island; but I cannot recall any suggestion or reason against the opinion I have expressed, so long as the rate excepted from the general uniformity did not disturb the uniformity of the Postal arrangements for the Imperial, Foreign, or Inter-Colonial Post communications.

I have the honor to be,

&c., &c., &c.,

(Signed) J. W. JOHNSTON.

His Excellency

Sir Donald Campbell, &c., &c.

# APPENDIX

(O.)

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[EXTRACT.]

No. 21.

DOWNING STREET,  
27th March, 1848.

SIR;

"I have to acknowledge your Despatch, No. 20, of the 21st of February last, in which you report the circumstances out of which a difference of opinion has arisen between your Law Advisers and the House of Assembly of Prince Edward Island, with its enclosures, containing the opinion of the Law Advisers, an Address and Resolutions of the House of Assembly, and other communications relating thereto.

"It appears that two questions are raised by this Despatch: whether the House of Assembly has the exclusive right to decide that a vacancy has occurred in its list of Members—and, secondly, whether the House rightly decided that a Member vacated his seat by accepting a seat in the Executive Council.

"On the first point, I regret to have to direct you in opposition to the opinion of your Law Advisers. But I can entertain no doubt that the House of Assembly is the proper judge whether or not a vacancy exists. I think the House correctly holds, that under the Act of Assembly 6th Wm. 4, cap. 24, sec. 24, the House is to report a vacancy through its Speaker; and that the functions of the Lieut. Governor are only ministerial. The words of the Act might apparently bear either this construction, or that put on it by your Law Advisers; its meaning, therefore, must be determined by fair analogy to the practice which prevails in the British Parliament, and by that practice, the House of Commons is the only judge on all questions touching the right of its Members to their seats.

"I think, therefore, the course pursued by your predecessor, Sir Henry Huntley, on the first occasion, when the seat of Mr. Coles was declared vacant, was the correct one; and I have to instruct you, not to refuse to issue a Writ to fill up a seat in the Assembly, which that Body shall have in the same manner declared to be vacant. Having acknowledged the exclusive right of the House of Assembly to decide who are its own Members, it follows that I cannot claim any authority to do more than merely

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express an opinion—which, of course, is not binding upon it—on the second question, as to whether, in this particular instance, the House has decided correctly, or the reverse. If I am called upon for an opinion, I am bound to say that, on a careful consideration of all that has been urged upon both sides, I concur in that which has been given by your Law Advisers. The doctrine that the acceptance of a seat in the Executive Council vacates one in the Assembly, seems to me to be erroneous; in the first place, because it is contrary to the received practice of the Island, no such construction having hitherto been put on the Act of 6th Will. 4, cap. 24; while it appears that some of the gentlemen who now contend that a vacancy has been created, have themselves, on former occasions, accepted seats in the Executive Council, without having been considered as requiring to be re-elected; next, because the words 'His Majesty's Council,' contained in the Act, could only, at the time they were used, have been intended to refer to the Legislative Council, since no other body to which they could apply was then in existence; and lastly, because the opinion that a seat in the Executive Council is an office of emolument, (which is also put forward in support of this decision), appears to be not only entirely new, but also without substantial foundation. And to refer again to the practice of this country in an analagous case, a Member of the House of Commons does not vacate his seat by being sworn into the Privy Council, unless he at the same time accepts some office of emolument.

"For these reasons, I am of opinion that a majority of the House of Assembly has been wrong in determining to regard the appointment of one of its Members to the post of Executive Councillor, as vacating his seat; but, as the House was acting strictly within its proper jurisdiction, its decision cannot be questioned."

I have the honor, &c.

(Signed)

GREY,

Lieutenant Governor

Sir Donald Campbell, Bart., &c. &c,  
Prince Edward Island.

# APPENDIX

(P.)

## SCHOOL VISITERS' REPORTS.

### KING'S COUNTY.

TO THE MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION.

GENTLEMEN;

As the Visiter of Schools for King's County, I beg to lay before you the customary Annual Report, on the state of Education in the different Districts under my superintendence; and also to add such statistical information thereto, as I have been enabled to acquire during the period that I have had the honour of holding the office.

The Act passed in the last Session of the Legislature "for the encouragement of Education," imposes upon the School Visiter of each County the duty of visiting and examining, twice in every year, the different District Schools in his County, and orders him "under the direction and control" of your honorable Board, to "prescribe the system and course of instruction to be adopted in such Schools," to call "meetings of Trustees" when necessary, and to report the state of the different Schools which he visits, the method of instruction practised, the number of scholars, the state and description of the School-houses, and such other information as he may see it necessary to give, or that any branch of the Legislature may require from him."

In conformity with the requirements of the Act, I have recently visited the different District Schools within the limits of King's County; and feel gratified in being enabled to state, that the majority of them are as ably and efficiently conducted as could reasonably be expected, considering the numerous and evident disadvantages under which Education in distant and remote settlements must necessarily labour.

At the time of my visit, the number of Schools in King's County was Twenty-four, exclusive of the Infant School in Georgetown. Since that period, I regret to state that changes have taken place, which have had the effect of closing several of the County Schools, while, on the other hand, three new ones have been opened. To these facts I shall refer more at length in the concluding part of my Report.

I have ascertained the number of pupils under instruction in the different District Schools, to be Eight Hundred and Four, divided as follows:—

LOCALITY.	CLASS.	TEACHER'S NAME.	NO. OF PUPILS.
Three Rivers, Lot 59	1st.	James Stewart,	60
Sturgeon, Lot 61	"	Patrick Fitzgerald	48
Little Sands, Lot 64	"	Alexander Beaton	58
White Sands, Lot 64	2d.	John Brooks	45
Murray Harbor, S. side	1st.	Peter Ross	35
Brudenell River, Lot 52	"	Elizabeth Stewart	35
do. do., Lot 51	"	Margaret Owen	27
Scotch Settlement, do.	"	Duncan Campbell	30
St. Peter's Rd., Lot 53	"	John Stewart	25
Savage Harbor, Lot 38	"	James Douglas	36
St. Peter's, Lot 39	"	Barbara Collins	23
do., Lot 40	"	Sarah Holland	18
Hd. St. Peter's, Lot 41	"	Samson Farquharson	32
do. do., do.	"	John Keenan	25
St. Margaret's, Lot 43	"	John M'Kay	35
Colville Bay, Portage } Cross Roads, Lot 47 }	Primary	Michael Dean	19
East Point	1st.	Edmund Shea	22
Rollo Bay, Lot 44	"	John Sweeney	27
Bay Fortune, Lot 43	"	John M'Neill	42
Grand River, N. side	Primary	Anthony M'Cormack	19
do., S. side	"	John Walker	19
Launching Place, Lot 55	1st.	Donald M'Donald	60
Head Cardigan, Lot 52	"	Charlotte A. Alley	23
Geo. Town, Gram. Sch	2d.	John Ross	46

Of the Schools above enumerated, it will be observed, that only two are of the second or principal class, namely, the Grammar School at Georgetown, and one at the White Sands, taught by Mr. Brooks.

The "system and course of [instruction]" adopted in the District Schools, is the next subject that I beg leave to bring under the consideration of the Board.

The Education Act states, that the Visiter is to prescribe the "system and course, under the direction and control of the Board of Education." On this point I would observe, that no instructions have as yet been given by the Board, for the guidance of the Visiter. I have therefore been compelled to follow the precedents which have hitherto prevailed, and in the absence of precise "instructions," content myself with making those suggestions to the District Teachers which appeared most calculated to carry out the intentions of the Legislature, and to advance the interests of general Education.

#### SYSTEM.

The system generally adopted of imparting instruction, is that which is called explanatory, i. e. by question and answer. The Teachers, in some instances, read with and to their pupils; and I beg leave respect-

fully to suggest, that if this plan were more universally adopted, great benefit to the scholars would result therefrom; inasmuch as by it the pupil is not only taught a more correct method of pronunciation, but also of accent, elocution, and style of reading. In Grammar, tasks are given to the younger scholars, exercises to their seniors, and examination in both, as a matter of course, follows. Memory, as well as judgment, is thus taxed to perfect the learner.

Writing and Arithmetic are taught upon the usual and most approved systems in use; and the higher branches of Education—although but too rarely imparted—are conducted with reference to those universally approved standards which seem to be scarcely susceptible of improvement.

#### BRANCHES OF IMPROVEMENT.

In the Georgetown Grammar School, under my own charge, in addition to the elementary branches of Education, Grammar, Geography, Navigation, Algebra, and the Mathematics are taught.

In the District Schools generally, I should thus subdivide scholars receiving instruction: In Geography and English Grammar, in addition to the elementary branches—5 schools, 24 pupils. In English Grammar, in addition to Reading, Writing and Arithmetic—15 schools, 77 pupils.

Writing and Arithmetic are taught in nearly all the Schools, on an average to about one-half of the whole number of scholars.

#### BOOKS IN GENERAL USE.

In addition to many approved works in the higher branches of Education, where they are taught, I may state, that in Geography—Stewart's modern Geography and Chambers' Primer are principally used, Gray's Arithmetic and Murray's Reader, Introduction, and Spelling Books, are almost universally the works from which elementary education is imparted.

I also feel gratified in being enabled to state, that the Scriptures are generally read in our District Schools.

#### FEMALE SCHOOLS.

There are five Female Schools in King's County, which are not only well conducted, but of great service in the Districts in which they are established. Sewing and ornamental Needle-work are taught in them, and they appear to exercise a most beneficial influence in the communities where they exist.

#### INFANT SCHOOL IN GEORGETOWN.

This School, though in no manner under my superintendence, as School Visiter, deserves most favorable notice. I, of course, speak from general information; but having had excellent opportunities for observation, I am enabled to state, that the Infant

School is well attended, and of great benefit to Georgetown and its vicinity.

#### SCHOOL HOUSES.

Generally speaking, the School Houses are somewhat larger than the dimensions prescribed by Law, but many of them are indifferently lighted and furnished. There is also a great want of proper seats and desks in some of them, and I regret to observe, that these facts appear rather ascribable to negligence, than the poverty of the particular Districts to which I refer.

Having thus complied in my Report with the particular requirements of the Act, I now beg leave to lay before the Board the following

#### GENERAL REMARKS.

There appears to me to exist in King's County, as well as in other places, a strong necessity for impressing upon the minds of parents, all the advantages as well as utility of securing for their children the benefits and blessings of Education. This can only be done by constant and unceasing efforts on the part of those who possess influence among them; and it cannot be too strongly urged upon the District Teachers, as a body, that they have in this respect an important duty to discharge, not only to the residents in their Districts, but to the cause of Education generally. If the active co-operation of the parents with the instructor be insured, there will not only be a much larger number of children in the Schools, but also a greater regularity in their attendance, and consequently more rapid improvement. Since the period of my former visit, several Schools have been discontinued, and this in places where exists particular necessity for them, and where apparent means of conducting them are to be found. I particularly allude to Brudenell River, Launching Place, Surgeon, and Lot 59 Schools. I should also observe, that a number of School Houses are vacant where the inhabitants are quite able to support a School, though from the fact of the time required by Law not having expired, I have not as yet called meetings of the inhabitants for the purpose of reviving them. I am well aware, that the pressure of the times, caused by the late partial failures of the crops, prevents many parents from sending their children to School, and there is also a scarcity of Teachers; but the latter circumstance is, I fear, but too easily accounted for, by the plain fact, that but little inducement is offered to competent persons to engage in the laborious duties of educating the young in the distant settlements of the Island, even where the parents are in a condition fairly to remunerate the person to whom they entrust those most arduous and onerous duties. The teachers throughout the County appear to be not only willing, but anxious to do all in their power, faithfully

and diligently to discharge their obligations; and on my recent visit, I was much gratified to observe, that they all appeared eager to ask for, and communicate information on all matters connected with their profession.

Before I close these remarks, I beg to bring under the consideration of the Board, the fact, that no precise regulation exists, either in the Act, or by order of the Board, as to the hours of attendance to be observed in the Schools; and on this point, differences occasionally arise. I would also respectfully suggest, that the District Teachers being required by Law to keep a Journal, for the purpose of entering the "names and ages, with notes of the progress and attendance of the pupils, for the inspection of the Visiter, Trustees, or Members of the Board of Education," some printed form should be provided for filling up, in order at once to secure with uniformity and simplicity, the duty of the Teacher in this respect.

This being the first Report that I have had the honor of submitting to the Board, I feel that every indulgence will be shewn to any omissions which may appear; and that the Board will perceive from the foregoing statements, which are the result of careful and anxious enquiry and inspection, that I have endeavoured, to the best of my ability, faithfully to discharge the duties which, as School Visiter, devolve upon me.

I have the honor to be, Gentlemen,  
Your obedient Servant,  
JOHN ROSS,  
School Visiter.

## PRINCE COUNTY.

TO THE BOARD OF EDUCATION.

GENTLEMEN;

In commencing my Report of the state of the Schools in Prince County, I must premise, that being appointed late in the season, (10th October,) it has been out of my power to pay such attention to the duty devolved upon me, which is absolutely necessary to complete the effect designed by the House of Assembly. The travelling has been bad, and the ice—on which great part of the Winter tour of the Visiter of Prince County has to be made—has been so dangerous, caused me to put off my visitations until the last day. And, having made but one course thro' the County, I cannot report upon the state of the Schools with that precision which I might have done, had I visited them twice, or more times.

Lot 8 School is taught by Andrew Johnson. There are 31 scholars upon his list, and 23 were in attendance. Some of the pupils of this School come from

Lot 7, about a mile from the School-house. This Teacher, who seems to be very popular among his supporters, evinces a good deal of talent, and a large amount of industry in conducting his School. A new house has been built during the past Summer, which is not yet finished, but which will be an excellent building, and very creditable to the settlement.

Lot 4, Sebastian Davidson. Mr. Davidson has been about 14 months in charge of this School. I found 19 scholars in attendance, 7 of whom used Humphrey's Reader; 14 were writing; 9 in various branches of Arithmetic; and 4 in English Grammar. Mr. Davidson is an old Teacher, having been in charge of different Schools, on this Island, for the last fifteen years. He practices the analytic method, and is very successful. In looking over his journal I observed that there had been no corporal punishment for about two months. The School-house is capacious, but not very comfortable.

Lot 13, Neil M'Lean. On the journal I found the names of 34 pupils, 26 of whom were in attendance; 4 were learning English Grammar, 3 Geography, 1 Geometry, and 1 Book-Keeping; 22 were writing, and 11 studying Arithmetic.

This Teacher shows a great talent in imparting information, and his pupils answered many apparently difficult questions with great ease. The house, I am sorry to say, is not good; but the people are about building another, and in such a wealthy settlement they ought to have a good one.

Lot 14, A. C. Beckford, Teacher. There are 28 Scholars on the Teacher's list. He keeps a very regular journal of the attendance and progress of his pupils. The attendance is very irregular, and the Teacher complains much about it. There is scarcely a School in the County worse supplied with books. I found one boy learning Geography, Mensuration, &c.; 3 studying Grammar, and the remainder in various branches, from the Alphabet upwards, to the above-mentioned studies. The House is 16 feet by 18, and not very good.

The next is Roderick M'Donald, at Lot 16. He has 35 upon his list, most of whom were present. 17 of his pupils read in Humphreys' Reader (the largest class I found in any School). There are 4 in English Grammar, 9 in Arithmetic, 10 in Writing, and the remainder in the lower branches. This School was vacant from the 1st of December until the 10th of January, when the present Teacher again assumed his duties. This Teacher also complains much of the irregular attendance. The house is pretty good, but unfinished.

At Township 25, Freetown, Donald R. Stewart is Teacher. I found very few present, but the day was stormy. There were 20 upon his list; 3 of those present were in the English Reader, and several in

the Introduction. From inquiries in the Settlement, I think the people are pleased with their Teacher. The house is pretty good.

The Central School at Bedeque, Lot 26, is taught by Angus M'Leod. This Teacher has an admirable method of inculcating information; he acts entirely upon the analytic method. I visited his School in rather an unhappy time, owing to the bad roads and a stormy day, but those who were present were well grounded in the different branches taught. English Grammar, Mental Arithmetic and Geography, are taught with eminent success. I can say little else of this School, than that I believe it to be the best in the County. The people appear to spare no expense in furnishing their School with books. The house is pretty good.

Alexander Macdonald teaches at Tryon, Lot 28. His average attendance is 30, but there are 52 on his list. This Teacher has a peculiar method of teaching Grammar, which, however, appears to be successful. He is very industrious and persevering, and the people appear to take a good deal of interest in the School. He also practises the analytic method, and his School is pretty well supplied with books. The house is very comfortable.

James Gillenders is at Lot 28, Tryon. Mr. Gillenders is an old Teacher, but his present School had only been in operation about ten days previous to my visit. I have no doubt but it will do well. The house is rather old, but pretty comfortable.

R. Beot, Esq. teaches at Tignish. The difficulty of travelling prevented me attending his School; but from inquiries, I believe his School to be well conducted, and very successful.

At Mascouche, Lot 17, F. Gaudet teaches. I cannot bestow too much praise upon the diligence this Teacher displays towards his pupils. French and English are read in his School with great propriety, and Arithmetic, Writing, and English Grammar, are well taught. He had 20 pupils present. I cannot well avoid saying, that the House is not good, and the people ought to be ashamed of it. I hope this filip will do them good.

Princetown Royalty, Allan Fraser, 2d Class. This is an old School, and Mr. Fraser exerts his utmost endeavours. He has had three pupils learning Latin, and their progress was good. When I visited his School the last time, there was only one learning Latin, but he is an industrious youth. Some of Mr. Fraser's pupils have made considerable proficiency in Geography, and in English Grammar; there is a large number whose acquirements do great credit to themselves and their Teacher. I consider Mr. Fraser to be an excellent Teacher, and his School, which is one of the best in the County, is, I believe, well supported. His subscribers think highly of him, and

he deserve their approbation. The School-house might be made a good one with a little expense. It is, however, pretty comfortable, being well finished on the outside; but, like many others in the County, quite unfinished on the inside.

At Lot 16 I called to see a female School taught by Mrs. Muirhead. None of her pupils are much advanced, but show her activity and industry in imparting information.

There is a School at Lot 14, taught by Thomas Keys. I accidentally, owing to wrong information, omitted to call upon him, but will (D.V.) attend to his and some other Schools during the Winter, with the report of which I shall trouble the Board of Education.

The only remaining School is my own. I have 50 names on the list, but many of them do not attend in the winter. About twenty are studying Arithmetic and Writing, and I have had one boy a short time learning Latin. The House is pretty good; indeed it is as good as any District School-house in the County.

John M'Lauchlan is at Lot 19, Barrett's Corner. The teacher was not at home when I called, but from one of the Trustees I learned, that there are 45 names upon his list. The daily attendance is about 30. His School commenced about the middle of December, and the progress of the pupils since that date gives great satisfaction. The House is pretty good. The Trustees, from whom I derived my information, is quite sure that the School is in a very prosperous condition, and likely to do well.

I cannot well conclude this Report without stating, that there are at least Fifteen Schools vacant in the County, and in many of the Districts the people seem to be quite indifferent about them. If a Teacher offers his services, they would probably be accepted; but they take no trouble to secure one.

In conversing also with many intelligent persons in different Districts of the County, I find that the general opinion is, that the establishment of Boards of Education in the different Counties, would tend much to advance the interests of Education. It is contended, that the watchful supervision which a Board, comparatively in the immediate vicinity of the School, could exercise, would much exceed that of the Board whose great distance from many of them prevents such watchfulness and care. Besides, such an establishment would tend greatly to relieve many teachers from the expense of coming to Charlottetown, to get licenses and transact other business connected with their Schools.

I have the honor to be, Gentlemen,  
Your obedient servant,

EDWARD BLANCHARD,  
Visiter of Schools,

## QUEEN'S COUNTY.

TO THE BOARD OF EDUCATION.

GENTLEMEN:

Having been appointed under the "Act for the Encouragement of Education," passed in the last Session of the Legislature, Visiter of Schools for Queen's County, I have the honor to present to you this my first Report, under the existing Law, embracing as much general and accurate information as I could obtain on the progress of Education, and the management, discipline, and mode of instruction pursued in the different Schools which came under my inspection during the past year.

In comparing the present condition of the District Schools with what they were a few years since, I feel warranted in stating, that they will be found in a comparatively prosperous state, although many of them are yet far from what they are susceptible of being, and the community is consequently not receiving that full benefit, which it is the object of the Government and the Legislature, that these Schools should confer. When your Board shall have matured and completed the instructions and regulations now in progress for the internal management of the District Schools, I feel assured, that a more fully organized system of instruction will be established, concentrating in a greater degree the efforts of all engaged in the administration of the elementary Education of this Island.

Although circumstances beyond my controul have rendered it impracticable for me to visit once, since the date of my last appointment, the whole number of Schools in this County, yet in several instances, I have made two visits to some Schools, where peculiar circumstances seemed to require extra attention—to these I shall hereafter refer.

The following is a list of the Schools open up to the first of January, in the present year:—

STATION.	NAMES.	CLASS.
1. Charlottetown	John Le Page	1st Class
2. Ch. Town Royalty	Colin Campbell	do.
3. do. do.	Alexander M'Lean	do.
4. S.W. Riv. New London	John M'Donald	do.
5. New London District, Lot 20	Alexander Rae	2d. or highest Class
6. Campbellton, Lot 20	Allan M'Phee	1st Class
7. New London, Lot 21	Charles A Crosby	do.
8. Hope River, Lot 22	John M'Kay	do.
9. St. Ann's, Lot 22	Edward Roche	do.
10. Princetown Road	G. W. Carson	do.
11. New Glasgow Road	Ciriac Buote	Acadian
12. New Glasgow, Lot 23	Malcolm M'Kenzie	1st Class
13. Wheatly River, Lot 24	W. H. Richardson	do.
14. De Sable, Lot 28	Allan Stewart	do.
15. Crapaud, Lot 30	John D. Thomson	do.
16. York River, Lot 32	Robert Barry	do.
17. Cornwall, Lot 32	Malcolm Darrach	do.
18. Brackly Point Road, Lot 33	Strang Hart	do.

STATION.	NAMES.	CLASS.
19. Brackley Point Rd., Lot 33	Daniel Scott	do.
20. Brackley Point, Lot 33	Donald M'Kinnon	do.
21. St. Peter's Rd., Lot 34	Robert Robertson	do.
22. Mill Cove, Lot 35	Michael M'Wade	do.
23. St. Andrew's	Martin Ryan	do.
24. Fort Augustus, Lot 35	Michael M'Kenna	do.
25. Grand Tracadie	Patrick M'Quade	do.
26. Pisquid, Lot 36	John Stewart	do.
27. Fullarton's Marsh, Lot 48	William Emery	do.
28. Cross Roads, Lot 48	John Butler	do.
29. Old Town Road Lot 48	Hugh Martin	do.
30. Mount Mellick, Lot 49	Alexander M'Neill	do.
31. Lot 49	G. W. Draper	do.
32. Vernon River	Matthew Redmond	do.
33. Orwell Head	Angus Martin	do.
34. Point Prim	Peter M'Donald	do.
35. Belle Creek	Alexander M'Donald	do.
36. Newtown & Montague	William M'Phail, sen.	do.
37. Newtown	William M'Phail, jun.	do.
38. Murray Harbour Road	Miles M'Innis	do.
39. South Shore, Lot 65	Donald Shaw	do.
40. Nine Mile Creek	Neil M'Eachern	do.
41. Princetown Rd., Lot 67	John Sinclair	do.
42. Bedeque Road, Lot 67	John M'Innis	do.
43. Union Road, Lot 83	John Beaton	do.
44. Little York	Malcolm M'Donald	do.

Examined twice, Nos. 1, 2, 18, 43, 44.

Not examined, Nos. 14, 15, 23, 24, 26, 35, 36, 37, 38.

Passed the Board at last Examination, and not yet visited, but Teaching, Nos. 23, 31, 40.

Newly opened, (No. 3, and not examined.)

Newly opened, examined, in all branches good—Nos. 6 and 9.

School closed—Teacher absent on private business on the day of my visit—No. 20.

The above—including 5 Female Schools—presents a total of 49 Schools open to my inspection, and deriving a support from the public purse equal to Six Hundred Pounds. Add to these, Three Schools supported from the Glebe Land Fund; 1 National, 1 Infant, and 4 of private adventure, and the whole number of Seminaries in this County, exclusive of the Central Academy, will be found to be Fifty-eight—imparting instruction to 2420 children, of both sexes.

### THE GENERAL SYSTEM

Is that which has been thought to be the best adapted to the wants and circumstances of the Colony, and may be said to have necessarily sprung from these circumstances, and may be characterised as follows:—

The appointment of Teachers and School Trustees, is uninfluenced by religious distinctions. The Scriptures are read without note or comment. In mixed Schools, Catechisms, and Books of religious controversy, are excluded. Reading, Writing and Arithmetic, and occasionally Grammar and Geography, are taught, if not in a thorough, at least in an expeditious manner; and the morals of the pupils, during

School hours, are also attended to. Cleanliness, good order and discipline, are enforced, partly by corporal punishment, partly by marks of disgrace, such as loss of place in the class, confinement during the recess, &c.; and experience has demonstrated the general popularity of this system, and its practical utility and efficacy may be said to be, in a great degree, commensurate with the support it has received from the public funds.

The general course of instruction, and method of teaching, in the majority of the above Schools, is gradually assimilating to that pursued in the Central Academy, modified by local circumstances. The connexion between that Institution and the District Teachers, who are required by law to undergo a preparatory examination by the Masters thereof, very much contributes to bring about that desideratum, a greater uniformity of system. Yet, I would submit that progress should not stop short, even at this standard of uniformity; to the intelligent Teacher who instructs children collectively, and judges of their general characteristics, a continual principle of improvement will be afforded, and the action of such a principle must be encouraged, so as to keep the Teachers of our Schools up to the level of that rapid progress and diffusion of knowledge, which require a proportional improvement in every branch of instruction.

Under the following heads will be found, more precisely, the nature and extent of the instruction given, and the relative character of the different Schools.

Orthography, or Spelling, Reading, Writing and Arithmetic, are taught in all the Schools; Grammar in 30 Schools, to 180 scholars; Geography in 16 Schools, to 80 scholars; Book-keeping in 10; Mensuration, or some other branches of Mathematics, in 9; and the French language in 3 Schools.

#### THE FEMALE SCHOOLS

Are in all instances conducted with credit to the Teacher and advantage to the pupils. Were the restrictions which surround these Schools, under the present law, gradually removed, I feel assured that the cause of Education would thereby be benefited. The idea entertained, that females cannot manage the larger boys, will be found to be groundless. There will be found a delicacy in this class, generally speaking, which will induce subordination; while the same individual will be found troublesome and refractory under the authority of a man. In Charlottetown, 3 of these Ladies' Schools are established, dispensing the benefits of an excellent education, both useful and ornamental, to about 45 young persons in the whole. In the Country Districts they are yet scarce. Besides one very recently opened, as I hear, at New

London, another is established at York River Point. On my visit to it last Autumn, I was agreeably surprised and gratified at the admirable manner in which it was managed, at the progress of the pupils, and the numerous attendance.

#### SPELLING.

Until very recently, the methods of teaching this very important branch, were various; and the frequent change of the Teacher, precluded steady perseverance in any one course which had received the sanction of competent authority; and failure consequently followed. Wherever I found the exercises confined to the columns of the Spelling-book alone, I found the spelling to be deficient and unsatisfactory; but where continued exercises from the *Readings*, and early instruction in *Writing* obtained, there I found Spelling to be best taught. It is not unusual to hear children glibly spell columns of four or five syllables, yet unable to put together the letters of common monosyllables. I have on every occasion suggested the advantage of teaching this branch to the junior classes by the black board, and to the senior, by dictation, and the constant composition of exercises, which shall be reciprocally corrected by the pupils, and then revised by the master. If what is used in *Writing*, be best taught by Writing, Orthography will then be best taught by written forms, and not spoken sounds exclusively. I call your attention to this head, the more especially, as the mode of teaching this branch continues to be one of the greatest defects observable in the generality of the Schools; and it is too often overlooked, both by Teachers and Pupils, whose ambition is to step at once into higher branches, to the neglect of this, which forms the best foundation for future improvement.

#### READING.

This branch is occasionally taught on a plan which has been designated as "unintellectual or mechanical," and but ill adapted to form a basis for future self-education.

I have done what I could in encouraging Teachers to a perseverance in a more thorough analytical course of instruction herein, by training the mind to habits of attention, and to the scope and meaning of the passages read—that no word should be taught unaccompanied by the idea, while proper attention should still be paid to distinct enunciation, and correct emphasis. All Teachers should be awake to the importance of this branch; it is in the course of instruction in this, that the Scholar first forms intelligent apprehensions of the subject of his lesson, and comprehensive views, and living ideas. While on this head, I may add, that in two Schools, to my surprise, I found the plan to be, to hear each Scholar read separately; and in a School of thirty Scholars,

each would receive ten minutes instruction in the course of three hours, or twenty minutes a day, spending the rest of their time in listlessness at their seats. These Branches are very fully taught, on the principles alluded to, in Schools Nos. 1, 2, 5, 8, 10, 12, 17, 18, 19, 21, 22, 26, 27, 28, 30, 39, 41.

#### WRITING AND ARITHMETIC.

The majority of the Schools inspected by me, do not exhibit fair or neat specimens of Writing; every Teacher whose attention was called to this, invariably attributed the deficiency to the cold and open state of the School-houses in Winter, and to the want of suitable Desks and Benches at all seasons. It must be confessed that there is too much truth in this description; yet, under every disadvantage, I saw that the Teacher's own style of writing gave a corresponding character to the performance of the pupils. I would further remark, that the lessons on this branch are not brought into such daily practical use, in the employment of the Scholars, as could be wished. Nothing is learned so soon, or retained so surely, as knowledge, the practical relation of which is perceived. Were the pupils occasionally trained in the business of writing simple letters on business, and exercised in writing abstracts of oral lessons from memory, the power of writing on the actual events and business of their future lives, would thus be acquired. I would add, that the instruction is too much confined to transcribing set lines; and the proper use of capitals, beginning of paragraphs, and punctuation, have to be learned after leaving School, which might at once and efficiently be taught in connection with this branch of Education.

Celerity in arithmetical operations, and perception of the principles on which these operations are based I found to be uniformly the greatest in those Schools where classes were formed for general exercise or review. The proficiency in these branches was ascertained to be also good in the Schools above enumerated, and in addition, in Nos. 4, 7, 10, 16, 25, 32, 42, 43. In No. 44, the Teacher ascribes the absence of due improvement in Writing and Arithmetic to the irregularity of the children's attendance; one half of the Subscribers attribute it to the Teacher himself.

#### GRAMMAR.

It is not unfrequently a matter of complaint, that many who have "gone through the Grammar", have left School unable to express their thoughts correctly, either in conversation, or in ordinary business letters. This arises from the practice yet existing, of repeating unexplained and unapplied rules, instead of instructing the pupil by his blunders, and making him infer rules for himself, and teaching him by examination, direct and elliptical, the exact acceptation

of terms. A very important branch required by the present law, is a knowledge of the derivation of words, or English Etymology, as based upon its parent languages; and nothing struck me more forcibly, on my late visit to several Schools, than the readiness with which the pupils could tell the etymological composition, and literal sense of words, with their roots, prefixes, and affixes; but I am not yet prepared to report what bearing these exercises have upon the general improvement of the pupils. The above branch is most efficiently taught—or rather, the advancement of the Scholars is greatest—in Schools Nos. 1, 7, 8, 17, 19, 21, 26, 28, 30. The attendance on these Schools I found to be the best, and the duration of the Scholars at School, generally the longest.

At the other Schools, omitted in this classification, the frequent changing of the pupils, precludes the possibility of the Teachers either forming or sustaining advanced Grammar classes; especially in Nos. 2, 5, 16, 22, 25, 32, 39, 41—which Schools are taught with approbation and success.

#### GEOGRAPHY.

With the exception of two Schools, Geography is not fully or efficiently taught; for this reason, that the Schools are not provided with the requisite Maps. Experience has shown that the acquisition of Geographical knowledge, which is dependent on the text book alone, must be meagre and imperfect. I have in every case recommended to the School Trustees the purchase of the large-sized Map of the World, recommended by your Board; and several have already forwarded orders for the purchase of the same, in the ensuing Spring.

#### SCHOOL APPARATUS.

Among the improvements effected during the last four or five years, I would beg to draw your attention to the introduction of the Black Board. A good sized Black Board is as indispensable to successful teaching, as books: it is in use in only seven Schools in this County. In teaching Orthography, Arithmetic and Geography, I have recommended the use of the Board for practical and visible illustrations, and the Teacher who neglects its use, in my opinion, performs but half his duty.

#### DISCIPLINE.

Although order is the first law of a School, many methods are tried to enforce it; in most instances, corporal punishment is resorted to, in order to subdue refractory boys, where milder means will not answer the desired end. I have invariably found those Schools to be the most efficiently conducted, so far as regards discipline, where the parents and School Trustees are in the habit of approving and justifying the course of the Teacher; and I find those Schools

to be the best conducted where the discipline is mild, but decisive and uniform. The most incompetent Teachers are those who punish their Scholars the most.

#### BOOKS.

Several Teachers are enquiring for a cheaper series of Books than Murray's—which are the reading text books yet in general use. The prevailing complaints are, the tardiness with which parents furnish the necessary Stationary, the irregularity of attendance, and the absence of that co-operation and sympathy necessary to encourage and strengthen the hands of the Teacher in the discharge of his arduous duties.

#### DESCRIPTION OF SCHOOL HOUSES.

About one half of the School Houses are comfortable and convenient; the remainder deficient in the

necessary accommodations, although all within this County are of the dimensions required by Law.

I have nothing further to add to the special Report on the School at Little York, which I transmitted to you sometime since, and although in this semi-annual return, I may fail in presenting to your view any features either new or striking, I yet hope that the foregoing remarks—which you have been awaiting before completing your code of Rules—may prove of some use to that end; and, with due apology for the delay,

I have the honor to be,  
Gentlemen,

Your obedient servant,

JOHN M'NEILL,

Visiter for Queen's County.

# APPENDIX

(Q.)

## SCHEDULE OF ACCOUNTS CONTAINED IN.

No.	No.
1. Attorney General's Account for Crown Prosecutions, Hilary Term, Queen's County.	6. Clerk of the Crown's Bill for Disbursements, Queen's County.
2. Attorney General's Account for Miscellaneous Services, to 25th July, 1847.	7. Do. do. for Hilary Term.
3. Attorney General's Account for perusing and placing Marginal Notes, &c. to Acts passed in the Session of 1847.	8. Do. do. Fees for Trinity Term.
4. Solicitor General's Account for Crown Prosecutions, June Term, Prince County.	9. Do. do. Disbursements for Trinity Term.
5. Solicitor General's Account for Miscellaneous Services.	10. Deputy Clerk of the Crown's Disbursement Account, Prince County, June Term.
	11. Do. do. October Term.
	12. Do. do. King's County, March Term.
	13. Sheriff's Disbursement Bill, Queen's County.
	14. Queen's Printer's Accounts.
	16. Edward Whelan's do.

### No. 1.

#### GOVERNMENT OF PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND, TO ROBERT HODGSON, ATTORNEY GENERAL,

DR.  
Sterling.  
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#### HILARY TERM, 1847.

##### *The Queen vrs. Charles Stewart.*

Perjury. Presented by Grand Jury. Acquitted.	Fee examining presentment, and instructing Clerk of the Crown to draw Indictment, - - -	£1 1 0	
	Fee perusing and signing Indictment, - - -	0 10 6	
	Motion for Bench Warrant, - - -	0 10 0	
	Drawing Brief, and copy, - - -	0 13 4	
	Fee on Trial, - - -	2 2 0	
		4 16 10	

##### *The Queen vrs. Jonathan Collings.*

Assault. Presented by Grand Jury. Submitted.	Fee examining presentment, and instructing Clerk of the Crown to draw Indictment, - - -	1 1 0	
	Fee perusing and signing Indictment, - - -	0 10 6	
	Motion for Bench Warrant, - - -	0 10 0	
	Drawing Brief, and copy, - - -	0 13 4	
		2 14 10	

##### *The Queen vs. Francis Dixon.*

Larceny. Submitted.	Fee perusing Depositions, and instructing Clerk of the Crown to draw Indictment, - - -	1 1 0	
	Fee perusing and signing Indictment, - - -	0 10 6	
	Motion for Bench Warrant, - - -	0 10 0	
	Drawing Brief, and copy, - - -	0 13 4	
		2 14 10	

##### *The Queen vs. John Roach Bourke, and others.*

Riot at Belfast Election, presented by Grand Jury. Stood over for Trial.	Fee perusing Presentment, and instructing Clerk of the Crown to draw Indictment, - - -	1 1 0	
	Fee perusing and signing Indictment, - - -	0 10 6	
	Motion for Bench Warrant, - - -	0 10 0	
		2 1 6	

		<i>The Queen vs. John Roach Bourke, and others.</i>			£	s	d	
Riot at Lot 49 Election. Presented by Grand Jury. Stood over for trial,	Fee perusing Presentment, and instructing Clerk of the Crown to draw Indictment,	-	-	-	1	1	0	
	Fee perusing and signing Indictment,	-	-	-	0	10	6	
	Motion for Bench Warrant,	-	-	-	0	10	0	
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					2	1	6	
TRINITY TERM—QUEEN'S COUNTY—1847.								
<i>The Queen vs. Susan Byers.</i>								
Larceny. Bill not found.	Fee perusing Depositions, and instructing Clerk of the Crown to draw Indictment,	-	-	-	1	1	0	
	Fee perusing and signing Indictment	-	-	-	0	10	6	
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					1	11	6	
<i>The Queen vs. John Breen, alias John M'Phce.</i>								
Larceny. Convicted.	Fee perusing Depositions, and instructing Clerk of the Crown to draw Indictment,	-	-	-	1	1	0	
	Fee perusing and signing Indictment,	-	-	-	0	10	6	
	Drawing Brief, and copy,	-	-	-	0	13	4	
	Copy for Solicitor General,	-	-	-	0	6	8	
	Fee on trial,	-	-	-	2	2	0	
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					4	13	6	
<i>The Queen vs. Neil Henderson.</i>								
Larceny. Acquitted;	Fee perusing Depositions, and instructing Clerk of the Crown to draw Indictment,	-	-	-	1	1	0	
	Fee perusing and signing Indictment,	-	-	-	0	10	6	
	Drawing Brief, and copy,	-	-	-	0	13	4	
	Copy for Solicitor General,	-	-	-	0	6	8	
	Fee on trial,	-	-	-	2	2	0	
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					4	13	6	
<i>The Queen vs. Mary Pye.</i>								
The party having been served with Crown Subpoena, and refusing to attend, motion for Bench Warrant against her,					-	0	10	0
<i>The Queen vs. John Roach Bourke and others.</i>								
Riot at Belfast Election. James Burns, Henry Burns and H. Brennock convicted; others acquitted.	Drawing Brief and Copy,	-	-	-	0	13	4	
	Copy for Solicitor General,	-	-	-	0	6	8	
	Lengthy Trial, occupied upwards of 3 days—Trial Fee,	-	-	-	5	5	0	
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					6	5	0	
<i>The Queen vs. Neil M'Leod.</i>								
Assault on Constable. Party not apprehended.	Fee examining presentment, and instructing Clerk of the Crown to draw Indictment,	-	-	-	1	1	0	
	Fee perusing and signing Indictment,	-	-	-	0	10	6	
	Motion for Bench Warrant,	-	-	-	0	10	0	
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					2	1	6	
<i>The Queen vs. William Morrison.</i>								
Assault on infant, with intent to commit Rape. Acquitted.	Fee examining depositions, and instructing Clerk of the Crown to draw Indictment,	-	-	-	1	1	0	
	Fee perusing and signing Indictment,	-	-	-	0	10	6	
	Drawing Brief and Copy,	-	-	-	0	13	4	
	Copy for Solicitor General,	-	-	-	0	6	8	
	Fee on Trial,	-	-	-	2	2	0	
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					4	13	6	
<i>The Queen vs. John Roach Bourke and others.</i>								
Riot at Election at Lot 49. Owing to sudden illness of Chief Justice, after 3 days trial not finished.	Drawing Brief and Copy,	-	-	-	0	13	4	
	Copy for Solicitor General,	-	-	-	0	6	8	
	Lengthy trial of 3 days—Trial Fee,	-	-	-	5	5	0	
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					6	5	0	

<i>The Queen, on the prosecution of Andrew Duncan and others, vrs. George Coles and others.</i>			
			£ s d
Riot. Pre- sented by Grand Jury. Stands over.	Fee perusing Presentment, and instructing Clerk of the Crown to draw Indictment,	- - -	1 1 0
	Fee perusing and signing Indictment,	- - -	0 10 6
			<u>1 11 6</u>
<i>The Queen vrs. Patrick Lyons and another.</i>			
Presentment for Murder. Stands over for trial.	Perusing Presentment, and instructing Clerk of the Crown to draw Indictment,	- - -	1 1 0
	Fee perusing and signing Indictment,	- - -	0 10 6
	Motion for Bench Warrant,	- - -	0 10 0
			<u>2 1 6</u>
<i>The Queen vrs. Patrick Lyons and others.</i>			
Presentment for Riot at Belfast Elec- tion. Stands over for trial.	Fee perusing Presentment, and instructing Clerk of the Crown to draw Indictment,	- - -	1 1 0
	Fee perusing and signing Indictment,	- - -	0 10 6
	Motion for Bench Warrant,	- - -	0 10 0
			<u>2 1 6</u>
<i>The Queen vrs. Michael M<sup>c</sup>Grath.</i>			
Burglary. Re- manded to suffer original sentence.	This party having returned to this Colony, after conditional pardon when under sentence of death—Drawing affidavit of Nicholas Harvie, 6s. 8d.; fair copy, 3s. 4d,	-	0 10 0
	Drawing affidavit of Edward Doyle, 6s. 8d.; Copy, 3s. 4d.,	-	0 10 0
	Fee on Examination of Mr. Justice Haviland and Clerk of Crown, on the fact of pardon and identity of party, and motion that Prisoner be remanded, to undergo his original sentence,	-	1 11 6
			<u>3 1 6</u>
			Sterling, £53 19 0
			Exchange, 1-9, 5 19 10½
			<u>Currency, £59 18 10½</u>

Certified.

E. J. Jarvis, C. J.,  
T. H. Haviland, A. J.

## No. 2.

## GOVERNMENT OF PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND,

## TO ROBERT HODGSON, ATTORNEY GENERAL,

	DR.
	£ s. d.
1847.	
May.—To drawing Bond for Road Correspondents, by order of the Lieut. Governor,	1 3 4
“ Opinion to Lieut. Governor, on application of Richard Cotton for License under Marriage Act,	2 6 8
“ Drawing Contracts and Bond for repairs of Breast Work in front of Government House,	2 0 0
June.—Joint opinion with Solicitor General, by order of Lieut. Governor, on subject of vacating seat in Assembly by appointment to Executive Council,	2 6 8
July.—Drawing Contracts and Bond for repairs of Queen’s Wharf,	1 15 0
“ Joint opinion with Solicitor General, by order of Lieut. Governor, on subject of Treasurer’s Bond,	2 6 8
“ 2d opinion, jointly with Solicitor General, on Treasurer’s Bond, by command of Lieut. Governor,	2 6 8
	<u>£14 5 0</u>

## No. 3.

GOVERNMENT OF PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND,  
TO ROBERT HODGSON, ATTORNEY GENERAL,

		DR.
		£ s. d.
1847.	Perusing 22 Acts of the General Assembly, passed in Session of 1847, and reporting specifically on each, by command of the Lieutenant Governor, whether His Excellency could safely assent to same—at 6s. 8d. each, - - -	7 6 8
	Reporting, at great length, on same Acts, reasons for passing same (in triplicate) for Colonial Office, - - -	8 16 8
	Putting marginal Notes to same Acts, preparatory to Printing—occupied several days, -	9 13 4
	Perusing Proof Sheet of each Act as it came from Press, and correcting same, -	4 14 8
		£30 11 4

## No. 4.

GOVERNMENT OF PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND,  
TO JAMES H. PETERS, SOLICITOR GENERAL,

		DR.
		£ s. d.
JUNE TERM, at St. Eleanor's, 1847.		
<i>The Queen vrs. Michael Degan.</i>		
Assault. Submitted.	Drawing Brief and Copy, - - -	£0 13 4
	Fee therewith, - - -	1 1 0
		1 14 4
<i>The Queen vrs. James Connors and Daniel Connors.</i>		
Shooting at a person, with intent to kill.	Drawing Brief and Copy, - - -	0 13 4
Aggravated case. James Connors convicted, Daniel Connors acquitted.	Copy Brief for Mr. Longworth, as Counsel for the Crown, -	0 6 8
	Trial fee to Mr. Longworth, with Brief—important case, occupied upwards of 2 days, - - -	3 3 0
	Trial Fee to Solicitor General, - - -	5 5 0
		9 8 0
<i>The Queen vrs. William Glover.</i>		
Larceny. Acquitted.	Fee examining depositions, and instructing Clerk of the Crown to draw Indictment, - - -	1 1 0
	Fee perusing and signing Indictment, - - -	0 10 6
	Motion for Bench Warrant, - - -	0 10 0
	Drawing Brief and Copy, - - -	0 13 4
	Fee on Trial, - - -	2 2 0
		4 16 10
<i>The Queen vrs. Thomas Simpson.</i>		
Assault. Presented by Grand Jury. Stands over for next Term.	Fee examining presentment, and instructing Clerk of the Crown to draw Indictment, - - -	1 1 0
	Fee perusing and signing Indictment, - - -	0 10 6
	Motion for Bench Warrant, - - -	0 10 0
	Drawing Brief and Copy - - -	0 13 4
		2 14 10
TRINITY TERM, Charlottetown, 1847.		
<i>The Queen vrs. John Breen, alias M'Phee.</i>		
Larceny. Convicted.	Trial fee in this Case, - - -	1 1 0
Riot at Belfast Election. 3 Convicted.	<i>The Queen vrs. John Roach Bourke and others.</i> Important case, occupied upwards of 3 days—Trial fee thereon, -	4 4 0
<i>The Queen vrs. Neil Henderson.</i>		
Larceny. Acquitted.	Trial Fee in this Case, - - -	1 1 0
Riot at Lot 49 Election.	<i>The Queen vrs. John Roach Bourke and others.</i> Important case, occupied upwards of 3 days, when the illness of the Chief Justice terminated the case, -	4 4 0

Assault on Infant, with intent to commit Rape.	Trial Fee in this Case,	<i>The Queen vrs. William Morrison.</i>	£ s d
			1 1 0
		Sterling,	£30 5 0
		Exchange 1-9,	3 7 2½
		Currency,	<u>£33 12 2½</u>

Certified.

E. J. Jarvis, C. J.,  
T. H. HAVILAND, A. J.

No. 5.

GOVERNMENT OF PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND,

TO J. H. PETERS, SOLICITOR GENERAL,

DR.

1846.		£ s. d.
June.—	Joint opinion with Attorney General, on subject of Revenue Acts, for Treasurer, by command of Lieut. Governor,	2 6 8
1847.		
June.—	Joint opinion with Attorney General, on subject of Acts relating to vacating seats in House of Assembly by appointment to Executive Council, by order of Lieut. Governor,	2 6 8
July.—	Joint opinion with Attorney General, on subject of Treasurer's Bond, by command of Lieut. Governor,	2 6 8
"	2d joint opinion with Attorney General, on Treasurer's Bond, by command of Lieut. Governor,	2 6 8
		<u>£9 6 8</u>

No. 6.

HER MAJESTY'S GOVERNMENT,

TO DANIEL HODGSON, CLERK OF CROWN,

DR.

HILARY TERM, 1847.		£ s d
The Queen vrs. Jonathan Collings,—	Clerk of Crown's fees in this Cause, as per Bill,	3 8 7
The Queen vrs. Charles Stewart,	do. do.,	7 10 6
The Queen vrs. John R. Bourke and others,	do., do.,	8 19 4
The Queen vrs. John R. Bourke and others,	do., do.,	8 19 4
The Queen vrs. Francis Dixon,	do., do.,	5 11 6
	Clerk of Crown's fees for sundry services, as per Bill,	10 9 10
	Sterling,	£44 19 1
	Exchange, 1-9,	4 19 10
	Currency,	<u>£49 18 11</u>
TRINITY TERM, 1846.		
The Queen vrs. Catherine Hammill,—	Clerk of Crown's fees, as per Bill,	2 17 7
	Currency,	<u>£52 16 6</u>

January 29, 1847.

D. HODGSON.

## No. 7.

HER MAJESTY'S GOVERNMENT,

TO DANIEL HODGSON, CLERK OF CROWN,

DR.

HILARY TERM, 1847.

For Disbursements in the following Crown Prosecutions:

	£	s	d
The Queen <i>vs.</i> James Connors.—Paid Constable, as per Bill, -		1	8 0
The Queen <i>vs.</i> Francis Dixon.—Paid Samuel Gurney, a Witness,	£0	4	5
John Clark, do.,		0	3 4
Robert Boyle, do.,		0	3 4
Albert Yates, do.,		0	3 4
Peter Clark, do.,		0	3 4
			0 17 9
The Queen <i>vs.</i> Charles Stewart.—Paid Hector M'Kinnon, a Witness,		0	10 0
Allan M'Kinnon, do.,		0	10 0
Donald M'Kinnon, sen., do.,		0	10 0
Donald M'Kinnon, jun., do.,		0	4 5
James M'Lean, do.,		0	5 0
Finlay M'Kinnon, do.,		0	10 0
Benjamin De St. Croix, do.,		1	3 4
			3 12 9
The Queen <i>vs.</i> M. Byers.—Paid William Sharp, Constable,		0	3 4
The Queen <i>vs.</i> Thomas Bell.—Paid Moses Hayes, Constable, as per Bill,		0	1 0
The Queen <i>vs.</i> John R. Bourke and others.—Paid John Macmillan, a Witness,	1	1	1
John Gilmour, do.,	1	10	0
John Ross, do.,	1	0	0
John Macleod, do.,	1	10	0
Donald Martin, do.,	1	8	4
John Macdonald, do.,	0	19	5
Angus Martin, do.,	1	7	9
Allan Macdougall, do.,	0	17	9
Norman Macrae, do.,	0	15	0
John Ross, do.,	0	18	11
Norman Macrae, do.,	1	1	1
John Gilmour, do.,	1	0	0
Donald Gillis, do.,	1	0	0
Donald Macdonald, do.,	0	16	1
Neil Nicholson, do.,	0	16	1
Malcolm Stewart, do.,	0	19	5
John Macdonald, do.,	1	1	1
Richard Curran, do.,	0	15	0
John Burns, do.,	0	15	6
John Macleod, do.,	1	1	1
Allan Macdougall, do.,	0	19	5
Robert Nelson, do.,	0	5	0
Duncan Munn, do.,	1	5	6½
James Munn, do.,	1	0	0
			13 14 2½
Paid the following Witnesses for their attendance before Grand Inquest:			
Henry Smith,	0	3	4
George Monkley,	0	1	8
David Ross,	0	1	8
Isaac Smith,	0	1	8
J. C. Binns,	1	3	4

Thomas M'Donald,	0	3	4
Matthew Dooling,	0	1	8
Alexander Davis,	0	14	5
Michael Carroll,	0	4	5
Michael Doyle,	0	5	0
Patrick Macdonald,	0	3	4
John Longworth,	1	3	4
J. M. Tucker,	0	3	4
Theophilus Desbrisay,	0	1	8
Francis Longworth,	0	1	8
John O. Nantes,	0	6	8
Kenneth M'Kenzie,	0	3	4
John D. P. Coles,	0	1	8
William Sneeston,	0	1	8
David Stewart,	0	1	8
James H. Conroy,	1	3	4
Hugh Macleod,	0	1	8
Ewen Cameron,	0	3	4
John Davis,	0	3	4
Thomas Feehan,	0	16	1
John Hartz,	0	1	8
William Welsh,	0	3	4
Charles Haszard,	0	8	11
Christopher Callaghan,	0	3	4
Bernard Traynor,	0	10	0
Donald Scott,	0	8	11
John Moynagh,	0	8	11
John Marquand,	0	3	4
Alfred Bynon,	0	3	4
Michael M'Fadyen,	0	3	4
Stephen Burris,	0	1	8
Thomas Burris,	0	1	8
R. Way,	0	1	8
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			10 16 8
Paid Sheriff for serving Subpœnas, and prosecuting Bench Warrant, as per Bill,			19 4 3
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			Currency, £60 7 3½

Charlottetown, 25th January, 1847.

DANIEL HODGSON, C. C.

## No. 8.

HER MAJESTY'S GOVERNMENT,

TO DANIEL HODGSON, CLERK OF THE CROWN,

DR.

1847.	TRINITY TERM.		£	s	d
The Queen <i>vs.</i> John R. Bourke, and others.—Clerk of the Crown's Fees, as per Bill,			5	14	0
Same <i>vs.</i> same.	do.	do.	2	19	10
The Queen <i>vs.</i> William Morrison,	do.	do.	3	11	0
The Queen <i>vs.</i> Neil Macleod,	do.	do.	1	18	4
The Queen <i>vs.</i> Patrick Lyons and others,	do.	do.	5	5	0
The Queen <i>vs.</i> John Breen,	do.	do.	2	12	10
The Queen <i>vs.</i> Patrick Lyons, and 20 others,	do.	do.	4	16	2

			£	s	d
The Queen <i>vs.</i> Neil Henderson,	do.	do.	2	11	6
The Queen <i>vs.</i> George Coles and others,	do.	do.	5	8	4
The Queen <i>vs.</i> Susan Byers, and for sundry services,		do.	2	19	8
Clerk of the Crown's Fees for sundry services, as per Bill,			8	0	2
			Sterling £46 16 10		
			Exchange 1-9 5 4 10		
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			Currency £51 1 9		

D. HODGSON.

Charlottetown, 4th August, 1847.

No. 9.

HER MAJESTY'S GOVERNMENT,

TO DANIEL HODGSON, Clerk of the Crown,

DR.

TRINITY TERM, 1847.

For Disbursements in the following Crown Prosecutions:

	£	s	d
The Queen <i>vs.</i> John R. Bourke and others.--Paid William Cundall, a witness,	0	16	8
and for executing Bench Warrant,			
Charles Haszard, a witness,	1	5	7
Robert Nelson,	0	15	0
William Douse,	1	0	0
Ewen Ross,	0	17	9
Archibald Macdougald, and for			
serving Subpoena,	1	3	11
Allan Macdougald,	1	16	1
John Macdougald,	1	14	5
James Munn,	1	17	9
Donald Gillis,	1	15	0
Duncan Munn,	2	0	6
Donald Martin,	1	16	8
Richard Curran,	1	0	6
Neil Nicholson,	1	0	6
John Macleod,	0	1	8
John Macleod,	1	12	9
Roderick Macleod,	1	7	8
Angus Martin,	1	11	8
John Ross,	1	10	0
John Gilmour,	1	10	0
Alexander Martin,	1	3	4
Archibald M'Phee,	0	15	0
Archibald Macneill,	0	10	0
John M'Millan,	1	16	1
Richard Gillis,	1	2	9
Norman M'Rae,	0	18	10
John Burns,	1	6	6
Alexander Maclean,	1	0	0

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	£	s	d	
The Queen <i>vs.</i> William Morrison.—Paid Constable apprehending Prisoner,	0	2	3	
Eliza Ward, a witness,	4	3	10	
Mary Ann Ward,	0	11	8	
Doctor Tremain,	2	6	8	
				7 4 5
The Queen <i>vs.</i> Neil Macleod. —Paid Samuel Durant, a Witness,				2 18 1
The Queen <i>vs.</i> Susan Byers.—Paid Edward Byers,	0	6	8	
John Fall,	0	3	4	
The Queen <i>vs.</i> Neil Henderson.—Paid J. Landrigan, a Witness,	0	17	2	
William Sharp, a Constable,	0	5	6	
				1 2 8
Paid the following Witnesses Subpoenaed to give evidence before the Grand Inquest:				
James Maloney,	0	10	6	
John Shaw,	0	3	4	
William Brown,	0	1	8	
Alexander Macneill,	0	1	8	
John Birch,	0	3	4	
Robert Boyle,	0	3	4	
Patrick Macguire,	0	1	8	
James Hennesy,	0	1	8	
John Davis, Jun.	0	1	8	
Lydia Reed,	0	1	8	
Donald M'Isaac,	0	1	8	
Thomas Dodd,	0	1	8	
Thomas Connors,	0	1	8	
Duncan Cameron,	0	1	8	
Charles M'Kinnon,	0	1	8	
John M'Kinnon,	0	1	8	
Arthur O'Neil makes no charge				
Henry Found,	0	1	8	
Benjamin Chappell,	0	1	8	
Donald M'Donald,	0	1	8	
Francis Kelly	0	1	8	
Cornelius Little,	0	1	8	
Michael Maher,	0	6	8	
Benjamin Davies,	0	1	8	
David Wilson,	0	1	8	
George Dalrymple,	0	3	4	
Patrick Lyons,	1	0	6	
Patrick O'Connell,	1	0	6	
				5 3 2
The Queen <i>vs.</i> John Jen, alias M'Phee.—Paid John Hobbs, a Witness,	0	1	8	
John Scott, do.,	0	1	8	
Edward Chandler,	0	1	8	
				0 5 0
Paid Sheriff for Executing Bench Warrant and serving Subpoenas, as per Bill,				21 11 8
				£74 1 7

Charlottetown, Aug. 4, 1847.

D. HODGSON.

No. 10.

HER MAJESTY'S GOVERNMENT,

TO WILLIAM COATES, Deputy Clerk of Crown,

DR.

JUNE—1847.

For Disbursements in the following Crown Prosecutions:—

£ s. d.

The Queen *vs.* James Connors and another.—Paid Neil Campbell, a Witness, as

per Bill,	0	18	4
Michael Keefe,	0	10	6
William Macdonald,	0	11	8
Isaac Linkletter,	0	6	8
Michael Degan,	0	16	8
Ephraim Reid,	0	7	9
Robert Key,	0	5	0
Jeremiah Meagher,	0	7	2
Sophia Taylor,	0	6	1
James Keough,	1	7	2
Edward Meagher,	0	7	2
Edward Hogg,	0	7	9
James Murphy,	0	8	10
George Green,	0	6	1
Charles Green,	0	6	1
Robert Gourning,	0	7	2
Alexander M'Arthur,	0	8	10
Daniel Dickerson,	0	8	10
John Morris,	0	1	8
Alexander M'Innis,	0	16	1
Ronald M'Donald,	0	16	1
Cornelius Crawley,	0	18	4
William Meagher,	3	5	6

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Paid the following Witnesses, to give evidence before Grand Jury:—

Francis Shea, as per Bill,	0	12	9
Allan Shea,	0	12	9
Mary Dunn,	0	12	9
John Townsend,	0	1	8
John Morris,	0	1	8
John Hogg,	0	1	8
William Schureman,	0	2	9
James Porteous,	0	3	10
Nathaniel Miligan,	0	2	9
Margaret Miligan,	0	2	9
William Meagher,	0	1	8
Edward Meagher,	0	1	8
John Harvey,	0	4	5
Peter Schureman,	0	6	8
James Campbell,	0	1	8
William Tindale,	0	3	10
Cornelius Le Furgey,	0	4	5
John Tanton,	0	1	8
John Townsend,	0	3	10
John M'Kinnon,	0	3	10
Cornelius Le Furgey,	0	4	5

	£	s	d
Mary Rogers,	0	7	2
Humphrey M'Laren,	0	7	2
			5 7 9
Paid Sheriff for serving Subpœnas, as per Bill,		13	18 9½
Paid John Sharp, for 5 days attendance as Crier, at 5s.,		1	5 0
Currency,	£35	6	11½

No. 11.

HER MAJESTY'S GOVERNMENT,

To WILLIAM COATES, Deputy Clerk of Crown,

DR.

OCTOBER—1847.

For Disbursements in the following Crown Prosecutions:—

	£	s	d
The Queen <i>vs.</i> Ephraim Reid.—Paid William Meagher, a Witness, as per Bill,		0	7 2
Paid the following Witnesses, subpoenaed to give evidence before the Grand Jury:—			
Mrs. Ramsay, as per Bill,	£0	4	3
Doctor Crafer,		3	18 9
James Stewart,		0	9 5
Richard Morson,		0	9 5
Charles Stewart,		0	9 5
Mary Cody,		0	9 5
Edward Ramsay,		0	10 0
Dugald Stewart,		0	9 5
Malcolm Stewart,		0	10 0
Sophia M'Gougan,		0	10 0
John Wright,		0	13 0
Catherine Hynds,		0	12 9
Ann Butler,		0	9 5
Mary Saunders,		0	12 9
Elizabeth Peake,		0	14 5
Ann Simmons,		0	14 5
Mary Dooley,		0	14 5
Catherine Butler,		0	12 2
Mary Champion,		0	12 9
Susan Reynolds,		0	12 9
William Ramsay,		0	10 0
Elizabeth Meagher,		0	12 9
Paid William Sharp, Constable, as per Bill,		2	18 0
Paid Sheriff, as per Bill,			18 17 10
Paid John Sharp, Crier, 3 days at 5s.,			9 15 3
			0 15 0
	£29	8	1

## No. 12.

HER MAJESTY'S GOVERNMENT,

TO EDWARD THORNTON, Deputy Clerk of Crown,

Dr.

MARCH—1847.

For Disbursements in Crown Prosecutions.		£	s	d
Paid Henry Rath, for attendance before the Grand Jury in July Term, 1845, as per Bill,		1	3	10
Paid Lawrence Rice, for attendance at same Term, as per Bill,		1	3	10
Paid Hugh Logan, Crier of Court, 1 day,		0	5	0
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		£2	12	8
Deputy Clerk of Crown's Fees, as per Bill,		3	5	2
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	Currency,	£5	17	10
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## No. 13.

HER MAJESTY'S GOVERNMENT,

TO WILLIAM CUNDALL, Sheriff of Queen's County,

Dr.

To Disbursements on Account of County Jail and Court House, for year ending May, 1847:

	£	s	d
William Birch, Door-keeper, Easter Term, 1846,	1	11	6
do., do., Trinity do.,	1	14	2
do., do., Michaelmas do.,	1	11	6
do., do., Hilary do., 1847,	3	7	6
James D. Hazard's Bill for Printing,	4	10	6
Henry Stamper's Account for Stationary,	3	10	3½
John Boyer's Account for Candles,	0	10	6
Samuel Batt's Account for Smith's work,	0	14	0
John Rider's Account for Carpenter's work,	2	16	6
William Birch's Account for Work to Jail Fence,	2	1	11½
Henry Hazard's Account for Sundries to Jail,	20	4	7
Robert Hutchinson's Account for do.,	3	1	2
Nicholas Harvie, for Mason's work,	4	15	6
do., Jailor, for Sundries,	26	1	1
M'Kinnon & Longworth, for Lime,	0	4	0
Cash for load of Wood, January 2, 1847, and truckage,	0	5	3
James Peake's Account for Coals,	1	1	0
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	£78	1	0
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WM. CUNDALL, Sheriff.

5th May, 1847.

Examined and Certified.

R. HODGSON,  
EDWARD PALMER, } Committee.

## No. 14.

*JAMES D. HASZARD, Queen's Printer's Quarterly Account, for services performed for the Government of Prince Edward Island, from 1st January, 1847, to 31st March, 1847.*

## COLONIAL SECRETARY'S OFFICE.

1847		£	s	d
Jan. 2.	2 Almanacks for New Brunswick, interleaved,	-	-	0 3 0
	2 do. plain do. for Office,	-	-	0 1 6
5.	Advertising List of Licensed Retailers,	-	-	0 12 6
7.	3 quires Treasury Warrants, at 7s.	-	-	1 1 0
13.	3 do. Cartridge paper,	-	-	0 8 6
	Advertising Fuel and Bread for Charlottetown Jail,	-	-	0 4 0
	Continuing do. twice,	-	-	0 2 0
19.	Advertising additional Commissioners for Glebe and School Fund, and Con. do.	-	-	0 5 0
Feb. 2.	Advertising Stall in Market House, and Continuing do.	-	-	0 5 0
9.	Do. Resignation of Angus Macdonald, Esq. and continuing do.	-	-	0 5 0
	Do. Appointment of J. B. Cooper, Esq. and continuing do.	-	-	0 5 0
Feb. 23.	Do. Stall in Market House to Let,	-	-	0 5 0
	Do. Appointment of Mr. Joseph Ball, and continuing do.	-	-	0 5 0
	Printing two Writs of Election, on parchment, at 3s. 9d.	-	-	0 7 6
March 2.	Advertising Despatch resignation of Hon. Joseph Pope,	-	-	0 5 0
9.	Do. removal of names of Angus Macdonald and R. M' Aulay from Commission of the Peace,	-	-	0 5 0
16.	Advertising List of Licensed Retailers,	-	-	0 12 6
	Do. Proclamation calling on all persons to assist Sheriff at Belfast Election,	-	-	0 15 0
March 22.	Printing Proclamation respecting Belfast Election, 300 copies,	-	-	1 7 0
	Do. His Excellency's Speech at opening of Session,	-	-	0 8 0
	Do. Speeches and Addresses of Council and Assembly, and replies thereto,	-	-	1 1 0
	Do. List of Fees for Blue Book,	-	-	2 1 0
	Advertising His Excellency's thanks to the Military, Magistrates, &c. at Belfast Election,	-	-	0 7 6
March 27.	3 quires Treasury Warrants,	-	-	1 1 0
30.	Advertising Her Majesty's Order in Council signifying Royal Assent to Revenue Act,	-	-	0 7 6
	Advertising appointment of John Goff, Esq. Commissioner of Small Debts,	-	-	0 5 0
	Do. do. Martin Byrne, Esq. and continuing do.	-	-	0 5 0
				£13 10 6

(Signed) T. H. HAVILAND.

1847

## POST OFFICE.

Jan. 1.	Advertising Western Inland Mail,	-	-	£0 4 0
	Continuing do. 12 times, at 1s.	-	-	0 12 0
	Do. Notice of Mails, Winter route, 12 times,	-	-	0 12 0
19.	Advertising Mails for England on the 26th Feb.,	-	-	0 3 4
Mar. 16.	do. Mails for England on the 26th March,	-	-	0 3 4
	Hand-bills Express Mail,	-	-	0 5 0
				£1 19 8

1847.

## COLLECTORS OF IMPOST—Country.

Feb.	H. Macdonald, Esq.—6 blank Accounts,	-	-	£0 3 0
	J. Jardine, Esq.—3 blank Accounts,	-	-	0 1 6
Feb. 15.	Hon. Joseph Pope—4 blank Accounts,	-	-	0 2 0
				£0 6 6

		£	s	d
1847	TREASURER'S OFFICE.			
Jan. 5.	Advertising Warrants paid up to No. 436, Nov. 1843,	0	5	0
	Do. do. paid in month December,	0	15	0
	Continuing Advertisement respecting Bonds, 11 times,	0	11	0
26.	Advertising Warrants paid up to No. 46, January, 1844, and continuing do.	0	5	0
Feb. 2.	Do. List of Warrants paid in January,	0	12	6
16.	Do. Warrants paid to No. 81, and continuing do.	0	5	0
March 2.	Do. Warrants paid in February,	0	10	0
9.	Do. Warrants paid to No. 145, April,	0	5	0
		<u>£3</u>	<u>8</u>	<u>6</u>

Certified as correct,  
(Signed)

J. SPENCER SMITH, Treasurer.

		£	s	d
1847.	ADVERTISING CONVICTIONS, &c.			
Jan. 5.	Before John R. Bourke, Esq.	£0	3	4
	1 dozen Constable's Bonds,	0	2	0
Feb. 9.	Before D. Palmer, Esq.	0	3	4
March 2.	Do. B. De St. Croix, Esq.	0	3	4
30.	Do. Assault Court, Queen's County,	0	6	8
9.	Do. J. B. Cooper, Esq.	0	3	4
	Do. B. De St. Croix, Esq.	0	3	4
30.	Do. Assault Court, Prince County,	0	3	4
		<u>£1</u>	<u>8</u>	<u>8</u>

CENTRAL ACADEMY.

1847.	Jan. 12.—Advertising Notice of an additional Week given at Vacation,	£0	3	4
	19.— “ Monthly Meeting,	0	3	4
Feb. 9.—	“ Notice to persons to pay up Dues,	0	3	4
16.—	“ Monthly Meeting,	0	3	4
Mar. 16.—	“ Monthly Meeting,	0	3	4
		<u>£0</u>	<u>16</u>	<u>8</u>

Certified as Correct.

(Signed) E. R. HUMPHREYS.

CLERK OF THE COURT.

1847.	Jan. 26.—Advertising List of Constables and Fence Viewers, for Queen's County,	£1	5	0
	Hand Bills for do., 60 copies,	0	10	0
Mar. 12.—	Advertising List of Constables and Fence Viewers for King's County,	1	0	0
	Hand Bills for do.,	0	8	6
	Advertising additional Constables,	0	3	4
		<u>£3</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>10</u>

Correct.

(Signed) D. HODGSON.

BOARD OF EDUCATION.

1847.	Jan. 12.—Advertising Quarterly Meetings,	£0	3	4
	Continuing do. twice,	0	2	0
Mar. 6.—	Advertising School Visitors' Reports, &c.—7 columns,	5	5	0
		<u>£5</u>	<u>10</u>	<u>4</u>

Certified as Correct.

(Signed) E. R. HUMPHREYS.

## ROAD CORRESPONDENT.

1847.

March 31.—Printing 1,900 Road Notices, to Post, 3s. 6d.,	-	-	£3	6	6
do. 1,900 Commutation Notices, 3s. 6d.,	-	-	3	6	6
do. 26 quires Overseer's Returns, 4s.,	-	-	5	4	0
do. 26 do. Instructions, 4s.,	-	-	5	4	0
do. 600 copies Overseers' Oath, 3s. 6d.,	-	-	1	1	0
do. 10 quires Instructions to Sheep Reeves, 4s.,	-	-	2	0	0
do. 250 copies Ram Act,	-	-	1	5	0
do. 600 copies Road Act, 22s.,	-	-	6	12	0
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			£27	19	0
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Correct.

(Signed) PETER MACGOWAN.

*JAMES D. HASZARD, Queen's Printer's Quarterly Accounts, for services performed, &c., for the Government of Prince Edward Island, from 1st April, 1847, to 1st July, 1847.*

## COLONIAL SECRETARY'S OFFICE.

1847.

			£	s	d
April 6.—Advertising Dismissal of R. M'Aulay, Esq., and continuing do.,	-	-	0	5	0
“ Resignation of Rev. L. C. Lloyd, and Hon. J. M. Holl, Commissioners of Glebe Fund,	-	-	0	5	0
“ Tenders for Breastwork, &c.,	-	-	0	3	4
“ Court of Divorce, and continuing do. 3 times,	-	-	0	7	0
“ Hog Reeves for Georgetown,	-	-	0	3	4
Box Envelopes,	-	-	0	1	6
1 dozen pieces Office Tape, 3s; Seals, 2s. 6d.,	-	-	0	5	6
25—Printing His Excellency's Speech on releasing the Session,	-	-	0	10	0
Publishing Despatch to Earl Grey respecting Mr. Pope's remarks on his Resignation,	-	-	1	5	0
Advertising Appointment of Sheriffs,	-	-	0	5	0
“ List of Licensed Retailers,	-	-	0	12	6
“ Appointment of George Coles, Esq., to seat in Executive Council,	-	-	0	5	0
Printing Writs of Election on Parchment,	-	-	0	3	9
May 4—Advertising Proclamation for a General Fast,	-	-	0	7	6
Continuing do. once,	-	-	0	2	0
Handbills for do.,	-	-	0	12	6
Advertising Hog Reeves for 1847,	-	-	0	5	0
18—Advertising Grant of £3,600 to buy Seed Grain, and list of persons to expend same,	-	-	0	17	6
Continuing do. once,	-	-	0	4	0
Advertising Appointment of Hon. C. Young and Theophilus Desbrisay, Esqr., to Commission of Peace, and continuing do.,	-	-	0	5	0
“ Resignation of Hon. Charles Hensley,	-	-	0	3	4
“ Notice respecting payments in Treasury,	-	-	0	5	0
“ Several Stalls in Market House to Let, and continuing do.,	-	-	0	6	0
“ List of Preventive Officers Appointed,	-	-	0	7	6
Continuing do. 3 times,	-	-	0	5	3
12 sticks Wax, at 3d., 3s.; 6 do., at 4d., 2s.; Taste, 2s. 3d.,	-	-	0	7	3
June 1—Advertising Appointment of A. Duncan, Esq., to Board of Health, and continuing do.,	-	-	0	5	0

	£	s	d
June 1.—Advertising Appointment of W. Saunderson, Esq., to Assault Court,	0	5	0
Printing Revenue Act, and Act to repeal Duties of Customs, &c.,	1	4	6
Do. 32 books Notes of Hand for Seed Grain, 3s.,	4	16	0
Do. 50 Commissions for Preventive Officers,	0	12	0
7.—Printing 16 additional Books for Seed Grain, 3s.,	2	8	0
Advertising Warning to Pilots,	0	5	0
Printing 150 copies Prayers for Fast, stitched and cut,	2	0	0
Publishing Prayers for Fast in Supplement to Royal Gazette, 730 copies,	4	10	0
Do. 18 copies of Hog Reeve Act,	0	12	0
Do. 20 copies Nuisance Act,	0	15	0
Do. 25 copies of Act for Prevention of Smuggling,	1	3	0
Do. in Royal Gazette Acts of the last Session of the General Assembly, 22 in number,	27	0	0
15.—Advertising Appointment of Mr. N. Le Page Coal Meter, and continuing do.,	0	5	0
Do. Resignation of Board of Health, and new Board,	0	5	0
Do. Opinion of Attorney and Solicitor General on Election Act,	0	5	0
Do. Tenders for Seal Oil for Light House, and continuing do. twice,	0	5	4
Handbills for do.,	0	4	0
Printing 2 books of Treasury Warrants, 11s. 6d.,	1	3	0
22.—Advertising Proclamation proroguing General Assembly to 25th August,	0	7	6
Continuing do. twice,	0	4	0
Handbills for do., and posting,	0	12	6
Advertising Contract for Boarding and Shingling Light House,	0	3	4
Printing 150 copies Wharfage Act,	2	0	0
	<u>£59</u>	<u>9</u>	<u>11</u>

Certified.

(Signed)

T. H. HAVILAND.

1847.

POST OFFICE.

April 20.—Advertising English Mail on 27th,	£0	3	4
May 4.—Advertising Inland Western Mail,	0	4	0
Continuing do. 8 times, at 1s.	0	8	0
11 —Advertising Mails for England on the 15th,	0	3	4
25.— do. Mails for England on the 28th,	0	3	4
Hand-bills for do.,	0	5	0
Printing Supplement to Gazette, List of Letters in Office, 1½ column,	1	2	6
June 8.—Advertising Mails for England made up on the 12th,	0	3	4
Hand-bills for do., (large),	0	5	0
29.—Advertising Mails for England on the 30th,	0	3	4
Hand-bills for do., (large),	0	5	0
Printing 50 copies Rates of Postage to all parts of the World—24 pages, stitched and covered,	7	10	0
	<u>£10</u>	<u>16</u>	<u>2</u>

Certified

(Signed)

THOMAS OWEN,

1847.

LUNATIC ASYLUM.

Jan. 1.—Printing Circular Letter to Proprietors, 2 pages, 50 copies,	£0	12	0
Do. Circular to other benevolent persons, 50 copies,	0	12	0
March.— Do. 20 additional copies of do,	0	7	0
May 4.—Advertising Notice and form of Certificate,	0	5	0
Continuing do. 4 times,	0	5	0

(Signed)

WILLIAM SWABEY.

## BOARD OF EDUCATION.

				£	s	d
1847.						
April 6.—	Advertising Quarterly Meetings of Board,	-	-	0	3	4
	Do. Adjourned Meeting,	-	-	0	3	4
	Continuing do. three times,	-	-	0	3	0
June 1.—	Advertising List of Candidates passed Board, and 5th and 6th clauses of Act,			0	10	0
	Do. Extra Meeting,	-	-	0	3	4
	Continuing do. twice,	-	-	0	2	0
	Printing 180 copies of Act for the encouragement of Education, 3½ sheets, 25 pages,	-	-	7	0	0
	Stitching and Covering do., at 2d.,	-	-	1	10	0
22.—	Advertising Books on Hand in Charlottetown,	-	-	0	5	0
	Do. do. Georgetown,	-	-	0	3	4
	Do. do. Bay Fortune,	-	-	0	5	0
	Do. do. New London,	-	-	0	3	4
	Do. do. Crapaud,	-	-	0	3	4
	Do. List of Candidates passed Board,	-	-	0	5	0
				<u>£11</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>

Certified as Correct.

(Signed) E. R. HUMPHREYS.

## ROAD JUSTICES.

1847.						
April.—	Advertising Meeting on 1st Wednesday in April,	-	-	£0	4	0
	Continuing do. once,	-	-	0	1	0
	Advertising Meeting on 1st Monday in May,	-	-	0	4	0
27.—	Printing Hand-bills notice to persons to pay Rates, 60 copies,	-	-	0	6	0
	Addition to Road Act for Charlottetown and Royalty, 20 copies,	-	-	0	12	0
	Printing 60 copies Overseers' Returns for Charlottetown and Royalty, 2½ quires, at 5s. 6d.,	-	-	0	13	6
June 8.—	Advertising names of persons appointed for removing Nuisances,	-	-	0	5	0
17.—	Hand-bills setting work on St. Peter's Road,	-	-	0	5	0
				<u>£2</u>	<u>10</u>	<u>6</u>

Correct.

(Signed) A. LANE, Chairman.

## MILITIA ADJUTANT-GENERAL.

1847.						
June 16.—	1 quire Cartridge Paper,	-	-	£0	3	0
	2 pieces red Tape,	-	-	0	0	8
	2 sticks Wax, at 5d, 10d.; 1 box Steel Pens, 2s. 6d.,	-	-	0	3	4
	1 quire Letter Paper, 1s. 3d.; 1 quire Foolscap, 1s. 6d.,	-	-	0	2	9
	Advertising Order for General Inspection for 1847,	-	-	0	10	0
	Continuing do. 6 times, at 1s. 6d.,	-	-	0	9	0
	150 copies Muster Roll, 3 quires, at 6s. 6d.,	-	-	0	19	6
	450 copies Notices for Muster, at 4s. 6d.,	-	-	0	18	3
				<u>£3</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>6</u>

(Signed) A. LANE, Lieut.-Col. &amp; Adj.-Gen.

1847.		ADVERTISING CONVICTIONS, &c.		
April 13—	Before Alexander Leslie, Esq.,	-	-	£0 3 4
	Before J. D. Haszard, Esq.,	-	-	0 3 4
May 11—	Advertising Suspension of Constable of Hillsborough Court,	-	-	0 3 4
	Before William Cundall, Esq.,	-	-	0 3 4
	25—Advertising Mr. George Cooper as Clerk of S. D. Court, Lot 13.	-	-	0 3 4
June 1—	Advertising Conviction of Michael Hickey, before W. Cundall, Esq., trespass,	-	-	0 3 4
	Before Assault Court, Queen's County,	-	-	0 7 6
	Advertising Conviction Thomas Parsons, Assault on Dr. Poole,	-	-	0 3 4
	Do. Conviction James Macdougall, Assault on James M'Leod,	-	-	0 3 4
	Do. John M'Donnell <i>vs.</i> Charles Binns, trespass,	-	-	0 3 4
	Do. H. B. Cumberland <i>vs.</i> J. M'Kinnon, trespass,	-	-	0 3 4
	Do. John Farquharson <i>vs.</i> W. Farquharson,	-	-	0 3 4
	Edward Crawford, before Donald Palmer, Esq., Selling Liquor without Licence,	-	-	0 3 4
				£2 7 6

1847.		TREASURER'S OFFICE.		
April 6.—	Advertising List Warrants paid in March,	-	-	£0 10 0
20.—	Do. Warrants paid to No. 179, 1844, and continuing do.,	-	-	0 5 0
May 4.—	Do. List Warrants paid in April,	-	-	0 6 8
	Do. Notice calling upon persons to pay Land Assessment for 1847,	-	-	0 10 0
	Continuing do. 17 times, to 1st October,	-	-	1 14 0
	Hand-bills do., 100 copies,	-	-	0 12 6
	8.—Advertising Warrants paid up to No. 264,	-	-	0 5 0
	29.—Advertising Warrants paid up to No. 325, and continuing do.,	-	-	0 5 0
June 4.—	Advertising List Warrants paid in May,	-	-	0 15 0
				£5 3 2

Certified as correct,  
(Signed)

J. SPENCER SMITH, Treasurer.

1847.		COLLECTOR OF EXCISE—Charlottetown.		
Jan. 15.—	12 blank Accounts,	-	-	£0 6 0
April 10.—	24 Distillers' Affidavits,	-	-	0 3 0
May 13.—	4 quires Importer's Book—printed, (folio) ruled and bound,	-	-	2 5 0
	Masters' Entry Book, 2 quires, (folio),	-	-	1 2 0
	1 quire Bonds, Recognizances, &c.,	-	-	0 8 0
	25.—1 Ballast Book, 1 quire, 12s.; 3 quires Bonds, 24s.,	-	-	1 16 0
	2 quires Post Entry, at 4s. 6d.,	-	-	0 9 0
	2 quires short Permits, at 4s. 6d.,	-	-	0 9 0
June 15.—	2 quires Bonds,	-	-	0 16 0
	1 quire long Permits,	-	-	0 4 6
	20 Blank Accounts,	-	-	0 10 6
				£8 8 6

Certified.

(Signed)

J. D. M'DONNELL, Collector.

## 1847. COLLECTORS OF IMPOST—Country.

1847.					
May.—Hugh Macdonald, Esq.—8 blank Impost Accounts,	-	-	-	£0	4 0
June 20.—George Anderson, Esq.—4 Blank Accounts,	-	-	-	0	2 0
28.—Joseph Pope, Esq.—Master's Entry Book, 12s.; 1 quire Importers' Oath, 5s.,				0	17 0
17.—Charles M'Nutt, Esq.—4 Blank Accounts,	-	-	-	0	2 0
26.—William Macgowan, Esq.—Masters' Entry Book, 12s.; 1 quire Entries, 5s.,				0	17 0
6 blank Accounts, 3s.; 1 quire Bonds, 8s.,				0	11 0
1 quire Permits, 5s.; 100 Light Receipts, 3s. 6d.,				0	8 6
				£3	1 6

*JAMES D. HASZARD, Queen's Printer's Quarterly Account, for services performed for the Government of Prince Edward Island, from 1st July, 1847, to 30th September, 1847.*

## COLONIAL SECRETARY'S OFFICE.

1847				£	s	d
July 1st.	Half ream Post octavo paper,	-	-	0	7	6
	Half do. 16mo.	-	-	0	5	0
	Box envelopes,	-	-	0	1	6
8.	3 Boxes Wafers, 3s. half gross steel pens, 2s. 6d.	-	-	0	5	6
Aug. 17.	Penholders,	-	-	0	1	10½
	1 quire Country Tavern Licenses,	-	-	0	7	0
	Printing Acts of last Session of the General Assembly, 16½ sheets, at 50s.			41	5	0
	Binding 200 copies of do.	-	-	6	13	4
	Advertising appointment of J. Weatherbie to Commission of Peace, and con. do.			0	5	0
	Advt. appointment of James Allan, Fish Inspector,	-	-	0	5	0
July 13.	Advt. appointment of Visitors of Schools, and con. do.	-	-	0	5	0
	Advt. Commissioners of Small Debts,	-	-	0	7	6
	Advt. Members of the Board of Health,	-	-	0	5	0
	Advt. Appointment of Wm. Craswell, Esq. to Commission of the Peace,			0	5	0
3.	Advt. Appointment of Rev. D. Fitzgerald Member Board Education, and con. do.			0	5	0
	Advt. confirmation of appointment of Hon. George Coles,	-	-	0	5	0
17.	Advt. appointment of John Cousins, Preventive Officer for New London,			0	5	0
24.	Advt. Proclamation proroguing General Assembly to 20th October,			0	7	6
	Continuing do. twice,	-	-	0	4	0
	Handbills of do. and Posting,	-	-	0	12	6
	Advt. 3 Stalls in Market to Let,	-	-	0	3	4
	Continuing do. once,	-	-	0	1	0
	Advt. Sale of Weights and Scales in do.	-	-	0	3	4
	Con. do. once,	-	-	0	1	0
Sept. 28.	Advt. Proclamation His Honor A. Lane, Administrator of Government,			0	7	6
	Continuing do. twice,	-	-	0	4	0
	Handbills of do. and Posting,	-	-	0	12	6
Sept. 28.	Advt. Proclamation signifying Royal Assent to Duties and Customs Act,			0	7	6
	Continuing do. twice,	-	-	0	4	0
	Handbills of do., and Posting,	-	-	0	12	6
	Advt. Despatch and Her Majesty's Order in Council, signifying Royal Assent to Duties and Customs Act,	-	-	0	12	6
				£56	7	4½

## ROADS, BRIDGES, WHARFS, &amp;c.

		£	s	d
1847.				
July 6.—	Advertising Notice Repairs at Poplar Island Bridge,	-	0	4 0
	Do. Tenders for Wilmot Creek Bridge,	-	0	5 0
	Handbills do.,	-	0	5 0
	Advertising Roads in District No. 13,	-	0	3 4
	Continuing do. 3 times,	-	0	3 0
	Handbills for do.,	-	0	4 0
	Advertising Notice to Travellers in 16th District,	-	0	4 0
	Continuing do. four times,	-	0	4 0
	Handbills for do.,	-	0	5 0
	24.—Handbills Notice to remove Nuisances in 15th District,	-	0	5 0
Aug. 3.—	Advertising Deepening Morell River,	-	0	4 0
	Continuing do. once,	-	0	1 0
	24.—Advertising Rebuilding Mill Pond Bridge,	-	0	3 4
	Continuing do. twice,	-	0	2 0
	Handbills do.,	-	0	4 0
Sept. 7.—	Advertising New Glasgow Bridge,	-	0	4 0
	Continuing do. twice,	-	0	2 0
	Handbills do.,	-	0	4 0
	Advertising Sheep Reeves for 6th District,	-	0	5 0
	Continuing do. once,	-	0	1 0
	Advertising Ellis River Bridge,	-	0	3 4
	Continuing do.,	-	0	2 0
	Handbills do.,	-	0	5 0
				<u>£4 3 0</u>

## ADVERTISING CONVICTIONS.

1847.				
July 27.—	Before C. M. Willock and Charles Haszard, Esquires,	-	£0	3 4
	Before William Cundall and James D. Haszard, Esqrs.,	-	0	3 4
Aug. 10.—	Before J. R. Bourke and Charles Haszard, Esqrs.,	-	0	3 4
	17.—Before B. De St. Croix and William Cundall, Esqrs.,	-	0	3 4
	Before J. Craig and J. Wright, Esqrs.,	-	0	3 4
	31.—Before William Schureman and H. Green, Esqrs.,	-	0	3 4
	Before T. B. Tremain, Esq.,	-	0	3 4
Sept. 28.—	Before W. B. Aitken, Esq.,	-	0	3 4
				<u>£1 6 8</u>

## BOARD OF EDUCATION.

1847.				
June 29.—	Advertising Quarterly Meeting,	-	£0	3 4
	Continuing do. three times,	-	0	3 0
July 6.—	Advertising Books on hand by A. Forsyth, Esq.,	-	0	3 4
	Do. do. J. Morris, Esq.,	-	0	3 4
Aug. 10.—	Advertising List of Candidates passed Board,	-	0	6 8
	31.—Advertising Books on hand by Mr. Murray,	-	0	3 4
				<u>£1 3 0</u>

## PETER M'CALLUM, Esq., Sheriff,

To JAMES D. HASZARD,

DR.

		£	s	d
1846.				
May 12.	—Advertising Notice to Persons appointed to take Replevins,	0	5	0
	Continuing do twice,	0	2	0
June 23.	—Advertising Supreme Court, July Term,	0	5	0
	Continuing do. 3 times,	0	3	0
	Handbills do.,	0	7	6
Dec. 29.	—Advertising Contract for Firewood for Jail,	0	4	0
	Continuing do. once,	0	1	0
	Handbills do.,	0	5	0
1847.				
Feb. 9.	—Advertising Supreme Court, March Term,	0	5	0
	Continuing do. 3 times,	0	3	0
	Handbills do.,	0	7	6
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		£2	8	0
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*JAMES D. HASZARD, Queen's Printer's Quarterly Account, for the Quarter ending 31st December, 1847, for services performed for the Government of Prince Edward Island.*

## COLONIAL SECRETARY'S OFFICE.

		£	s	d
1847.				
Oct. S.	—1 quire Marriage Bonds,	0	6	0
	2 books Treasury Warrants, 11s. 6d.,	1	3	0
	4 copies Hog Reeve Act, for Georgetown,	0	6	0
	7 Nos. Gazette, directed by Order of Collector H. M. Customs,	0	2	4
	Lumber Act, for Joseph M'Phee,	0	1	6
6.	—Box Envelopes, 2s.; Blackleads, 1s. 6d.; Pens, 1s.,	0	4	6
12.	—Advertising Despatch of Earl Grey to Sir H. V. Huntley, signifying appointment of successor to office,	0	7	6
	Advertising Despatch in answer to Petitioners wishing Sir H. V. Huntley to remain in the Government,	0	5	0
	Advertising appointment of Mr. E. Blanchard as School Visitor for Prince County, and continuing do.,	0	5	0
	Advertising appointment of S. Wright, Esq., as Commissioner of Highways, and con. do.,	0	5	0
	Advertising appointment of Mr. W. Ledston, Commissioner Small Debts,	0	5	0
	Advertising Court of Commissioners for 9 Mile House abolished,	0	5	0
	Advertising appointment of Mr. John Kenny to Board of Education, and continuing do.,	0	5	0
	Advertising appointment of W. W. Lord and James Macdonald, Esqrs., to Commission of the Peace, and con. do.,	0	5	0
19.	—Advertising Despatch No. 40, in reference to Mr. Coles' complaint against certain Officers at his Election,	0	12	6
	Advertising names of George Birnie and Joseph Holroyd, Esqrs., to Commission of the Peace,	0	5	0
	Advertising name of Francis M'Quade to Commission of the Peace, and continuing do.,	0	5	0
	Advertising Proclamation proroguing General Assembly to 22d December,	0	7	6
	Continuing do. twice,	0	4	0
	Handbills do., and posting,	0	10	0

1847.		£	s	d
Oct. 26.—	Advt. Despatch No. 35, on subject of Presentment of Grand Jury,	0	6	8
	Advt. Despatch No. 45, in answer to Foreman and Grand Jury,	0	6	8
	Advt. Despatch No. 41, in reference to Mr. Palmer's resignation,	0	6	8
	Advt. Despatch No. 43, in reference to continuance of Sir H. V. Huntley in the Government,	0	5	0
	Advt. Despatch No. 46, in reference to discontinuance of Sir H. V. Huntley in the Government,	0	6	8
	Advt. Despatch No. 47, in answer to inhabitants of St. Peter's,	0	5	0
	Advt. Appointment of Martin Byrne and William Saunderson, Esqrs., Visiting Magistrates for King's County Jail,	0	5	0
	Advt. Appointment of William Craswell, Esq., Commissioner of Small Debts,	0	5	0
27.—	1 quire Marriage Bonds,	0	6	0
28.—	6 papers Ink Powder, 3s.; $\frac{1}{2}$ ream Note Paper, 6s.,	0	9	0
Nov. 2.—	Advt. Appointment of James Warburton, Esq., Member of Executive Council, and con. do.,	0	5	0
	Advt. name of Joseph Bell, Esq., inserted in Commission of the Peace for Prince County,	0	5	0
8.—	1 gross Gillott's Pens, 7s. 6d.; Blacklead, 6d.,	0	8	0
9.—	$\frac{1}{2}$ ream Note Paper, Queen's size,	0	5	0
	Advt. Appointment of Hon. J. M. Holl Member of Executive Council,	0	5	0
	Advt. Appointment of G. Birnie, Esq., Member of Legislative Council,	0	5	0
	Advt. Appointment of Theo. DesBrisay and John Thornton, Esqrs., to Commission of the Peace,	0	5	0
	Advt. Appointment of J. M'Donald, Esq., as Commissioner of Small Debts,	0	5	0
16.—	Advt. Appointment of Mr. Robert Forrest as Preventive Officer for Crapaud,	0	5	0
	Advt. Appointment Mr. P. G. Clarke as Assayer of Weights and Measures,	0	5	0
	Advt. proceedings in Council on Memorial of Bakers and others,	0	10	0
	Advt. Appointment Wm. W. Lord, Esq., as Commissioner of Small Debts,	0	5	0
23.—	Advt. Appointment of Hon. C. Young as Queen's Counsel, and con. do.,	0	5	0
	Advt. Despatch, No. 35, to Sir H. V. Huntley, relieving him from the Government, &c.,	0	7	6
	Advt. Despatch No 15, on continuance of Sir H. V. Huntley in Government,	0	5	0
	Advt. Her Majesty's Order in Council, signifying the Royal Assent to Act to extend Provisions of Boundary Line Act,	0	7	6
	Advt. H.M. Order in Council signifying Royal Assent to 18 Acts,	1	0	0
	Advt. Sale of Stalls in Market House,	0	3	4
	Continuing do. once,	0	1	0
30.—	Advt. name of D. Reddin, Esq., to be inserted in the Commission of the Peace for Queen's County,	0	5	0
Dec. 9.—	Advt. Proclamation of Sir Donald Campbell, on assuming the Government,	0	10	0
	Con. do. 3 times,	0	7	6
	Handbills do., and posting,	0	12	6
14.—	Advt. Levee at Government House on 17th inst.,	0	5	0
	Advt. Notice to Persons trespassing on Government Grounds,	0	3	4
	Con. do. 5 times,	0	5	0
21.—	Advt. Proclamation proroguing General Assembly to 20th January,	0	7	6
	Continuing do. twice,	0	4	0
	Handbills do., and posting,	0	10	0
28.—	Advt. Despatch from Right Hon. Earl Grey to Sir Donald Campbell, on the subject of Currency,	2	10	0
	3 quires Marriage Licences, 6s.,	0	18	0
	3 quires Marriage Licences, for Book of Common Prayer,	0	18	0
	2 quires Tavern Licences, County,	0	12	0
	2 quires Shop Licences,	0	12	0

1847.		£	s	d
Dec. 28.—2 quires Tavern Licences, for Charlottetown,	-	0	12	0
23.—2 quires Marriage Bonds,	-	0	12	0
Book of Treasury Warrants, (100),	-	0	11	6
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		£26	4	2
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Certified.  
(Signed)

T. H. HAVILAND.

CENTRAL BOARD OF HEALTH.

27.—Advertising Resolutions of Board,	-	£0	15	0
Continuing do. 3 times,	-	0	9	0
Advertising Notice to persons having claims,	-	0	3	4
Con. do. twice,	-	0	2	0
Aug. 3.—Advertising Letter, Resolutions and Report,	-	0	15	0
Nov. 23.—Advertising Notice to persons having claims,	-	0	3	4
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		£2	7	8
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FIRE WARDENS.

1847.				
May 4.—Advertising List Engine No. 1,	-	£0	6	8
Advertising List Engine No. 2,	-	0	6	8
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		£0	13	4
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1847.		TREASURER'S OFFICE.	£	s	d
Jan. 13.—Advt. List of Warrants paid in June,	-	-	£0	12	6
20.—Advt. Warrants paid up to No. 350,	-	-	0	5	0
27.—Advt. List Licenced Retailers,	-	-	0	15	0
3.—Advt. List of Warrants paid in July,	-	-	0	10	0
17.—Advt. Warrants paid up to No. 365,	-	-	0	0	0
Advt. List Licenced Retailers,	-	-	0	15	0
Advt. Warrants paid up to No. 397,	-	-	0	5	0
pt. 14.—Advt. List of Warrants paid in August,	-	-	0	7	6
21.—Advt. Warrants paid up to No. 410,	-	-	0	5	0
28.—Advt. Land Assessment Receivers,	-	-	0	5	0
Continuing do. 12 times, 1s. 3d.,	-	-	0	15	0
Handbills do.,	-	-	0	7	6
Book Township Receipts, 2 quires, for H. M'Donald,	-	-	0	12	6
Oct. 5.—Advt. List of Warrants paid in Sept.,	-	-	0	10	0
12.—2 books Receipts for Land Assessment, for W. S. Macgowan, at 12s. 6d.,	-	-	1	0	0
26.—Advt. Warrants paid up to No. 447,	-	-	0	5	0
27.—1 book Township Receipts, for Allan Macdougall,	-	-	0	12	6
1 do., for James Pidgeon,	-	-	0	12	6
Nov. 2.—Advt. List of Warrants paid in October,	-	-	0	12	0
16.—2 quire book Township Receipts, for James Yeo,	-	-	0	12	6
Continuance of Notice to pay Land Assessment since 1st October, 11 times,	-	-			
at 2s.,	-	-	1	2	0
Advt. Warrants paid to No. 472,	-	-	0	5	0
23.—Advt. Warrants paid to No. 491,	-	-	0	5	0

		£	s	d
1847.				
Nov. 30.—Advertising Warrants paid up to No. 1,	-	0	5	0
Advertising List Licenced Retailers and Pedlars,	-	0	17	6
4 quire Book Township Receipts, for Theophilus Desbrisay,	-	1	1	0
Dec. 7.—Advertising List Warrants paid up in November,	-	0	10	0
9.—Book Township Receipts, for Joseph Pope,	-	0	12	6
14.—Advertising Warrants paid up to No. 63,	-	0	5	0
23.—4 quire book Township Receipts, for 23d Dec., for Theo. Desbrisay,	-	1	1	0
Printing Ledger for Town Lots, Water Lots, Common and Pasture Lots, Charlottetown; Water, Town and Pasture Lots in Georgetown; and Pasture Lots in Princetown—for Treasurer,	-	1	10	0
Ledger for do. and Townships, for Theo. Desbrisay,	-	1	15	0
1 quire book Receipts for Charlottetown, 2d Hd.,	-	0	6	0
1 quire book do., 3d Hd.,	-	0	6	0
1 quire book do., 4th Hd.,	-	0	6	0
28.—Advertising Warrants paid up to No. 93,	-	0	5	0
		£21	1	6

Certified as correct,  
(Signed)

J. SPENCER SMITH, Treasurer.

		£	s	d
1847.	POST OFFICE.			
June 29.—Advertising Mails for England on 30th,	-	£0	3	4
July 1.—Advertising List of Letters in Office,	-	1	0	0
12.—50 Money Letter Covers,	-	0	5	0
13.—Advertising Mails for England on 14th,	-	0	3	4
Large Handbills do.,	-	0	5	0
27.—Advertising Mails for England on 31st,	-	0	3	4
Advertising Notice Mails made up on Wednesdays,	-	0	3	4
Con. do. 17 times,	-	0	14	2
Advertising Southern Mails made up on Friday mornings,	-	0	3	4
Continuing do. 17 times,	-	0	14	2
Aug. 8.—Blank Book, 7s. 6d.; 2 pieces Tape,	-	0	8	0
12.—100 copies Money Letter Covers,	-	0	6	6
Advertising Mails for England on 28th,	-	0	3	4
30.—100 copies Receipts for Ship Letters,	-	0	6	0
Printing 100 copies List of Post Offices, &c.,	-	0	13	6
Sept. 7.—Advertising List of Letters in Office,	-	1	0	0
28.—Advertising Mails for England on 29th,	-	0	3	4
Handbills do., (large),	-	0	7	6
8 Labels, (6 copies each),	-	0	2	6
Oct. 12.—Advertising Mails for England,	-	0	3	4
Large Handbills do.,	-	0	5	0
8 quires Accounts received and sent, printed both sides and ruled,	-	2	8	0
26.—Advertising Mails for England on 30th,	-	0	3	4
Nov. 9.—Advertising Mails for England on 9th,	-	0	3	4
23.—Advertising Mails for England on the 27th,	-	0	3	4
Dec. 7.—Advertising Mails for England on 14th,	-	0	3	4
Advertising Mails for Halifax and Pictou,	-	0	3	4
Large Handbills do.,	-	0	5	0
Advertising Mails for England on 28th,	-	0	3	4
Advertising new arrangement for English Mails,	-	0	7	6
Con. do. 3 times,	-	0	5	3
100 large Handbills do.,	-	0	10	6

1847.		£	s	d
27.—Advertising List Letters in Office, 3 columns,	-	1	5	0
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		£13	12	9
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Certified.

(Signed) THOMAS OWEN.

1847.	COLLECTORS OF IMPOST—Country.			
July 15.—Hugh M'Donald, Esq.,—8 dozen Light Duty Receipts,	-	-	-	£0 4 0
	1 quire Bonds, Recognizances, &c.,	-	-	0 8 0
	1 book for Importer's Entries,	-	-	0 12 6
	Ballast Book,	-	-	0 12 6
Oct. 1.	12 blank Accounts,	-	-	0 6 0
Dec. 16.	1 quire Bonds, Recognizances, &c.,	-	-	0 8 0
Oct. 1.—George Anderson, Esq.—12 blank Accounts,	-	-	-	0 6 0
12.—William S. M'Gowan, Esq.—12 blank Accounts,	-	-	-	0 6 0
Dec. 16.—Hon. Joseph Pope.—6 blank Accounts,	-	-	-	0 3 0
July 27.—Advertising Bonded Warehouse at Mr. George Clarke's,	-	-	-	0 3 4
Continuing do. once,	-	-	-	0 1 0
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		£3	10	4
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## COLLECTOR OF EXCISE—Charlottetown.

1847.				
July 7.—2 quires Bonds, Recognizances, &c.,	-	-	-	£0 16 0
	1 quire Permits, 4s. 6d.; 1 blank Book, 6s.,	-	-	0 10 6
Aug. 18.—3S blank Accounts,	-	-	-	0 19 0
30.—8 blank Accounts,	-	-	-	0 4 0
Sept. 2.—2 quires short Permits,	-	-	-	0 9 0
Oct. 6.—1 quire Ballast Book, medium,	-	-	-	0 12 6
27.—2 quires Bonds, Recognizances, &c.,	-	-	-	0 16 0
	1 quire Permits,	-	-	0 4 6
Nov. 20.—1½ quire Bonds, Recognizances,	-	-	-	0 12 0
	1 book for Entries,	-	-	0 12 6
	1 quire short Permits,	-	-	0 5 0
Dec. 16.—2 quires Bonds, Recognizances, &c.,	-	-	-	0 16 0
	20 blank Accounts, (new form),	-	-	0 10 0
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		£7	7	0
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Certified.

(Signed) J. D. M'DONNELL, Collector.

## CENTRAL ACADEMY.

1847.				
May 4.—Advertising Special Meeting on the 10th,	-	-	-	£0 3 4
11.—Advertising rates of Tuition under new Act,	-	-	-	0 5 0
July 12.—Printing 200 copies Certificates for Scholars, 1st and 2d Class,	-	-	-	0 16 0
Aug. 10.—Advertising Notice Certificates being ready,	-	-	-	0 3 4
	Advertising Notice of Re-opening on 23d,	-	-	0 3 4
24.—Advertising Meeting of Trustees on 27th,	-	-	-	0 3 4
31.—Advertising Meeting of Trustees, to take into consideration appointment of Head Master,	-	-	-	0 4 0
Dec. 28.—Advertising terms of Tuition, &c.,	-	-	-	0 5 0
Continuing do. 3 times,	-	-	-	0 3 9

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1847.		
Dec. 28.—200 Acts for Trustees,	- - - -	0 10 0
		<u>£2 17 1</u>
1847.	CLERK OF THE COURT.	
Oct. 1.—7 quires blank Book, bound,	- - - -	£1 0 0
Nov. 3.—Advertising List Constables and Fence Viewers for Prince County,	- - - -	1 0 0
Handbills do.,	- - - -	0 7 6
		<u>£2 7 6</u>
1847.	ROADS, BRIDGES, &c.	
Oct. 26.—Blank book for Road Correspondent,	- - - -	£0 6 9
Advertising Notice to remove obstructions in 9th District,	- - - -	0 4 0
Continuing do. twice,	- - - -	0 2 0
Handbills do.,	- - - -	0 4 0
Nov. 23.—Advertising Tenders for opening new line of Road to West Cape,	- - - -	0 3 4
Continuing do twice,	- - - -	0 2 0
Handbills do.,	- - - -	0 4 0
Advertisement repairing Roads on Lot 36,	- - - -	0 3 4
Handbills do.,	- - - -	0 5 0
30.—Advertising Road Compensation Notice, Thomas Larkins,	- - - -	0 6 0
Continuing do. 4 times,	- - - -	0 6 8
Advertising Notice to persons who received Grain, Potatoes, &c.,	- - - -	0 10 0
Continuing do. twice,	- - - -	0 5 0
Handbills do.,	- - - -	0 6 0
Dec. 14.—Advertising Road Compensation Notice, Joseph Fisher,	- - - -	0 6 8
Continuing do. 4 times,	- - - -	0 6 8
		<u>£4 2 1</u>
1847.	ADVERTISING CONVICTIONS, &c.	
Oct. 5.—Before A. M'Dougall and P. Emery, Esqrs.,	- - - -	£0 3 4
Advertising times holding Court at Bay Fortune, &c.,	- - - -	0 3 4
Nov. 2.—Advertising Court Commissioners at West Point to be held 2d Monday, and continuing do.,	- - - -	0 4 0
Before W. Hodges, Esq.,	- - - -	0 3 4
Before J. D. Haszard and T. B. Tremain, Esqrs.,	- - - -	0 3 4
16.—Before A Forsyth and N. Conroy, Esq.,	- - - -	0 3 4
Before W. Cundall and J. D. Haszard, Esq.,	- - - -	0 3 4
23.—Before J. C. Compton and T. Hunt, Esqrs.,	- - - -	0 3 4
Before W. S. Macgowan, Esq.,	- - - -	0 3 4
Before J. R. Bourke and Charles Haszard, Esqrs.,	- - - -	0 3 4
30.—Before W. B. Aitken, Esq.,	- - - -	0 3 4
Before William Craswell, Esq.,	- - - -	0 3 4
Dec. 7.—Advertising time of Meeting of Court at Stanhope,	- - - -	0 3 4
14.—Before Theophilus Desbrisay, Esq.,	- - - -	0 3 4
Before W. Cundall and Theophilus Desbrisay, Esqrs.,	- - - -	0 3 4
Before W. Cundall and T. B. Tremain, Esqrs.,	- - - -	0 3 4
Before W. Sanderson, Esq.,	- - - -	0 3 4
21.—Before Theophilus Desbrisay, Esq.,	- - - -	0 3 4
Before John Morris, Esq.,	- - - -	0 3 4

1847.		£	s	d
Dec. 21.—	Before W. Cundall and Theo. Desbrisay, Esq.,	0	3	4
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		£3	7	4
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## BOARD OF EDUCATION.

1847.		£	s	d
Oct. 12.—	Advertising Quarterly Meeting,	£0	3	4
	Continuing do. twice,	0	2	0
28.—	2 quires Certificates of Candidates having passed Board,	0	9	0
Nov. 2.—	Advertising List Candidates having passed Board,	0	6	8
	200 Certificates for Teachers to receive pay,	0	16	0
	Printing 100 Judgment Books for District Schools,	6	5	0
	Printing 100 Books—Daily, Weekly and Quarterly Register—for D. Schools,	5	2	3
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		£13	4	3
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Correct.

(Signed) WM. CUNDALL, Sec'y B. E.

No. 15.

## GOVERNMENT OF PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND,

TO EDWARD WHELAN,

DR.

## COLONIAL SECRETARY'S OFFICE.

1847.		£	s	d
Oct. 16.—	Publishing in "The Examiner," Despatch No. 36,	0	10	0
	Do. do., do. No. 39,	0	5	0
23.	Do. do., do. No. 41,	0	7	6
	Do. do., do. No. 46,	0	7	6
Nov. 6.—	Advertising appointment of Hon. J. Warburton,	0	5	0
	Do. do. J. Bell, Esq., J. P.,	0	5	0
20.—	Publishing Minutes of Council relative to Flour Duty, 3 squares,	0	12	6
27.	Do. Despatch No. 53,	0	5	0
	Do. do. No. 55,	0	7	6
	Advertising appointment of Hon. C. Young as Queen's Counsel,	0	5	0
	Do. do. D. Reddin, Esq., as J. P.,	0	5	0
1848.				
Jan. 1.—	Publishing two Despatches on subject of Currency, three columns, or sixteen squares (twenty lines each), at 5s.,	4	0	0
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		£7	15	0
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1847.

## TREASURER'S OFFICE.

Oct. 30.—	Advertising call of Warrants, and Continuing do., (447),	£0	5	0
Nov. 6.	Do. List of do. called in,	0	12	6
20.	Do. Call of do., and continuing, (472),	0	5	0
27.	Do. do. do., do., (481),	0	5	0
Dec. 4.	Do. do. do. do., (1),	0	5	0
	Do. List of do. paid in Nov.,	0	12	6

		£	s	d
1848.				
Jan. 8.—Advertising List of Warrants paid in December,	-	0	12	6
		<u>£3 7 6</u>		
Certified as correct, (Signed)		J. SPENCER SMITH, Treasurer.		
1847.	ROAD SERVICE.			
Nov. 20.—Advertising for Tenders for Road District No. 1, 3 ins.,	-	£0	7	0
	Correct.	J. WARBURTON.		
1847.	BOARD OF HEALTH.			
Nov. 20.—Advertising for Accounts against Board of Health,	-	£0	5	0
	Certified.	J. N. HARRIS, Sec'y C. B. H.		
	BOARD OF EDUCATION.			
1847.				
Aug. 7.—Advertising absence of Secretary,	-	0	6	0
14.—Advertising prolongation of vacation in Academy,	-	0	4	6
Continuing do twice,	-	0	2	0
		<u>£0 12 6</u>		
Secretary's Office brought forward,	-	£7	15	0
Treasurer's do. do.,	-	3	7	6
Road Service,	-	0	7	0
Board of Health,	-	0	5	0
Board of Education,	-	0	12	0
		<u>£12 7 9</u>		
	Deduct Overcharge in Advertising Despatches,	£1	10	0
		<u>£10 17 0</u>		

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