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His Excellency SIR ALEXANDER BANNERMAN, Knight, Governor and Commander-in-Chief in and over the Island of Newfoundland and its Dependencies, &c., &c.



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PROCLAMATION.

A. BANNERMAN,
(L.S.)

*By His Excellency Sir ALEXANDER BANNERMAN,
Knight, Governor and Commander-in-Chief, in
and over the Island of Newfoundland and its De-
pendencies, and Vice-Admiral of the same.*

WHEREAS the General Assembly of this Island stands Prorogued until Monday the Thirtieth day of November instant : And Whereas I think fit to Prorogue the said General Assembly until Thursday the Twenty-eighth day of January next ensuing :

I do, therefore, by this my Proclamation, further Prorogue the said General Assembly until Thursday, the Twenty-eighth day of January next, *then to meet for the despatch of business* ; of which all persons concerned are required and commanded to take due notice, and govern themselves accordingly.

Given under my Hand and Seal at the Government House, at St. John's, in the aforesaid Island, the Twenty-seventh day of November, One Thousand Eight Hundred and Fifty-seven, and in the Twenty-first Year of Her Majesty's Reign.

By His Excellency's Command,

J. KENT,

Colonial Secretary.



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A. BANNERMAN,
(L.S.)

*By His Excellency Sir ALEXANDER BANNERMAN,
Knight, Governor and Commander-in Chief in and
over the Island of Newfoundland and its Depend-
encies, and Vice-Admiral of the same.*

WHEREAS the General Assembly of this Island stands Prorogued until Monday the Twelfth day of October instant: And Whereas I think fit to Prorogue the said General Assembly until Monday the Thirtieth day of November next ensuing:

I do therefore, by this my Proclamation, further Prorogue the said General Assembly until Monday the Thirtieth day of November next; of which all persons concerned are required and commanded to take due notice and govern themselves accordingly.

Given under my Hand and Seal at the Government House, at St. John's, in the aforesaid Island, the Seventh day of October, One Thousand Eight Hundred and Fifty Seven, and in the Twenty-first Year of Her Majesty's Reign.

By His Excellency's Command,

J. KENT,

Colonial Secretary.

NEWFOUNDLAND.

COMMISSION

OF

His Excellency Sir Alexander Bannerman, Knight.

VICTORIA, by the Grace of God, of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, Queen, Defender of the Faith.

To Our trusty and well-beloved SIR ALEXANDER BANNERMAN, Knight, Greeting :

WHEREAS We did, by certain Letters Patent under the Great Seal of Our United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, bearing date at Westminster, the Fourth Day of May, One Thousand Eight Hundred and Fifty Five, in the Eighteenth Year of Our Reign, constitute and appoint Our trusty and well-beloved CHARLES HENRY DARLING, Esquire, to be Our Governor and Commander-in-Chief in and over Our Island of Newfoundland and the Islands and Territories within the limits therein described, as by the said recited Letters Patent, relation being thereunto had, may more fully and at large appear :

Preamble.

Now Know You that We have revoked and determined, and do by these Presents revoke and determine the said recited Letters Patent, and every clause, article, and thing therein contained.

Letters patent of 4th May, 1855, revoked.

And further Know You, that We, reposing especial trust and confidence in the prudence, courage and loyalty of you the said SIR ALEXANDER BANNERMAN, of Our especial grace, certain knowledge and mere motion, have thought fit to constitute and appoint, and do by these Presents constitute and appoint you, the said SIR ALEXANDER BANNERMAN, to be our Governor and Commander-in-Chief in and over Our Island of Newfoundland and the Islands adjacent, and all the Coast of Labrador from the entrance of Hudson's Straits to a line to be drawn due North and South from Anse Sablon, on the said Coast to the Fifty-second Degree of North Latitude, and all the Islands adjacent to that part of the said Coast of Labrador, as also of all Forts and Garrisons erected and established or which shall be erected or established within the said Island of Newfoundland and the Islands adjacent, or on the Coast of Labrador within the limits aforesaid, or in the said Islands adjacent to that part of the said Coast, for and during Our will and pleasure.

Sir Alexander Bannerman, Knight, appointed Governor of Newfoundland and its Dependencies.

II COMMISSION OF HIS EXCELLENCY

The Government to be administered agreeably to Royal Instructions, &c.

And We do hereby require and command you to do and execute all things in due manner that shall belong to your said command and the trust We have reposed in you, according to the several powers and authorities granted or appointed you by this present Commission and the Instructions herewith given to you, or according to such further Powers, Instructions and Authorities as shall at any time hereafter be granted or appointed you under Our Sign Manual and Signet, or by Our Order in Our Privy Council, or by Us through one of Our Principal Secretaries of State, and according to such reasonable Laws and Statutes as are now in force or may hereafter be made and agreed upon by you with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council and Assembly of Our said Island and its Dependencies.

Executive Council to be appointed—

And Whereas it is expedient that an Executive Council should be appointed for assisting you the said SIR ALEXANDER BANNERMAN in conducting the Government of our said Island: Now We do declare Our pleasure to be that there shall be an Executive Council for Our said Island, to be called the Executive Council of Newfoundland. And We do direct that the said Executive Council shall be constituted in such manner as is in that behalf directed by the Instructions herewith given to you, or according to such further Powers, Instructions or Authorities as shall at any future time be granted and appointed for you in that behalf under Our Sign Manual and Signet. And We do authorize and require you the said SIR ALEXANDER BANNERMAN, in the execution of this Our Commission, to be acting with the advice of the said Executive Council in such manner as in the Instructions accompanying this Our Commission is enjoined.

Governor to act with their advice.

Legislative Council—how to be composed.

And We do ordain and appoint that there shall be a Legislative Council for Our said Island, to be called the Legislative Council of Newfoundland; and that the said Legislative Council shall be composed of such Public Officers within Our said Island, and of such other Persons, as shall from time to time be named or designated for that purpose by Us by any Instruction or Instructions, or Warrant or Warrants, to be by Us for that purpose issued under Our Sign Manual and Signet, and with the advice of Our Privy Council; all which persons shall hold their places in the said Council at Our pleasure.

The Public Seal.

And Our further Will and Pleasure is that you, the said SIR ALEXANDER BANNERMAN, shall and may keep and use the Public Seal for sealing all things whatsoever that shall pass the Seal of Our said Island and its Dependencies.

Grants of Waste Lands.

And We do hereby authorize and empower you, the said SIR ALEXANDER BANNERMAN, in Our name and on Our behalf, but subject nevertheless to such provisions as may be in that respect contained in any Instructions which may from time to time be addressed to you by Us for that purpose, under Our Sign Manual and Signet, or through one of Our Principal Secretaries of State, to make and execute in Our name and on Our behalf, under the Public Seal of Our said Island, Grants of Waste Land to Us belonging within the same, to private persons for their own use and benefit, or to any persons, Bodies Politic or Corporate, in trust for the public uses of Our subjects there resident, or any of them, and according to the provisions of the Laws and

Statutes of Our said Island now or hereafter to be in force, for regulating the mode of making and issuing such Grants.

And We do hereby authorise and empower you, the said SIR ALEXANDER BANNERMAN, to constitute and appoint Judges, and in cases requisite, Commissioners of Oyer and Terminer, Justices of the Peace, and other necessary Officers and Ministers, in Our said Island and its Dependencies, for the better administration of Justice and putting the Laws into execution, and to administer or cause to be administered unto them such Oath or Oaths as are usually given for the due execution and performance of Offices and Places and for the clearing of truth in Judicial causes.

Appointment of Judges,
Justices of the Peace, &c., &c.

And We do hereby give and grant unto you, the said SIR ALEXANDER BANNERMAN, full power and authority, upon sufficient cause to you appearing, to suspend from the exercise of his Office, within Our said Island and its Dependencies, any person exercising any Office or Place under or by virtue of any Commission or Warrant granted, or which may be granted by Us or in Our name or under Our authority, which suspension shall continue and have effect only until Our pleasure therein shall be made known and signified to you. And We do hereby strictly require and enjoin you, in proceeding to any such suspension, to observe the directions in that behalf given to you by Our Instructions under Our Sign Manual and Signet accompanying this Our Commission.

Suspension of Officers.

And We do hereby give and grant unto you the said SIR ALEXANDER BANNERMAN, full power and authority, as you shall see occasion, in Our name and on Our behalf, to grant to any Offenders convicted of any crimes in any Court, or before any Judge, Justice or Magistrate, within Our said Island, a Pardon, either free or subject to lawful conditions, or any respite of the execution of the sentence of any such offenders for such period as to you may seem meet, and to remit any Fines, Penalties, or Forfeitures, which may become due and payable to Us, but subject to the Regulations and Directions contained in the Instructions under Our Royal Sign Manual and Signet, accompanying this Our Commission, or in any future Instructions as aforesaid.

Pardon of Offenders, remission of Fines, &c.

And Whereas it is necessary that provision be made for the execution of this Our Commission, in the event of the death, incapacity, or removal of you, the said SIR ALEXANDER BANNERMAN, from your said command, or in the event of your absence from the limits of your said Government: We do declare Our pleasure to be, that in the event of your death, incapacity, or removal from your said Command, or in the event of your absence from the limits of your said Government, all and every the powers and authorities hereby vested in you shall thereupon be, and the same are hereby in any such event, and until Our pleasure shall further be signified, vested in Our Lieutenant-Governor of Our said Island; and if there shall be no such Lieutenant-Governor within Our said Island, then and in that case in such person as may be specially commissioned and appointed by Us to administer the Government of Our said Island. And if there shall be no person so specially commissioned and appointed by Us to administer the Government of Our said Island, We do further declare Our pleasure, and

Administration of the Government in the event of the death or absence of the Governor.

grant that the powers and authorities aforesaid shall be, and the same are hereby vested in the President for the time being of the Legislative Council of Our said Island. And We do hereby require and command all Officers and Ministers, Civil and Military, and all others the Inhabitants of Our said Island and its Dependencies, to be obedient, aiding and assisting unto you, the said SIR ALEXANDER BANNERMAN, or in the event of your death, incapacity, removal, or absence from Our said Island, to such person or persons as may, under the provisions of this Our Commission, assume and exercise the functions of Our Governor and Commander-in-Chief in and over Our said Island.

IN WITNESS whereof We have caused these Our Letters to be made Patent.

Witness Ourselves, at Westminster, the Fourteenth
Day of February, in the Twentieth Year of
Our Reign.

By Warrant under the Queen's Sign Manual.

(Signed)

C. ROMILLY.

THE
ROYAL INSTRUCTIONS.

VICTORIA R.
[L. S.]

INSTRUCTIONS to Our Trusty and Well-beloved SIR ALEXANDER BANNERMAN, KNIGHT, Our Governor and Commander-in-Chief in and over Our Island of Newfoundland and its Dependencies, or in his absence to Our Lieutenant Governor of Our said Island, or to the Officer for the time being Administering the Government of Our said Island. Given at Our Court at Buckingham Palace, this Fourteenth Day of February, 1857, in the Twentieth Year of Our Reign.

I.

WHEREAS We have, by Our Commission under the Great Seal of Our United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, bearing even date herewith, constituted and appointed You to be Our Governor and Commander-in-Chief in and over Our said Island of Newfoundland and its Dependencies, and in and over all Forts and Garrisons erected and established, or which shall be erected or established within the same, and have further required and commanded you to do and execute all things in due manner that shall belong to your said command and the trust We have reposed in you, according to the several powers and directions granted or appointed for you in and by Our said Commission and the Instructions, under Our Sign Manual and Signet, referred to in Our said Commission, and according to such further Powers, Instructions, and Authorities, as shall from time to time be granted or appointed you, under Our Sign Manual and Signet, or by Our Order in Our Privy Council, or by Us through one of Our Principal Secretaries of State, and according to such reasonable Laws and Statutes as are now force, or may hereafter be made and agreed upon by you, with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council and Assembly of Our said Island and its Dependencies: Now We do therefore by these Our Instructions under Our Royal Sign Manual and Signet, being the Instructions so referred to in and accompanying Our said Commission, declare Our pleasure to be that you shall, with all due solemnity, cause Our said Commission to be read and published in the presence of Our Chief Justice of Our said Island for the time being, and of the Members of Our Executive Council thereof, and you shall then and there take the Oaths appointed to be taken by an Act passed in the First Year of the Reign of King George the First, intitled "An Act for the further security of His Majesty's Person and

Preamble.

Governor's Commission to be read and published.

Oaths to be taken by the Governor.

" Government, and the Succession of the Crown in the Heirs of the Princess Sophia, being Protestants, and for extinguishing the hopes of the pretended Prince of Wales, and his open and secret abettors," as altered and explained by an Act passed in the Sixth Year of the Reign of His late Majesty King George the Third, intituled " An Act for altering the Oath of Abjuration and the Assurance, and for amending so much of an Act of the Seventh Year of Her late Majesty Queen Anne, intituled an Act for the improvement of the union of the two Kingdoms, as after the time therein limited requires the delivery of certain Lists and Copies therein mentioned, to persons indicted of High Treason or Misprison of Treason ;" or in lieu thereof the Oath required to be taken by an Act passed in the Tenth Year of the Reign of His late Majesty King George the Fourth, intituled " An Act for the Relief of His Majesty's Roman Catholic Subjects," according as the said former Acts, or the said last mentioned Act, shall be applicable to your case : And likewise that you take the usual Oath for the due execution of the Office of Our Governor and Commander-in-Chief in and over Our said Island and its Dependencies, and for the due and impartial Administration of Justice ; which said Oaths the Chief Justice for the time being of Our said Island shall, and he is hereby required to tender and administer unto you.

II.

Oaths of Allegiance to be administered to persons holding offices of trust.

And We do authorize and require you, from time to time, and at any time hereafter, by yourself, or by any other to be authorised by you in that behalf, to administer and give to all and every person or persons as you shall think fit, who shall hold any office or place of trust or profit, or who shall at any time or times pass into Our said Island, or be resident therein, the Oath commonly called the Oath of Allegiance, save only in cases where any other Oath or Oaths is or are prescribed by the Statutes in that behalf made, or by any of these Statutes ; in which cases it is Our pleasure, and We do hereby direct, that you do administer to such persons such other Oath or Oaths as aforesaid.

III.

Constitution of Executive Council.

And whereas We have, by Our said Commission appointing you Our Governor and Commander-in-Chief as aforesaid, declared Our pleasure to be, that an Executive Council shall be appointed for assisting you in conducting the Government of Our said Island, and that the said Council shall be constituted in such manner as is in that behalf directed by the Instructions accompanying Our said Commission, or according to such further Powers, Instructions, and Authorities, as shall at any future time be granted and appointed for you in that behalf under Our Sign Manual and Signet : Now We do direct and declare Our pleasure to be, that the said Executive Council shall consist of such persons, not exceeding Seven in number, as you shall from time to time, by Instruments passed under the Public Seal of Our said Island, in Our Name and on Our behalf, nominate and appoint to be Members of the said Council, all which persons shall hold their places in the said Council during Our pleasure.

To consist of persons not exceeding Seven in number.

IV.

And to the end that Our said Executive Council may be assisting to you in all affairs relating to Our Service, you are to communicate to them such and so many of these Our Instructions wherein their advice is mentioned to be requisite, and likewise all such others from time to time, as you shall find convenient for Our Service to be imparted to them.

Instructions to be communicated to Executive Council.

V.

You are to permit the Members of Our said Executive Council to have and enjoy freedom of debate and vote in all affairs of public concern which may be debated in the said Executive Council.

Members of Executive Council to have freedom of debate and vote.

VI.

And We do hereby declare, and it is Our pleasure, that Our said Executive Council shall not proceed to the dispatch of business unless duly summoned by your Authority, nor unless Three at least of the Members of the said Council be present and assisting at any Meetings at which any such business shall be dispatched. And We do further direct, that if in any case you see sufficient cause to dissent from the opinion of the major part or of the whole of Our said Executive Council upon any question brought by you under their consideration, it shall be competent to you, upon any such occasion to execute the powers and authorities vested in you by Our said Commission, and by these Our Instructions, in opposition to such their opinions; it being, nevertheless, Our pleasure that in every case it shall be competent to any Member of Our said Council to record at length, in the Minutes of Our Council, the grounds and reasons of any advice or opinion which he may give upon any question brought under the consideration of such Council.

Quorum of Executive Council.

Regulations for Governor and Council.

VII.

And We do hereby authorise you, by an Instrument under the Public Seal of Our said Island, to appoint one Member of Our said Executive Council to preside over the said Council in your absence, and to remove him and appoint another in his stead. And if during your absence the Member so appointed shall also be absent, then the Senior Member of the Council actually present shall preside; the seniority of the Members of the said Council being regulated according to the order of their respective appointments.

President of Executive Council, how appointed, in absence of Governor.

Senior Member in absence of President to act in his stead.

Seniority of Members, how regulated.

VIII.

And We do further direct and command that a full and exact Journal or Minute be kept of all the deliberations, acts, proceedings, votes and resolutions of Our said Executive Council; and that at each Meeting of the said Council the Minutes of the last preceding Meeting shall be read over, confirmed or amended, as the case may require, before proceeding to the dispatch of any other business.

Minutes of Council to be recorded.

IX.

And whereas We have by Our said Commission ordained and appointed that the Legislative Council for Our said Island shall be com-

Legislative Council, how composed.

posed of such Public Officers within Our said Island, and of such other persons within the same, as shall from time to time be nominated or designated by Us: Now We do hereby declare and appoint that Our said Legislative Council shall consist of the following persons, namely: Our trusty and well-beloved Laurence O'Brien, Our trusty and well-beloved James Tobin, Our trusty and well-beloved John Rochfort, Our trusty and well-beloved George H. Emerson, Our trusty and well-beloved John Munn, Our trusty and well-beloved Thomas Harrison Ridley, Our trusty and well-beloved Samuel Carson, Our trusty and well-beloved Thomas Row, Our trusty and well-beloved James J. Rogerson, Our trusty and well-beloved Philip Duggan, and Our trusty and well-beloved James Cormack, Esquires; and such and so many other Members as shall hereafter, either in the event of any vacancy (by death, resignation, incapacity, suspension or absence,) among the aforesaid Councillors, or otherwise, be from time to time for that purpose nominated and appointed by Us under Our Sign Manual and Signet, or provisionally appointed by you until Our pleasure thereon shall be known: Provided nevertheless, and We do hereby declare Our pleasure to be that the total number of the Members of the said Legislative Council for the time being resident within Our said Province, shall not at any time, by such provisional appointments, be raised to a greater number in the whole than Fifteen.

Legislative Council to be appointed provisionally of not more than Fifteen.

X.

And We do declare Our pleasure to be that Five Members of the said Legislative Council shall be a Quorum for the dispatch of the business thereof.

Quorum for Legislative Council.

XI.

And We do authorise and empower you, by an Instrument under the Public Seal of Our said Island, to appoint One Member of the said Legislative Council to preside therein, and to remove him and appoint another in his stead.

President of Legislative Council, how appointed.

XII.

And for ensuring punctuality of attendance of the Members of the said Legislative Council, and for the prevention of meetings of the said Council being held without convenient notice to the several Members thereof, it is Our pleasure, and We do hereby direct, that you do frame, for the guidance of the said Council, such standing Rules and Orders as may be necessary for those purposes, with such other standing Rules and Orders as may be best adapted for maintaining order and method in the dispatch of business, and in the conduct of all debates in the said Council, which Rules and Orders, not being repugnant to these Our Instructions, or to any other Instructions which you may receive from Us, shall at all times be followed and observed, and shall be binding upon the said Council.

Rules to be framed by the Governor for guidance of Legislative Council.

XIII.

And We do further direct that Minutes shall be regularly kept of the proceedings of the said Legislative Council, and that the said Council shall not ever proceed to the dispatch of business until the

Minutes of Legislative Council to be kept.

Minutes of the last preceding Meeting have first been read over and confirmed or corrected as may be necessary.

XIV.

And We do hereby authorise and empower you, with the advice and consent of Our said Executive Council, from time to time, as need shall require, to summon and call General Assemblies of the Freeholders and Householders within the said Island and its Dependencies, in such manner and form, and according to such powers and authorities as are hereinafter appointed by these Our Instructions, or according to such further powers and authorities as shall be at any time hereafter granted or appointed under Our Sign Manual and Signet, or by Our Order in Our Privy Council, and according to the Laws of Our said Island in that behalf made and provided; and Our will and pleasure is that the persons thereupon duly elected by the major part of the Freeholders and Householders of the respective Towns and Districts, and so returned, shall, before their sitting, take the Oath commonly called the Oath of Allegiance, which Oath you shall commission fit persons under the Seal of Our said Island and its Dependencies to tender and administer unto them; and until the same shall be so taken, no person shall be capable of sitting, though elected. And We do hereby declare that the Persons so elected and qualified, shall be called and deemed the General Assembly of Our said Island of Newfoundland; and that you, by and with the advice and consent of the said Legislative Council and Assembly, or the major part of them respectively, shall have full power and authority to make, constitute and ordain Laws, Statutes, and Ordinances, for the public peace, welfare and good government of Our said Island and its Dependencies and the People and Inhabitants thereof, and such others as shall resort thereto, and for the benefit of Us, Our Heirs and Successors; which said Laws, Statutes and Ordinances, are not to be repugnant, but as near as may be agreeable, to the Laws and Statutes of this Our United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland.

Governor empowered to summon General Assemblies of Freeholders.

Oath of Allegiance to be administered to Members.

General Assembly empowered to enact Laws, &c.

XV.

And whereas by a Commission under the Great Seal of Our United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, bearing date the second day of March, One Thousand Eight Hundred and Thirty Two, in the Second Year of the Reign of His late Majesty King William the Fourth, and by Instructions under His Royal Sign Manual and Signet, bearing date the Twenty Seventh day of July, One Thousand Eight Hundred and Thirty Two, His said late Majesty did authorise and empower Sir Thomas John Cochrane, Knight, then Governor of Newfoundland, to summon General Assemblies of Freeholders and Householders within the said Island. And Whereas General Assemblies were afterwards elected and holden in and for the said Island, under and by virtue of the said last-mentioned Commissions and Instructions, and under and by virtue of other Commissions and Instructions from time to time issued by Us: And Whereas by an Act passed in the Sixth Year of Our Reign, intituled "An Act for amending the Constitution of the Government of Newfoundland," it was enacted amongst other things, that it should be lawful for Us, in the manner therein provided, to establish a qualification in respect of income or property, in right of

Constitution of the Government.

which any person might thereafter be elected to serve as a Member of the Assembly of Our said Island, and in manner aforesaid to determine the length of the period of residence which should be required, in addition to any other qualification, for voting at such elections, or for being elected to serve as a Member of the Assembly, and to restrain, in manner therein provided, appropriations of Monies to the Public Service by the said Assembly, and to require that all Elections of Members to serve in the said Assembly should be simultaneous: And Whereas so much as is hereinbefore recited of the said Act was made permanent by an Act passed in the Eleventh Year of Our Reign, and entitled "An Act to make permanent certain parts of the Act for amending the Constitution of Newfoundland"; And Whereas by a Commission under the Great Seal aforesaid bearing date the Twenty-seventh day of August, One Thousand Eight Hundred and Forty Two, and by Instructions under Our Sign Manual and Signet bearing date the First day of September, One Thousand Eight Hundred and Forty Two, We did, in pursuance of the powers reserved to Us by the said first recited Act, make certain changes in the Constitution of the Government of Newfoundland, in respect of the qualifications of Members of the Assembly, and the period of residence necessary to qualify Electors for and Members of such Assembly, and in respect of holding Elections for such Assembly simultaneously, and in respect of restraining the appropriation of Public Funds by the said Assembly: and Whereas General Assemblies have been since elected and holden in and for the said Island under and by virtue of the said last-mentioned Commission and Instructions, and under and by virtue of other Commissions and Instructions from time to time issued by Us, and lastly of Our Commission and Instructions aforesaid, bearing date the Ninth day of November, One Thousand Eight Hundred and Fifty Two: Now We do, in pursuance and in the exercise of the powers vested in Us by the said recited Acts, and other powers and authorities to Us in that behalf appertaining, by these Our Instructions under Our Sign Manual and Signet, direct that in relation to the summoning of such General Assemblies, you do follow the provisions of Our said recited Instructions, and of an Act of the Legislature of Newfoundland passed in the Eighteenth Year of Our Reign, and intituled "An Act to increase the present number of Representatives in the General Assembly of this Island, and to regulate the Representation thereof."

Mode of summoning General Assemblies.

XVI.

Appointment of Returning Officers.

Governor to issue Writs.

And we do hereby authorise and empower you from time to time to nominate and appoint proper Persons to execute the Office of Returning Officer in each of the Electoral Districts of Our said Island; and you are, so soon as you shall see expedient, to issue Writs in Our Name, directed to the proper officers in each district, directing them to summon the Freeholders and Householdors thereof to proceed to the Election of Persons to represent them in the General Assembly, according to the Regulations and Directions hereinbefore contained in these Instructions, and such other Regulations and Directions as shall be signified by you in a Proclamation to be by you for that purpose issued, and according to the Laws of Our said Island now or hereafter to be in force in that behalf.

XVII.

The Assembly is hereby restrained from appropriating to the Public

Service within the said Island any part of the Public Revenue thereof in cases where such Services shall not have been previously recommended, or such Grants of Money shall not have been previously asked by Us or on Our behalf.

Initiation of Money votes.

XVIII.

It is Our Will and Pleasure that the following Regulations be carefully observed in the framing and passing all such Laws as may be passed by you with the advice and consent of Our said Council and Assembly, viz: that the style of enacting the said Laws, Statutes, and Ordinances, be by the Governor, Lieutenant-Governor, or Officer Administrating the Government, as the case may be, Council and Assembly, and no other; that each different matter be provided for by a different law, without including in one and the same Act such things as have no proper relation to each other; that no clause be inserted in any Act or Ordinance which shall be foreign to what the title of it imports, and that no perpetual clause be part of any temporary laws; that no Law or Ordinance respecting Private Property be passed without a clause suspending its execution until Our Royal Pleasure be known, nor without a saving of the rights of Us, Our Heirs and Successors, and of all Bodies politic and corporate, and of all persons except such as are mentioned in the said Law or Ordinance, and those claiming from, by, or under them; and, before such Law or Ordinance is passed, proof must be made before you in Council and entered on the Council Books, that public notification was made of the parties' intention to apply for such Act by advertisement in two or more newspapers for three weeks before the third reading thereof, and you are to transmit, annexed to the said Law or Ordinance, a Certificate under your hand that the same has passed through all the forms above-mentioned: That in all Laws or Ordinances for levying money or imposing fines and forfeitures, express mention be made that the same are granted and reserved to Us, Our Heirs and Successors, for the public uses of the said Island, and the support of the Government thereof, as by the said Law or Ordinance shall be directed: That all such Laws, Statutes, and Ordinances, be transmitted by you within three months, or soon after the passing thereof, to Us, through one of Our Principal Secretaries of State; and that all such Laws, Statutes, or Ordinances, be fairly abstracted in the margins, and accompanied with explanatory observations upon each of them; and you are also to transmit a full explanation of the reasons and occasion for making such Laws or Ordinances, together with fair copies of the Journals and Minutes of Proceedings of the said Council and Assembly.

Regulations to be observed in passing Laws.

Laws to be transmitted to Secretary of State.

XIX.

It is Our Will and Pleasure that you do not give your assent to any Bill or Bills for raising money by the institution of any public or private Lotteries.

Lotteries.

XX.

It is Our Will and Pleasure that you do not give your assent to any Bill or Bills for the Divorce of Persons joined together in Holy Matrimony.

Divorce Bills.

XXI.

Bills of an unusual and extraordinary nature.

And whereas great mischiefs may arise from passing of Bills of an unusual and extraordinary nature and importance, in Our Plantations, which Bills remain in force there from the time of enacting until Our Pleasure be signified to the contrary: We do will and require you not to pass or give your assent to any Bill or Bills of an unusual and extraordinary nature and importance, wherein Our Prerogative or the Property of Our Subjects may be prejudiced, or the Trade and Shipping of this United Kingdom shall be in anywise affected, until you shall have first transmitted unto Us, through One of Our Principal Secretaries of State, a Draft of such Bill or Bills, and shall have received Our Royal pleasure thereupon, unless you take care that there be a clause inserted therein, suspending and deferring the execution thereof until Our Pleasure shall be known concerning the same.

XXII.

Bills to which Royal assent has been refused.

And it is Our further Will and Pleasure that you do not re enact any Law to which the assent of Us or Our Royal Predecessors has been once refused, without express leave for that purpose first obtained from Us, upon a full representation by you to be made to Us through one of Our Principal Secretaries of State, of the reasons and necessity of passing such Law; or unless a clause be inserted therein suspending and deferring the execution thereof until Our pleasure be known concerning the same.

XXIII.

Bills for levying Money, Fines, &c.

You are to take care that in all Acts or Orders to be passed within Our said Island in any case, for imposing fines and penalties, express mention be made that the same are granted or reserved to Us, Our Heirs and Successors, for the Public uses of the said Island, and the support of the Government thereof, as by the said Act or Order shall be directed.

XXIV.

Appropriation of the Public Money.

You are not to suffer any public money whatsoever, whether it be appropriated to any particular service or not, by the Act granting the same, to be issued or disposed of otherwise than by Warrant under your hand, by and with the consent of the said Executive Council; but the Assembly may, nevertheless, be permitted from time to time to view and examine the Accounts of money or value of money disposed of by virtue of Laws made by them, as there shall be occasion.

XXV.

Public Accounts.

You are to take care that fair Books of Accounts of all receipts and payments of all such monies be duly kept, and in which Books shall be specified every particular sum raised or disposed of, together with the names of the persons to whom any payment shall be made, to the end that We may be satisfied of the right and due application of the Revenue of Our said Island, with the probability of the increase and diminution of it under every head and article thereof.

XXVI.

It is Our will and pleasure that you do in all things conform yourself to the provisions contained in an Act of Parliament passed in the Fourth Year of the Reign of His Majesty, King George the Third, intituled "An Act to prevent Paper Bills of Credit hereafter to be issued in any of His Majesty's Colonies or Plantations in America from being declared to be a legal tender in payment of money, and to prevent the legal tender of such Bills as are now subsisting, from being prolonged beyond the periods limited for recalling in and sinking the same;" and also of an Act passed in the Thirteenth Year of the Reign of His said Majesty King George the Third, to explain and amend the said recited Act passed in the Fourth Year of His Reign as aforesaid; and you are not to give your assent to or pass any Act whereby Bills of Credit may be struck or issued in lieu of money, or for the payment of money either to you Our Governor, or to any person whatsoever, unless a Clause be inserted in such Act, declaring that the same shall not take effect until the said Act shall have been approved and confirmed by Us, Our Heirs and Successors.

Paper Bills of Credit.

13 Geo. 3, c. 57.

XXVII.

You are to transmit an authenticated and separate Copy of every Law, Statute, or Ordinance, that at any time hereafter shall be made or enacted, under the Public Seal, unto Us, through one of Our Principal Secretaries of State, by the earliest opportunity.

Copies of all Acts to be transmitted for the signification of the Royal pleasure thereon.

XXVIII.

And it is Our further will and pleasure that Copies and Duplicates of Acts that shall be transmitted as aforesaid, be fairly abstracted in the margins, and that there be inserted the several dates or respective times when the same passed the Legislative Council and Assembly and received your assent; and you are to be as particular as may be possible, in your observations to be sent to Us, through one of Our Principal Secretaries of State, upon every Act, that is to say, whether the same is introductive of a new Law, declaratory of a former Law, or does repeal a Law then before in being; and you are likewise to send to Us, through one of Our Principal Secretaries of State, the reasons for the passing of such Laws, unless the same do fully appear in the preamble of every such Act.

Preparation of Acts for transmission.

XXIX.

You are to require the Colonial Secretary for Our said Island, or other proper Officer, to furnish you with transcripts of all such Acts and Public Orders as shall be made from time to time, together with Copies of the Journals of the Councils, and that all such Copies be fairly abstracted in the Margins, to the end that the same may be transmitted to Us through one of Our Principal Secretaries of State, which such Officer is duly to perform, upon pain of incurring the forfeiture of his office.

Transcripts of Acts and Journals of Council to be furnished for transmission to England.

XXX.

You are also to require from the Clerk of the Assembly of Our said Island, or other proper Officer, transcripts of all the Journals and other

Also Journals of the Assembly.

proceedings of the said Assembly, and that all such transcripts be fairly abstracted in the Margins, to the end that the same may in like manner be transmitted as aforesaid.

XXXI.

Commissions of Judges and other Officers to be during Pleasure only.

And it is Our further Will and Pleasure that all Commissions to be granted by you to any person or persons to be Judges, Justices of the Peace, or other necessary Officers, be granted during Pleasure only.

XXXII.

Writs.

You are to take care that all Writs be issued in Our Name, throughout Our said Island.

XXXIII.

Appointments to vacant Offices.

You shall not, by colour of any power or authority hereby or otherwise granted or mentioned to be granted to you, take upon you to give, grant or dispose of, any Office or Place within Our said Island, to which any person is or shall be appointed by Warrant under Our Sign Manual and Signet, any further than you may, upon the vacancy of any such Office or place, or upon the suspension of any such Officer by you, provisionally appoint any fit person to officiate in the interim, until you shall have represented the matter to Us, through one of Our Principal Secretaries of State.

XXXIV.

Of establishment of Courts—Returns.

You are to transmit to Us, through one of Our principal Secretaries of State, with all convenient speed, a particular account of all establishments of Jurisdictions, Courts, Offices and Officers, powers, authorities, fees, and privileges granted and settled, or which shall be granted and settled within Our said Island and its Dependencies, as likewise an account of all the expenses attending the establishment of the said Courts, and of such funds as are settled and appropriated to discharge the same.

XXXV.

Appropriations of Forfeitures, &c.

You shall not dispose of forfeitures or escheats to any person until the Provost Marshal or other proper Officer have made inquiries by a Jury upon their Oaths, into the true nature thereof, nor until you have transmitted to Us, through one of Our Principal Secretaries of State, a particular account of such forfeitures and escheats, and the value thereof, and shall have received Our directions thereupon; and you are to take care that the produce of the said forfeitures and escheats, in case We shall think proper to give you directions to dispose of the same, be duly paid by the Receiver of Our Casual Revenue, and that a full account thereof be transmitted to Us through one of Our Principal Secretaries of State, with the names of the persons to whom disposed of.

XXXVI.

And whereas We have by Our said Commission authorised you,

upon sufficient cause to you appearing, to suspend from the exercise of his Office within Our said Island any Person exercising any Office or Place under or by virtue of any Commission or Warrant granted or which may be granted by Us or in Our Name or under Our authority: Now We do charge and require you, that before proceeding to such suspension, you do signify, by a statement in writing, to the person so to be suspended, the grounds of such your intended proceeding against him, and that you do call upon such person to communicate to you in writing a statement of the grounds upon which, and the evidence by which he may be desirous to exculpate himself, which statement and exculpation you will lay before the Executive Council; and having consulted them thereupon, you will cause to be recorded in the Minutes of the said Council whether they or the majority of them do or do not assent to such suspension; and if you thereupon proceed to such suspension, you are to transmit both of the said statements, together with the Minutes of Council, to Us, through one of Our Principal Secretaries of State, by the earliest conveyance: But if in any case the interest of Our Service shall appear to you to demand that a person shall cease to exercise the powers and functions of his Office instantly, or before there shall be time to take the proceedings hereinbefore directed, you shall then interdict such person from the exercise of his powers and functions, preserving to him, however, until such proceedings shall have been taken, the emoluments and advantages of his Office.

Suspension of Officers.

XXXVII.

And whereas we have, by Our said Commission, given and granted unto you full power and authority, as you shall see occasion, in Our Name and on Our behalf, to grant to any offender convicted of any crime in any Court, or before any Judge, Justice, or Magistrate, within Our said Island, a Pardon, either free or subject to lawful conditions, or any respite of the sentence of any such offender, for such period as to you may seem fit: Now We do hereby require and enjoin you to call upon the Judge presiding at the trial of any such offender, who may from time to time be condemned to suffer death by any sentence of any Court within the said Island, to make to you a written report of the case of such offender, and such report of the said Judge shall by you be taken into consideration at the first meeting thereafter which may be conveniently held of Our said Executive Council, where the said Judge shall be specially summoned to attend: and you shall not pardon or reprieve any such offender as aforesaid, unless, upon receiving the advice of Our Executive Council therein, it shall appear to you expedient so to do; but in all such cases, you are to decide, either to extend or withhold a pardon, or reprieve, according to your own deliberate judgment, whether the Members of Our said Executive Council concur therein or otherwise; entering, nevertheless, on the Minutes of the said Council, a Minute of your reasons at length, in case you should decide any such question in opposition to the judgment of the majority of the Members thereof.

Pardons.

XXXVIII.

And whereas We did, by certain Letters Patent under the Great Seal of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, bearing

Ecclesiastical affairs.

date at Westminster the Seventeenth day of July, One Thousand Eight Hundred and Thirty Nine, in the Third Year of Our Reign, erect, found, ordain, make and constitute the Island of Newfoundland to be a Bishop's See, and to be called from thenceforth the Bishoprick of Newfoundland : It is Our will and pleasure that in the administration of the Government of the said Island, you shall be aiding and assisting to the said Bishop, and to his Commissary or Commissaries, in the execution of his charge, and in the exercise of his Ecclesiastical Jurisdiction, excepting only the granting Licenses of Marriage and the probate of Wills.

XXXIX.

Divine Worship.

We do enjoin and require that you take especial care that ALMIGHTY God be devoutly and truly served throughout your Government ; that the Book of Common Prayer as by Law established be read each Sunday and Holiday, and the blessed Sacrament administered according to the rites of the Church of England ; and in all matters relating to the celebration of Divine Worship, you are to advise with the Right Reverend Father in God the Bishop of Newfoundland for the time being.

XL.

Presentations to Ecclesiastical Benefices.

Upon the vacancy of any Ecclesiastical Benefice or of any Cure of Souls to which any Stipend shall be attached in Our said Island and its Dependencies, you will present to the said Bishop of Newfoundland for the time being, for institution to such vacant Benefice or Cure, any Clerk in Holy Orders of the United Church of England and Ireland, whom, upon the recommendation of the Bishop, or on other sufficient grounds, you may deem to be the most proper person to fill such Benefice or Cure, and who shall have been actually resident within the said Island or its Dependencies, and officiating there as a Clerk in Holy Orders, for Six Calendar Months at the least next before such Benefice shall have become vacant, or who, if not so resident or officiating within such Island, shall have been absent with the leave of the Diocesan or other lawful authority from some Cure of Souls within such Diocese to him appertaining. But if at the time of such vacancy occurring, there shall not be resident within the said Island, any Clerk in Holy Orders of the said United Church, who shall have been resident and officiating therein as aforesaid, and whom you shall deem a proper person to fill such Benefice or Cure, then you shall forthwith report the circumstance to Us, through one of Our Principal Secretaries of State, to the intent that We may nominate some fit and proper person, being a Clerk in Holy Orders as aforesaid, to fill the said vacancy ; and We do enjoin and command you to present to the said Bishop, for institution to any such vacant Ecclesiastical Benefice, any Clerk who may be so nominated by Us, through one of Our Principal Secretaries of State.

XLI.

Office of Ordinary.

And whereas doubts have arisen whether the powers of granting Licenses for Marriages and Probates for Wills, commonly called the Office of Ordinary, which We hereby reserve to you Our Governor,

can be exercised by deputation from you to any other person within Our said Island ; it is Our express will and pleasure, and you are hereby directed and required not to grant deputations for the exercise of the said powers commonly called the Office of Ordinary, to any person or persons whatsoever in Our said Island.

XLII.

It is Our will and pleasure that you recommend to the Legislature to enter upon proper methods for erecting and maintaining Schools, in order to the training of youth to reading and to a necessary knowledge of the principles of the Christian Religion ; you are not however to give your assent to any Act respecting religion without a clause suspending its operation until Our pleasure shall have been signified thereupon, unless a Draft thereof shall have been previously transmitted by you for Our consideration and approval.

Education.

XLIII.

And We do further direct, that in all matters arising within your Government, connected with the Education of Youth in the principles of the Christian Religion, according to the doctrine of the said United Church of England and Ireland, or connected with the prevention of Vice and Profaneness, or connected with the Worship of ALMIGHTY GOD, or the promotion of Religion and Virtue, you be advising with the Bishop of Newfoundland, and be aiding him in the execution of all such designs and undertakings as may be recommended by the said Bishop for the promotion of any of the objects before mentioned, so far as such designs and undertakings may be consistent with the Law and with Our said Commission, and these Our Instructions.

Governor to advise with the Bishop in Ecclesiastical matters.

XLIV.

And in case of any distress of any other of Our Plantations, you shall, upon application of the respective Governors thereof unto you, assist them with what aid the condition and safety of Our Island can spare.

Assistance to neighboring Colonies.

XLV.

You shall likewise from time to time give unto Us, through one of Our Principal Secretaries of State, an account of the wants and defects of the Island, what are the chief products thereof, what improvements have been lately made, and what further improvements you conceive may be made or advantage gained by trade, or in what way We may contribute thereto.

Governor to report the wants, products, &c., of the Colony.

XLVI.

If anything shall happen which may be of advantage or security to Our said Island and its Dependencies, which is not herein or by Our Commission provided for, We do hereby allow you, with the advice and consent of Our Executive Council, to take order for the present therein ; giving unto Us, through one of Our Principal Secretaries of State, speedy notice thereof, so that you may receive Our ratification if We shall approve the same.

Governor to take advice of Council in cases not provided for in these Instructions.

XLVII.

Blue Book.

And whereas you will receive through one of Our Principal Secretaries of State a Book of Tables in blank, commonly called the Blue Book, to be annually filled up with certain Returns relative to the Revenue and Expenditure, Militia, Public Works, Legislation, Civil Establishments, Pensions, Population, Schools, Course of Exchange, Imports and Exports, Agricultural Produce, Manufactures, and other matters in the said Blue Book more particularly specified, with reference to the state and condition of Our said Island of Newfoundland : Now We do hereby signify Our Pleasure, that all such Returns be accurately prepared and punctually transmitted to Us from year to year, through one of Our Principal Secretaries of State, and that no Officer in Our said Island within whose Department it may lie to contribute any return or returns for the purposes aforesaid, or to prepare the same when so contributed, shall be entitled to receive or shall receive from you any Warrant for the payment of his Official Salary, which may become due and payable to him, so long as such duty shall be in arrear or remain unperformed.

XLVIII.

Governor to make reports of his proceedings.

And you are upon all occasions to send to Us, through one of Our Principal Secretaries of State, a particular account of all your proceedings and of the condition of affairs within your Government.

XLIX.

Terms on which Governor is to obtain leave of absence.

And where as great prejudice may happen to Our Service, and to the security of Our said Island, by the absence of the Governor ; you shall not, upon any pretence whatsoever, quit Our said Island without having first obtained leave from Us for so doing under Our Sign Manual and Signet, or through one of Our Principal Secretaries of State.

V. R.

[COPY.]

Downing-Street, }
4th August, 1857. }

SIR,—

I have to acknowledge your separate Dispatch of the 1st ultimo, respecting the Oaths administered to you on your assumption of the Government of Newfoundland, by the Chief Justice.

Despatch respecting Oaths.

12.—There can be no doubt that the course which you adopted, in accordance with your Instructions, was the correct one.

13.—At the same time I have to inform you that shortly before I received your Despatch, I had already been in correspondence with the Law Advisers of the Crown on the subject of these Oaths; the Attorney General having certified me that it rests with the Crown to determine what Oaths shall be taken, Her Majesty's Government are prepared, on the next occasion of Instructions being issued to the Governor of a Colony about to assume his office, to substitute the single Oath of Allegiance for those now administered to him.

You may therefore consider that the present Oaths are substantially abrogated, as far as regards Governors of Colonies.

I have, &c.,

(Signed,)

H. LABOUCHERE.

To

Governor Sir A. Bannerman,
Newfoundland.

[COPY.]

No. 9.

Downing-Street, }
20th February, 1858. }

SIR,—

I have to acknowledge the receipt of your Despatch, No 75, of the 29th September last, and I now transmit to you the Queen's additional Instructions under the Royal Sign Manual and Signet, in order to supply the accidental omission, to which you very properly called my attention, in the Instructions which accompany Her Majesty's Commission to you as Governor.

Despatch.

I have, &c.,

(Signed,)

H. LABOUCHERE.

Governor

Sir Alexander Bannerman,
&c., &c.,
Newfoundland.

ADDITIONAL INSTRUCTIONS.

VICTORIA R.
[L.S.]

ADDITIONAL INSTRUCTIONS to Our Trusty and Well-beloved SIR ALEXANDER BANNERMAN, KNIGHT, Our Governor and Commander-in-Chief in and over Our Island of Newfoundland and its Dependencies, or in his absence, to Our Lieutenant Governor of Our said Island, or to the Officer Administering the Government of Our said Island. Given at Our Court at Buckingham Palace, this Eighteenth Day of February, 1858, in the Twenty-first Year of Our Reign.

I.

WHEREAS We did, by Our Commission under the Great Seal Preamble. of Our United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, bearing date at Westminster the Fourteenth day of February, One Thousand Eight Hundred and Fifty-seven, in the Twentieth Year of Our Reign, constitute and appoint you, the said SIR ALEXANDER BANNERMAN, to be Our Governor and Commander-in-Chief in and over Our Island of Newfoundland and its Dependencies, and in and over all Our Forts and Garrisons crected and established, or which should be erected and established within the same, and did require and command you to do and execute all things in due manner that should belong to your said command and the trust We have reposed in you, according to the several powers and directions granted or appointed for you in and by Our said Commission and the Instructions therewith under Our Sign Manual and Signet, referred to in Our said Commission, and according to such further Powers, Instructions, and Authorities, as should from time to time be granted or appointed for you, under Our Sign Manual and Signet, or by Our Order in Our Privy Council, or by Us through one of Our Principal Secretaries of State, and according to such reasonable Laws and Statutes as might thereafter be made and agreed upon by you, with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council and Assembly of Our said Island and its Dependencies: Now We do, by these Our Additional Instructions under Our Sign Manual and Signet, declare Our Will and pleasure that all Laws, Statutes, and Ordinances, which shall be made and agreed upon by you, with the advice and consent of the said Legislative Council and Assembly, of what nature or duration soever, be, within Three Months, or sooner, after the making thereof, transmitted to Us under the Public Seal of Our said Island and its Dependencies, for Our approbation or disallowance of the same, as also duplicates thereof by the next conveyance; and in case any or all of the said Laws, Statutes or Ordinances not before con-

Statutes to be transmitted within three months for approval of Queen.

firmed by Us, shall at any time be disallowed and not approved. and so signified by Us, Our Heirs or Successors, under Our or Their Sign Manual and Signet, or by Order of Our Privy Council unto you, then such and so many of the said Laws, Statutes, and Ordinances as shall be disallowed and not approved, shall from thenceforth cease, determine and become utterly void, and of none effect, anything to the contrary thereof notwithstanding; and to the end that nothing may be passed or done by Our said Legislative Council and Assembly to the prejudice of Us, Our Heirs, and Successors, We will and ordain that you shall have and enjoy a negative voice in the making and passing such Laws, Statutes, and Ordinances aforesaid, and that you shall and may, from time to time, as you shall judge it necessary, adjourn, prorogue, or dissolve all General Assemblies as aforesaid.

(Signed,)

V. R.

Sir Alexander Bannerman,
&c., &c.,
Newfoundland.

Governor to have negative voice in the passing of Statutes, also power to adjourn, prorogue, or dissolve Assembly.



JOURNAL AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

Fourth Session of the 6th General Assembly

OF

N E W F O U N D L A N D .

Thursday, 28th January, 1858.

The General Assembly having, by Proclamation of His Excellency the Governor, dated 27th November last, been summoned to meet for the despatch of business this day, and being met,

Members assemble.

By virtue of a Commission under the Great Seal, directed to the Hon. Laurence O'Brien, which is as follows :

VICTORIA, by the Grace of GOD, of the
A. BANNERMAN, GOVERNOR. *United Kingdom of Great Britain and*
Ireland, Queen, Defender of the Faith.

Delimus Potestatem.

TO ALL TO WHOM THESE PRESENTS SHALL COME :

Know Ye that We have constituted and appointed, and by these presents do constitute and appoint, the Hon. Laurence O'Brien, President of Our Executive Council, of Our Island of Newfoundland, to be a Commis-

sioner to administer the Oath of Allegiance to the Hon. John Fox, whom We have appointed to be a member of Our Legislative Council of Our said Island ; and also to John Kavanagh, and John Casey, Esquires, elected to serve in the General Assembly for the Divisions of St. John's, East, and St. John's, West, respectively ; giving to him, our said Commissioner, full power and authority to perform the matters hereinbefore mentioned, ratifying and confirming all and whatsoever he shall do and perform in this behalf. And thereof he is to make due return under his Hand and Seal, unto the Governor of Our said Island, with these presents annexed.

Given under the Great Seal of Our aforesaid Island.

Witness Our trusty and well-beloved Sir
ALEXANDER BANNERMAN, Our Governor and Commander-in-Chief, in and over Our said Island and its Dependencies, at St. John's, in Our said Island, the Twenty-sixth day of January, One Thousand Eight Hundred and Fifty Eight, in the Twenty-first Year of Our Reign.

By His Excellency's command,

J. KENT.

Oath administered to Members,

The said Commissioner came, between the hours of Twelve and One o'clock, on this day, into the Legislative Council, and severally administered the usual State Oaths to JOHN KAVANAGH, Esq., returned a member for the District of St. John's, East, and to JOHN CASEY, Esq., returned a member for St. John's, West.

Members take their seats,

And the said JOHN KAVANAGH and JOHN CASEY, Esquires, having severally taken and subscribed the Oath prescribed by Law, took their seats as Members of the House for the said several Districts accordingly.

Message from the Governor commanding attendance of the House.

At Two o'clock a Message was delivered by F. W. Rennie, Esq., the Gentleman Usher of the Black Rod :

Mr. Speaker and Gentlemen of the House of Assembly :

His Excellency the Governor commands your immediate attendance in the Council Chamber.

Mr. Speaker and the House attend His Excellency on opening the Session.

Accordingly, Mr. Speaker and the House attended His Excellency the Governor in the Council Chamber ; and being returned,

MR. SPEAKER informed the House, that when in attendance on His Excellency the Governor, His Excellency had been pleased to make a Speech to both Branches of the Legislature, of which, Mr. Speaker said, for the sake of accuracy, he had obtained a copy, and which he read to the House as follows :

Mr. Speaker reports His Excellency's Speech at opening the Session.

Mr. President and Honorable Gentlemen of the Legislative Council :

Speech.

Mr. Speaker and Gentlemen of the House of Assembly :

" I have called you together at the season of the year which, I understand, is most convenient for you to assemble for the despatch of public business. I am very happy to meet the Legislative Council, and House of Assembly of Newfoundland, for the first time, and, it will afford me great satisfaction to co-operate with you in promoting the best interests of the people of this fine Colony.

" At the beginning of the last year, considerable alarm prevailed on the subject of the proposed new Fishery Convention with France ; that alarm soon subsided, for shortly after the prorogation of the Assembly, it was announced to my Predecessor by the Colonial Minister, that ' the proposals contained in that Convention, having been unequivocally refused by the Colony, they would, of course, fall to the ground ;' and he was authorised to give such assurance that he might think proper, ' that the consent of the community of Newfoundland was regarded by Her Majesty's Government as the essential preliminary to any modification of their territorial or maritime rights.'

" The question, therefore, of granting any new fishing privileges, without the consent of the community, seems to be at rest ; but, it must not be forgotten that Fishermen, belonging to two powerful nations, already possess rights of fishery which they periodically exercise on the coast of Newfoundland ; and they, as the subjects of France, and citizens of the United States, enjoy these rights by existing Treaties, some of them of long duration ; indeed, the first one entered into was in the year 1713 ; the dates of the other French Treaties are 1753, 1783, and the ' Treaty of Paris' in 1814. Those entered into with America were in 1818, and the more recent one of 1854, namely, the Reciprocity Treaty, and the latter with the full assent of the Legislature of Newfoundland.

" On my assumption of the Government, it was natural that I should be desirous to acquire information on the important subject of the Fisheries ; and I have had an opportunity of perusing many interesting documents regarding them ; and, among others, the official despatches, and confiden-

tial communications which appear in the Journals of the last Session, and copies of which were ordered by you to be printed.

“ I am not called upon to express an opinion on any proposition made by either Government, or the construction which they may place on the Treaties alluded to ; but I would earnestly recommend to you, in as far as is possible, to encourage the hardy resident fishermen of Newfoundland, by protecting the fish with which the ocean teems along its shores, and on the catch of which these fishermen depend for their daily bread. There is no law in the Colonial Statute Book to prevent the indiscriminate capture of all sorts of fish, nor does any attention seem to be paid to their breeding season, nor to the preservation or curing of bait, which is carefully attended to in the United States. Enormous seines, I am informed, are used for the destruction of cod fish of all sizes ; and I understand that the mouths of brooks and rivers are effectually ‘ barred up,’ which prevents the ingress and egress of salmon, and which will eventually lead to the final extirpation of that valuable fish. This subject is one well worthy the attention of the Legislature, and perhaps you will think it necessary to appoint a Commission to enquire into, and report whether it would be considered desirable to introduce any code of laws for the regulation of the fisheries, and the protection of the various species of fish which frequent the coast of Newfoundland.

“ This subject is of great importance, for Her Majesty’s Law Advisors, in October, 1855, express the very decided opinion that ‘ Foreign fishermen pursuing their avocation within British territory, would be bound to observe the local laws and regulations in like manner as all foreigners are bound to observe the Municipal laws of the country in which they are resident.’

“ I have been much gratified that the labours of the Newfoundland fishermen last season were attended with success, and that they obtained a good price for their fish. The merchants must have sustained loss from the low price of some of their exports, in consequence of the pecuniary embarrassments which prevailed in the latter part of the year 1857, in all parts of the commercial World.

“ In that year, however, the labouring population of this colony, and they are principally fishermen, were enabled to enjoy comforts from their honest industry, and, by their additional consumption of dutiable articles, they must have materially contributed to the increase of the Revenue.

“ I wish, only, that some employment could be found for the population during the winter ; and, I believe, if the fish are properly protected, the

fishermen of Newfoundland may, when weather permits, in the winter season practice the fishery, as is done upon the coast of Scotland. Direct communication with the Mother Country would secure, among other advantages, a ready market for wet-cured fish, particularly at a season of the year when the fishermen most require a good price. I hope I shall be enabled to assure Her Majesty's Government that Direct Steam Communication with England, to touch at some port of the United States. on the passage out and home, is still considered of vital importance to the future welfare of the Colony, and the interests of its people; and, that the Legislature will not object to the continuance of the liberal contribution which was voted last year, in addition to the £3,000 which has been granted by the Imperial Government;—and, I trust that the exertions of the gentlemen who were deputed to proceed to England on this important subject, will soon be crowned with complete success.

“ On the 17th March last my predecessor alluded to the necessary postponement of several important matters; among others was an Address of the House of Assembly in 1855, recommending the revision and consolidation of the laws of this colony, and a simplification of the mode of procedure in the superior Courts thereof. I have deemed it necessary to appoint a Commission in accordance with that Address, to enquire into the subjects to which it relates, and to report to you whether it may not be advisable, for the more efficient and speedy administration of justice, to reorganize the Supreme Courts, two of the judges being incapacitated from age and infirmity to attend to the duties which devolve upon them, rendering such a reorganization absolutely indispensable; and I trust it may be accomplished in some way that may be satisfactory to the public, and agreeable to the worthy Chief Justice BRADY, who at present presides in that Court.

Mr. Speaker and Gentlemen of the House of Assembly:

“ There is at present no provision in this colony for an allowance to retiring Judges, under any circumstances; but I rely on your co-operation to place the administration of justice on an efficient footing.

“ I am happy to inform you that I observe by a Return from the Receiver General, that the Revenue for the year ending 1857, amounts to £116,606 4s. 6d. sterling, which is a considerable increase to that of last year, and exceeds, by above £30,000, the year ending December, 1855.

“ An increasing Revenue must be at all times satisfactory, but care should be taken to enquire into the causes which have occasioned financial

prosperity. Very large importations of goods, I understand, were made last year,—the fishery was successful, and the labouring population well employed and paid, and, consequently, large consumes of dutiable articles ; but, fisheries are precarious, and we cannot expect a series of successful years, and therefore the Revenue should be appropriated with due economy, and a regard to the probable future income of the colony and its existing debt. I trust, however, that you will be enabled to increase the last year's grant for Education, in order that by Normal Establishments, teachers may be taught to communicate with facility the knowledge they possess, which has been found to be so beneficial to the rising generation.

“ The formation of Roads in this colony is of immense importance, and I trust you will be enabled to appropriate a sufficient sum for that purpose, and also for a geometrical survey of this island.

“ I have visited the Lunatic Asylum ; it is over-crowded with inmates, and I hope you will be able to make some addition to that noble charity, by providing further accommodation for those whom Providence may afflict with insanity.

“ Despatches will be laid before you, recommending that the privileges extended to the United States, by receiving into the colony several enumerated articles, duty free, should be extended to other countries in amity with Great Britain, and entitled by commercial Treaties to be on the most favored footing.

“ The Receiver General will be enabled to inform you how this recommendation of Her Majesty's Government may affect your revenue ; for, there can be no question, that such a policy is most desirable in a colony like Newfoundland, which so largely exports to various parts of the globe.

“ The estimates for the current year, and other matters, will be submitted for your consideration. I have no doubt they will meet with your early attention, and I shall rely on your providing supplies for the public service.

Mr. President and Honorable Gentlemen of the Legislative Council :

Mr. Speaker and Gentlemen of the House of Assembly :

“ I have abstained from calling the attention of the people to the great rebellion in the East, until I should have the pleasure of meeting you, and I am sure you will deeply deplore with me the cruelties which have been

perpetrated there, and sympathize with those who mourn for relations and friends barbarously murdered; it is my intention to recommend that a subscription be opened in Newfoundland, for the benefit of the sufferers; and, I sincerely hope these heathen atrocities may, by God's blessing, result in a beneficial change in that great empire, by inducing a full and free encouragement for the diffusion of Gospel light in all the length and breadth of its land.

In the month of July last, Vice-Admiral Sir Houston Stewart placed at my disposal Her Majesty's Steam Sloop-of-War *Basilisk*, which enabled me to visit the Island of St. Pierre. I found at anchor there His Imperial Majesty's Ship *Cleopatra* bearing the flag of Admiral the Count de Gueydon; he was to be joined in a few days afterwards by several of the French squadron, whose crews had been experiencing the effects of a warm climate, and I was gratified to hear from His Excellency that nothing contributed so much to the health of his sailors, as the salubrious air of Newfoundland, and that he was to remain until early in October. I then proceeded to the Northward, with the intention of visiting the Labrador, but Admiral Stewart having kindly permitted H. M. Ship *Atalanta* to cruise on these coasts, I was enabled to see Conception Bay, Trinity Bay, Spaniard's Bay, and Bay Roberts, and to visit the thriving towns of Harbor Grace, Carbonear and Trinity. At the entrance of Trinity the *Basilisk* fell in with the United States Surveying Steam-vessel *Arctic*, commanded by the scientific and able Captain Berryman, of the United States Navy, the intelligent officer who has taken soundings across the Atlantic. He was then cruising in daily expectation of the arrival of the *Agamemnon* and *Niagara*, on board of which was the Telegraph Cable, but we were doomed to disappointment, for in a few days afterwards we learnt that the squadron had returned to England, the cable having parted not far from the coast of Ireland. We must all sincerely hope that this gigantic undertaking will be accomplished next summer with perfect success. Nothing can surpass the picturesque scenery at Bay of Bulls Arm where the Western end of the Cable is to rest; indeed all the bays that I had the pleasure of seeing are magnificent, affording shelter and harbour room for any number of fishermen, if winter employment could be found for them; and I was much gratified at seeing many small fields of potatoes, apparently free from disease, and many other vegetables, and healthy patches of barley and oats; in short, I have been agreeably surprised with every part of this colony that I have had an opportunity of seeing. It is to be regretted that hitherto the interior has not been explored, nor has any mineralogical or geological survey taken place in a country where rich specimens of ores have been found in various localities. I

hope the time is not far distant when such surveys will be made, and that every year will add to the importance and prosperity of Newfoundland.

I have trespassed too long on your time, and shall conclude by again assuring you of my hearty co-operation to promote the best interests of the Colony.

Motion for Select Committee to prepare Address of Thanks.

On motion of Mr. CASEY, seconded by Mr. KAVANAGH,

Resolved,—That a Select Committee be appointed to draft an Address in reply to the gracious Speech with which His Excellency has been pleased to open the present Session of the Legislature.

Committee appointed.

Ordered,—That Mr. Casey, Mr. Kavanagh, and Mr. F. B. T. Carter do form such Committee.

Notice for Bill to enable Pilots and others to vote at Elections.

Mr. WINTER gave notice that on to-morrow he will ask leave to bring in a Bill to enable Pilots, Fishermen and Shoremen, and other persons to vote at Elections :

Notice for Return of Expenditure on St. John's Hospital.

Also, for a Detailed Statement of the Receipts and Expenditure on account of the St. John's Hospital for the year ending 31st December, 1855.

Notice for Equity and Probate Bill.

Mr. HOYLES gave notice that on Monday next he will ask leave to bring in Bills to regulate the practice on the Equity and Probate side of the Supreme and Central Circuit Courts.

Notice in relation to Sanitary arrangements for St. John's.

Mr PROWSE gave notice that on Thursday next he will ask the Hon. the Attorney General whether it is the intention of the Government to introduce, during the present Session, any measures for Sanitary Regulations, and to prevent the spread of Fire in the town of Saint John's,

Order for adjournment of the House.

Ordered,—That the House at its rising do adjourn till Three o'clock each day.

Then the House adjourned till to-morrow at Three of the Clock.

Friday, 29th January, 1858.

House met and adjourned.

The House met at Three o'Clock, and adjourned till to-morrow, at Three of the Clock.

Saturday, 30th January, 1858.

Mr. CASEY, from the Select Committee appointed to prepare an Address of Thanks in reply to His Excellency the Governor's Speech, presented a draft thereof, which he handed in at the Clerk's Table, where it was read a first time.

Address of Thanks reported from Select Committee and read 1st time.

Ordered,—That the Address be read a second time to-morrow.

Then the House adjourned till Monday next at Three of the Clock.

Monday, 1st February, 1858.

Pursuant to Order of the Day, the Address of Thanks in reply to His Excellency the Governor's Speech at the opening of the Session, was read a second time.

Address of Thanks read 2nd time.

Ordered,—That the House do on to-morrow resolve itself into a Committee of the whole upon the said Address.

Then the House adjourned till to-morrow at Three of the Clock.

Tuesday, 2nd February, 1858.

Mr. HOGSETT gave notice that on an early day he will ask leave to bring in a Bill to provide for the erection of a Light House on Cape St. Mary's.

Notice for Cape St. Mary's Light-house Bill.

Mr. WINTER presented a Petition from John March, sr., of Old Perlican, which was received and read, praying for a grant to open a branch Road in that locality :

Road Petition from Old Perlican.

He also presented a Petition from William Christian, Schoolmaster at Old Perlican, which was received and read, praying for an increase of salary.

Petition from Wm. Christian.

Ordered,—That the said Petitions do lie upon the Table.

Committee on Address of
Thanks.

Pursuant to Order of the Day, the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole upon the Address of Thanks in reply to His Excellency the Governor's Speech at the opening of the Session.

Mr. SPEAKER left the Chair.

Mr. BENNING took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. SPEAKER resumed the Chair.

Address reported from
Committee.

The Chairman reported from the Committee that they had passed the Address to them referred with an amendment; and he handed the Address, as amended, in at the Clerk's Table.

And the said Amendment having been read a first and second time, was, upon the question put thereon, agreed to by the House.

Ordered,—That the Address, as amended, be engrossed, and read a third time to-morrow.

Notice of question on the
subject of Quidi Vidi Gut.

Mr. PARSONS gave notice, that on to-morrow he will ask the Hon. the Colonial Secretary whether the Address in reference to clearing the Gut of Quidi Vidi of the impediments to its full navigation, has received the consideration of the Executive, and if it be the intention of the Government to grant a sum of money for that important purpose.

Notice for exclusion of
Placemens Bill.

Mr. F. B. T. CARTER gave notice, that on Tuesday next he will ask leave to bring in a Bill for securing the Independence of the Members of the Assembly of this Island.

Notice of question on the
subject of Financial Secretary's
Statement of Expenditure.

Mr. WINTER gave notice that on to-morrow he will ask the Receiver General to lay on the Table of the House, a Statement shewing the particular Votes forming the Credit Balances, and Legislative Votes under the head of Legislative Votes and Credit Balances in the Financial Secretary's Statement of the total expenditure sanctioned by Governor's Warrant for the year ending 31st December, 1856, amounting to £81,126 18s. 8d.; also, that he will ask the Hon. the Colonial Secretary to lay upon the Table of the House, a Copy of the Despatch accompanying the opinion of Her Majesty's Law Advisers referred to in His Excellency's Speech from the Throne, and a Copy of said Opinion.

Then the House adjourned till to-morrow at Three of the Clock.

Wednesday, 3rd February, 1858.

Mr. WARREN presented a Petition from Peter Ward and others, of Bayley's Cove, Bonavista, which was received and read, —Praying that the House would adopt measures for opening up a winter path to the woods. Road Petition from Bayley's Cove, Bonavista.

Ordered,—That the said Petition do lie upon the Table.

The Hon. COLONIAL SECRETARY, by command of His Excellency the Governor, presented to the House two written Messages from His Excellency the Governor, signed by His Excellency. Messages from the Governor.

The said Messages were read by the Speaker, all the Members being uncovered, and are as follows ;

A. BANNERMAN, Governor—

The Governor transmits to the House of Assembly copies of the Despatches to which he alluded at the opening of the Session, of dates, 30th May, 23rd June, and 16th July, 1857, relative to abolishing the duties upon all articles enumerated in the Reciprocity Treaty of 1854, from whatever country imported.

A. B.

Government House, }
1st February, 1858. }

A. BANNERMAN, Governor—

The Governor transmits to the House of Assembly copy of a Despatch from Vice-Admiral Sir Houston Stewart, Commander-in-Chief at Halifax, relative to the desertion of seamen from Her Majesty's Ships whilst employed on the Coasts of Newfoundland, dated 21th September, 1857.

A. B.

Government House, }
1st February, 1858. }

(For Documents accompanying, see Appendix.)

Ordered,—That the said Messages do lie upon the Table.

Address of Thanks read 3rd time.

Pursuant to Order of the Day, the engrossed Address of Thanks in reply to His Excellency's Speech at the opening of the Session, was read a third time as follows :

To His Excellency SIR ALEXANDER BANERMAN, Knight, Governor and Commander-in-Chief in and over the Island of Newfoundland and its Dependencies, &c., &c.

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY,—

We, the Representatives of Her Majesty's Loyal subjects, the inhabitants of Newfoundland, in General Assembly convened, beg to thank your Excellency for the gracious Speech with which your Excellency has been pleased to open the present Session of the Legislature.

2.—We cordially welcome your Excellency to our shores, as the Representative of our Gracious Sovereign, and hail your promotion to the Government of this Colony, as practical demonstration of the liberal and enlightened policy of Her Majesty's Government towards the inhabitants of this old and loyal Dependency of the British Crown.

3.—In common with your Excellency, we regard with much satisfaction the assurance given by the Colonial Minister in his Despatch to your Excellency's Predecessor, "that the proposed concessions contained in the late Fishery Convention with France having been unequivocally refused by this colony, should of course fall to the ground; and that the consent of the community of Newfoundland was required by Her Majesty's Government as the essential preliminary to any modification of their territorial or maritime rights."

4.—In accordance with your Excellency's earnest recommendation in reference to the protection of the various kinds of fish which abound on the shores of this Island, and the establishment of Fishery Regulations to guard the more effectually the interests of our hardy fishing population, we beg to assure your Excellency that we shall be prepared to give every consideration to the adoption of any measure that will tend to the promotion of such important and desirable objects.

5.—We are gratified to find that the labors of the Fishing Population of this Colony have been attended with unusual success during the past season; and we heartily concur with your Excellency in the propriety of providing, as far as may be practicable, remunerative employment for them during the winter season. For that purpose, our best endeavors shall be

used to encourage, by prudent and liberal legislation, the developement of the territorial and other resources of the colony, with the conviction that by the establishment of every new branch of industry, a fresh field for the employment of our Population will be opened, and their social condition by that means improved.

6.—Being fully alive to the great advantages to be derived by the colony from the establishment of a regular and efficient communication by Steam between Great Britain, this colony and the United States of America, we cordially unite with Your Excellency in the hope that the same may be speedily accomplished, and, in expressing our grateful acknowledgments for the grant recently made for that purpose by Her Majesty's Government, we beg to assure Your Excellency, that it will afford us much pleasure to sanction the continuance of the liberal appropriation made by us during the last session for the attainment of so very desirable an object.

7.—In reviewing the state of the Law and the Judiciary of the colony, certain alterations intended to adapt the same more perfectly to the requirements of the various relations of society, as indicated by Your Excellency, shall have our best and early consideration. And it will afford us much pleasure to consider the propriety of making such provision out of the financial resources of the colony, as may be compatible with its circumstances, to provide for the more efficient administration of justice therein.

8.—We rejoice to learn from Your Excellency that the Financial position of the colony, and the material prosperity of its inhabitants in general, are such as to justify us in uniting with you, in the expression of satisfaction at such happy results.

9.—In assuring Your Excellency that ample provision shall be made to meet the various requirements of the Public Service, we shall feel it to be our duty, at the same time to uphold the principles of economy in the appropriation of the Public Revenue.

10.—We are gratified to learn that it is the intention of the Government to propose an encrease of the Education Grant; and we beg to express our approval of the proposition to establish Normal Schools for training Teachers to educate the youth of the colony. To this very important subject and the other matters of interest to the public welfare to which your Excellency has adverted, we shall not fail to devote all the careful consideration which they merit, and to make such provision therefor, as may be compatible with the interests of the colony.

11.—We thank your Excellency for your promise to lay before us the several documents referred to by your Excellency.

12.—In common with your Excellency, we deeply deplore the atrocious cruelties perpetrated in the appalling Rebellion in the East. While we sincerely sympathize with our fellow-subjects who mourn for relations and friends barbarously murdered, we are happy to learn Your Excellency's intention to recommend that a subscription be opened in Newfoundland for the benefit of the sufferers. We fervently hope that the fiendish atrocities which have there been perpetrated, may, by the blessing of Providence, soon have an end, and that under the dominion of our gracious Queen, peace and prosperity may be once more restored to that afflicted land.

13.—We are happy to find, that the result of your Excellency's visit during the past summer to various Outports on the Coast of the Island has been such as to justify you in forming so high and correct an opinion, of the value of this fine colony, of the extent of our fisheries, and the many advantages afforded for the support and prosperity of our population.

14.—Without entering into further detail upon the important measures which your Excellency in your Speech has so fully explained and recommended to our notice, we beg to assure your Excellency, that they shall command our best consideration and cordial support.

Ordered,

Ordered,—That the Address do pass, and be presented to his Excellency by Mr. Speaker and the whole House.

Probate and Equity Bills
read for the first time.

Mr. HOYLES, pursuant to notice and leave granted, presented a Bill to regulate the Practice on the Probate side of the Supreme Court; and a Bill to regulate the Practice on the Equity side of the Supreme and Circuit Courts, which were severally read a first time.

Ordered,—That the said Bills be severally read a second time on Tuesday next.

Cape St. Mary's Light-house
Bill read 1st time.

Mr. HOSKETT, pursuant to notice and leave granted, presented a Bill to provide for the erection of a Light House on Cape St. Mary's, which was read a first time.

Ordered,—That the Bill be read a second time on Tuesday, the 16th instant.

Then the House adjourned till to-morrow at Three of the Clock.

Thursday, 4th February, 1858.

Mr. WINTER gave notice that on to-morrow he will ask the Chairman of the Board of Works for a particular and Detailed Statement of the balance on hand, (if any) the amount received by Legislative Vote or otherwise, the amount expended, to whom paid, with dates of all receipts and payments from the 30th June, 1855, to 31st December, 1855, on account of the Lunatic Asylum.

Notice for Return of Expenditure on account of Lunatic Asylum.

Also, that on to-morrow he will ask the Hon. the Colonial Secretary to lay before the House, a Copy of the following Despatches :—

No. 1, from the Right Hon. the Secretary of State for the Colonies to Governor Darling, August 3rd, 1855. No. 6, with Governor Darling's reply thereto, in full :

Notice for Copies of Governor Darling's Despatches to and from Secretary of State.

From Governor Darling to the Secretary of State, July 26, and reply thereto, in full :

Copies of Correspondence (referred to in Despatch No. 60, 29th Sept., 1855) between Governor Darling and the British Minister at Washington :

Copy of Despatch from Governor Darling of the 2nd April, 1856, to the Right Hon. the Secretary of State for the Colonies :

Also, that he will ask the Hon. Receiver General to lay before the House, a Detailed Statement of Balances stated in the Financial Secretary's Statement of Expenditure for 1856, "as unnecessary for new account," amounting to £1,320 16s.

Notice of question in relation to Financial Secretary's Accounts.

Mr. ELLIS gave notice, that on to-morrow he will ask the Hon. Colonial Secretary for Copies of the Evidence taken in reference to the Fire at the Mill Premises of C. F. Bennett, Esq., River Head :

Notice for Returns in relation to Fire at Bennett's Mill.

Also, that on this day week he will ask leave to bring in a Bill for increasing the number of Representatives for the District of Twillingate and Fogo:

Notice for Twillingate and Fogo Representation Bill.

Mr. SPEAKER informed the House that he was commanded by His Excellency the Governor to inform the House that His Excellency will re-

Time named by the Governor to receive Address of Thanks.

ceive the House with the Address of Thanks in reply to His Excellency's Speech at the opening of the Session, to-morrow at half-past 12 of the Clock.

Then the House adjourned till To-morrow at half-past Twelve of the Clock.

Monday, 5th February, 1858.

The House met at half-past Twelve o'clock, pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Speaker and the House attends His Excellency with Address of Thanks.

It being the hour appointed by His Excellency the Governor to receive the House with the Address of Thanks in reply to His Excellency's Speech at the opening of the Session, Mr. Speaker and the House went up to Government House; and being returned,

Mr. SPEAKER informed the House that he had presented the Address of Thanks in reply to His Excellency's Speech, and that His Excellency had made a reply thereto, which he read to the House as follows :

Governor's Reply to Address of Thanks.

Mr. Speaker and Gentlemen of the House of Assembly :

I beg you will accept my best thanks for this Address, and I return you my sincere acknowledgements for your cordial welcome to me, as the Queen's Representative, to the shores of Newfoundland. Bearing in mind the assurance given by the Colonial Minister in his Despatch to my Predecessor, I feel confident that the community of Newfoundland need not be under any apprehension of any concessious being made of the fishery privileges which belong to them, or any modification of their territorial or maritime rights, without their consent.

It is gratifying to me to find that you agree with me in thinking that the protection of the various kinds of fish which abound on the shores of this island, is a matter of much importance, and that you will be prepared to give every consideration to the adoption of any measure that will tend to promote so desirable an object.

I understand that several cargoes of herrings have been caught this winter in some of the Bays on our southern coast; no French bounty can affect our hardy fishermen in prosecuting the herring fishery; and I trust that it will give remunerative employment to many of them.

Nothing shall be wanting on my part to urge on Her Majesty's Government the great advantages to be derived by the colony from a regular and direct communication by Steam between Great Britain, Newfoundland, and the United States of America: and I am happy to find that it is your intention to sanction the continuance of the liberal appropriation made by you last Session.

I trust that the state of the Law and the Judiciary of the Colony, will meet with your early consideration, and that you will make proper provision for the various requirements of the Public Service, with a due regard to the principles of economy, which I am sure will be your guide in the appropriation of the Public Revenue.

It will be gratifying to me to receive your co-operation in promoting the subscription in Newfoundland for the benefit of those who lost their friends and relatives in the rebellion in the East.

Then the House adjourned till Monday nex at Three of the Clock.

Monday, 8th February, 1858.

Mr. HOCSETT presented a Petition from John Corbin and others, of Point Verd, Placentia, which was received and read,—Praying for a grant to complete the Breakwater there.

Petition from Point Verd for Breakwater.

Ordered,—That the said Petition do lie upon the Table.

On Table.

The Hon. the COLONIAL SECRETARY presented a petition from G. Ehlers and others, shareholders in the Commercial Bank, St. John's, which was received and read,—Praying that the House would pass an Act to Incorporate the Company.

Petition to Incorporate the Commercial Bank.

Ordered,—That the said Petition do lie upon the Table.

On Table.

The Hon. COLONIAL SECRETARY gave notice that on to-morrow he will ask leave to bring in a Bill to incorporate the Commercial Bank.

Notice for Commercial Bank Incorporation Bill.

The Hon the SURVEYOR GENERAL gave notice that on Monday next he will ask leave to bring in a Bill for the encouragement of Education :

Notice for Education Bill.

Also, that on Monday, the 22nd inst., he will ask leave to bring in a Bill for the making and repairing of Roads and Bridges.

Notice for Road Bill.

Notice for Foreign Coins Bill.

The Hon. COLONIAL SECRETARY gave notice that on to-morrow he will ask leave to bring in a Bill for the amendment of the Act for the Legalization of British and Foreign Coins :

Notice for Quarantine Bill.

Also, that on Wednesday next he will ask leave to introduce a Bill for the amendment of the Quarantine Act.

Notice for Committee on Expiring Laws:

Mr. HOGSETT gave notice, that on to-morrow he will move for the appointment of a Committee on Expiring Laws.

Notice for Committee on Petition for Break water at Point Verd.

Mr. KELLY gave notice, that on to-morrow he will move for the appointment of a Select Committee to report upon the Petition of the inhabitants of Point Verd, for a Breakwater.

Notice for committee on grant to G. F. Bennett.

Mr. HOGSETT gave notice, that on to-morrow he will move for the appointment of a Select Committee to report upon a Grant made to C. F. Bennett, Esq., of a large tract of Land in Placentia Bay.

Notice for Customs Management Amendment Bill.

The Hon. RECEIVER GENERAL gave notice, that on Thursday next he will ask leave to bring in a Bill to Amend the Act for the Management of Customs.

Notice for Committee of the Whole on Fire prevention.

Mr. PROWSE gave notice, that on Thursday, the 18th February, he will move the House into Committee of the Whole on the subject of the report of the Select Committee, appointed last Session, to enquire into the best means of preventing the spread of Fire in the Town of St. John's.

Notice of question on Petition of George Stevens and John Pyne.

Mr. PARSONS gave notice, that on to-morrow he will ask the Hon. the Colonial Secretary, if anything has been done in the matter of the Petition of George Stevens and John Pyne, transmitted to the Governor by Address of the House last Session.

Notice of Address to Governor;

Mr. ELLIS gave notice, that on to-morrow he will ask leave to present an Address to His Excellency the Governor, asking for all Papers and Documents, Imperial and Local, which may not have been laid before the House, in reference to the late Fishery Convention.

Then the House adjourned till to-morrow at Three of the Clock:

Tuesday, 9th February, 1858.

Mr. HOGSETT presented a Petition from W. F. Meck and others, of Harbor Beaufette, Placentia Bay, which was received and read,—Praying for a grant to open roads in that locality.

Road Petition from Harbor Beaufette.

Ordered,—That the said Petition do lie upon the Table.

On Table.

The Hon. RECEIVER GENERAL presented a Petition from John Driscoll and others, of Toads Cove, which was received and read,—Praying for a grant to complete a branch road leading to the South West, in that Settlement.

Road Petition from Toads Cove.

Ordered,—That the said Petition do lie upon the Table.

On Table.

Mr. CASEY presented a Petition from James Cantwell, Keeper of the Light-house at Cape Spear, which was received and read,—Praying for a grant to complete the road from Black Head to the Light-house.

Road Petition from Black Head.

Ordered,—That the said Petition do lie upon the Table.

On Table.

The Hon. SURVEYOR GENERAL presented a Petition from Edward Pike, Jr. and others, of Musquitto, which was received and read,—Praying for a grant to repair the old road leading from thence to Harbor Grace.

Road Petition from Musquitto.

Ordered,—That the said Petition do lie upon the Table.

On Table.

Mr. E. D. SHEA gave notice, that on an early day he will ask leave to present an Address to the Governor,—Praying that he will sanction the appropriation of a sum of money to Captain Stephen Percy, of the Brig *Jessie*, in testimony of the sense of the House of his heroic conduct in the late rescue of the passengers and crew of the American Ship *Northumberland*.

Notice of Address for grant to Capt. Percy.

Mr. WALBANK presented a Petition from Edward Bishop and others, of Swain's Island, Bonavista Bay, which was received and read,—Praying for a grant to repair a Bridge in that locality.

Road Petition from Swain's Island.

Ordered,—That the said Petition do lie upon the Table.

On Table.

Mr. PARSONS presented Petitions from Philip Guishy and others of Pouche Cove; and from William Hudson and others, of Cape St. Francis, which were severally received and read,—Praying for Grants to complete roads in these localities.

Road Petitions from Pouche Cove.

Ordered,—That the said Petitions do lie upon the Table.

On Table.

Read Petitions from Great Placentia.

Mr. KELLY presented Petitions from Patrick Kelly and others of Great Placentia ; and John Cullen and others, of Odorin, which were severally received and read, —Praying for Grants to complete roads in those localities.

On Table.

Ordered,—That the said Petitions do lie upon the Table.

Read Petitions from St. John's West.

Mr. CASEY presented Petitions from Thomas Casey and others, of Black Marsh, District of St. John's, West ; Edward Heally and others, of Black Head ; and John Whiteway and others, of Pearl Town, which were severally received and read, —Praying for Grants to open and repair roads in those localities.

On Table.

Ordered,—That the said Petitions do lie upon the Table.

Notice for copy of grant to C. F. Bennett, Esq.

Mr. HOGSETT gave notice, that on to-morrow he will ask the Surveyor General to lay on the Table of the House a copy of the grant to C. F. Bennett Esq., of land for mining purposes in Placentia and Fortune Bays, and dated the 10th day of March, 1854.

Notice of question in relation to Fees of Registrar of Deeds.

Mr. PROWSE gave notice, that on Tuesday next he will ask the Hon. Colonial Secretary for a Return of the Fees received annually by the Registrar of Deeds, in the Central District, from the 1st January, 1817, to the 31st December, 1857.

On motion of Dr. WINTER, seconded by Mr. PROWSE,

Resolved,—That the following Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor :

Address to Governor.

To His Excellency SIR ALEXANDER BANNERMAN, Knight, Governor and Commander-in-Chief in and over the Island of Newfoundland and its Dependencies, &c., &c.

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY,—

The House of Assembly respectfully beg leave to request that Your Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid before the House, the opinion of Her Majesty's Law Advisers, as referred to in Your Excellency's Speech from the Throne, together with the date of the receipt of such opinion ; also, Copies of the following Despatches :—namely, of the Despatch from Governor Darling, dated, the 26th of June, 1855, to the Secretary of State ; of Despatch No. 6, dated the 3rd of August, 1855, from the Secretary of

State to Governor Darling; and of the Despatch from him to the Secretary of State, dated the 2nd of April, 1856; and also Copies of the replies to the said respective Despatches.

Ordered,—That the Address be engrossed, and be presented to His Excellency by such Members of this House as are of the Hon. Executive Council.

The Hon. COLONIAL SECRETARY, pursuant to notice and leave granted, presented a Bill to Incorporate the Commercial Bank; and a Bill to amend the Act for legalizing Foreign and British Coins, which were severally read a first time,

British and Foreign Coins
Bill read 1st time.

Ordered,—That the said Bills be severally read a second time to-morrow.

Ordered,—That a Select Committee be appointed on Expiring Laws.

Select Committee on Expiring
laws.

Ordered,—That Mr. Hogsett, Mr. F. Carter, and Mr. Walbank do form such Committee.

Ordered,—That a Select Committee be appointed to enquire into the grant of Land made to C. F. Bennett, Esq., in Placentia and Fortune Bays.

Select Committee on grant
of land to C. F. Bennett, Esq.

Ordered,—That Mr. Hogsett, Mr. Kelly, Mr. Morris, Mr. F. B. Carter, and Mr. Warren, do form such Committee.

Ordered,—That a Select Committee be appointed to enquire into the Petition of the inhabitants of Point Verd, Placentia Bay, praying for the construction of a Breakwater there.

Select Committee on Break
water at Point Verd.

Ordered,—That Mr. Kelly, Mr. Casey, Mr. March, and Mr. Knight do form such Committee.

Ordered,—That the following Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor :—

To His Excellency Sir ALEXANDER BANNERMAN, Knight, Governor and Commander-in-Chief in and over the Island of Newfoundland and its Dependencies, &c., &c.

Address to Governor.

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY,—

The House of Assembly respectfully beg leave to request that Your Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid before the House Copies of all such Despatches and Documents relating to the late French Fishery Convention as may not be before the House.

Ordered,—That the Address be engrossed, and be presented to His Excellency the Governor by such members of this House as are of the Hon. Executive Council.

Bills read second time.

Pursuant to Order of the Day, the following Bills were severally read a second time :

The Bill to amend the practice on the Probate Side of the Supreme Court.

The Bill to amend the Practice on the Equity Side of the Supreme and Circuit Courts.

Ordered,—That the said Bills be severally committed to the whole House on Tuesday, the 23rd instant.

Then the House adjourned till to-morrow at Three of the Clock.

Thursday, 11th February, 1858.

Documents from His Excellency the Governor.

The Hon. RECEIVER GENERAL, by command of His Excellency the Governor, presented to the House the following documents :—

Statement of Imports and Exports for the year 1857 :

Number and tonnage of the Shipping arriving at, and departing from, Newfoundland, for the year 1857 :

Financial Statement of the Colony of Newfoundland, for the year 1858 :

Estimate for defraying the expenses of the Civil Government of the Colony, for the year 1858.

Assets and Liabilities of the Colony of Newfoundland, on 31st December, 1857.

(For which see Appendix.)

Ordered,—That the said Documents do lie upon the Table.

Petition for grant to erect a Fisherman's Home.

Mr. PARSONS presented a Petition from John Thomas Mullock and others, of Saint John's, which was received and read, setting forth,—That they have long regretted the absence of an Institution in this colony for the

purpose of affording refuge to aged, destitute, or decrepitate fishermen, shoremen, and seamen; and they feel it to be a reproach to a maritime colony like this, whose main resource are its fisheries, that her industrious fishermen should be unprovided with an Establishment to shelter them under the adverse circumstances to which the precarious nature of their avocation so peculiarly exposes them.

Your Petitioners approach your Honorable House to pray you to assist them in carrying out their contemplated design by affording them, first a piece of land for a site for the Institution, and next the means of erecting it. After this shall have been done, your Petitioners will readily and gladly provide among the fishermen, shoremen, and seamen of the colony, the necessary funds for its support and sustentation, and for its proper management.

Your Petitioners need not point out to your Honorable House the inestimable blessing of such an Institution to the colony; and how gratifying it must be to us to know that if we should be necessitated to feel the pinchings of want and penury, or meet with loss of limb, or be disabled by sickness or accident, to have a home provided for us, where we may, by attention and care, recover from sickness; or if old and worn out, to finish the short space of life remaining to us in peace and quiet.

As regards the site, we would respectfully point the attention of your Honorable House to the piece of land now occupied by what are called "the camps," which would make a most eligible spot for the purpose; and, as regards the cost, we can safely leave that matter to the wisdom of your Honorable House.

And, as in duty bound, your petitioners will ever pray.

Ordered,—That the said Petition do lie upon the Table.

On Table.

Pursuant to Order of the Day, the following Bills were severally read a second time :

Bills read 2nd time.

The Bill to Incorporate the Commercial Bank.

The Bill to Amend the Act to regulate the value of British and Foreign Coins.

Ordered,—That the said Bills be severally committed to the whole House on to-morrow.

Mr. F. B. CARTER, pursuant to notice and leave granted, presented a Bill for the better securing the Independence of the Members of the House of Assembly of this colony, which was read a first time.

Placemens' Exclusion Bill
read 1st time.

Ordered,—That the said Bill be read a second time on Friday, the 19th instant.

Quarantine Act Amendment
Bill read 1st time.

The Hon. COLONIAL SECRETARY, pursuant to notice and leave granted, presented a Bill to Amend the Quarantine Act, which was read a first time.

Ordered,— That the Bill be read a second time on Monday next.

Notice for Select Committee
on Petition for a Fishermen's
Asylum.

Mr. PARSONS gave notice, that on to-morrow he will move for a Select Committee to take into consideration the Petition of the Fishermen, Shoremen, Seamen and others, of Saint John's, praying for a grant to erect an Asylum, and to consider other matters connected with the Fishermen of the colony.

Notice for a Detailed Account
of Revenue for the year 1857.

Mr. ELLIS gave notice, that on to-morrow he will ask the Hon. Receiver General to furnish this House with a Detailed Account of the Revenue from all sources during the past year, and the Expenditure under all heads during the same period :

Notice of question in relation
to the Census and
Crown Lands.

Also, that he will ask the Hon. Colonial Secretary when the House may expect the Census to be laid upon the Table ; also, that he will ask the Hon. Surveyor General to lay upon the Table of the House a list of all the Crown Lands from 1837 to 1857 inclusive, showing where located, date of the leases (if any), term of the said leases, rents received in each year and amount of rent due, and from whom, together with any marginal notes containing information which it may be necessary to put this House in possession of.

Then the House adjourned till to-morrow at Three of the Clock.

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Friday, 12th February, 1858.

Road Petition from Salmonier
and St. Mary's.

Mr. DELANEY presented a Petition from John Ryan and others, of Holyrood and St. Mary's, which was received and read,—Praying for a grant to complete the road from the Salmonier road to St. Mary's ; also a Petition from James Murphy and others of Saint Mary's and its locality, which was received and read,—Praying for a grant to repair the road from thence to Holyrood Pond.

On Table.

Ordered,—That the said Petitions do lie upon the Table.

Mr. HAYWARD presented Petitions from John Bokey and others, of Spaniard's Bay; William Goss and others, of Mint Cove; and Charles Butt and others, of Spaniard's Bay, which were severally received and read,—Praying for grants to repair roads in those localities.

Road Petitions from Spaniard's Bay.

Ordered,—That the said Petitions do lie upon the Table.

On Table.

Mr. E. D. SHEA presented Petitions from J. Murphy and others, of Caplin Bay; and Robert Brennan and others, of Renewse and Fermeuse, which were severally received and read,—Praying for grants to repair roads in those settlements.

Road Petitions from Caplin Bay.

Ordered,—That the said Petitions do lie upon the Table.

On Table.

The Hon. COLONIAL SECRETARY, by command of His Excellency the Governor, presented to the House the following Documents :

Documents from His Excellency the Governor.

Report of James L. Prendergast, Esq., on the protection of the Fisheries on the Coast of Labrador and the French Shore, during the summer of 1857 :

Report of Michael J. Kelly, Esq., on the protection of the Fisheries in the Straits of Belle Isle and on the French Shore, during the summer of 1857 :

Report of Caleb Young, on the protection of the Fisheries at and around Belle Isle, during the summer of 1857 :

Report of Thomas L. Crockwell, Esq., on the protection of the Fisheries from York Point to Blanc Sablon, during the summer of 1857 :

Despatch from Vice-Admiral Sir Houston Stewart to Sir Alexander Bannerman, on the Crimping system in practice at St. John's :

Letter from late Acting Assistant Judge Hayward, on the Overland Circuit to the Southward and Westward, in the year 1857 :

General Statement of the affairs of the Newfoundland Marine Insurance Company, for the year 1857 :

Report of F. N. Gisborne, Esq., with Statement of affairs of the English Ridge and Turk's Gut Mining Companies.

Ordered,—That the said Documents do lie upon the Table.

On Table.

Committee on Commercial
Bank Incorporation Bill.

Pursuant to Order of the Day, the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole, upon the Bill to Incorporate the Commercial Bank of Newfoundland.

Mr. SPEAKER left the Chair.

Mr. PRENDERGAST took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. SPEAKER resumed the Chair.

Reported with Amendments.

The Chairman reported from the Committee that they had passed the Bill to them referred, with some Amendments, which they had directed him to report to the House; and he handed the Bill and Amendments in at the Clerk's Table.

And the said Amendments, having been read throughout a first and second time, were, upon the question put thereon, agreed to by the House.

Ordered,—That the Bill, as amended, be engrossed, and read a third time on Wednesday next.

Committee on British and
Foreign Coins Bill.

Pursuant to Order of the Day, the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole upon the Bill to amend the Act for establishing the legal value of certain British and Foreign Coins.

Mr. SPEAKER left the Chair.

Mr. CARTER took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. SPEAKER resumed the Chair.

Reported with Amendments.

The Chairman reported from the Committee that they had passed the Bill to them referred, with some Amendments, which they had directed him to report to the House; and he handed the Bill and Amendments in at the Clerk's Table.

And the said Amendments having been read throughout a first and second time, were, upon the question put thereon, agreed to by the House.

Time of 3rd reading.

Ordered,—That the Bill, as amended, be engrossed, and read a third time to-morrow.

Customs Management Bill
read 1st time.

The Hon. RECEIVER GENERAL, pursuant to notice and leave granted, presented a Bill to Amend the Customs Management Act, which was read a first time:

Ordered,—That the said Bill be read a second time on Friday, the 19th instant.

Mr. ELLIS, pursuant to notice and leave granted, presented a Bill to increase the Representation of Twillingate and Fogo, which was read a first time.

Twillingate and Fogo Re: presentation Bill read 1st time.

Ordered,—That the Bill be read a second time on Friday, the 26th instant.

The Hon. RECEIVER GENERAL gave notice, that on to-morrow he will ask leave to bring in a Bill to provide for the appointment of a Surveyor of Shipping in this Island, and for other purposes connected therewith.

Notice for Surveyor of Shipping. Bill

Mr. HOGSETT gave notice, that on to-morrow he will move for the appointment of a Select Committee to inquire into and report upon the necessity of a Light House on Cape St. Mary's.

Notice for Select Committee on Cape St. Mary's Light-House.

Mr. HOYLES gave notice, that on Monday next, he will ask the Colonial Secretary the reason of the detention of the Mails on the Western Postal Route.

Notice of question in relation to Western Mails.

Mr. ELLIS gave notice, that on to-morrow he will ask the Hon. Surveyor General for a Detailed Account of all monies expended under the St. John's Street Act, or any other Act since the Fire of 1846, the amounts expended, to whom paid, and for what interest the same was paid, the locality of the ground, and if such grounds are now in the hands of the Government.

Notice for Return of Expenditure under St. John's Street Act.

Then the House adjourned till to-morrow at Three of the Clock.

Monday, 15th February, 1858.

(Messages from His Excellency the Governor.)

Messages from Governor.

The Hon. COLONIAL SECRETARY, by command of His Excellency the Governor, presented to the House two written Messages from His Excellency the Governor, signed by His Excellency.

The said Messages were read by Mr. Speaker, all the members being uncovered, and are as follows :

A. BANNERMAN, Governor.

In addition to copies of the opinion of the Law Officers of the Crown, moved for in the Address of the 9th inst., the Governor finds that the House of Assembly ask for copies of the following Despatches :

26th June, 1855 ;

3rd August, 1855 ; and

2nd April, 1856 ;

the Governor would suggest that in future he should be informed of the subjects of the Despatches, copies of which may be asked for, in order that the House may acquire certain information, for,

The Governor finds that there are *Three* Despatches of date the 26th June, 1855, viz. :

No. 20, announcing the appointment of Dr. Shea to carry out certain provisions of the Merchant Shipping Act :

No. 21, announcing the appointment of Mr. Glen as Collector of Customs :

No. 22, transmitting the Journals of the Legislative Council and House of Assembly to the Secretary of State.

No. 6, the 3rd of August, 1855, directing Governor Darling to forward to the British Minister at Washington, authenticated copies of all the Local Acts in regard to the Regulation of the Newfoundland Fisheries.

The 2nd April, 1856, enclosing to the Secretary of State copy of a Bill, introduced into the House of Assembly by Mr. Hoyles, the 12th March, 1856, to amend the Act for the incorporation of the New York, Newfoundland, and London Telegraph Company.

The above are all the Documents referred to in the Address of the Assembly, and, the only Despatches of the same dates on record.

Government House, }
15th February, 1858. }

A. BANNERMAN, Governor.

The Governor transmits herewith, in accordance with the Address of the Assembly, the opinion of the Law Officers of the Crown, alluded to.

in his Speech at the opening of the Session. The Governor considers it unnecessary to make public other Despatches which accompanied that Document. Should the Legislature of Newfoundland consider it necessary to introduce any new laws to protect the fish on the Coasts of Newfoundland, and prevent their wanton destruction, the House of Assembly will find in their own Journal's Appendix, page 412, printed last Session, a Circular Despatch, dated "Department of State, Washington, March 28th, 1856," addressed to the Collectors of Customs in the United States, relative to the preservation of the Coast Fishery in the British Provinces. This Circular was from the late W. L. Marcy, Secretary to the United States; and the House of Assembly will observe that the principles laid down by that eminent Statesman, on the subject of the preservation of the fish which we are all alike interested in, are in accordance with the opinions of the Law Officers of the Crown, addressed to Lord Clarendon, dated October 8th, 1856.

Government House. }
13th February, 1858. }

(For Documents accompanying, see Appendix.)

Ordered,—That the said Messages do lie upon the Table.

On Table.

The Hon. COLONIAL SECRETARY also, by command of His Excellency the Governor, presented to the House the Report from the Postmaster General for 1857.

Document from His Excellency the Governor.

(For which see Appendix.)

Ordered,—That the said Report do lie upon the Table.

On Table.

Pursuant to Order of the Day, the Bill to amend the Quarantine Act was read a second time.

Quarantine Act Amendment Bill read 2nd time.

Ordered,—That the House will, on to-morrow, resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole upon the said Bill.

Order for committal.

Mr. HAYWARD presented Petitions from John Shute and others, of Harbor Grace, South side, and from Thomas Yetman and others, of Bryants Cove, which were severally received and read,—Praying for grants to complete branch roads in those localities.

Road Petitions.

Mr. PRENDERGAST presented a Petition from John Vokey and others, of Spaniard's Bay, and Matthew Ryan and others, of same place, which were received and read,—Praying for grants to open roads there.

The Hon. ATTORNEY GENERAL presented a Petition from William Frizzle and others, of Shoal Bay, which was received and read,—Praying for a grant to connect that Settlement with the Bay Bulls main line of road.

Mr. PROWSE presented a Petition from Robert H. Daw and others, of Upper and Lower Burgeo, which was received and read,—Praying for a grant in aid of Roads in that locality.

Mr. PRENDERGAST presented a Petition on behalf of the Representatives of the late Mary Bayley, of Harbor Grace, which was received and read,—Praying compensation for Land taken to widen the Public Streets of Harbor Grace.

Mr. CASEY presented a Petition from Steven Reddick and others, farmers, residing on the heavy tree road, which was received and read,—Praying for a grant to complete this road which connects the Old Placentia and Bay Bulls Roads.

On Table.

Ordered,—That the said Petitions do lie upon the Table.

Petition from P. Nicolle, for reimbursement for building a Beacon.

Mr. PROWSE presented a Petition from Philip Nicolle, of LaPoile, which was received and read,—Praying that he may be reimbursed for cost incurred by him in erecting a Beacon on Ireland Island, in that locality.

On Table.

Ordered,—That the said Petition do lie upon the Table.

On motion of Mr. E. D. SHEA, seconded by Mr. MARCH,

Resolved,—That the following Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor :

Address to remunerate Capt. Percy and crew of brig *Jessie*.

To His Excellency SIR ALEXANDER BANNERMAN, Knight, Governor and Commander-in-Chief in and over the Island of Newfoundland and its Dependencies, &c., &c.

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY,—

The House of Assembly respectfully request that your Excellency will be pleased to appropriate such a sum of money as to your Excellency may appear just, in token of the appreciation of this House of the truly noble and heroic conduct of Captain Stephen Percy and the crew of the Brig *Jessie*, of this port, in the rescue, under most perilous circumstances, of the passengers and crew of the American Packet Ship, *Northumberland*,

from imminent death, in a severe gale in the Atlantic, last December, and this House will make provision therefor.

House of Assembly, }
15th February, 1858. }

Ordered,—That the Address be engrossed, and be presented to His Excellency the Governor by such members of this House as are of the Hon. Executive Council.

On motion of Mr. PARSONS, seconded by Mr. CASEY,

Resolved,—That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into and report upon the Petition of the Fishermen and others, of St. John's,—Praying for a grant to build a Fishermens' Asylum.

Select Committee on Petition for Fishermens' Asylum

Ordered,—That Mr. Parsons, Mr. Kavanagh, Mr. Casey, Mr. Morris, Mr. Marsh, Hon. Colonial Secretary, and Mr. Prowse do form such Committee.

The Hon. RECEIVER GENERAL, pursuant to notice and leave granted, presented a Bill to provide for the appointment of a Surveyor of Shipping, and for other purposes connected therewith, which was read a first time.

Surveyor of Shipping Bill read 1st time.

Ordered,—That the Bill be read a second time on Monday next.

On motion of Mr. HOGSETT, seconded by Mr. KELLY,

Resolved,—That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into the advantages that would result from the erection of a Light House on Cape St. Mary's.

Select Committee on Cape St. Mary's Light-House.

Ordered,—That Mr. Hogsett, Mr. Kelly, Mr. Ellis, Mr. Morris, and Mr. Knight, do form such Committee.

Mr. WARREN gave notice, that on Wednesday next he will move that a day be fixed by the House, to take into consideration the propriety of establishing Local Steam to the Western and Northern Districts of this colony.

Notice for Committee on Steam Communication to the North and West.

Mr. PROWSE gave notice, that on Thursday next he will move an Address to His Excellency the Governor, on the subject of the Petition of Philip W. Nicolle, of LaPoile.

Notice for Address on Petition of P. Nicolle.

Mr. PRENDERGAST gave notice, that on to-morrow he will move an Address to the Governor, on the Petition of the Representatives of the late Mary Bayley, of Harbor Grace.

Notice of Address on Petition of Mary Bayley.

Notice for Return of Expenditure on R. C. Cathedral grounds.

Mr. ELLIS gave notice, that on to-morrow he will ask the Hon. Surveyor General for a Return of all monies expended in improving the grounds in front of the Roman Catholic Cathedral :

Notice of question in relation to Emigration.

Also, that on to-morrow he will ask the Hon. Colonial Secretary if any action has been taken by the Government for the purpose of encouraging Immigration into this colony ; or if any Correspondence has been opened up for the purpose of making arrangements for the passage of Emigrants to Newfoundland :

Notice of question in relation to Masters and Servants.

Also, that on to-morrow he will ask the Hon. the Colonial Secretary if it is the intention of the Government to introduce any measure for the mutual protection of Masters and Servants in this Island :

Notice on subject of printing for House of Assembly.

Also, that on to-morrow he will ask the Hon. Colonial Secretary, or the Hon. Receiver General, (or who else may be the proper person to give the information required,) what the rates are for printing bills, journals, or any other printing done for this House, and how long the said rates may have been fixed.

Then the House adjourned till to-morrow at Three of the Clock.

Tuesday, 16th February, 1858.

Road Petitions from Salmonier.

Mr. F. B. CARTER presented Petitions from J. Musson and others, of Trinity and Ship Cove, Benjamin Sweetland and others, of Trinity and Salmon Cove ; J. Thorn and others, of Catalina ; and A. H. Bremner and others, of Kings Cove, which were received and read,—Praying for grants to open roads in those localities.

On Table.

Ordered,—That the said Petitions do lie upon the Table.

Petitions from Saint John's, West for a Hydrant.

Mr. CASEY presented a Petition from Jonas Barter and others, residents near Apple-tree well, which was received and read, —Praying for a grant to erect a hydrant in that locality.

On Table.

Ordered,—That the said Petition do lie upon the Table.

Road Petitions from Trinity Bay.

Mr. DELANEY presented Petitions from Garret Curtis and others, of Salmonier and St. Mary's, which were severally received and read,—Praying for grants to complete the road from thence to the main road.

Ordered,—That the said Petitions do lie upon the Table.

Mr. KAVANAGH presented Petitions from Robert Finn and others, of Torbay, and Edward Troy and others, of same place, which were received and read,—Praying for grants to open and complete branch roads in that locality.

Road Petitions from Torbay.

Ordered,—That the said Petition do lie upon the Table.

Mr. F. B. CARTER presented a Petition from William Norman and others, of the South Side of the West Arm of Catalina,—Praying for a grant to establish a School there:

Road Petition from Catalina.

Ordered,—That the said Petitions do lie upon the Table.

Pursuant to Order of the Day, the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole upon the Bill to Amend the Quarantine Act.

Committee on Quarantine Act Amendment Bill.

Mr. SPEAKER left the Chair.

The Hon. RECEIVER GENERAL took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. SPEAKER resumed the Chair.

The Chairman reported from the Committee that they had made some progress in the Bill to them referred, and had instructed him to ask leave to sit again on the further consideration thereof.

Progress reported.

Ordered,—That the Committee have leave to sit again on Monday next.

Pursuant to Order of the Day, the Bill to amend the Act for establishing the legal value of certain British and Foreign Coins in this colony, was read a third time as engrossed.

Value of Coins Bill read 3rd time.

Ordered,—That the Bill do pass and be entitled “An Act to Amend an Act for Establishing the legal value of certain British and other Coins in this colony.”

Passed and titled.

Ordered,—That the Hon. Colonial Secretary, and Mr. Kavanagh, do take the Bill to the Legislative Council and desire their concurrence.

Sent to Council.

Mr. HOGSETT, from the Select Committee appointed to inquire into and report upon the advantages that would result from the erection of a Light-House on Cape St. Mary's, presented the report; which he handed in at the Clerk's Table, where the same was read as follows:

COMMITTEE ROOM,

February 16, 1858. }

Report of Select Committee
on Cape St. Mary's Light-
House.

The Committee appointed to enquire into, and report upon the necessity of the erection of a Light house on Cape St. Mary's, beg leave to report, that they have taken evidence upon the subject, which is hercunto annexed.

It appears from that evidence that from Dodding Head to Cape Pine the distance is Seventy four miles, out of which there are Twenty-four miles which derive no benefit from the Lights on either of these points.

That of the space thus left unprotected, Cape St. Mary's is, of all others on the Western Coast, the most dangerous and of the most importance—dangerous, as in its immediate neighbourhood nearly all the losses to the Westward take place, and of importance, as all the fishing craft belonging to the Southern and Western Coast and Conception Bay resort their in the fishing season for the purpose of prosecuting the fishery.

The Committee could have examined many other witnesses, but as their testimony would be but a repetition of that which has been taken, the Committee refrained from going further, relying upon the character of the testimony offered, and the respectability and information of the parties examined.

From this testimony and the enquiries the Committee have been enabled to make, they are of opinion that there is no point in this Island more needing the erection of a Light House than Cape St. Mary's.

GEORGE J. HOGSETT.

Chairman,

M. J. KELLY.

PATRICK MORRIS.

THOMAS KNIGHT.

WILLIAM HENRY ELLIS.

(For Evidence accompanying, see Appendix.)

On Table.

Ordered,—That the said Report do lie upon the Table.

Report sent to Executive
Council.

Ordered,—That the said Report be transmitted to the Hon. the Executive Council.

Ordered,—That the House at its rising do adjourn till Thursday next.
Then the House adjourned till Thursday next at Three of the Clock.

Order for adjournment.

Thursday, 18th February, 1858.

The Hon. RECEIVER GENERAL, by command of His Excellency the Governor, presented to the House the following documents :

Documents from His Excellency the Governor.

Receiver General's Account of Receipts and Expenditure for the year 1857.

Statement of Consolidated Debentures issued in the year 1857.

The Order of the Day for the Third reading of the Bill to incorporate the Commercial Bank of Newfoundland being read,

Order for 3rd reading of Commercial Bank Bill.

On motion of Hon. COLONIAL SECRETARY, seconded by Mr. PROWSE,

Resolved,—That the said Bill be recommitted to the Whole House.

Re-committed.

And the House resolved itself into the said Committee accordingly,

Mr. SPEAKER left the Chair.

Mr. KELLY took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. SPEAKER resumed the Chair.

The Chairman reported from the Committee that they had made some progress in the Bill to them referred, and had instructed him to ask leave to sit again on the further consideration thereof.

Progress reported.

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

Ordered,—That the following Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor :—

To His Excellency SIR ALEXANDER BANNERMAN, Knight, Governor and Commander-in-Chief in and over the Island of Newfoundland and its Dependencies, &c., &c.

Address on Petition of Mary Bayley.

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY,—

The House of Assembly respectfully request that your Excellency will be pleased to take the prayer of the accompanying Petition of the legal

representative of the late Mary Bayloy,—Praying compensation for land appropriated to the public service, into your Excellency's favorable consideration, and make such provision therefor out of the public funds as to your Excellency shall seem meet, and this House will make provision therefor.

Ordered,—That the Address be engrossed, and be presented to His Excellency the Governor by such members of this House as are of the Hon. Executive Council.

Then the House adjourned till to-morrow at Three of the Clock.

Friday, 19th February, 1858.

Road Petition.

Mr. HAYWARD presented a Petition from Patrick Kelly and others, of Harbor Grace, which was received and read,—Praying for a grant to repair the road on the South Side.

On Table.

Ordered,—That the said Petition do lie upon the Table.

Road Petition from
Bareneed.

Mr. BROWN presented Petitions from Patrick Doyle and others, of Rip Rap; and John Butler and others, of Bareneed, which were severally received and read,—Praying for grants to complete roads in those localities.

On Table.

Ordered,—That the said Petitions do lie upon the Table.

Road Petition from Lance Cove.

Mr. KAVANAGH presented a Petition from George M. Johnston and others, of Lance Cove and Belle Isle, which was received and read,—Praying for a grant to complete the road from thence to the beach:

Road Petition from George Town.

Also, a Petition from Michael Murray and others, inhabitants of George Town, which was received and read,—Praying for grants to complete the roads there; and also to erect a Tank.

On Table.

Ordered,—That the said Petitions do lie upon the Table.

Road Petition from Belle Isle.

He also presented a Petition from John Phelan and others, of Belle Isle, which was received and read,—Praying for a grant to complete the Public Wharf at Belle Isle.

Ordered,—That the said Petition do lie upon the Table.

Mr. PROWSE presented a Petition from Robert Baker and others, of Garca Harbor, which was received and read,—Praying for a grant to enable them to establish a School there : Road Petitions.

Also, a Petition from Walter Ford, of Burgeo, which was received and read,—Praying that he may be paid the sum of Ten Pounds due him for making a road from Upper to Lower Burgeo.

Ordered,—That the said Petitions do lie upon the Table. On Table.

Mr. CASEY presented a Petition from James H. Collett and others, of Pokham Path locality, which was received and read,—Praying for a grant to repair that road as well as the road leading to the Black Marsh. Road Petition.

Ordered,—That the said Petition do lie upon the Table. On Table.

Mr. HOGSETT presented a Petition from P. Nowlan and others, of Little Placentia, which was received and read,—Praying for a grant to deepen the Gut at the entrance of the Harbor : Petition from Little Placentia for Breakwater.

He also presented a Petition from E. Condon and others, inhabitants of the S. E. Arm of Placentia, which was received and read,—Praying for a grant to support a School there. Petition from Little Placentia for School.

Ordered,—That the said Petitions do lie upon the Table. On Table.

Mr. HOGSETT, from the Select Committee appointed to inquire into and report upon Expiring Laws, presented the report ; which he handed in at the Clerk's Table, where the same was read as follows :

COMMITTEE ROOM,

February 18, 1858. }

Report of Committee on Expiring Laws.

The Committee appointed to enquire into, and report upon Expired and Expiring Laws, beg leave to report the following statutes expedient to continue falling under these heads :

1st.—13 Vic., Cap. 8. An Act to continue an Act passed in the Sixth year of the reign of Her present Majesty, entitled “ An Act to revive and amend an Act passed in the third year of the reign of Her present Majesty, entitled ‘ An Act to establish the Fees and Costs chargeable in the several public offices and Courts of Sessions in this colony, ’” passed 30th April, 1850, expired 30th April, 1853, or end of Session, 1853.

2nd.—15 Vic., Cap. 17. An Act for preventing damage by unseasonable burning or firing of woods in the clearing of land and burning the

woods and forests of the Islands, passed the 14th June, 1852, expires the end of this Session.

3rd.—15 Vic., Cap. 18. An Act to continue An Act for affording relief to wives and children deserted by their husbands and parents, passed 11th June, 1852, expired 11th June, 1855 or end of Session, 1855.

4th.—16 Vic., Cap. 14. An Act for the protection of the breeding of wild fowl, passed 13th June, 1853, expired 13th June, 1856, or end of Session 1857.

Revenue and Education Acts.

All of which the Committee recommend being re-enacted.

GEORGE J. HOGSETT.

Chairman,

F. B. CARTER.

On Table.

Ordered,—That the said Report do lie upon the Table.

Committee on Commercial
Bank Bill.

Pursuant to Order of the Day, the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole upon the further consideration of the Bill to Incorporate the Commercial Bank.

Mr. SPEAKER left the Chair.

Mr. KELLY took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. SPEAKER resumed the Chair.

Reported with Amendments.

The Chairman reported from the Committee that they had passed the Bill to them referred, with some Amendments, which they had directed him to report to the House ; and he handed the Bill and Amendments in at the Clerk's Table.

Amendments agreed to.

And the said Amendments, having been read throughout a first and second time, were, upon the question put thereon, agreed to by the House.

Ordered,— That the Bill, as amended, be engrossed, and read a third time on Monday next.

Order of Day for 2nd reading of Exclusion of Placemens' Bill.

The Order of the Day for the 2nd reading of the Bill to increase the independence of the House of Assembly of Newfoundland by the exclusion of Placemen therefrom, being read,

Ordered,—That the said Bill be read a second time on Thursday next.

Ordered,—That the Bill to amend the Customs Management Act be read a second time on Monday, the 1st March next.

Order for 2nd reading of
Customs Management Bill.

Ordered,—That on Tuesday next the House will resolve itself into a Committee of the whole upon the report of the Select Committee on the Prevention of fire in the town of St. John's.

Order for Committee on
Fire prevention in St. John's.

Mr. Winter gave notice that on Monday next he will ask the Hon. Colonial Secretary to lay before the house a Detailed Statement of the Receipts and Expenditure for each particular service, for the year ending 31st December, 1857.

Notice for Detail of Ex-
penditure for 1857.

Then the House adjourned till Monday next at Three of the Clock.

Monday, 22nd February 1858.

Mr. WINTER present a Petition from Richard Rockwood and others, of Heart's Content, which was received and read,—Praying for a road in that locality.

Road Petition.

Ordered,—That the said Petition do lie upon the Table.

On Table.

Mr. BEMISTER presented Petitions from James Brine and others, of Bay de Verds; Patrick Colford and others, of Redland's; Samuel Baggs and others, of Broad Cove and Mulloy's Cove; and a Petition from Oliver Rouse and others, of Bay de Verds, which were severally received and read—Praying for grants to complete roads in those settlements:

Road Petitions.

He also presented a Petition from Thomas Hutchings and others, of Bay de Verds, which was received and read,—Praying for a grant to sink a Pump there.

Petition for a pump at Bay
de Verds.

Ordered,—That the said Petitions do lie upon the Table.

On Table.

Mr. KAVANAGH presented a Petition from James Phelan and others, of St. John's, which was received and read,—Praying for a grant to complete the road from the Portugal Cove to the Torbay roads.

Petition to complete road
from Torbay to Portugal
Cove.

Ordered,—That the said Petition do lie upon the Table,

On Table.

Road Petition

Mr. WARREN presented a Petition from Benjamin Berry, of Greenspond which was received and read,—Praying for remuneration for property taken for the public road there : also, a Petition from Thomas F. Millin and others, of Bonavista, which was received and read,—Praying for a grant to complete a road there.

On Table.

Ordered,—That the said Petitions do lie upon the Table.

Letter in relation to Cape St. Mary's Light House.

Mr. SPEAKER informed the House that he had received a communication from the Colonial Secretary, which he read to the House as follows :

SECRETARY'S OFFICE.

22nd February, 1858.

SIR,

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 16th inst., and to acquaint you in reply, that the Governor in Council, has perused the report of the Committee of the House of Assembly, together with the evidence taken by them as to the benefits likely to result from a Light-house being erected at Cape St. Mary's ; and from that report and evidence it appears to His Excellency that such erection would be very beneficial to the Trade, and he therefore, with the advice of his Council, sanctions the introduction of a Bill making provision for such structure.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your Obedient Servant,

J. KENT.

The Hon. AMBROSE SHEA,

Speaker of the House of Assembly.

On Table.

Ordered,—That the said Letter do lie upon the Table.

(Message from His Excellency the Governor.)

The Hon. COLONIAL SECRETARY, by command of His Excellency the Governor, presented to the House a written Message from His Excellency the Governor, signed by His Excellency.

The said Message was read by Mr. Speaker, all the members being uncovered, and is as follows :

A. BANNERMAN, Governor.

Message from His Excellency the Governor.

These five despatches relative to the Fishery Convention with France, and, of the following dates :

No. 10, 26th March, 1857,

“ Confidential,” 26th March, 1857,

No. 38, 15th April, 1857,

“ Separate,” 21th April, 1857,

No. 40, 21th April, 1857,

are transmitted by His Excellency the Governor, in compliance with the Address of the House of Assembly.

Government House, }
20th February, 1858. }

(For Documents accompanying, see Appendix.)

The Hon. COLONIAL SECRETARY, by command of His Excellency the Governor, presented to the House the following Documents :

Documents from His Excellency the Governor.

Statement of Affairs of the St. John's Marine Insurance Company, to 10th January, 1858 :

Education Returns for 1857, from Protestant Board, St. John's :

Ditto	ditto	ditto	Harbor Grace.
Ditto	ditto	ditto	Bay Roberts.
Ditto	ditto	ditto	Burgeo & LaPoile

(For which see Appendix.)

Ordered,—That the said Documents do lie upon the Table.

On Table.

Pursuant to Order of the Day, the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole upon the further consideration of the Bill to Amend the Quarantine Act.

Committee on Quarantine Act Amendment Bill.

Mr. SPEAKER left the Chair.

Mr. BENISTER took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. SPEAKER resumed the Chair.

The Chairman reported that the Committee had risen.

Committee rise.

Ordered,—That the Report be received.

Pursuant to Order of the Day, the Bill to provide for the appointment of a Surveyor of Shipping in this Island, was read a second time,

Surveyor of Shipping Bill, read 2nd time.

Ordered,—That on to-morrow the House do resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole upon the said Bill.

Cape St. Mary's Light-house
Bill read 2nd time.

Pursuant to Order of the Day, the Bill to provide for the erection of a Light House on Cape St. Mary's, was read a second time.

Ordered,—That the House do resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole upon the said Bill on Thursday next.

Order for Committee on
Steam Communication
North and West.

Ordered,—That the House do resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole upon the question of Steam Communication to the North and Westward of this Island, on Monday, 8th March next.

Commercial Bank Bill read
3rd time.

Pursuant to Order of the Day, the Bill to Incorporate the Commercial Bank, as engrossed, was read a third time.

Passed and titled.

Ordered,—That the Bill do pass, and be entitled “ An Act to Incorporate the Commercial Bank of Newfoundland.”

Sent to Council.

Ordered,—That the Hon. Colonial Secretary, and Mr. Prowse, do take the Bill to the Legislative Council and desire their concurrence.

Report of Committee on
Expiring Laws.

Mr. HOGSETT, in accordance with the report of the Select Committee on Expiring Laws, and leave granted, presented the following Bills, which were severally read a first time :

An Act to continue an Act, entitled “ An Act for the protection of the breeding of wild fowl :”

A Bill to afford relief to wives and children unprovided for by their husbands and parents :

A Bill to prevent the firing of woods and forests in this Island, and to make provision for the erection and repair of fences dividing separate properties.

A Bill to establish the Fees and Costs to be taken in the several Police Offices, &c., in this Colony.

Order for 2nd reading.

Ordered,—That the said Bills be severally read a second time on Friday next.

Then the House adjourned till to-morrow at Three of the Clock.

Tuesday, 23rd February, 1858.

The Hon. RECEIVER GENERAL, by command of His Excellency the Governor, presented to the House the following Documents :

Notice for Return of Expenditure by Financial Secretary.

Financial Secretary's Statement of Balances, stated as unnecessary for new account on 31st December, 1856.

Statement of Legislative Votes and Credit Balances on 31st December, 1856.

Ordered,—That the said Documents do lie upon the Table.

The Order of the Day for the Committee of the Whole upon the Bill to regulate the Practice on the Equity side of the Supreme and Circuit Courts, and for Committee of the Whole upon the Bill to regulate the Practice on the Probate side of the Supreme Court, being read,

Order for Committee on Probate and Equity Bills.

Ordered,—That the House do, on Friday, the 5th March next, resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole upon the said several Bills.

Pursuant to Order of the Day, the House resolved itself into Committee of the Whole upon the Report of the Select Committee of last Session upon the best means of preventing the spread of Fire in the town of St. John's.

Committee on Fire prevention in St. John's.

Mr. SPEAKER left the Chair.

Mr. KNIGHT took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. SPEAKER resumed the Chair.

The Chairman reported from the Committee that they had considered the matter to them referred, and had come to a resolution thereon, which they had directed him to report to the House ; and he handed the same in at the Clerk's Table, where it was read as follows :

Resolved,—That an Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor, requesting His Excellency will be pleased to cause a Survey and Report to be made by a competent person, as to the best means of supplying the Town of St. John's with a sufficient supply of water, and to procure an Estimate of the probable expense of carrying out so necessary an object.

Resolution reported from Committee on Fire prevention.

On motion that the Report be received,

Motion that report be not received.

Mr. F. B. CARTER moved in Amendment, seconded by Mr. HOYLES,
That the Report be not received, but that it be

Resolved,—That the expense of procuring Water for the Town of St. John's should be borne by the inhabitants, not in any part by the Outports, and that any survey for such purpose should be made, *ex officio*, by the Surveyor General:

Division.

And, the question being put thereon, the House divided, when there appeared,

For the Amendment, 5.

Mr. F. B. Carter
“ Hoyles
“ Ellis
“ Warren
“ Carter

Against the Amendment, 13.

The Hon. Colonial Secretary
“ Surveyor General
“ Attorney General
“ Receiver General
Mr. Benning
“ E. D. Shea
“ Delaney
“ Byrne
“ Casey
“ Talbot
“ Hayward
“ Hogsett
“ Parsons.

Negatived.

So it passed in the negative.

Original motion affirmed.

And, the question on the original motion being then put, it passed in the affirmative, on a similar division as the foregoing, and

Ordered,—Accordingly.

Message from His Excellency the Governor.

(Message from His Excellency the Governor.)

The Hon. COLONIAL SECRETARY, by command of His Excellency the Governor, presented to the House a written Message from His Excellency the Governor, signed by His Excellency.

The said Message was read by Mr. Speaker, all the members being uncovered, and is as follows :

A. BANNERMAN, Governor.

The Governor transmits to the House of Assembly the Report of the Commissioners appointed to enquire into the subject of the constitution of the Supreme Courts of this Island, and the mode of procedure and practice thereof, with a view to the reorganization of these Courts, and the establishment of a more efficient system for the administration of Justice in this Colony.

In recommending this report to the favorable consideration of the Assembly, the Governor hopes that the importance of the subject will demand their early attention, and that during the present session, their labor will result in maturing such measures as will remove the objection to the present system of practice and procedure in the Supreme Courts, and lead to their satisfactory reorganization.

The said Report was read by the Clerk, and is as follows :

To His Excellency SIR ALEXANDER BANNERMAN, *Knight, Governor and Commander-in-Chief in and over the Island of Newfoundland and its Dependencies, &c., &c.*

Report of the Commissioners on Law reform.

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY,—

Having been nominated by Your Excellency on the 31st December last as Commissioners “to enquire into the subject of the Constitution of the Superior Courts of this Island, and the mode of procedure and practice thereof, in order to report thereon to the Executive, with a view to the re-organization of said Superior Courts, and the Establishment of a more efficient system for the Administration of Justice in this Island:” we have now the honor to present to Your Excellency the accompanying Bill as the result of our labour on such Commission.

Fully sensible of the urgent necessity of Reform in our Judiciary, and impressed with the importance and extent of the duties entrusted to us, we lost no time in applying our earnest attention to this subject, and we did not hesitate to postpone other business to the paramount claims of this enquiry.

The Reforms we humbly recommend will, in their effect, abolish the distinctions between Actions at Law and Suits in Equity, will discontinue all those forms which are termed fictions of law, and much of that mere technicality which had grown up almost imperceptibly in our jurispru-

dence, and without invading principles, will simplify and expedite the practice of the Superior Courts.

The dispensation of Justice is a subject of such vast importance, involving as it does the protection of life and liberty, of peace and property, that we shrunk with cautious fear from speculative improvements, however apparently feasible, and in all that we have done, we have anxiously sought for light and instruction from other countries, as well as from our own experience.

We are chiefly encouraged to hope for success to our scheme—should the wisdom of your Excellency and of the Legislature adopt it—from the consideration that we have recommended no change which has not borne the test of experiment, and been found practically useful.

The most enlightened of British Jurists, headed by Lord Brougham, have long desired many of the reforms which our Bill suggests. The British Parliament has, year after year, been adopting them piecemeal; Canada, New Brunswick, and Nova Scotia have stamped with their approval several of our amendments, whilst the Legislature of New York has adopted them in their totality, and after an experience of their operation, has acknowledged and ratified their wisdom.

We are aware that objections have been made against our present Jury system, on the merits of which system we do not all concur in opinion, and we therefore refrain from recommending any alterations in the law so recently enacted.

If the revision of our statutes, the extension to the coast of Labrador of some suitable system of Judicature, and improvement in the Courts of Sessions, had been within the scope of our Commission, we should have been ready to submit to your Excellency our own humble representations upon these subjects.

It cannot be expected that the Code we recommend, or any Code, can be satisfactorily or fairly worked without a full and efficient Bench, and our hopes of success in the result of our labors are predicated upon the presumption that, by the re-organization of the Supreme Court, the proposed system will be so zealously and efficiently administered as to satisfy the expectations and meet the requirements of the Colony.

Although we have devoted much time and unwearied attention to the subject of our Commission, we are not so blind to our own imperfections, or insensible to the difficulties of our task, as not to feel that much will be found in our Bill to require the kind indulgence of Your Excellency an

of the Legislature, to whom we commit it, in the earnest hope that it may be calculated to promote an efficient administration of Justice in this Colony.

We have the honor to be,

Your Excellency's most humble

and obedient Servants,

P. F. LITTLE.

JOHN KENT.

BRYAN ROBINSON, Q.C.

CHARLES SIMMS.

GEORGE JAS. HOGSETT.

Ordered,—That the said Report do lie upon the Table.

The Hon. ATTORNEY GENERAL gave notice that on to-morrow he will ask leave to bring in a Bill to simplify the mode of procedure and practice in the Supreme Courts of this Island.

Notice of Law Amendment Bill.

Mr. HOYLES gave notice that on Tuesday next he will enquire of the hon. Colonial Secretary the cause of the detention of the Western mails.

Notice of question on subject of the Western Mails.

Mr. HOGSETT gave notice that on to-morrow he will ask the Hon. Colonial Secretary to lay on the Table of the House, a Copy of the Governor's Commission and Instructions, and a Copy of the Despatch upon the subject of the oaths to be taken by the Governor and other officers of this Colony.

Notice for Copy of Governor's Commission and Royal Instructions.

The Hon. SURVEYOR GENERAL gave notice that on Thursday next he will move the House into a Committee of the Whole upon Roads and Bridges.

Notice for Committee on Roads and Bridges.

Then the House adjourned till to-morrow at Three of the Clock.

Wednesday, 24th February, 1858.

Mr. BENNING presented a Petition from Michael Berney and others, of Burin, Mortier and Fox Cove, which was received and read,—Praying for a grant to repair the Bridge at Mortier :

Petition from Burin.

Petition from Grand Bank: Also, a Petition from George Forsey and others, of Grand Bank, which was received and read,—Praying for a grant to build a Breakwater there.

On Table. *Ordered*,—That the said Petitions do lie upon the Table.

Road Petitions. Mr. HAYWARD presented a Petition from Richard Anderson and others, of Harbor Grace, which was received and read,—Praying for a grant to repair the old road leading from thence to Carbonear.

On Table. *Ordered*,—That the said Petition do lie upon the Table.

Mr. BEMISTER presented a Petition from Samuel Baggs and others, of Broad Cove; Richard Carnal and others, of Ochre Pit; Johu Ronan and others, of Adams Cova; John Carnal and others, of Ochre Pit, Howling Place; William Boyce and others, of Western Bay, which were severally received and read,—Praying for grants to repair roads in those localities.

On Table. *Ordered*,—That the said Petitions do lie upon the Table.

Mr. HOYLES presented a Petition from Thomas Winter and others, of Hermitage Cove, Hermitage Bay, which was received and read,—Praying for a grant to open a road round its harbor.

On Table. *Ordered*,—That the said Petition do lie upon the Table.

Mr. PROWSE presented a Petition from Alexander Waddal and others, of Cannel, Port-au-Basque, which was received and read,—Praying for a grant to open a road through that settlement.

On Table. *Ordered*,—That the said Petition do lie upon the Table.

Petition from Emeline Marrett. Mr. PROWSE presented a Petition from Emeline Marett, of St. John's, which was received and read,—Praying that the House would take the services of her late husband into consideration, and make such an award thereon as may appear just.

On Table. *Ordered*,—That the said Petition do lie upon the Table.

Notice for Committee on Petition of Emeline Marett. Mr. PROWSE gave notice that on to-morrow he will move for the appointment of a Select Committee to enquire into and report upon the Petition of Emeline Marett.

Simplification of Law Bill see 1st time. The Hon. ATTORNEY GENERAL, pursuant to notice and leave granted, presented a Bill to simplify the mode of procedure and practice in the superior Courts of this Island, which was read a first time.

Ordered,—That the Bill be read a second time on Wednesday, the 10th March next.

Pursuant to Order of the Day, the House resolved itself into Committee of the Whole upon the Bill to provide for the appointment of a Surveyor of Shipping in Newfoundland.

Committee on Surveyor of Shipping Bill.

Mr. SPEAKER left the Chair.

Mr. WARREN took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. SPEAKER resumed the Chair.

The Chairman reported from the Committee that they had passed the Bill to them referred, with some Amendments, which they had directed him to report to the House; and he handed the Bill and Amendments in at the Clerk's Table.

Reported with Amendments.

And the said Amendments having been read throughout a first and second time, were, upon the question put thereon, agreed to by the House.

Amendments agreed to.

Ordered,—That the Bill be engrossed, and read a third time to-morrow.

Then the House adjourned till to-morrow at Three of the Clock.

Thursday, 25th February, 1858.

Mr. MARCH presented a Petition from Henry Stone and others, of Old Bonaventure, which was received and read,—Praying for a grant to make a road to the Church in that Settlement.

Road Petition from Old Bonaventure.

Ordered,—That the said Petition do lie upon the Table.

On Table.

Mr. KAVANAGH presented a Petition from Matthew Toole, of St. John's, which was received and read,—Praying for compensation for land taken from him for the use of the public after the fire in Tarahan's Town.

Petition from M. Toole.

Ordered,—That the said Petition do lie upon the Table.

On Table.

Mr. KAVANAGH gave notice, that on to-morrow he will move for the appointment of a Select Committee to enquire into the Petition of Matthew Toole.

Notice for Committee on Petition of Matthew Toole.

Petition from Robert Carter.

Mr. Ellis presented a Petition from Robert Carter, of Ferryland, which was received and read,—Praying compensation for loss of office, as Sub-Collector there.

On Table.

Ordered,—That the said Petition do lie upon the Table.

Notice for Select Committee on Petition of Robert Carter.

Mr. ELLIS gave notice, that on to-morrow he will ask for the appointment of a Select Committee to take into consideration the Petition of Robert Carter, of Ferryland, on the subject of his dismissal from the offices of Sub-Collector and Preventive Officer.

Motion for 2nd reading of Placemens' Exclusion Bill.

Mr. F. B. CARTER moved, seconded by Mr. PROWSE,

That the Bill for the better securing the independence of the House of Assembly of Newfoundland be now read a second time.

Debate adjourned.

Ordered,—That the debate be adjourned till to-morrow.

Notice of Killing of Wolves' Bill.

Mr. CASEY gave notice, that on to-morrow he will ask leave to bring in a Bill to revive and continue the Act entitled "An Act to encourage the killing of Wolves in this Colony.

Notice of question in relation to emigration.

Mr. ELLIS gave notice, that on to-morrow he will ask the Hon. Colonial Secretary if any money or sums of money have been advanced towards the encouragement of emigration.

Then the House adjourned till to-morrow at Three of the Clock.

Friday, 26th February, 1858.

Road Petition from Cape Broyle.

Mr. E. D. SHEA presented a Petition from James Murphy and others, of Cape Broyle, which was received and read,—Praying for a grant to open a road through that settlement, and to Admirals Cove.

On Table.

Ordered,—That the said Petition do lie upon the Table.

Petition for gas lamp at the Hill of Chips.

The Hon. COLONIAL SECRETARY presented a Petition from Francis K. Hepburn and others, of St. John's, which was received and read,—Praying that a gas lamp may be placed at the Hill of Chips.

On Table.

Ordered,—That the said Petition do lie upon the Table.

The Hon. COLONIAL SECRETARY, by command of His Excellency the Governor, presented to the House a Statement of Fees received by the Registrar of Deeds, from the year 1818 to the year 1857.

Statement of Registrar of Deeds Fees.

(For which see Appendix.)

Ordered,—That the said Statement do lie upon the Table.

On Table.

Mr. HAYWARD presented a Petition from George French and others, of Country Path, Bay Roberts; and from Thomas Earle and others, of Jugglers Cove, Bay Roberts, which were received and read,—Praying for grants to repair roads in those localities.

Road Petitions from Bay Roberts.

Ordered,—That the said Petitions do lie upon the Table.

On Table.

Pursuant to Order of the Day, the Bill to provide for the appointment of a Surveyor of Shipping, was read a third time, as engrossed.

Surveyor of Shipping Bill read 3rd time.

Ordered,—That the Bill pass, and be entitled “An Act to provide for the appointment of Surveyors of Shipping, and for other purposes connected therewith.”

Passed and titled.

Ordered,—That the Hon. Receiver General and Mr. Parsons do take the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

Pursuant to Order of the Day, the adjourned debate on the motion that the Bill for the better securing the Independence of the House of Assembly of Newfoundland, be read a second time, was resumed after debate.

Adjourned debate on 2nd reading of Exclusion Place-mens Bill.

Resolved,—That the debate be adjourned till to-morrow.

Debate adjourned.

Mr. WINTER gave notice, that on to-morrow he will move an Address to His Excellency the Governor, respectfully requesting that His Excellency will be pleased to lay before the House, a Copy of the Pamphlet entitled “A Review of the Documents in relation to the Fishery Convention,” shewing the true source of the concessions to the French, and with the author’s name; referred to in Governor Darling’s Despatch, of 24th April, 1857, to the Hon. H. Labouchere.

Notice of Address to the Governor for Copy of Pamphlet relating to the French Convention.

Then the House adjourned till Monday next at Three of the Clock.

Monday, 1st March, 1858.

Mr. CASEY presented a Petition from John Sister and others, of Pearl Town, which was received and read,—Praying for a grant to repair the road from the Old Placentia road to the Bay Bulls road.

Road Petition from Old Placentia Road.

On Table.

Ordered,—That the said Petition do lie upon the Table.

Road Petition from Harbor Grace

Mr. HAYWARD presented a Petition from Maurice Doyle and others, farmers, of Harbor Grace, which was received and read,—Praying for a grant to open a road from the Race Course to Doyle's farm.

On Table.

Ordered,—That the said Petition do lie upon the Table.

Road Petition from Bay Bulls.

The Hon. RECEIVER GENERAL presented a Petition from Patrick Brine and others, of Bay Bulls, which was received and read,—Praying for a grant to open and repair the road on the North side of the harbor.

On Table.

Ordered,—That the said Petition do lie upon the Table.

Documents from His Excellency the Governor.

The Hon. COLONIAL SECRETARY, by command of His Excellency the Governor, presented to the House a Copy of Despatch from the Right Hon. the Secretary of State for the Colonies, to Governor Bannerman, of 4th Aug., 1857, on the subject of the Oaths administered to Colonial Governors.

(For which see Appendix.)

Adjourned debate on 2nd reading Exclusion of Place-mens Bill.

Ordered,—That the said Despatch do lie upon the Table.

Pursuant to Order of the Day, the adjourned debate on the motion for the second reading of the Bill for the better securing the Independence of the Members of the House of Assembly of Newfoundland, was resumed.

And, the question being put thereon, the House divided, when there appeared,—

Division;

For the Motion, 11.

Mr. Hoyles
 “ F. B. Carter
 “ Prowse
 “ March
 “ Knight
 “ Ellis
 “ Carter
 “ Winter
 “ Warren
 “ Walbank
 “ Bemister

Against the Motion, 17.

The Hon. Attorney General
 “ Colonial Secretary
 “ Receiver General
 “ Surveyor General
 Mr. Casey
 “ Kavanagh
 “ Talbot
 “ Byrne
 “ Delaney
 “ E. D. Shea
 “ Benning
 “ Kelly
 “ Hogsett
 “ Parsons
 “ Hayward
 “ Morris
 “ Prendergast.

Motion negatived.

So it passed in the negative ; and

Motion negatived.

Ordered,—Accordingly.

Then the House adjourned till to-morrow at Three of the Clock.

Monday, 8th March, 1858.

Mr. CASEY presented a Petition from Ann Kavanagh, widow, of Saint John's, which was received and read,—Praying compensation for ground taken for a public Tank, in the year 1857 :

Petition from Ann Kavanagh.

He also presented a Petition from Laurence Macassey and others, of St. John's, which was received and read,—Praying for a grant to repair the road to Freshwater and Long's Hill.

Ordered,—That the said Petitions do lie upon the Table.

On Table.

Mr. CASEY gave notice, that on to-morrow he will move for the appointment of a Select Committee to inquire into the Petition of Ann Kavanagh, praying compensation for ground taken from her for the public service.

Notice for Select Committee,
on Petition of Ann
Kavanagh.

Mr. BEMISTER presented a Petition from Philip Fahey and others, of Western Bay, which was received and read,—Praying for a grant to open and repair the roads there.

Road Petition from
Western Bay.

Ordered,—That the said Petition do lie upon the Table.

On Table.

The Hon. SURVEYOR GENERAL presented a Petition from Terence Kennealy and others, of Crocker's Cove and Freshwater, which were received and read,—Praying for a grant to complete the road from the main line towards Freshwater.

Road Petition from Crocker's
Cove and Freshwater.

Ordered,—That the said Petition do lie upon the Table.

On Table.

Mr. KELLY presented a Petition from Pelagius Nowlan and others, of Great Placentia, which was received and read,—Praying for a grant to repair the road from Placentia to Point Mall :

Road Petition from Placentia.

He also presented a Petition from E. Condon and others, of Great Pla:

Petition for Light-house at
Cape St. Mary's.

centia, which was received and read,—Praying that the House would grant a sum of money for the erection of a Light House on Cape St. Mary's.

On Table.

Ordered,—That the said Petitions do lie upon the Table.

Read Petition from Burin.

Mr. BENNING presented a Petition from James Dove and others, of Burin, which was received and read,—Praying for a grant to complete the road from Collin's Cove to Burin Bay, via Ship Cove :

Read Petition from Spoon Cove.

He also presented a Petition from William Watts and others, of Spoon Cove, which was received and read,—Praying for a grant to open a road from the Eastern to the Western Point of that settlement.

On Table.

Ordered,—That the said Petitions do lie upon the Table.

Petition from Wesleyans of St. John's.

The Hon. ATTORNEY GENERAL presented a Petition from Henry Daniel and others, Wesleyans, of St. John's, which was received and read,—Setting forth, that your Memorialists beg to approach your Honourable House with the confident assurance that they will receive the consideration and attention to which the importance of the subject by them referred to your Honorable House, is in justice entitled.

In the year 1850, the St. John's Academy, several years in existence as an amalgamated Institution, was, by an Act of the Local Legislature, remodelled on a purely Denominational character, when the Episcopalians and Roman Catholics had separate and independent grants appropriated for the sustainment of Classical Schools to be placed under their immediate supervision and control, while the Wesleyans, numbering nearly 15,000, were associated with minor Protestant bodies not numbering 1000.

Your Memorialists would represent to your Honorable House, that this arrangement met the unqualified disapproval of the body of Christians most deeply interested, as is clearly shown by the following extract from the minutes of proceedings of the Wesleyan Ministers at their annual Meeting held the same year that the Act referred to was passed by the Legislature :

“ *Resolved*,—That in the appropriation made by the Colonial Legislature, at its last Session, for the support of an Academy to be known as the ‘ General Protestant Academy,’ we regard ourselves as unfairly treated in not aving the amount of our claim, according to numbers, placed at our own disposal as a distinct religious community, and that we cannot regard

any part of the grant given to the minor Protestant denominations as available to us in our denominational character."

And again, at the annual Session of the Ministers of the Wesleyan Church, held last May, the following Resolution received the unanimous sanction of that body :

Resolved,—That this District Meeting, believing the Wesleyan Church of this Island (numbering upwards of 14,000) is as justly entitled to its distinct and separate grants for an Academy as other Churches, and condemning as most unjust the Act that has connected it with other minor Protestant denominations in an educational institution over which it has no control :—*Resolves*—That immediate application be made to the Government and Legislature for our own proper share of money for the purpose of building and sustaining a Wesleyan Academy, to be placed as entirely under our own control as similar institutions connected with other churches of the Island."

Your Memorialists, therefore, pray that your Honourable House will be pleased to place immediately at the disposal of our Church such sums of money for the erection and sustaining of a Wesleyan Academy as we are fairly entitled to, according to our numbers in the Island, as in the case of the Roman Catholic and Protestant Episcopal Churches.

And your Memorialists, as in duty bound, will ever pray.

Ordered,—That the said Petition do lie upon the Table.

Petitions of a similar tenor as the foregoing were severally presented by Mr. Bennung, from Thomas Gall and others, of Grand Bank ; by Mr. Morris, from James Dove and others, of Burin ; by Mr. Warren, from Thomas Hanes and others, of Bonavista ; by Mr. March, from A. W. Nicolson and others, of Perlican and Island Cove ; by Mr. Prowse, from Adam Nightingale and others, of Port-de-Grave ; by Mr. Bemister, from Elias Brette and others, of Blackhead ; by the Hon. Surveyor General, from W. E. Shenstone and others, of Carboncar ; by Mr. W. B. Carter, from Thomas Fox and others, of Hant's Harbor ; by Mr. Knight, from Paul Prestwood and others, of Twillingate ; by Mr. Winter, from S. W. Sprague and others, of Brigus.

Wesleyan Education Petitions.

Ordered,—That the said Petitions do lie upon the Table.

On Table.

Pursuant to Order of the Day, the House resolved itself into Committee of the Whole upon the Bill to provide for the erection of a Light House on Cape St. Mary's.

Committee on Cape St. Mary's Light-house.

Mr. SPEAKER left the Chair.

Mr. WINTER took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. SPEAKER resumed the Chair.

Reported with Amendments

The Chairman reported from the Committee that they had passed the Bill to them referred, with some Amendments, which they had directed him to report to the House; and he handed the Bill and Amendments in at the Clerk's Table.

Amendments agreed to,

And the said Amendments having been read throughout a first and second time, were, upon the question put thereon, agreed to by the House.

Ordered,—That the Bill, as amended, be engrossed, and read a third time to-morrow.

Notice for Bill to regulate the Herring Fishery.

Mr. BENNING gave notice, that on to-morrow he will ask leave to introduce a Bill to regulate the Herring Fishery of this Island.

Notice of Bill to liquidate certain debentures.

The Hon. RECEIVER GENERAL gave notice, that on to-morrow he will ask leave to introduce a Bill to authorise the Receiver General to liquidate certain outstanding Debentures.

Notice of question for Return of Expenditure by Financial Secretary.

Mr. WINTER gave notice, that on to-morrow he will ask the Hon. Receiver General for the particular Votes forming the Credit Balances of £1607 17s. 6d., as shewn in the Financial Secretary's Accounts for 1856.

Documents from His Excellency the Governor.

The Hon. RECEIVER GENERAL, by command of His Excellency the Governor, presented to the House the following Returns :

Expenditure by the Board of Works for various services, for year ending 31st December, 1857 :

Expenditure by the Commissioners of the Poor, for the year ending 31st December, 1857 :

Financial Secretary's Return of Expenditure for various services, for the year ending 31st December, 1857 :

Division.

Postmaster General's Return of Expenditure under the Postal Act, for the year ending 31st December, 1857 :

Surveyor General's Return of Expenditure under the Crown Lands Act, for the year ending 31st December, 1857.

(For which see Appendix.)

Ordered,—That the said Documents do lie upon the Table.

Mr. WINTER gave notice, that on to-morrow he will move an Address to the Governor, respectfully requesting that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid before the House a Copy of the Minute of Council, of 5th November, 1855, relative to the distribution of £1655 amongst the outport Poor, as well as the sum £306 3s. 7d. unexpended road grants, in all amounting to £1961 3s. 7d., in the said Minute of Council :

Notices of Addresses to the Governor.

Also, for a Copy of Governor Darling's Despatch to the Right Hon. H. Labouchere, transmitting the Address of the Commercial Society or Chamber of Commerce, on the subject of the French Fishery Convention.

Then the House adjourned till to-morrow at Three of the Clock.

Tuesday, 9th March, 1858.

Mr. KELLY presented a Petition from Phillip Breen and others, of St. Mary's, which was received and read,—Praying for a grant to erect a Light House on Cape St. Mary's.

Petition for Light-house at Cape St. Mary's.

Ordered,—That the said Petition do lie upon the Table.

On Table.

Mr. KAVANAGH presented a Petition from Walter Grieve and others, of St. John's, which was received and read,—Praying for a grant to repair the road from Firth's Corner to the Bridge near Rostellan ; and also to open a Watering Place at Irvin's Bridge :

Road Petition from St. John's.

He also presented Petitions from George M. Johnston and others, of Broad Cove, and from George M. Johnston and others, of Portugal Cove, which were severally received and read,—Praying for grants to repair local roads in those localities.

Road Petitions from Portugal Cove and Broad Cove

Ordered,—That the said Petitions do lie upon the Table.

On Table.

Pursuant to Order of the Day, the Bill to provide for the erection of a Light House on Cape St. Mary's, as engrossed, was read a third time.

Cape St. Mary's Light-house Bill read 3rd time.

Ordered,—That the Bill pass, and be entitled " An Act for the erection of a Light House on or near Cape St. Mary's, on the Western Coast of this Island."

Passed and titled.

Sent to Council.

Ordered,—That Mr. Hogsett and Mr. Parsons do take the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

Message from Council.

(A Message from the Legislative Council.)

The Master-in-Chancery to the Legislative Council brought down the following Message :

MR. SPEAKER,—

The Legislative Council have passed the Bill sent up from the House of Assembly, entitled "An Act to amend An Act for establishing the legal value of certain British and Foreign Coins in this Colony," without Amendment.

The Legislative Council have also passed the Bill sent up to them, entitled "An Act to Incorporate the Commercial Bank of Newfoundland" with some Amendments, to which they request the concurrence of the Assembly.

LAURENCE O'BRIEN,

President.

Council Chamber, }
3rd March, 1858. }

And then the Messenger withdrew.

Ordered,—That the said Message do lie upon the Table.

Amendments on Commercial Bank Bill read 1st time.

The Amendments made by the Legislative Council in and upon the Bill sent up from the House of Assembly, entitled "An Act to Incorporate the Commercial Bank of Newfoundland" were read a first time, and are as follows :

In the 3rd Section, 3rd last line,

Expunge the word "two," and insert instead thereof the word "three."

In the 34th Section, 3rd line,

Expunge the words "none is."

Ordered,—That the said Amendments be read a second time on to-morrow.

Pursuant to Order of the Day, the following Bills were read a second time : Bills read 2nd time.

The Bill to provide for the protection of the Breeding of Wild Fowl :

The Bill for the protection of Wives and Children deserted by their Husbands and Fathers ;

The Bill for the protection of the Woods and Forests of this Island :

The Bill to regulate the fees payable in the Court of Sessions of this Colony :

The Bill to amend the Act for the Management of Customs.

Ordered,—That the House do, on to-morrow, resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole upon the said several Bills.

On motion of Mr. KAVANAGH, seconded by Mr. CASEY,

Resolved,—That a Select Committee be appointed to enquire into the Petition of Matthew Toole.

Select Committee on Petition of M. Toole.

Ordered,—That Mr. Kavanagh, Mr. Casey, Mr. Morris, Mr. March, and Mr. Warren, do form such Committee.

Mr. CASEY, pursuant to notice and leave granted, presented a Bill to encourage the killing of Wolves, which was read a first time.

Bill for Killing of Wolves' read 1st time.

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

Mr. WINTER moved, pursuant to notice, seconded by Mr. MARCH,

That an Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor, respectfully requesting that His Excellency will be pleased to lay before the House a copy of the pamphlet entitled "A Review of the Documents in relation to the Fishery Convention, shewing the true source of the concessions to the French, &c., &c.," with the author's name, referred to in Governor Darling's Despatch, of 24th April, 1587, to the Right Hon. H. Labouchere.

Motion for Address to Governor.

And, the question being put thereon, the House divided, when there eared, —

Division.

*For the Motion, 6.**Against the Motion, 14.*

Mr. Hoyles

The Hon. Attorney General

" F. B. Carter

" Receiver General

" Prowse

" Surveyor General

" March

" Colonial Secretary

" Knight

Mr. Casey

" Ellis

" Byrne

" Benning

" Hogsett

" Morris

" Winter

" Kavanagh

" E. D. Shea

" Kelly

" Parsons

Motion negatived.

So it passed in the negative ; and

Ordered,—Accordingly.*Ordered*,—That the Bill to increase the representation of Twillingate and Fogo be read a second time on Tuesday next.

Then the House adjourned till to-morrow at Three of the Clock.

Wednesday, 10th March, 1858.

Road Petitions:

Mr. WINTER presented a Petition from George Mansfield and others, of Indian Point ; and from James Lemeaws and others, of Seal Cove, Trinity Bay South, which were severally received and read,—Praying for a grant to open and repair roads in those localities.

On Table.

Ordered,—That the said Petitions do lie upon the Table.

Petition from J. Bulley, jr:

Mr. ELLIS presented a Petition from John Bulley, jr., late of New York, U.S., merchant, which was received and read, setting forth,—That

fifty barrels of rum imported from New York in the *Victoria Ursula*, on the 2nd May last, was seized by order of the Customs Authorities, on the ground that the packages infringed the Act 18 & 19 Vic., Cap. 4, Sec. 45: that the shippers of the same were ignorant of the provisions of the said Act, and had no intention to defraud the Revenue: that by said seizure Petitioner has sustained a loss of upwards of Six Hundred and Fifty Pounds currency; and praying that the said property may be restored, or that reasonable compensation be made him for the loss sustained.

Ordered,—That the said Petition do lie upon the Table.

On Table.

Mr. ELLIS gave notice, that on to-morrow he will move for the appointment of a Select Committee to enquire into the foregoing Petition of John Bulley, jr.

Notice for Select Committee on Petition of J. Bulley, jr.

Mr. BYRNE presented a Petition from Kyran Walsh and others, of Harbor Main and Holyrood, which was received and read,—Praying for a grant to repair the road from Topsail to Holyrood.

Road Petition from Harbor Main.

Ordered,—That the said Petition do lie upon the Table.

On Table.

Mr. BROWN presented Petitions from Robert Reader and others, of Cupid's; Charles Gozens and others, of English Town, Brigus; John Hearn and others, of Southern Gut; William Percy and others, of Brigus; James Raftis and others, of Northern Gut; Edward O'Keefe and others, of Brigus, which were severally received and read,—Praying for grants to repair roads in those localities.

Road Petitions from Brigus.

Ordered,—That the said Petitions do lie upon the Table.

On Table.

He also presented a Petition from James Raftis and others, of Northern Gut, Port-de-Grave, which was received and read,—Praying for a grant to replace the School house destroyed by fire last year.

Petition from Northern Gut.

Ordered,—That the said Petition do lie upon the Table.

On Table.

Mr. F. B. CARTER presented Petitions from Robert Penny and others, of English Head, and Samuel Penny and others, of same place, which were severally received and read,—Praying for grants to open branch roads in those localities.

Road Petition from English Head.

Ordered,—That the said Petitions do lie upon the Table.

On Table.

The Hon. COLONIAL SECRETARY, by command of His Excellency the Governor, presented to the House the following Documents:

Documents from His Excellency the Governor.

Report of the Delegates on the subject of Direct Steam Communication between Great Britain and St. John's :

Correspondence on the subject of emigration from Ireland to Newfoundland, and minute of Council in relation thereto :

Post-master General's statement of Mail routes, for the year 1857.

(For which see Appendix.)

Ordered,—That the said Documents do lie upon the Table.

On motion of Mr. PROWSE, pursuant to notice, seconded by Mr. HOYLES,

Select Committee on Petition of Emeline Marret.

Resolved,—That a Select Committee be appointed on the Petition of Emeline Marret,—Claiming compensation for loss sustained by her late husband being deprived of office under the Board of Control.

Ordered,—That Mr. Prowse, Mr. Hoyles, Mr. F. B. Carter, Hon. Colonial Secretary, and Mr. Winter do form such Committee.

Order of the Day for Committee on Steam Communication.

Ordered,—That the House do, on Monday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole upon the question of Steam Communication to the Northward and Westward of this Island:

On motion of Mr. ELLIS, pursuant to notice, seconded by Mr. HOYLES,

Select Committee on Petition of Robert Carter.

Resolved,—That a Select Committee be appointed to enquire into the Petition of Robert Carter, of Ferryland, claiming compensation for loss of office as Preventive officer there.

Ordered,—That Mr. Ellis, Mr. Bemister, Mr. Kavanagh, Mr. Casey, and Mr. Hogsett do form such Committee.

Thursday, 11th March, 1858.

Committee on deserted Wives and Children Bill.

Pursuant to Order of the Day, the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole upon the Bill to afford relief to wives and children deserted by their husbands and parents:

Mr. SPEAKER left the Chair.

Mr. CASEY took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. SPEAKER resumed the Chair.

The Chairman reported from the Committee that they had passed the Bill to them referred, with some Amendments, which they had directed him to report to the House; and he handed the Bill and Amendments in at the Clerk's Table.

Reported with Amendments;

And the said Amendments, having been read throughout a first and second time, were, upon the question put thereon, agreed to by the House.

Amendments agreed to;

Ordered,—That the Bill, as amended, be engrossed, and read a third time to-morrow.

Pursuant to Order of the Day, the House resolved itself into Committee of the Whole on the Bill to provide for the protection of the Woods and Forests of this Island.

Committee on Woods and Forests Bill.

Mr. SPEAKER left the Chair.

Mr. BENNING took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. SPEAKER resumed the Chair.

The Chairman reported from the Committee that they had passed the Bill to them referred, with some Amendments, which they had directed him to report to the House; and he handed the Bill and Amendments in at the Clerk's Table.

Reported with Amendments;

And the said Amendments having been read throughout a first and second time, were, upon the question put thereon, agreed to by the House.

Amendments agreed to;

Ordered,—That the Bill as amended, be engrossed, and read a third time to-morrow.

The Hon. RECEIVER GENERAL, by command of His Excellency the Governor, presented to the House a Statement of Crown Rents to 1st September, 1857.

Statement of Crown Rents;

Then the House adjourned till to-morrow at Three of the Clock.

Friday, 12th March, 1858.

Bills read 3rd time.

Pursuant to Order of the Day, the following Bills were read a third time, as engrossed :

The Bill to afford relief to Wives and Children deserted by their Husbands and Parents :

The Bill to prevent the Firing of the Woods and Forests of this Island, and to make provision for the erection and repair of the boundary fences therein.

Passed and titled.

Ordered,—That the first Bill pass, and be entitled “ An Act to afford relief to Wives and Children deserted by their Husbands and Parents.”

Ordered,—That the second Bill pass, and be entitled “ An Act to prevent the Firing of the Woods and Forests of this Island, and to make provision for the erection and repair of boundary fences therein.”

Ordered,—That Mr. Hogsett and Mr. Casey do take the Bills to the Legislative Council and desire their concurrence.

Message from Council,

(A Message from the Legislative Council.)

The Master-in-Chancery to the Legislative Council brought down the following Message :

MR. SPEAKER,—

The Legislative Council acquaint the House of Assembly that they have passed a Bill entitled “ An Act to regulate the Seal and other Fisheries of this Island, and to provide for the protection of Masters and Servants,” to which they request the concurrence of the Assembly.

LAURENCE O'BRIEN,

President.

Council Chamber, }
12th March, 1858. }

And then the Messenger withdrew.

Ordered,—That the said Message do lie upon the Table.

Committee on Customs
Management Bill.

Pursuant to Order of the Day, the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole upon the Bill to amend the Customs Management Bill.

Mr. SPEAKER left the Chair.

Mr. BYRNE took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. SPEAKER resumed the Chair.

The Chairman reported from the Committee that they had made some progress in the Bill to them referred, and had instructed him to ask leave to sit again on the further consideration thereof. Progress reports.

Ordered,—That the Committee stand first on the Order of the Day for Monday next.

The Hon. RECEIVER GENERAL gave notice, that on Tuesday next he will move that a Supply be granted to Her Majesty. Notice for Supply to Her Majesty.

Then the House adjourned till to-morrow at Three of the Clock.

Monday, 15th March, 1858.

Mr. BYRNE presented a Petition from John McHugo and others, of Turk's Gut, which was received and read,—Praying for a grant to open the road from thence to the Conception Bay main line. Road Petition from Turk's Gut.

Ordered,—That the said Petition do lie upon the Table. On Table.

Mr. MARCH presented a Petition from Michael Howley and others, of New Perlican, which was received and read,—Praying for a grant to complete the road from thence to Carbonear. Road Petition from New Perlican.

Ordered,—That the said Petition do lie upon the Table. On Table.

Mr. BEMISTER presented Petitions from Thomas Hutchings and others, of Red Head Cove : William Baggs and others, of Black Head and Broad Cove, which were severally received and read,—Praying for grants to open and repair roads in those localities : Road Petition from North Shore Conception Bay.

He also presented a Petition from Thomas Neal, of Bay-de-Verds, which was received and read,—Praying for a grant to open a road from his farm at Seal Cove to the main road.

Ordered,—That the said Petitions do lie upon the Table. On Table.

Read Petition from Cham-
berlains.

Mr. BYRNE presented a Petition from Patrick Daley and others, of Chamberlains, which was received and read,—Praying for a grant to repair the road from thence to the Conception Bay main line.

On Table.

Ordered,—That the said Petition do lie upon the Table.

Committee on Customs
Management Bill.

Pursuant to Order of the Day, the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole upon the Bill to amend the Customs Management Act.

Mr. SPEAKER left the Chair.

Mr. BYRNE took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. SPEAKER resumed the Chair.

Committee rose upon point
of order.

The Chairman reported that the Committee had risen upon a point of order.

Mr. HOYLES moved, seconded by Mr. PROWSE,

Motion to adjourn.

That the House do adjourn:

And, the question being put thereon, the House divided, when there appeared,—

Division.

For the Motion, 10.

Against the Motion, 13.

Mr. Hoyles

The Hon. Attorney General

“ Carter

“ Receiver General

“ Prowse

“ Surveyor General

“ March

Mr. Casey

“ Knight

“ Kavanagh

“ Ellis

“ Talbot

“ F. B. Carter

“ Byrne

“ Winter

“ E. D. Shea

“ Warren

“ Benning

“ Walbank

“ Kelly

“ Hogsett

“ Parsons

“ Morris

Motion negatived.

So it passed in the negative; and

Ordered,—Accordingly.

On motion that the Chairman do resume the Chair,

Motion that the Chairman
resume the Chair.

Mr. HOYLES moved in amendment, seconded by Mr. CARTER,

That the House do adjourn till Thursday next at Two o'clock.

Amendment:

And the House having sat till Twelve of the Clock,

Tuesday, 16th March, 1858,

Ordered,—That the said amendment be withdrawn.

Amendment withdrawn.

Mr. SPEAKER left the Chair.

Committee resumed.

Mr. BENNING took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. SPEAKER resumed the Chair.

The Chairman reported from the Committee that they had passed the Bill to them referred, with some Amendments, which they had directed him to report to the House; and he handed the Bill and Amendments in at the Clerk's Table.

Bill reported with Amend-
ments.

And the said Amendments having been read throughout a first and second time, were, upon the question put thereon, agreed to by the House.

Amendments agreed to.

Ordered,—That the Bill as amended, be engrossed, and read a third time to-morrow.

The Hon. COLONIAL SECRETARY, by command of His Excellency the Governor, presented to the House a written Message from His Excellency the Governor, signed by His Excellency.

The said Message was read by the Speaker, all the Members being uncovered, and is as follows:

Message from the Governor.

A. BANNERMAN, Governor.

The Governor herewith transmits Copy of a Letter from Messrs. Norris and Sons, Bedford Row, London, enclosing a Memorial relative to a claim made by these gentlemen on behalf of Robert Maxwell Witham, as Executor of the Will of William Witham, late of Grey's Inn Square, Solicitor for the sum of £197 12 8, due by the House of Assembly of Newfoundland to the said late William Witham.

A Petition making a similar claim was laid before the House of Assembly in February, 1857, and will be found in the Assembly Journals of that year—Appendix, page 415.

The Governor requests that the Assembly will enable him to reply to Messrs. Norris and Son's letter.

(COPY.)

2 Bedford Row, London,

9th February, 1858.

SIR—

The accompanying Memorial to Your Excellency from the Executors of the late Mr. Witham, in respect of his claims upon the House of Assembly of Newfoundland, was sent to the Colonial office to be forwarded to the Island, but, having this morning had a communication from Downing Street, desiring that it should be transmitted to you through the Post-office, we take the liberty of doing so.

We have the honor &c.,

[Signed,]

NORRIS & SONS.

To His Excellency

Sir Alexander Bannerman,

&c., &c., &c.

Ordered,—That the said Message do lie upon the Table.

(For Copy of Memorial, See Appendix.)

MR. KAVANAGH, from the Select Committee appointed to enquire into the Petition of Matthew Toole, claiming compensation for the removal of his house to arrest the progress of the fire in Tarahan's Town, presented a Report; which he handed in at the Clerk's Table, where the same was read as follows:

Committee Room,

15th March, 1858.

Report of Select Committee
on Petition of M. Toole,

The Select Committee appointed to take into consideration the Petition of Matthew Toole, beg leave to report that they have given the matter due consideration, and have taken evidence on the same. The Committee are of opinion that Petitioner has sustained considerable injury by the removal of his dwelling on the night of the 20th October, 1856, to prevent the spread of fire in Tarahan's Town.

The Committee are of opinion that the claim of petitioner is a just one, and beg to recommend that petitioner be compensated for such injury in a sum not exceeding One Hundred Pounds.

All which is respectfully submitted.

JOHN KAVANAGH,

Chairman.

PATRICK MORRIS.

JOHN CASEY.

STEPHEN MARCH.

Ordered,—That the said Report do lie upon the Table.

Mr. KAVANAGH gave notice, that on to-morrow he will move an Address to His Excellency the Governor, in accordance with the Report of the Select Committee on the petition of Matthew Toole,

On Table.

Notice of Address to Governor on the Report of Select Committee on Petition of M. Toole.

The Hon. the RECEIVER GENERAL gave notice, that on to-morrow he would move the House into a Committee of the Whole on Ways and Means.

Notice for Committee on Ways and Means.

Captain CARTER gave notice, that on to-morrow he would move that the Bill sent down from the Legislative Council entitled "An Act to regulate the Seal and other Fisheries of this Island, and to provide for the protection of Masters and Servants," be read a first time.

Notice for 1st reading of Seal and other Fishery Bill.

Mr. WARREN gave notice, that on to-morrow he will ask the Hon. the Colonial Secretary to lay before this House, a Return of all Cases brought before the Northern Circuit Court, whether tried or otherwise, together with the verdict given in each case; also, the taxed costs in each case:

Notice of Return of Cases in the Northern Circuit Court.

Also, that on to-morrow he will ask the Hon. Colonial Secretary to lay before this House, the plans and estimates furnished the Government for the building of a Public Wharf for Ocean Steamers.

Notice for Copy of Plans and Estimates of Public Wharf.

Mr. F. B. CARTER presented a Petition from Henry Pelley and others, of Heart's Content, which was received and read,—Praying for a grant to assist them in building a School: they themselves being prepared to furnish the labour and greater portion of the materials required therefor.

School Petition from Heart's Content.

Mr. KELLY presented a Petition from R. F. Sweetman and others, of Placentia, which was received and read,—Praying for a grant to establish a female School there.

Petition for female School at Placentia.

Petition for Breakwater at Port-de-Grave.

Mr. ELLIS, in the absence of Mr. Brown, presented a Petition from J. Wilcox and others, of Port-de-Grave and Ship Cove, which was received and read,—Praying for a grant to erect a Breakwater at Port-de-Grave.

On Table.

Ordered,—That the said Petitions do lie upon the Table.

Order of the Day for Committee on Steam Communication.

Ordered,—That the Committee of the Whole on the question of Steam Communication to the Northward and Westward of this Island, stand first on the Order of the Day for Monday next.

Then the House adjourned till Friday next, at Three of the Clock

Friday, 19th March, 1858.

Committee on Bills.

Pursuant to Order of the Day, the House resolved itself into Committee of the Whole upon Bills.

Mr. SPEAKER left the Chair.

Mr. WARREN took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. SPEAKER resumed the Chair.

Wild Fowl Bill, and Fees of Sessions Court Bill reported with Amendments.

The Chairman reported from the Committee that they had considered the business to them referred, and had severally passed, with some Amendments, a Bill for the protection of Wild Fowl, and a Bill to regulate the Fees and Charges payable in the Sessions Courts in this Island; and he handed the said several Bills and Amendments in at the Clerk's Table.

Amendments passed.

And the Amendments on the said Bills having been severally read throughout a first and second time, were, upon the question put thereon, agreed to by the House.

Ordered,—That the said several Bills, as amended, be engrossed, and read a third time to-morrow.

Amendments on Commercial Bank Bill read 2nd time.

Pursuant to Order of the Day, the Amendments of the Legislative Council upon the Bill to Incorporate the Commercial Bank, were read a second time.

Ordered,—That the House do, on to-morrow, resolve itself into Committee of the Whole upon the said Amendments.

Ordered,—That the second reading of the Bill to Increase the Representation of Twillingate and Fogo stand first on the Order of the Day for Wednesday next, and do take precedence of notices of motion for that day.

Order of the Day for 2nd reading of Twillingate and Fogo Representation Bill.

Pursuant to Order of the Day, the Bill to provide for the killing of Wolves in this Island, was read a second time.

Killing of Wolves Bill read 2nd time.

Ordered,—That the House do, on to-morrow, resolve itself into Committee of the Whole upon the said Bill.

Mr. BENNING, pursuant to notice and leave granted, presented a Bill to provide for the protection of the Herring fishery, which was read a first time.

Herring Fishery protection Bill read 1st time.

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

On motion of Mr. CASEY, seconded by Mr. BYRNE,

Resolved,—That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into the Petition of Ann Kavanagh, claiming compensation for ground taken from her for the public service.

Select Committee on Petition of Ann Kavanagh.

Ordered,—That Mr. Casey, Mr. Byrne, Mr. Carter, Mr. Warren, and the Hon. Surveyor General do form such Committee.

The Hon. RECEIVER GENERAL, pursuant to notice and leave granted, presented a Bill to authorize the liquidation of certain outstanding Debentures, which was read a first time.

Outstanding Debentures Bill read 1st time.

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

On motion of the Hon. Surveyor General, pursuant to notice, seconded by Mr. E. D. Shea,

Resolved,—That the House do now resolve itself into Committee of the Whole on Roads and Bridges.

Committee on Roads and Bridges.

And the House resolved itself into the said Committee accordingly.

Mr. SPEAKER left the Chair.

Mr. BENNING took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. SPEAKER resumed the Chair.

Progress reported.

The Chairman reported from the Committee that they had made some progress in the Bill to them referred, and had instructed him to ask leave to sit again on the further consideration thereof.

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

Education Bill read 1st time.

The HON. SURVEYOR GENERAL, pursuant to notice and leave granted, presented a Bill to provide for the encouragement of Education, which was read a first time.

Ordered,—That the said Bill be read a second time on Tuesday next.

On motion of Mr. WINTER, seconded by Mr. MARCH,

Resolved,—That the following Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor :—

Address for Returns of
Minute of Council.

To His Excellency Sir ALEXANDER BANNERMAN, Knight, Governor and Commander-in-Chief in and over the Island of Newfoundland and its Dependencies, &c., &c.

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY,—

The House of Assembly respectfully beg leave to request that your Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid before the House a Copy of the Minutes of Council, of 5th November, 1855, relative to the distribution of the sum of £1655 amongst the Outport Poor, as well as the sum of £306 3s. 7d., unexpended road grants, amounting in all to £1961 3s. 7d., in the said Minute of Council.

Ordered,—That the Address be engrossed, and be presented to His Excellency by such Members of this House as are of the Hon. Executive Council.

Mr. ELLIS moved, seconded by Mr. PROWSE,

Motion for Committee on
Petition of J. Bulley, jr.

That a Select Committee be appointed to enquire into the Petition of John Bulley, agent for Mr. J. B. Tompkins, of New York, claiming to be reimbursed for loss sustained by the seizure of Rum shipped from thence on his account, to this country.

Whereupon,

Mr. WINTER moved, in amendment,

amendment thereon.

That the House do adjourn:

And, the question being put thereon, it passed in the negative.

Ordered,—That the original motion be withdrawn.

On motion of the Hon. Receiver General, seconded by Mr. Hogsett,

Resolved,—That the House do, on Tuesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of Ways and Means.

Resolution for Committee on Ways and Means.

Mr. ELLIS gave notice, that on to-morrow he will ask for a Report of Mr. Byrne upon the state of the road, made by the Electric Telegraph Company, between St. John's and Cape Ray.

Notice for Report upon Telegraph Company's Road.

Mr. F. B. CARTER gave notice, that on to-morrow he will move for a Return of Criminal Cases, specifying the character of charge and punishment, tried and determined by juries in the Supreme and Central Circuit and Sessions Courts, for the Central District respectively, for the past three years ; as also of Criminal Cases determined summarily by the justices without juries.

Notice for Return of Cases tried in Supreme and Central Circuit Courts.

The Hon. ATTORNEY GENERAL gave notice, that on to-morrow he would ask leave to introduce a Bill to indemnify the colony for the outlay of certain monies in the improvement of St. John's, and to provide for the improvement of said Town.

Notice for Bill to indemnify the Colony for expenditure in improvement of St. John's.

Mr. BENNING presented a Petition from Michael Berney and others, of Burin, Port-aux-Bras, Mortier and Fox Cove, which was received and read,—Praying for a grant to repair the roads and bridges between Mortier and Burin :

Road Petition from Burin.

He also presented a Petition from Christopher Vanstone, of Burin, which was received and read,—Praying that he may be remunerated for his services for excavating the rock called the "Scrupe," on the main line of road from Burin to Garnish.

Ordered,—That the said Petitions do lie upon the Table.

On Table.

Mr. MARCH presented a Petition from John Husson and others, of Hant's Harbor, which was received and read,—Praying for a grant to make a road to the Chapel.

Road Petition from Trinity.

Ordered,—That the said Petition do lie upon the Table.

On Table.

Mr. BYRNE presented a Petition from Michael Rorke and others, of the South Side of Holyrood, which was received and read,—Praying for a grant to repair the road on the South Side :

Road Petitions from Holyrood.

He also presented a Petition from Peter Quinlan and others, of Holyrood, North side, which was received and read,—Praying for a grant to repair the road from Harbor Maine to Chapel Cove.

On Table.

Ordered,—That the said Petitions do lie upon the Table.

Road Petition from French's Cove;

Mr. HAYWARD presented a Petition from Jonathan French and others, of French's Cove, Bay Roberts, which was received and read,—Praying for a grant to complete the road from French's Hill to Crane's Brook.

On Table.

Ordered,—That the said Petition do lie upon the Table.

Petition for Gas Lamp.

Mr. KAVANAGH presented a Petition from W. H. Marc and others, of St. John's, which was received and read,—Praying that the Gas Lamp opposite the Congregational Church, may be paid for at the public expense.

On Table.

Ordered,—That the said Petitions do lie upon the Table.

Road Petitions from Torbay and Fresh Water.

He also presented Petitions from Sylvester Murphy and others, of Torbay; Philip Malone and others, of Fresh Water; Samuel Tupper and others, of Torbay; Thomas Caddigan and others, of Logy Bay; Matthew Fox and others, of Outer Cove; Joseph Connors and others, of Logy Bay; James Power and others, of Outer Cove, which were severally received and read,—Praying for grants to open and repair branch roads in those localities.

On Table;

Ordered,—That the said Petition do lie upon the Table

Then the House adjourned till Monday next, at Three of the Clock.

Tuesday, 23rd March, 1858,

Read 3rd time.

Pursuant to Order of the Day, the following Bills were read a third time, as engrossed :

The Bill to establish the Fees and Costs chargeable in the several Police offices and Sessions Courts in this Island;

The Bill for the protection of the breeding of Wild Fowl.

Ordered,—That the first Bill pass, and be entitled, “An Act to establish the Fees and Costs chargeable in the several Police offices and Courts of Sessions in this Colony.” Passed and titled;

Ordered,—That the second Bill pass, and be entitled “An Act for the protection of the breeding of Wild Fowl.”

Ordered,—That Mr. Hogsett and Mr. Walbank do take the said several Bills to the Legislative Council and desire their concurrence. Sent to Legislative Council;

Pursuant to Order of the Day, the House resolved itself into Committee of the Whole on the question of Steam Communication to the Northward and Westward of this Island. Committee on Steam Communication North and West.

Mr. SPEAKER left the Chair.

Mr. KNIGHT took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. SPEAKER resumed the Chair.

The Chairman reported from the Committee that they had made some progress in the Bill to them referred, and had instructed him to ask leave to sit again on the further consideration thereof. Progress reported;

Ordered,—That the Committee stand first on the Order of the Day for Monday next.

Mr. CASEY, from the Select Committee appointed to enquire into the Petition of Ann Kavanagh, presented the Report; which he handed in at the Clerk's Table, where the same was read as follows:

Committee Room,

23rd March, 1858.

Report of Select Committee
on Petition of Ann Kavanagh.

The Select Committee appointed to enquire into the Petition of Ann Kavanagh, praying compensation for land taken for public purposes in 1851, beg to report that they have taken evidence on the subject of the Petition, appended hereto, and found that in 1851 the Hon. Joseph Noad, then Surveyor General, marked out land in the occupation of the Petitioner, situate in the Cribbies, near the property of Long, Hamlin, and Grimslet, of which the public has since had the use, and no compensation was made Petitioner, although applied for from time to time.

Your Committee are, therefore, of opinion that compensation should be made the Petitioner, and respectfully recommend to your Honourable House the adoption of an Address to His Excellency, requesting His Excellency to take the proper measures for ascertaining the loss incurred by Petitioner, to the end that, with as little delay as possible, she be compensated for the loss sustained for the public benefit.

JOHN CASEY.

Chairman.

THOMAS BYRNE,

F. B. T. CARTER,

JOHN H. WARREN.

On Table.

Ordered,—That the said Report do lie upon the Table.

(For evidence accompanying, see Appendix.)

Notice of Address to Governor on Petition of Ann Kavanagh.

Mr. CASEY gave notice, that on to-morrow he will move an Address to the Governor on the Report of the Select Committee on the Petition of Ann Kavanagh.

Notice for Deputy Speaker Bill.

Mr. HOGSETT gave notice that on to-morrow he will ask leave to bring in a Bill to provide for the appointment of a Deputy Speaker of the House of Assembly of this Island.

Then the House adjourned till to-morrow at Three of the Clock.

Wednesday, 24th March, 1858.

Petition from Carbonear:

The HON. SURVEYOR GENERAL presented a Petition from Robert Puck and others, of Carbonear, which was received and read,—Praying for the appointment of a District Surgeon there.

On Table.

Ordered,—That the said Petition do lie upon the Table.

Petition from A. O'Donovan.

He also presented a Petition from Alexander O'Donovan, Principal of the Carbonear Grammar School, which was received and read,—Setting

forth that he has filled that situation for the last fourteen years, during which time his conduct has met the approval of the public: That his salary of £150 per annum is unequal to those of persons filling similar offices throughout the Colony, and praying that it may be increased.

Ordered,—That the said Petition do lie upon the Table

On Table.

Mr. BEMISTER presented a Petition from Thomas Butler, Constable, of Brigus, which was received and read,—Praying for an increase of salary.

Petition from Constable of Brigus.

On Table.

Ordered,—That the said Petition do lie upon the Table.

He also presented Petitions from Joseph H. Parsons and others, of Freshwater and Clown's Cove, near Catalina; and from Edward O'Keefe and others, of Frog Marsh, which were severally received and read,—Praying for grants to repair roads in those localities.

Road Petitions from Freshwater and parts adjacent.

Ordered,—That the said Petitions do lie upon the Table.

On Table.

Mr. MORRIS presented a Petition from Thomas Birkett, Sub-Collector of Burin, which was received and read,—Praying compensation for cost incurred by him in providing an office for the public business at his own expense.

Petition from Sub-Collector of Burin.

Ordered,—That the said Petition do lie upon the Table.

On Table.

Mr. CARTER presented a Petition from George Hayward and others, of Bayley's Cove, which was received and read,—Praying for a grant to repair roads on the North side of Bonavista Bay.

Road Petition from Bonavista Bay.

Ordered,—That the said Petition do lie upon the Table.

On Table.

Mr. F. B. CARTER presented Petitions from Samuel Millar and others, of North side Trinity, John Murphy and others, of Catalina; and from Benjamin Smith and others, of English Harbor and Green Bay Cove, which were severally received and read,—Praying for road grants for those localities:

Road Petitions from Trinity Bay.

Ordered,—That the said Petitions do lie upon the Table.

On Table.

He also presented a Petition from William Nitten and others, of Catalina and Bird Island Cove, which was received and read,—Praying for the appointment of an Education Board there; and that a proportionate part of the Education Grant may be awarded them.

Education Petition from Catalina.

Ordered,—That the said Petition do lie upon the Table.

On Table.

Petition to open Flower Hill Firebreak and Le Marchant Road.

Mr. CASEY presented a Petition from James J. Rogerson and others, of St. John's which was received and read,—Praying that the House would adopt measures for completing the Flower Hill Firebreak, and the LeMarchant road.

On Table.

Ordered,—That the said Petition do lie upon the Table.

Road Petitions from Fortune Bay.

Mr. HOYLES presented Petitions from John Marshal and others, of Beloram and St. Jacques ; and from Edward Colley and others, of Grole, which were severally received and read,—Praying for a grant to open and repair roads and bridges in those localities.

On Table.

Ordered,—That the said Petitions do lie upon the Table.

Petition from William Butler for poor relief.

Mr. PARSONS presented a Petition from William Butler, of St. John's, which was received and read,—Praying that his allowance from the Poor Relief Fund may be increased.

On Table.

Ordered,—That the said Petition do lie upon the Table.

Wesleyan Education Petition from Harbor Grace.

Mr. HAYWARD presented a Petition from John S. Phinney and others, of Harbor Grace, which was received and read,—Praying that the Wesleyans of this country may have a proportionate amount of the Education Grant made them, according to population.

On Table.

Ordered,—That the said Petition do lie upon the Table.

Petition for ferry boat at Aquaforte.

Mr. E. D. SHEA presented a Petition from Samuel Cose, Ferryman at Aquaforte, which was received and read,—Praying for a grant to enable him to purchase a Ferry Boat.

On Table.

Ordered,—That the said Petition do lie upon the Table.

Road Petition from Burin District.

Mr. MORRIS presented a Petition from John Cullen and others, of Jean-de-Bois, Spanish Room, Rock Harbor, Little Bay and Beaubois, which was received and read,—Praying for a grant to repair the road from Mortier to Big Head.

On Table.

Ordered,—That the said Petition do lie upon the Table.

Road Petition from Harbor Main.

Mr. BYRNE presented a Petition from Pierce Murphy and others, of Red Rocks and Harbor Maine, which was received and read,—Praying for a grant to open a branch road to Chapel's Cove.

On Table.

Ordered,—That the said Petition do lie upon the Table.

Mr. KAVANAGH presented Petitions from Patrick Ryan and others, of Logy Bay ; and Thomas Caddigan and others, of same place, which were severally received and read,—Praying for grants to repair roads there.

Road Petitions from Logy Bay.

Ordered,—That the said Petitions do lie upon the Table.

On Table.

Ordered,—That the second reading of the Bill to increase the Representation of Twillingate and Fogo, stand first on the Order of the Day on Wednesday next.

Order of the Day for 2nd reading of Twillingate and Fogo Representation Bill.

Pursuant to Order of the Day, the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole upon Ways and Means.

Committee on Ways and Means.

Mr. SPEAKER left the Chair.

Mr. BENNING took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. SPEAKER resumed the Chair.

The Chairman reported from the Committee that they had considered the business to them referred, and had come to certain Resolutions thereon, which they had directed him to report to the House ; and he handed the Resolutions in at the Clerk's Table where the same were read as follows :

Resolutions reported;

Resolved,—That it is the opinion of this Committee that the following Table of Duties be substituted for the Table of Duties contained in the Act of this Colony, 19 Vic., Cap. 1 :—

TABLE OF DUTIES.

		£	s.	d.
Ale, Porter, Cider, and Perry, viz. :				
In Bottles, the dozen of 2 gallons .....	.....	0	0	9
In Casks	the gallon	0	0	3
Bacon, Hams, Smoked Beef and Sausages	the cwt.	0	7	6
Beef, salted and cured	the brl. of 200 lbs.	0	2	0
Biscuit or Bread	the cwt.	0	0	3
Butter	"	0	3	0
Cheese	"	0	5	0
Chocolate and Cocoa	the lb	0	0	1
Cigars	the M.	0	10	0
Coals	the ton	0	1	0
Coffee	the lb.	0	0	1
Feathers and Feather Beds	"	0	0	1
Flour	the barrel	0	1	6
Fruit, dried	the lb.	0	0	1

Fruit, other descriptions ...	.....	the £100	£10	0	0
Molasses ...	.....	the gallon	0	0	2½
Oatmeal and Indian Meal	.....	the barrel	0	0	6
Pork .....	.....	the barrel of 200lbs.	0	3	0
Salt .....	.....	the ton	0	0	6
Shingles. . . . .	.....	the M.	0	1	0

SPIRITS, viz. :

Brandy, Gin, Whiskey, and Cordials, or other Spirits not herein defined or enumerated, not exceeding the strength of proof by Syke's Hydrome- ter, and so in proportion for any great- er strength than the strength of proof.	} the gallon,	0	4	0
Rum, not exceeding the strength of proof by Syke's Hydrometer, and so in proportion for any greater strength than strength of proof.	} the gallon,	0	1	6

SUGAR, viz. :

Loaf and Refined	.....	the cwt.	0	12	6
Unrefined	.....	"	0	7	6
Bastard	.....	"	0	7	4
Tea	.....	the lb.	0	0	3
Tobacco, Manufactured.....	.....	the cwt.	0	0	3
Tobacco Stems	.....	"	0	2	0
Vinegar	.....	the gallon	0	0	3

WINE, viz. :

In bottles	.....	the gallon	0	5	0
Wines in wood and other vessels, not being bottles, viz. : Port, Madeira, } Hock, Burgundy, Claret	} the gallon	0	4	0	
Sherry	.....	"	0	2	6
		and 12½ per cent. ad valorem.			
All other Wines	.....	the gallon,	0	2	0

Anchors	}	the £100	£5	0	0
Barley and Oats					
Canvas					
Cordage and Cables					
Copper and Composition Metal for Ships, viz : Sheathing, Bar, Bolt and Nails					
Corks and Corkwood					
Fishing Tackle					
Indian Corn	}	the £100	5	0	0
Iron, viz. : Bar, Bolt, Sheathing and Sheet, wrought Nails					
Medicines					
Oakum					
Pease					
Pitch, Tar, Turpentine and Rosin					
Poultry and Fresh Meat					
Goods, Wares, and Merchandize, not otherwise enumerated, described, or charged with duty in this Act, and not otherwise exempt	}	the £100	10	0	0

LOCAL DISTILLATION:

Rum, not exceeding the strength of proof by Syke's Hydrometer, and so in proportion for any greater strength than strength of proof.	}	the gallon,	0	0	8
Brandy, Gin, or other Spirits not herein defined or enumerated, not exceeding the strength of proof by Syke's Hy- drometer, and so in propotion for any greater strength than the strength of proof.					
	}	the gallon,	0	1	0

Resolved,—That it is the opinion of this Committee that the following Table of Exemptions be substituted for the Table of Exemptions under the Act 19 Vic., Cap. 1 :—

TABLE OF EXEMPTIONS.

- Printed Books, Pamphlets, Maps and Charts
- Coin and Bullion
- Hemp, Flax, Tow
- Plants, Trees and Shrubs
- Specimens Illustrative of Natural History
- Works of Art, viz. :—Engravings, Paintings, Statuary, and all articles im-
ported for Religious purposes, and not intended for Sale
- Manures of all kinds
- Arms, Clothing and Provisions for H. M. Land and Sea Forces

Passengers' Baggage, Household Furniture and Working Tools and Im-
 plements used and in the use of persons arriving in the Island
 Refuse of Rice
 Seeds for Agricultural purposes
 Vegetables of all sorts
 Animals of all kinds
 Printing Paper, Royal and Demy, in use for Newspapers
 Articles of every description imported for the use of the Governor
 Donations of Clothing specially imported for distribution gratuitously by
 any Charitable Society
 Cotton Yarn
 Pig Iron
 Cork

Resolved,—That it is the opinion of this Committee, that the following
 Table of Exemptions be substituted for the Table of Exemptions in the
 Act 10 Vic., Cap. 1, relating to Articles being the growth and produce of
 the United States of America, mentioned and enumerated in the Schedule
 to an Act made and passed in the Legislature, entitled “ An Act to give
 “ effect, on the part of the Island of Newfoundland, to a certain Treaty
 “ between Her Majesty and the United States of America.”

TABLE OF EXEMPTIONS UNDER TREATY WITH THE UNITED STATES AND RECIPROCITY.

The following, Articles being the growth and produce of the United
 States of America, mentioned and enumerated in the Schedule to an Act
 made and passed in the Legislature, entitled “ An Act to give effect, on
 the part of the Island of Newfoundland, to a certain Treaty between Her
 Majesty and the United States of America,” shall be admitted Free of Duty
 viz. :

Grain, Flour, and Breadstuffs of all kinds
 Animals of All kinds
 Fresh, Smoked, and Salted Meats
 Cotton Wool, Seeds and Vegetables
 Undried Fruits, Dried Fruits
 Fish of all kinds
 Products of Fish, and all other creatures living in the Water
 Poultry, Eggs
 Hides, Furs, Skins or Tails—undressed
 Bone or Marble, in its crude or unwrought state
 Slate
 Butter, Cheese, Tallow, Lard

Horns, Manures
 Ores of Metals of all kinds
 Coal
 Pitch, Tar, Turpentine
 Ashes
 Timber and Lumber of all kinds
 Firewood, Plants, Shrubs and Trees
 Pelts, Wool
 Fish Oil
 Rice, Broom Corn and Bark
 Gypsum—ground or unground
 Hewn or wrought or unwrought Burr or Grindstones
 Dye Stuffs
 Glass, Hemp, Tow—manufactured
 Unmanufactured Tobacco
 Rags

So long as the said Treaty between Great Britain and the United States of America, in the said recited Act mentioned, shall remain in force in this Island; and similar Articles being the growth, produce, and manufacture of the United Kingdom, British North American Provinces, or of the Island of Prince Edward, or the Channel Islands, shall be admitted Duty Free, notwithstanding any Law to the contrary.

Resolved,—That it is the opinion of this Committee, that a Bill be introduced embodying the foregoing Resolutions, and making provisions for the collection of the said Duties, and the payment of the expenses and salaries incident to the collection thereof for one year, from the passing of this Act.

Ordered,—That the said Resolutions be adopted.

On motion of the Hon. RECEIVER GENERAL, seconded by Mr. BENNING,

Resolved,—That a Supply be granted to Her Majesty.

Resolution for Supply.

Ordered,—That the House do resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole on Friday next, to consider the Supply granted to Her Majesty.

Order for Committee on Supply.

On motion of Mr. KAVANAGH, seconded by Mr. CASEY,

Resolved,—That the following Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor :—

Address on Petition of M.
Toole.

To His Excellency Sir ALEXANDER BANNERMAN, Knight, Governor and Commander-in-Chief in and over the Island of Newfoundland and its Dependencies, &c., &c.

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY,—

The House of Assembly, having had under their consideration a Petition from Matthew Toole, together with the accompanying report of the Select Committee appointed to investigate said Petition, respectfully request that your Excellency will be pleased to sanction an appropriation to compensate Petitioner, in accordance with the said report, and this House will make provision therefor.

Ordered,—That the Address be engrossed, and be presented to His Excellency the Governor by such members of this House as are of the Hon. Executive Council.

On motion of Mr. CARTER, seconded by Mr. MARCH,

Fishery Bill read 1st time:

Resolved,—That the Bill sent down from the Legislative Council, for the protection of the Seal and other fisheries of this Island, be now read a first time.

And the Bill was read a first time accordingly.

Ordered,—That the said Bill be read a second time on Monday next.

Bill for liquidation of Debt read 1st time.

The Hon. ATTORNEY GENERAL, pursuant to notice and leave granted, presented a Bill to provide for the liquidation of a certain Debt, contracted by the Colony, for the making and widening the Streets and Firebreaks of St. John's, which was read a first time.

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

On motion of Mr. CASEY, seconded by Mr. MARCH,

Resolved,—That the following Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor :

Address on Report of Committee on Petition of Ann Kavanagh.

To His Excellency SIR ALEXANDER BANNERMAN, Knight, Governor and Commander-in-Chief in and over the Island of Newfoundland and its Dependencies, &c., &c.

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY,—

The House of Assembly, having had under their consideration a Petition from Ann Kavanagh, together with the accompanying report of the

Select Committee appointed to investigate the said Petition, respectfully request that your Excellency will be pleased to cause proper measures to be taken for ascertaining the loss incurred by Petitioner, to the end that, with as little delay as possible, she be compensated for the loss sustained for the public benefit, and this House will make provision therefor.

Ordered,—That the Address be engrossed, and be presented to His Excellency the Governor by such members of this House as are of the Hon. Executive Council.

The Hon. RECEIVER GENERAL gave notice, that on to-morrow he will ask leave to bring in a Revenue Bill, in accordance with the Resolutions reported from Committee on Ways and Means.

Motion for Revenue Bill.

Mr. HOGSETT gave notice, that on to-morrow he will move for the appointment of a Select Committee to consider and report to the House, whether any and what improvement may be made in the providing for the election of the Office of Speaker.

Notice of Select Committee on the subject of the Speaker.

Then the House adjourned till Friday next at Three of the Clock.

Friday, 26th March, 1858.

Mr. WARREN presented a Petition from Jasper Cullen and others, of Point May, which was received and read,—Praying for a grant to build a Breakwater there.

Petition for Breakwater at Point May.

Ordered,—That the said Petition do lie upon the Table.

On Table.

Mr. WINTER presented a Petition from Henry Brown and others, of Lance Cove, Old Perlican, which was received and read,—Praying for a grant to build a Bridge over Lance Cove Beach.

Petition for brige at Lance Cove.

Ordered,—That the said Petition do lie upon the Table.

On Table.

Mr. WARREN presented Petitions from George Skelton and others, of Greenspond; and from William Sweetland and others, of Bonavista, which were severally received and read,—Praying for grants to repair and open roads in those localities.

Road Petitions from Bonavista.

Message from Council.

(A Message from the Legislative Council.)

The Master-in-Chancery to the Legislative Council brought down the following Message :

MR. SPEAKER,—

The Legislative Council acquaint the House of Assembly that they have passed the Bills sent up for their concurrence, entitled “ An Act for the erection of a Light House on or near Cape St. Mary’s, on the Western Coast of Newfoundland :” “ An Act to provide for the appointment of Surveyors of Shipping, and for other purposes connected therewith,” and “ An Act to afford relief to Wives and Children deserted by their Husbands and Parents,” without Amendment.

The Legislative Council have also passed the Bill sent up to them, entitled “ An Act to prevent the firing of the Woods and Forests of this Island, and to make provision for the erection and repair of boundary fences,” with some Amendments, to which they request the concurrence of the Assembly.

LAURENCE O'BRIEN,

President.

Council Chamber, }
26th March, 1858. }

And then the Messenger withdrew.

Amendments on Woods and Forests Bill read 1st time.

The Amendments made by the Legislative Council in upon the Bill sent up from the Assembly, entitled “ An Act to prevent the firing of Woods and Forests of this Island, and to make provision for the erection and repair of Boundary Fences therein,” were read a first time, and are as follows :

In the 3rd Section of the Bill, 2nd line, after the word “ improved” insert the words “ or unimproved,” and at the end of this Section, insert the words “ Provided that nothing herein contained shall extend to unimproved Lands in the possession of the Crown.”

“ 4th “ 1st line, after the words “ neglect,” insert the words “ after reasonable notice.”

“ 6th “ 2nd line, after the word “ Street,” insert the word “ Lane.”

Ordered,—That the Amendments be read a second time to-morrow.

The Hon. RECEIVER GENERAL gave notice, that on to-morrow he will move an Address to the Governor respectfully requesting that His Excellency will be pleased to cause Warrants to be issued on the Receiver General for the payment of the quarterly salaries and accounts due on 31st March, and annually voted in Supply.

Notice of Address to Governor.

Mr. WALBANK gave notice, that on to-morrow he will move for the appointment of a Select Committee to take into consideration the Petition of John Bulley, jr., with power to send for persons and papers to report thereon.

Notice of Select Committee on Petition of J. Bulley jr.

Mr. WINTER gave notice that on to-morrow he will ask the Hon. Receiver General to lay on the Table of the House the amount received under the St. John's Re-building Act, to the close of the year 1857.

Notice for Returns under St. John's Re-building Act.

Mr. E. D. SHEA, in the absence of the Hon. Colonial Secretary, gave notice, that on to-morrow he will move an Address to the Legislatures of the several North American Colonies, thanking them for their co-operation with this Colony on the subject of the late French Convention.

Notice of Address of Thanks to B. N. A. Colonies.

Mr. PROWSE gave notice, that on to-morrow he will move that an Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor, requesting that copies shall be laid before this House of any correspondence which has taken place between the Canadian and Newfoundland Governments in regard of the Light-houses recently built by the former Government—one on North Belle Isle, Lat. 51°53' North; the other on Forteau Bay, Labrador, 51°27' North, and both within the limits of the Government of Newfoundland and its Dependencies; and whether the Canadian Government have acquired any right or title from His Excellency to the sites on which these edifices and their appurtenances have been erected.

Notice of Addresses to Governor.

That the Governor will also be pleased to lay before this House, copies of any correspondence which may have taken place, relative to the erection of a Light-house on the Bird or Brown Island, on the Eastern group of the Magdalens, in the Gulf of St. Lawrence.

The Order of the Day for the Third reading of the Bill to amend the Act for the Management of Customs, being read,

Order of the Day for 3rd reading of Customs Management Bill.

Whereupon,

Mr. HOYLES moved in amendment, seconded by Mr. F. B. CARTER;

Amendment thereon.

That the 3rd Section be expunged therefrom.

And, the question being put thereon, the House divided, when the appeared,—

Division,	<i>For the Amendment, 10.</i>	<i>Against the Amendment, 13.</i>
	Mr. Hoyles	The Hon. Attorney General
	“ Carter	“ Receiver General
	“ Prowse	“ Surveyor General
	“ March	Mr. Casey
	“ Knight	“ Kavanagh
	“ Bemister	“ Delaney
	“ F. B. Cartor	“ Byrne
	“ Winter	“ E. D. Shea
	“ Warren	“ Benning
	“ Walbank	“ Kelly
		“ Hogsett
		“ Parsons
		“ Morris

Amendment negatived.

So it passed in the negative.

And, the question on the original motion being then put, it passed in the affirmative ; and,

Read 3rd time.

The said Bill was read a third time accordingly.

Passed and titled.

Ordered,—That the Bill pass, and be entitled “ An Act to repeal and amend certain points of an Act, entitled “ An Act for the establishment of a Board of Revenue, and for the regulation, management, and collection of all Duties granted to Her Majesty, Her Heirs and Successors, on Goods, Wares, and Merchandize, imported into this Island, and its Dependencies, and to repeal certain Acts relating thereto.”

Sent to Council,

Ordered,—That the Hon. Receiver General and Mr. Hogsett do take the Bill to the Legislative Council and desire their concurrence.

Committee on Supply:

Pursuant to Order of the Day, the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole on Supply.

Mr. SPEAKER left the Chair.

Mr. BENNING took the Chair of the Committee

Mr. SPEAKER resumed the Chair.

The Chairman reported from the Committee that they had made some progress in the business to them referred, and had instructed him to ask leave to sit again on the further consideration thereof. Progress reported.

Ordered,—That the Committee have leave to sit again.

Pursuant to Order of the Day, the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole upon the Amendments of the Legislative Council upon the Bill to Incorporate the Commercial Bank of Newfoundland. Committee on Amendments on Commercial Bank Bill.

Mr. SPEAKER left the Chair.

Mr. HAYWARD took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. SPEAKER resumed the Chair.

The Chairman reported from the Committee that they had passed the Amendments to them referred, without Amendment; and he handed the same in at the Clerk's Table. Reported without Amendment.

Ordered,—That the Amendments be read a third time to-morrow.

Then the House adjourned till Monday next at Three of the Clock.

Monday, 29th March, 1858.

Pursuant to Order of the Day, the Amendments of the Legislative Council in and upon the Bill sent up from the Assembly, entitled "An Act to Incorporate the Commercial Bank of Newfoundland," were read a third time. Amendments on Commercial Bank Bill read 3rd time.

Ordered,—That the Amendments do pass, and that a Message be sent to the Legislative Council acquainting them that this House concurs therein. Passed and sent to Council.

Ordered,—That the Hon. Receiver General and Mr. Hogsett do take the Message to the Legislative Council.

On motion of Mr. HOGSETT, seconded by Mr. CASEY,

Resolved,—That from the respect entertained for the memory of the late William Henry Ellis, Esq., Member for the District of Twillingate and Resolution of respect to memory of the late William H. Ellis, Esq.

Fogo, an Address of condolence from this House be transmitted to his Widow by the Hon. the Speaker.

Resolved,—That out of respect for the memory of the late William Henry Ellis, Esq., the House do now adjourn, and that Mr. Speaker and the Whole House do attend his remains to the grave on Wednesday next.

Ordered,—That the House, at its rising, do adjourn till Monday next at Three of the o'clock.

Then the House adjourned till Monday next at Three of the Clock.

Monday, 5th April, 1858.

Petition from Pierce Power.

Mr. KAVANAGH presented a Petition from Pierce Power, of St. John's, which was received and read,—Setting forth that his House in Water Street caught fire on the 4th April last: That while engaged in saving his property, he was arrested on a charge of having wilfully caused the conflagration, and taken before the Magistrates, when the charge was proved to be without foundation: That during his absence a large amount of property was stolen and destroyed, which would not have been the case had he not been compelled to leave; and praying that the House would take his case into consideration, and grant him some compensation for the loss sustained.

On Table.

Ordered,—That the said Petition do lie upon the Table.

Petition for Tank at Long's Hill.

He also presented a Petition from Patrick Hynes and others, of Long's Hill, which was received and read,—Praying for a grant to complete the Tank in that locality.

On Table.

Ordered,—That the said Petition do lie upon the Table.

Petition from Patrick Ryan, of Logy Bay.

He also presented a Petition from Patrick Ryan, of Logy Bay, which was received and read,—Praying compensation for loss sustained by the destruction of his Fishing Room from the falling of a cliff, on the 29th July, 1853.

On Table.

Ordered,—That the said Petition do lie upon the Table.

Road Petition from Logy Bay.

He also presented a Petition from William Vicars and others, of Logy Bay, which was received and read,—Praying for a grant to open a branch road in that locality.

Ordered,—That the said Petition do lie upon the Table.

On Table.

Mr. BYRNE presented a Petition from William Hawkoo and others, of Chapel's Cove, which was received and read,—Setting forth their willingness to contribute a yearly amount to liquidate the cost of making a safety harbor there, provided the Government will grant a sufficient amount to complete the undertaking.

Petition from Chapel's Cove for safety Harbor.

Ordered,—That the said Petition do lie upon the Table.

On Table.

He also presented a Petition from Kyran Walsh and others, of Harbor Main, which was received and read,—Praying for a grant to open agricultural roads in that locality.

Petition from Harbor Main for Agricultural Roads.

Ordered,—That the said Petitions do lie upon the Table.

On Table.

Mr. WARREN presented a Petition from the Rev. Matthew Scanlan, P. P., of King's Cove, Bonavista Bay, which was received and read,—Praying for a grant to open the road from thence to Plate Cove, to enable the settlers at Tickle Cove, Red Cliff Island, Open Hall, Plate Cove, and Indian Arm to attend Chapel.

Road Petition from King's Cove.

He also presented a Petition from M. Scanlan and others, of Plate Cove, which was received and read,—Praying for a grant to repair local roads.

Road Petition from Plate Cove.

He also presented a Petition from William Sweetland and others, of Bonavista, which was received and read,—Praying for a grant to complete the road from thence to Catalina.

Road Petition from Bonavista.

there :

Ordered,—That the said Petitions do lie upon the Table.

On Table.

Mr. MORRIS presented a Petition from Richard Howley, of St. John's, which was received and read,—Praying that he may be remunerated for his services as Appraiser and Arbitrator under the Act 15 Vic., Cap. 4.

Petition from Richard Howley.

Ordered,—That the said Petition do lie upon the Table.

On Table.

Mr. MORRIS presented a Petition from Michael Berny and others, of Burin, which was received and read,—Praying for an alteration in transmitting the mails to that District.

Petition from Burin for alteration in Mail Route.

Ordered,—That the said Petition do lie upon the Table.

On Table.

Mr. BEMISTER presented a Petition from George Call and others, of Caplin Cove, which was received and read,—Praying for a grant to open and repair roads there.

Road Petition from Caplin Cove.

Ordered,—That the said Petition do lie upon the Table.

On Table.

Petition from Black-head
for Weekly Mail.

He also presented a Petition from Henry G. Addy and others, of Black-head, Broad Cove, Mulloy's Cove, and Adam's Cove, which was received and read,—Praying for the establishment of a Way-office at Black-head, and a Weekly Mail to Bay-de-Verds.

On Table.

Ordered,—That the said Petition do lie upon the Table.

Petition from Brigus against
taking Caplin for Manure.

He also presented a Petition from William Morgan and others, of Brigus, which was received and read,—Praying that the House would pass a Bill to prevent the taking of Caplin for manure.

On Table.

Ordered,—That the said Petition do lie upon the Table.

Road Petition from Heart's
Content.

The Hon. SURVEYOR GENERAL presented a Petition from Michael Howley, of Heart's Content, which was received and read,—Praying for a grant to repair the road from thence to Birchin Cove.

On Table.

Ordered,—That the said Petition do lie upon the Table.

Road Petition from Farmers
on Topsail and Placentia
Roads.

Mr. CASEY presented a Petition from David Power and others, Farmers, on Topsail and Placentia roads, which was received and read,—Praying for a grant to build a Bridge over Steady Water :

Petition for Breakwater at
Petty Harbor.

He also presented a Petition from James Prudham and others, of Petty Harbor, which was received and read,—Praying for a grant to make a Breakwater from Mad Rock to the mainland.

On Table.

Ordered,—That the said Petitions do lie upon the Table.

Documents from His Excellency
the Governor.

The Hon. ATTORNEY GENERAL, by command of His Excellency the Governor, presented to the House the following Documents :

Return of Cases heard and determined in the Northern Circuit Court, in 1857 :

Report of Mr. Henry Knight on the protection of the Fisheries at Cape John, for the summer of 1857 :

Returns from the following Boards of Education :—

From the Southern part of Ferryland District :

From Trinity North.

(For which see Appendix.)

On Table.

Ordered,—That the said Documents do lie upon the Table.

Mr. MORRIS gave notice that on to-morrow he will move an Address to the Governor on the subject of certain alterations in transmitting the Mails to Burin.

Notice for alteration in Burin Mail route.

Mr. BYRNE gave notice that on to-morrow he will move an Address to the Governor to appropriate a sum of money for the purpose of opening branch roads through agricultural tracts of land.

Notice for Address for branch roads.

Pursuant to Order of the Day, the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole on the further consideration of Steam Communication to the North and Westward of this Island.

Committee on Steam Communication to the North and West.

Mr. SPEAKER left the Chair.

Mr. KNIGHT took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. SPEAKER resumed the Chair.

The Chairman reported from the Committee that they had considered the business to them referred, and had come to certain Resolutions thereon, which they had directed him to report to the House; and he handed the Resolutions in at the Clerk's Table, where the same were read as follows:

Resolutions reported.

Resolved,—That it is the opinion of this Committee that the establishment of a regular communication between the Capital and the several Outports of the colony, by means of steam vessels, would conduce materially to the development of the resources of the colony and the advantage and comfort of its inhabitants, especially of those resident in the outports.

Resolved,—That it is the opinion of this Committee that an Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor, respectfully requesting him to communicate with the French Authorities at St. Pierre upon the subject of Steam Communication between that Port, St. John's, and Croque, and that the government be authorised to enter into an agreement to carry out such arrangement as may be determined upon between the Executive and the French Authorities; and also to make such arrangements as may be necessary for the establishment of communication North and South, or in either direction as the available means of the colony will permit; and if practicable, to sanction an appropriation not exceeding about Two Thousand Pounds per annum for each direction, for such term as may be agreed upon.

On motion that the Report be received;

Motion that the report be received.

Mr. WARREN moved, in Amendment, seconded by Mr. HOYLES,

That the Report be not received.

And, the question being put thereon, the House divided, when there appeared,—

Division.

For the Amendment, 11.

Against the Amendment, 14.

Mr. Hoyles

The Hon. Attorney General

“ Carter

“ Receiver General

“ Prowse

“ Surveyor General

“ March

Mr. Casey

“ Knight

“ Kavanagh

“ Bemister

“ Delaney

“ F. B. Carter

“ Byrne

“ Winter

“ E. D. Shea

“ Warren

“ Benning

“ Walbank

“ Kelly

“ Brown

“ Hayward

“ Hogsett

“ Parsons

“ Morris

Negatived.

So it passed in the negative.

Resolutions adopted.

And, the question on the original motion being then put, it passed in the affirmative ; and,

Ordered,—Accordingly.

Notice for Select Committee on Petition of R. Howley.

Mr. MORRIS gave notice that on to-morrow he will move for a Select Committee on the Petition of Richard Howley, Esq., claiming compensation under the St. John's Re-building Act.

Notice of Address to Governor.

Mr. F. B. CARTER gave notice that on to-morrow he will move an Address to the Governor, to compensate Robert Tilly for monies expended on Road work :

Notice for return of compensation paid for land taken for public purposes.

Also that he will ask the Hon. Colonial Secretary, or proper officer, for a return of the names of parties, and amounts received by them respectively, as compensation for land in St. John's taken for public purposes,

distinguishing those residing out of, and in the Island, and situation of land and character, interest of parties, whether as Landlords or Tenants.

Mr. HOGSETT, from the Select Committee appointed to enquire into the grants of land made to Charles Fox Bennett, Esq., in Placentia and Fortune Bays, presented the report; which he handed in at the Clerk's Table, where the same was read as follows:

Report of Select Committee
on grant to C. F. Bennett.

Committee Room,

4th April, 1858.

The Committee appointed to Report upon a Grant made to Charles F. Bennett, Esq., of a large tract of land in Placentia and Fortune Bays, beg leave to report that they have considered the matter to them referred, and have taken evidence thereon, which is annexed, together with a copy of the Grant, and a copy of an opinion published by Mr. Hogsett on the subject.

That your Committee feel that the late Government, in making this Grant, did a great act of injustice to the people not only of the locality over which the grant operates, but to the inhabitants of the whole Island.

As this grant involves legal considerations into which your Committee do not feel it is their province to enquire, further than appending the opinion to which they referred, your Committee would respectfully suggest, that an Address from this Honorable House be presented to His Excellency the Governor, respectfully requesting him to obtain and furnish this House with the opinion of the Law Officers of the Crown as to the legality of the said grant, and if it be found to be illegal and not binding on the Crown, that such steps as may be necessary will be instituted to annul such grant.

GEO. JAS. HOGSETT,

Chairman.

M. J. KELLY,

PATRICK MORRIS.

Ordered,—That the said Report do lie upon the Table.

(For Documents accompanying, See Appendix.)

Mr. BROWN presented a Petition from Caleb Butler and others, of Clark's Beach, which was received and read,—Praying for a grant to make a road at the Southern Arm of Northern Gut River.

Road Petition.

Ordered,—That the said Petition do lie upon the Table.

On Table.

Return of duties under
Re-building Acts.

The Hon. RECEIVER GENERAL, by command of His Excellency the Governor, presented to the House a Return of the amount of Duties collected under the St. John's Re-building Acts since 1847.

(For which see Appendix.)

Then the House adjourned till to-morrow at Three of the Clock.

Tuesday, 6th April, 1858.

Petition from Agricultural
Society,

Mr. CASEY presented a Petition from Charles Simms, President of the Agricultural Society of St. John's, which was received and read,—Praying that in addition to the annual grant, the House would grant a sum of money to enable the Society to import Kerry cattle for the benefit of the country.

On Table.

Ordered,—That the said Petition do lie upon the Table.

Road Petition from Petty
Harbor.

He also presented a Petition from Michael Kielly and others, of Petty Harbor, which was received and read,—Praying for a grant to make a road in that locality.

On Table.

Ordered,—That the said Petition do lie upon the Table.

Petitions from J. W. Chancey.

Mr. WALBANK presented a Petition from J. W. Chancey, of St. John's, which was received and read,—Praying that he may be remunerated for loss sustained by the pulling down of two houses owned by him to arrest the progress of the fire in Tarrahan's Town on the 15th Oct., 1856 :

He also presented a Petition from the same person, which was received and read,—Praying compensation for ground taken for the public service.

On Table.

Ordered,—That the said Petitions do lie upon the Table.

Road Petition from Ferry-
land.

Mr. E. D. SHEA presented a Petition from John Stephenson and others, of Ferryland, which was received and read,—Praying for a grant to repair the road at Deep Cove, between Ferryland and Caplin Bay.

On Table.

Ordered,—That the said Petition do lie upon the Table.

Education Petition from
Presbyterians and others,
St. John's.

Mr. CASEY presented a Petition from Francis Nicol and others, Presbyterians and Congregationalists of St. John's, which was received and read,

setting forth,—That in the year 1850, when a Bill was before your Honorable House to amend the Act for the establishment of an Academy in the town of St. John's, Your Petitioners, associated with the Wesleyans of St. John's, petitioned your Honorable House in favor of the Bill, which provided that the Academy should be divided into three separate Institutions, one of which—the General Protestant—was intended for the Wesleyans, Presbyterians, and Congregationalists :

That shortly after this Bill was passed into law, Boards of Directors were appointed for the respective Institutions, that for the General Protestant Academy being composed of Two Wesleyans, and one each of the Two Presbyterian and the Congregationalist Churches :

That the Directors entered into Correspondence with gentlemen in Edinburgh, which resulted, after inquiries extended over several months, in the appointment of Mr. Adam Scott as master of the General Protestant Academy :

That Mr. Scott arrived in the colony in the fall of 1851, and has since been assiduously, and with much success, engaged in the instruction of youth in the said Institution, which, from his superior abilities as a Teacher, has attained a high character for efficiency :

That Mr. Scott, on his appointment, relinquished a situation of respectability and considerable emolument in one of the leading Educational Institutions in Edinburgh, on the understanding that his appointment in the Academy here would be permanent, in accordance with the Act of the Local Legislature which was transmitted to him :

That in the last Session of your Honorable House, grants were made to the several divisions of the Academy for the erection of suitable Buildings ; the sum of £600 being granted to the General Protestant Academy, which has not, however, been yet paid :

That Petitions have lately been presented to your Honorable House, from the Wesleyan Congregations throughout the colony, praying for a grant for a separate Academy, under the direction of Members of their own body :

That while your Petitioners would, in no respect, interfere with the claim of the Wesleyans for an Academy of their own, they would respectfully submit to your Honorable House, that the Presbyterian and Congregational Protestants compose a large proportion of those classes in

St. John's, for whose benefit such an Academy is intended, as shown by past attendance ; and that they are prepared to maintain the General Protestant Academy in its present state of efficiency, and as hitherto conducted, as an unsectarian Institution open to all denominations, on equal terms, provided its endowment and building funds are maintained intact by the Legislature :

Wherefore, your Petitioners respectfully pray that no alteration be made in the St. John's Academy Act, so as to affect the General Protestant division of the Academy ; and that the grant of £600 for building purposes may remain payable to its Directors, in terms of the Act of last Session granting a supply for the public service.

And, your Petitioners as in duty bound will ever pray.

On Table.

Ordered,—That the said Petition do lie upon the Table.

Notice of Address to Governor on Report of Select Committee on grant to C. F. Bennett.

Mr. HOGSETT gave notice, that on to-morrow he will move an Address to the Governor upon the subject of the report of the Select Committee on the grant to C. F. Bennett, Esq., of Land for Mining purposes in Placentia and Fortune Bays.

Notice for Select Committee on Petitions of J. W. Chancey.

Mr. WALBANK gave notice, that on to-morrow he will move for the appointment of a Select Committee to take into consideration the Petitions of J. W. Chancey, with power to send for persons and papers, and report thereon.

Committee on Supply:

Pursuant to Order of the Day, the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole on the further consideration of Supply.

Mr. SPEAKER left the Chair.

Mr. BENNING took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. SPEAKER resumed the Chair.

Progress reported.

The Chairman reported from the Committee that they had considered the business to them referred, and had made some progress therein, which they had directed him to report to the House ; and to ask leave to sit again on the further consideration thereof.

Ordered,—That the Committee have leave to sit again on Friday next.

Then the House adjourned till Wednesday next at Three of the Clock.

Wednesday, 7th April, 1858.

The Hon. RECEIVER GENERAL, pursuant to notice and leave granted, presented a Bill for granting to Her Majesty certain Duties on Goods, Wares, and Merchandize imported into this Island and its Dependencies, which was read a first time. Revenue Bill read 1st time.

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

On motion of Mr. HOGSETT, seconded by Mr. HAYWARD,

Resolved,—That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into the necessity of appointing a Deputy Speaker of the House of Assembly. Select Committee on appointment of Deputy Speaker.

Ordered,—That Mr. Hogsett, Mr. F. B. Carter, Mr. Hayward, and Mr. Walbank, do form such Committee.

On motion of Mr. PROWSE, seconded by Mr. BEMISTER,

Resolved,—That the following Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor :

To His Excellency SIR ALEXANDER BANNERMAN, Knight, Governor and Commander-in-Chief in and over the Island of Newfoundland and its Dependencies, &c., &c. Address to Governor.

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY,—

The House of Assembly respectfully request that Your Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid before this House copies of any correspondence which has taken place between the Canadian and Newfoundland Governments in regard of the Light-houses built by the former Government—one on North Belle Isle, Lat. 51°53 North; the other on Forteau Bay, Labrador, 51°27 North, and both within the limits of the Government of Newfoundland and its Dependencies; and whether the Canadian Government have acquired any right or title from His Excellency to the sites on which these edifices and their appurtenances have been erected.

That the Governor will also be pleased to lay before this House, copies of any correspondence which may have taken place, relative to the erection of a Light-house on the Bird or Brion Island, on the Eastern group of the Magdalens, in the Gulf of St. Lawrence.

Ordered,—That the Address be engrossed, and be presented to His Excellency the Governor by such Members of this House as one of the Hon. Executive Council.

On motion of Mr. CARTER, seconded by Mr. WARREN,

Resolved,—That the following Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor :

Address to Governor.

To His Excellency Sir ALEXANDER BANNERMAN, Knight, Governor and Commander-in-Chief in and over the Island of Newfoundland and its Dependancies, &c., &c.

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY.—

The House of Assembly respectfully request that your Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid before the Assembly a copy of your Excellency's Commission and Royal Instructions.

Ordered,—That the Address be engrossed, and be presented to His Excellency the Governor by such members of this House as are of the Hon. Executive Council.

On motion of Mr. WALBANK, seconded by Mr. HOGSETT,

Select Committee on Petition of J. W. Chancey.

Resolved,—That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into the Petitions of J. W. Chancey, claiming compensation for loss sustained by the pulling down of his houses to arrest the progress of fire in Tarrahan's Town; and also, compensation for land taken for the service of the public.

Ordered,—That Mr. Walbank, Mr. Hogsett, Mr. Warren, Mr. Casey, and Mr. Delaney, do form the Committee.

Committee on Wolf killing Bill.

Pursuant to Order of the Day, the House resolved into a Committee of the Whole upon the Bill to encourage the killing of Wolves in this colony.

Mr. SPEAKER left the Chair.

Mr. HOGSETT took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. SPEAKER resumed the Chair.

Reported without Amendment.

The Chairman reported from the Committee that they had passed the Bill to them referred, without Amendment; and he handed the Bill in at the Clerk's Table.

Ordered,—That the Bill be engrossed, and be read a third time to-morrow.

Pursuant to Order of the Day, the following Bills were read a second time: Bills read 2nd time.

The Bill to provide for the liquidation of certain Outstanding Debentures.

The Bill to provide for the protection of the Herring Fishery.

The Bill for the Encouragement of Education.

The Bill to simplify Proceedings in the Superior Courts of this Island.

Ordered,—That the House do, on to-morrow, resolve itself into Committee of the Whole upon the Bill to provide for the liquidation of certain outstanding Debentures, and the Bill to simplify Proceedings in the Superior Courts of this Island. Order for Commital.

Ordered,—That the House do, on Monday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole upon the Bill for the encouragement of Education, and that it stand first on the Order of the Day.

Ordered,—That the House do, on Friday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole upon the Bill for the protection of the Herring Fishery. Order for Committee on Herring Fishery protection Bill.

Mr. Prowse gave notice that on to-morrow he will move an Address to the Governor, respectfully requesting that His Excellency will be pleased to inform the House whether an individual in the employment of this Government, sent for the protection of the fisheries, and paid for his services, had any authority to recommend that a Light-house should be erected by the French Government; and whether Mr. Prendergast had authority to say that if such a Light-house were erected, the Government of Newfoundland would defray the expense of supporting it. Notice of Address to Governor.

Then the House adjourned till to-morrow at Three of the Clock.

Thursday, 8th April, 1858.

Road Petition from Cat's Cove.

Mr. BYRNE presented a Petition from Michael Mahoney and others, of Cat's Cove, which was received and read,—Praying for a grant to open a road on the North Side of Webber's Pond:

Road Petition from Salmonier,

Also, a Petition from James Heally and others, of Holyrood, which was received and read,—Praying for a grant to repair the Road to Salmonier.

On Table.

Ordered,—That the said Petitions do lie upon the Table.

Road Petition from St. Mary's.

Mr. DELANEY presented a Petition from Patrick Lee and others, of River Head, St. Mary's, which was received and read,—Praying for a grant to build a bridge over the river there.

On Table.

Ordered,—That the said Petition do lie upon the Table.

Road Petition from Bonavista.

Mr. WARREN presented a Petition from William Sweetland and others, of Bonavista, which was received and read,—Praying for grants to complete local roads in that locality.

On Table.

Ordered,—That the said Petition do lie upon the Table.

Road Petition from St. John's.

Mr. CASEY presented a Petition from William Sinnot and others, of St. John's, which was received and read,—Praying for a grant to repair the Old Bay Bulls road:

Road Petition from Old Placentia.

Also a Petition from Patrick Walsh and others, of St. John's, which was received and read,—Praying for a grant to repair the Old Placentia road.

Ordered,—That the said Petition do lie upon the Table.

Report of Select Committee on appointment of Deputy Speaker.

Mr. HOGSETT, from the Select Committee appointed to report upon the propriety of providing for the appointment of a Deputy Speaker, presented the report; which he handed in at the Clerk's Table, where it was read as follows:

The Select Committee appointed to report upon the propriety of providing for the appointment of a Deputy Speaker, during the temporary absence of the Speaker, have considered the subject, and beg to report, for the consideration of the House, the following Resolution:

Resolved,—That this Committee are of opinion that a provision by statute should be made for the execution of the office of Speak-

Notice for resolution for appointment of Deputy Speaker.

er, in the event of the Speaker's unavoidable absence, by reason of illness.

Respectfully submitted by

GEORGE J. HOGSETT,

Chairman.

JOHN HAYWARD.

Mr. HOGSETT gave notice, that on to-morrow he will move that the House do come to the following Resolution.

Resolved,—That in the event of the Speaker's unavoidable absence from the House, by reason of illness, a Deputy Speaker be elected from the body of the members then present, whose acts shall be as valid as those of the Speaker, if present.

Mr. WARREN gave notice that on to-morrow he will ask the hon. Colonial Secretary to lay before this House copies of the following documents :

Report of the late High Constable, Toor, to the Magistrates ; and affidavits of Edward Morris, and Thomas Hughes, Police constables.

Notice for documents relating to John Toor.

Pursuant to Order of the Day, the Bill to encourage the killing of Wolves in this Island, as engrossed, was read a third time.

Wolf killing Bill read 3rd time.

Ordered,—That the Bill do pass, and be entitled " An Act to revive and continue an Act to encourage the Killing of Wolves in this Colony."

Passed and titled.

Ordered,—That Mr. Hogsett and Mr. Casey, do take the Bill to the Legislative Council and desire their concurrence.

Sent to Council.

Pursuant to Order of the Day, the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole upon the further consideration of Roads and Bridges.

Committee on Roads and Bridges.

Mr. SPEAKER left the Chair.

Mr. BENNING took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. SPEAKER resumed the Chair.

The Chairman reported from the Committee that they had made some progress in the business to them referred, and had instructed him to ask leave to sit again on the further consideration thereof.

Progress reported.

Order for Committee on
Roads and Bridges.

Ordered,—That the Committee have leave to sit again, and stand first on the Order of the Day for Saturday next.

Then the House adjourned till to-morrow at Three of the Clock.

Friday, 9th April, 1858.

School Petition from In-
dian Islands.

Mr. KNIGHT presented a Petition from Nicholas Percey and others, of Indian Islands, which was received and read,—Praying for a grant to support a School there.

On Table.

Ordered,—That the said Petition do lie upon the Table.

Road Petition from Tilton
Harbor.

He also presented Petitions from Patrick Ward and others, of Tilton Harbor and Joe Bat's Arm ; Robert Roberts and others, of Morton's Harbor ; which were severally received and read,—Prayings for grants to open roads in those localities.

On Table.

Ordered,—That the said Petitions do lie upon the Table.

Petition from Martin Walsh.

Mr. MARCH presented a Petition from Martin Walsh, of St. John's, which was received and read,—Praying for a pension.

On Table.

Ordered,—That the said Petition do lie upon the Table.

Notice of Address to Govern-
or.

Mr. MARCH gave notice, that on to-morrow he will move an Address to the Governor on the subject of the Petition of Martin Walsh.

Road Petition from Con-
ception Bay.

Mr. BEMISTER presented a Petition from Jabez Pike and others, of Small Point, Broad Cove and Black Head, North Shore of Conception Bay, which was received and read,—Praying for a grant to repair the roads there.

On Table.

Ordered,—That the said Petition do lie upon the Table.

Petition for Wesleyan Ins-
corporation Act.

Mr. HAYWARD presented a Petition from Henry Daniel, Chairman of the Wesleyan District, Newfoundland, which was received and read,—Praying that the House will be pleased to pass an Act of Incorporation for the Wesleyan Conference.

On Table;

Ordered,—That the said Petition do lie upon the Table.

The Hon. SURVEYOR GENERAL presented a Petition from John Rorke and others, of Carbonear, which was received and read,—Praying for a grant to repair the Public Wharf there.

Petition from Carbonear to repair public wharf.

Ordered,—That the said Petition do lie upon the Table.

On Table.

Mr. E. D. SHEA presented a Petition from W. G. Flood and Robert J. Pinsent, of St. John's, which was received and read,—Praying that the House would be pleased to sanction an appropriation to remunerate the Reporters of the Law Courts.

Petition from Reporters of Law Proceedings.

Ordered,—That the said Petition do lie upon the Table.

On Table.

Mr. WARREN gave notice that on to-morrow he will ask the hon. Colonial Secretary if any contract be yet entered into for Direct Steam Communication with Great Britain, and if so, what it is ; also, if any arrangements have been entered into for Steam Communication with the Northward of this Island, and if so, on what terms.

Notice of questions in relation to Steam Communication

The SPEAKER informed the House that he had received a Communication from His Excellency the Governor, stating that it was His Excellency's intention to assent to the Bill entitled " An Act to Incorporate the Commercial Bank of Newfoundland," and to the Bill entitled " An Act to amend the Act for establishing the value of British and other Coins in this colony," to-morrow at Three of the Clock:

Notice of His Excellency's intention to assent to Bills.

Mr. CASEY presented a Petition from John Murray and others, of St. John's, which was received and read,—Praying for a grant to repair the Freshwater road :

Road Petition for Freshwater road.

He also presented a Petition from William Branscomb and others, of Branscomb's Lane, which was received and read,—Praying that a Gas Lamp may be erected there.

Petition for gas lamp at Branscomb's lane.

Ordered,—That the said Petitions do lie upon the Table.

On Table.

Mr. BEMISTER presented a Petition from Charles Gellingham and others, of Ochre Pit Cove, which was received and read,—Praying for a road grant in that locality.

Road Petition from Ochre Pit Cove.

Ordered,—That the said Petition do lie upon the Table.

On Table.

Mr. E. D. SHEA presented a Petition from James Furlong, of St. John's, which was received and read,—Praying remuneration for his services in

Petition from James Furlong.

reporting the proceedings of the Supreme and Central Circuits in the spring of last year.

On Table.

Ordered,—That the said Petition do lie upon the Table.

Petition for road from
Freshwater to Topsail road.

Mr. CASEY presented a Petition from Thomas Corbett and others, of St. John's, which was received and read,—Praying for a grant to extend the Freshwater road towards the Topsail road.

On Table.

Ordered,—That the said Petition do lie upon the Table.

Messages from the Governor.

(Messages from His Excellency the Governor.)

The Hon. RECEIVER GENERAL, by command of His Excellency the Governor, presented to the House the following written Messages from His Excellency the Governor, signed by His Excellency,

The said Messages were read by the Speaker, all the Members being uncovered, and are as follows :

A. BANNERMAN, Governor.

In reply to the Address of the 7th inst., the Governor has to acquaint the House of Assembly that, as far as he knows, no correspondence has ever taken place between the Governments of Canada and Newfoundland on the subject of the Light-houses recently erected on North Belle Isle, and Forteau Bay, both within the limits of this Colony.

The Governor observes, however, that his predecessor received a Despatch from the Colonial Minister, dated the 8th of December, 1856, enclosing copy of a letter from the Governor of Jersey, and another from a Ship's Master belonging to Jersey, addressed to the Lords of the Admiralty, stating that the *Doris* Steamer, employed by the Canadian Government to supply the workmen erecting the Light-house on North Belle Isle, had been wrecked, and that the workmen might be left without food for the winter, which it was necessary to communicate to the Government of Newfoundland.

It appears, therefore, that the Government of Newfoundland must have been cognizant of the erection of the Light-house on North Belle Isle ; but there appears to have been no further correspondence on the subject.

In regard to the proposed Light-house on the Brion or Bird Island, in the Magdalens, the Governor received a despatch in May last, which was communicated to the Executive Council, and the Governor herewith

sends a copy of the Minute of Council on that subject, which was forwarded to the Colonial Minister.

In regard to the Light-houses alluded to, and which have been erected by the Canadian Government, the Governor annexes the extract from a Despatch which he considered it his duty to address to the Colonial Minister.

“It would be desirable, I think, in a legal point of view, and to prevent disputes hereafter, that the Canadian Government should be instructed to acquire from the Government of Newfoundland a title to the sites of the Light-houses already erected; and that sites for the erection of such edifices in future should be pointed out and the same course adopted.”

“The Government of Newfoundland could never throw any obstacles in the way of accomplishing so desirable an object as to have the coasts well lighted; but, edifices of a different kind might be erected, which, perhaps, would occasion future inconvenience and dispute.

“In regard to the Magdalen Islands, the Lords of the Privy Council say: “It is also essential that my Lords should be clearly informed in which Province the Island is really situate, as, from the Memorandum of the “Inspector-General of Canada, it appears to be doubtful to which colony “the Island belongs.”

“On referring to the Imperial Statute, I find by the 14th Section of 49th, Geo. III., Cap 27, 1809, part of the Coast of Labrador, and Isles lying on the said Coast, are re-annexed to the Government of Newfoundland (except the Islands of Madeline.) There can be no doubt, therefore, that the Magdalen Islands are within the limits of the Canadian Government; and, as little doubt that the Light House recently erected on North Belle Isle and Forteau Bay, are within the limits of the Government of Newfoundland. I shall, therefore, feel obliged for their Lordships’ advice and opinion for my future guidance.”

(Signed,)

A. BANNERMAN,
Governor.

A. BANNERMAN, Governor.

The Governor herewith transmits to the House of Assembly the following Despatches and their enclosures, which he has received from the Right

Hon. the Secretary of State for the Colonies, viz. : —Despatch (Circular) enclosing Copy of Judgment in the case of appeal to the judicial Committee of Privy Council from the Supreme Court of Tasmania, of Fenton and Fraser vs. Hampton :

Despatch (dated 12th March) and enclosure on the assay of certain Mineral Ore from Placentia Bay :

Despatch (dated 20th February) from late Secretary of State, with additional instructions relative to the course to be observed by the Governor in assenting to Acts of the Legislature, and supplying an omission in the original instructions.

His Excellency further transmits, in reply to an Address of the Assembly, Her Majesty's Commission and Instructions on his appointment as Governor of this colony, together with the Despatch abrogating all Oaths (except the Oath of Allegiance) to be taken in future by Governors of Colonies.

Government House,
9th April, 1858.

On Table.

Ordered,—That the said Messages do lie upon the Table.

(For Documents accompanying, See Appendix.)

Committee on Supply.

Pursuant to Order of the Day, the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole upon the further consideration of Supply.

Mr. SPEAKER left the Chair.

Mr. BENNING took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. SPEAKER resumed the Chair.

Progress reported.

The Chairman reported from the Committee that they had made some progress in the business to them referred, and had instructed him to ask leave to sit again on the further consideration thereof.

Ordered,—That the Committee have leave to sit again on Tuesday next.

Then the House adjourned till to-morrow at Three of the Clock.

Saturday, 10th April, 1858.

A Message from His Excellency the Governor, by F. W. Rennie, Esq.,
the Gentleman Usher of the Black Rod : Message from the Governor.

Mr. Speaker and Gentlemen of the House of Assembly : His Excellency the Governor commands your immediate attendance in the Council Chamber.

Accordingly, Mr. Speaker and the House attended His Excellency the Governor in the Council Chamber; and being returned,

Mr. Speaker informed the House, that when in attendance on His Excellency the Governor, this day, His Excellency had been pleased, in Her Majesty's name, to assent to the following Bills; Assent of Governor to Bills.

A Bill entitled "An Act to Incorporate the Commercial Bank of Newfoundland," and

A Bill entitled "An Act to amend the Act for establishing the value of British and other Coins in this colony,"

(A Message from the Legislative Council.)

Message from Council.

The Master-in-Chancery to the Legislative Council brought down the following Message :

MR. SPEAKER,—

The Legislative Council acquaint the House of Assembly that they have passed the Bill sent up from the Assembly for the concurrence of this House, entitled "An Act to repeal and amend certain parts of an Act, entitled 'An Act for the establishment of a Board of Revenue, and for the Regulation, Management, and Collection of all Duties granted to Her Majesty, Her Heirs, and Successors, on Goods, Wares, and Merchandize imported into this Island and its Dependencies, and to repeal certain Acts relating thereto,'" without Amendment.

Customs Management Bill
passed Council.

LAURENCE O'BRIEN,

President.

Council Chamber, }
10th April, 1858. }

And then the Messenger withdrew.

Ordered,—That the said Message do lie upon the Table.

On Table.

Wesleyan Conference Bill
read 1st time.

Mr. HAYWARD, pursuant to notice and leave granted, presented a Bill relating to the Wesleyan Methodists in this colony, and for Incorporating a Conference of their Body, which was read a first time.

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

Shipbuilding encouragement
Bill read 1st time.

Mr. PARSONS, pursuant to notice and leave granted, presented a Bill for the encouragement of Shipbuilding in this colony, which was read a first time.

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

On motion of Mr. HOGSETT, seconded by Mr. HAYWARD,

Resolution on the subject
of Deputy Speaker.

Resolved,—That in the event of the Speaker's unavoidable absence from this House, by reason of illness, a Deputy Speaker be elected from the Body of the Members then present, whose acts shall be as valid as those of the Speaker, if present.

On motion of Mr. MARCH, seconded by Mr. KNIGHT,

Address to Governor.

Resolved,—That the following Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor :

To His Excellency SIR ALEXANDER BANNERMAN, Knight, Governor and Commander-in-Chief in and over the Island of Newfoundland and its Dependencies, &c., &c.

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY,—

The House of Assembly respectfully beg leave to request that your Excellency will be pleased to inquire into the merits of the accompanying Petition of Martin Walsh, Cooper, and make such order thereon as to your Excellency shall seem meet ; and this House will provide therefor.

Ordered,—That the Address be engrossed, and be presented to His Excellency the Governor by such Members of this House as are of the Hon. Executive Council.

Mr. PROWSE moved, seconded by Mr. HOYLES,

Motion for Address to Governor.

That an Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor, respectfully requesting the attention of His Excellency to a Report laid on the Table of this House on the 22nd ulto., " on the protection of the Fisheries, &c., on the Coast of Labrador and the French Shore," by Mr. Pendergast. It appears by said Document, page 15, that that gentleman had

communicated with several intelligent and experienced French Captains, relative to erecting a Light on Belle Isle, South, on the Southernmost Groas Island, and had recommended to the said Captains to call the attention of their Armateurs to unite in applying to their Government to erect the Building, and he (Mr. Prendergast) had presumed to say "that the Government of Newfoundland would defray the entire expense of supporting it."

This House, therefore, respectfully request to be informed whether an individual in the employment of the Government, sent for the protection of the fisheries, and paid for his services, had any authority to recommend that a Light House should be erected by the French Government, and whether Mr. Prendergast had authority to say "that if such Light House were erected, the Government of Newfoundland would defray the entire expense of supporting it."

And, the question being put thereon, it passed in the negative, on division of 11 to 9; and

Negatived on Division;

Ordered,—Accordingly.

Pursuant to Order of the Day, the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole upon the further consideration of Roads and Bridges.

Committee on Roads and Bridges.

Mr. SPEAKER left the Chair.

Mr. BENNING took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. SPEAKER resumed the Chair.

The Chairman reported from the Committee that they had considered the business to them referred, and had come to certain Resolutions thereon, which they had directed him to report to the House; and he handed the Resolutions in at the Clerk's Table where the same were read as follows :

Resolutions reported.

Resolved,—That it is the opinion of this Committee, that from and out of such Monies as shall from time to time remain in the hands of the Receiver General, and unappropriated, there shall be granted to Her Majesty, Her Heirs, and Successors, a sum not exceeding Fifteen Thousand Two Hundred Pounds, to defray the expenses of opening, making, and repairing Roads, Streets, and Bridges within this Colony, as follows :

On the Road from Topsail to Holyrood .....	.....	£300	0	0
Ditto Holyrood to Salmonier....	.....	250	0	0
Ditto Rocky River to Placentia .....	.....	350	0	0
Ditto Salmonier to St. Mary's....	.....	600	0	0
Ditto Gasters to Brigus .....	.....	2100	0	0
Ditto Brigus to Carbonear.....	.....	500	0	0
Ditto Carbonear to New Perlican .....	.....	200	0	0
Ditto Trinity to Catalina .....	.....	400	0	0
Ditto Catalina to Bonavista ...	.....	200	0	0
Ditto Bonavista to King's Cove .....	.....	100	0	0
Ditto Trinity to King's Cove....	.....	500	0	0
Ditto LaManche to Trepassey...	.....	1200	0	0
Ditto Burin to Garnish .....	.....	750	0	0
Ditto Beaubois to Grand Bank .....	.....	400	0	0
Ditto Fogo to Seldom-Come-By .....	.....	100	0	0
Ditto Tilton Harbor to Joe Bat's Arm.....	.....	100	0	0
Ditto Cat Harbor to Muddy Hole .....	.....	50	0	0
Ditto New Perlican to Grates' Cove .....	.....	150	0	0
Ditto Harbor Grace to New Harbor .....	.....	100	0	0
Ditto Placentia to Distress ...	.....	150	0	0
Ditto King's Cove to Keels.....	.....	30	0	0
Ditto King's Cove to Plate Cove and Open Hall .....	.....	80	0	0
Ditto Keels to Tickle Cove ..	.....	40	0	0
Ditto Fortune Harbor .....	.....	50	0	0
Ditto St. John's to Blackhead...	.....	100	0	0
Ditto Cape Shore, Placentia ...	.....	50	0	0
Ditto Spaniard's Bay to Bryant's Cove .....	.....	100	0	0
Ditto Burgeo and LaPoile .....	.....	50	0	0
Ditto North Shore Conception Bay .....	.....	75	0	0
Ditto Bay Bulls to Holyrood ...	.....	25	0	0
Ditto Twillingate and Fogo ...	.....	50	0	0
Ditto Burin to Big Head .....	.....	50	0	0
Carried forward.....		£9,200	0	0

	Brought forward.....	£9,200	0	0
And on the District Roads, as follows :				
St. John's, East and West,	.....	£1523	16	0
Harbor Main..	.....	260	6	0
Port-de-Grave and Brigus...	.....	324	9	0
Harbor Grace	.....	503	7	0
Carbonear .....	.....	296	5	0
Bay-de-Verds....	.....	311	1	0
Trinity Bay ...	.....	536	16	0
Ronavista .....	.....	442	10	0
Twillingate and Fogo .....	.....	485	17	0
Ferryland .....	.....	281	8	0
Placentia and St. Mary's	415	6	0
Burin	278	1	0
Fortune Bay	174	13	0
Burgeo and LaPoile	177	5	0
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Ordered,—That the said Resolutions be adopted.

Resolutions adopted.

The Hon. SURVEYOR GENERAL gave notice, that on to-morrow he will ask leave to bring in a Road Bill.

Notice for Road Bill.

The Hon. ATTORNEY GENERAL gave notice, that on to-morrow he will ask leave to bring in a Bill for the amendment of the Academy Act.

Notice for Bill to amend Academy Act.

Mr. HAYWARD gave notice, that on to-morrow he will ask the Hon. Colonial Secretary what action has been taken upon the Petition of John Stark, Esq., praying for a Retiring Allowance.

Notice of question in reference to Petition of John Stark.

Then the House adjourned till Monday next at Three of the Clock.

Monday, 12th April, 1858:

Mr. HAYWARD presented a Petition from G. C. Gaden, Sheriff of the Northern District, which was received and read,—Praying that the House would grant a sum of money to enable him to pay a Deputy.

Petition from Sheriff of Harbor Grace.

Ordered,—That the said Petition do lie upon the Table.

On Table.

- Petition from John Curtis. Mr. PARSONS presented a Petition from John Curtis, surviving Executor of George Goff, late of Portugal Gove, which was received and read,—Praying compensation for land taken to make the public road there in the year 1841.
- On Table. *Ordered*,—That the said Petition do lie upon the Table.
- Notice of Address to Governor. Mr. PARSONS gave notice, that on to-morrow he will move an Address to the Governor on the subject of the foregoing Petition of John Curtis.
- Petition for road through Monkstown. Mr. PARSONS presented a Petition from John M. Brino and others, of St. John's, which was received and read,—Praying that the House would appropriate the sum of £15 to compensate the Proprietor of Monkstown for giving up a road for public purposes, running through that property.
- Ordered*,—That the said Petition do lie upon the Table.
- Notice for payment of arrears of road money at Cottles Island. He also presented a Petition from Stephen Mackey, late of Bonavista, which was received and read,—Praying that he may be paid a balance due him for making a road at Cottles Island, Bonavista, in 1854.
- On Table. *Ordered*,—That the said Petition do lie upon the Table.
- Petition for Pump in James' Street. Mr. CASEY presented a Petition from Thomas O'Brien and others, of St. John's, which was received and read,—Praying for a grant to erect a Pump in James's Street.
- On Table. *Ordered*,—That the said Petition do lie upon the Table.
- Petition for grant to deepen Harbor of Renewse. Mr. E. D. SNEA presented a Petition from James Murphy and others, of Renewse, which was received and read,—Praying for a grant to enable them to deepen the Channel at the Head of the Harbor.
- On Table. *Ordered*,—That the said Petition do lie upon the Table.
- Petition from James Murphy. Mr. DELANEY presented a Petition from James Murphy, of St. Mary's, which was received and read,—Praying compensation for having acted as Honorary Magistrate in the District of Placentia and St. Mary's for the last 30 years.
- On Table. *Ordered*,—That the said Petition do lie upon the Table.
- Notice of Address to Governor. Mr. DELANEY gave notice, that on Wednesday next he will move an Address to the Governor on the foregoing Petition of James Murphy.
- Read Petitions. Mr. KAVANAGH presented Petitions from Michael Dyer and others, of Logy Bay; and from Edmund Cantwell and others, of Torbay, which were

severally received and read,—Praying for grants to open roads in those localities.

Ordered,—That the said Petitions do lie upon the Table.

On Table.

MR. PARSONS presented a Petition from John W. Smith and others, of St. John's, which was received and read,—Praying for a grant to repair the Upper Leag Pond road.

Petition to repair Upper Long Pond road.

Ordered,—That the said Petition do lie upon the Table.

On Table.

THE HON. RECEIVER GENERAL presented Petitions from the St. John's Library ; and from the Committee of the Mechanics' Institute, which were severally received and read,—Praying that the House will make the usual grants in aid of those Institutions.

Petition from St. John's Library and Mechanics' Institute.

Ordered,—That the said Petitions do lie upon the Table.

On Table.

MR. MORRIS presented a Petition from James Fleming, of Burin, which was received and read,—Praying for a grant to remunerate him for his services as Ferryman between Burin and Spoon Cove, for the last two years.

Petition from Ferryman between Burin and Spoon Cove.

Ordered,—That the said Petition do lie upon the Table.

On Table.

(Messages from His Excellency the Governor.)

Message from the Governor.

THE HON. RECEIVER GENERAL, by command of His Excellency the Governor, presented to the House a written Message from His Excellency the Governor, signed by His Excellency.

The said Message was read by the Speaker, all the Members being uncovered, and is as follows :

A. BANNERMAN, Governor.

The Governor has received the Address of the House of Assembly, dated the 5th inst., on the subject of Steam Communication from St. John's, Southward to St. Pierre, and Northward to Croque, requesting him to communicate with the French Authorities on the subject, with authority to the Executive Government to enter into arrangements with them, &c., &c., &c.

The Governor has the pleasure to be acquainted with Colonel Gervais, the Commander-in-Chief at St. Pierre, and will take an early opportunity of acquiring information on the subject to which the Assembly has called the Governor's attention ; but, should that information lead to any permanent arrangement, the Governor apprehends such an arrangement must

be submitted to the Colonial Minister, and sanctioned by the French Government.

This might occasion a little delay, but the transmission of the English and French mails along the coasts of Newfoundland is a matter of considerable importance, and would require consideration; but the Governor has no doubt that Her Majesty's Government and that of His Imperial Majesty will render every facility to continue a friendly intercourse with their respective subjects in Newfoundland, and to extend that intercourse by mutual Steam Communication, in accordance with the wishes of the Colonial Legislature.

The Governor is happy to observe, in allusion to Steam Communications North and South, the Assembly's Address states:—"Or in either direction, as the available means of the colony will permit," thus leaving it open to the Executive to arrange for a Steam Vessel to proceed either way.

The Governor has only to add, that he considers inter-Colonial Steam Communication to be of the greatest importance to this colony; and, if "funds are available," he is convinced that nothing can tend more to promote the interests of the community at St. John's, than by frequent and certain intercourse with the Outports, and exchange of commodities with them, which cannot fail to increase their prosperity, and contribute to the comfort and convenience of their inhabitants.

Government House,
12th April, 1858.

On Table:

Ordered,—That the said Message do lie upon the Table.

Bill read 2nd time:

Pursuant to Order of the Day, the Bill to indemnify the colony for certain Expenditure for the improvement of St. John's, was read a second time.

Time of Committal.

Resolved,—That the House do, on to-morrow, resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole upon the said Bill.

Mr. CARTER moved, seconded by Mr. PRENDERGAST,

Motion for 2nd reading of Fishery Bill.

That the Bill to provide for the protection of the Seal and other Fisheries of this Island, be now read a second time.

And, the question being put thereon, the House divided, when there appeared,—

<i>For the Motion, 17.</i>	<i>Against the Motion, 1.</i>	<i>Division.</i>
The Hon. Receiver General	Mr. Hogsett	
“ Surveyor General		
Mr. E. D. Shea		
“ Byrne		
“ Kavanagh		
“ Hayward		
“ March		
“ Prowse		
“ Delaney		
“ Benning		
“ Carter		
“ Hoyles		
“ Bemister		
“ Brown		
“ Knight		
“ Winter		
“ Kelly		

So it passed in the affirmative ; and the said Bill was read a second time accordingly. *Read 2nd time.*

Ordered,—That the Bill be committed to the Whole House to-morrow.

Pursuant to Order of the Day, the Bill for granting to Her Majesty certain Duties on Goods, Wares, and Merchandize imported into this Island, was read a second time. *Revenue Bill read 2nd time.*

Ordered,—That the House do, on to-morrow, resolve itself into Committee of the Whole upon the said Bill.

Pursuant to Order of the Day, the House resolved itself into Committee of the Whole upon the Bill to provide for the liquidation of certain Outstanding Debentures. *Committee on Outstanding Debentures Bill.*

Mr. SPEAKER left the Chair.

Mr. WALBANK took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. SPEAKER resumed the Chair.

Reported with Amendment.

The Chairman reported from the Committee that they had passed the Bill to them referred, with an Amendment, which they had directed him to report to the House; and he handed the Bill and Amendment in at the Clerk's Table.

Amendment agreed to.

And the said Amendment having been read throughout a first and second time, was, upon the question put thereon, agreed to by the House.

Ordered,—That the Bill be engrossed, and be read a third time to-morrow.

Then the House adjourned till to-morrow at Three of the Clock.

Tuesday, 13th April, 1858.

Petition for increase of salary.

Mr. MORRIS presented a Petition from J. V. Nugent, Sheriff of the Central District, which was received and read,—Setting forth the heavy responsibilities of his office, the high salary received by his predecessor, and praying that his salary may be increased.

Ordered,—That the said Petition do lie upon the Table.

Bill read 3rd time.

Pursuant to Order of the Day, the Bill to authorize the Receiver General to liquidate certain Outstanding Debentures, as engrossed, was read a third time.

Passed and titled.

Ordered,—That the Bill do pass, and be entitled “An Act to authorize the Receiver General to liquidate certain outstanding Debentures, issued for loans to erect the Colonial Building and Market House in St. John's.”

Sent to Council.

Ordered,—That the Hon. Receiver General and Mr. Casey, do take the Bill to the Legislative Council and desire their concurrence.

Committee on Supply.

Pursuant to Order of the Day, the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole upon the further consideration of Supply.

Mr. SPEAKER left the Chair.

Mr. BENNING took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. SPEAKER resumed the Chair.

The Chairman reported from the Committee that they had made some progress in the business to them referred, and had instructed him to ask leave to sit again on the further consideration thereof.

Progress reported.

Ordered,—That the Committee have leave to sit again on Friday next.

Mr. E. D. SHEA gave notice, that on to-morrow he will move the following resolution :

Notice for Resolutions in relation to N. A. Provinces Delegation.

Resolved,—That a delegation, comprised of Messrs. Kent and Carter, Members of this House, having been sent last Spring to the British North American Colonies, to solicit their aid in resisting the Convention entered into, January, 1857, between Her Majesty's Government and the Emperor of the French, on the subject of the Fisheries of this Colony; and these gentlemen having received the promptest and most cordial co-operation of the Legislatures and people of our sister Colonies, and the said Convention having been withdrawn, with an emphatic recognition and declaration of the territorial and maritime rights of the people of this Colony :

Resolved,—That the Speaker do communicate the warmest thanks of this House to the Legislatures of the several Colonies to whom we are so deeply indebted for their influential aid and sympathy.

Then the House adjourned till to-morrow at Three of the Clock.

Wednesday, 14th April, 1858.

Mr. WARREN gave notice, that on to-morrow he will move the re-consideration of the Vote in Supply to the Agricultural Society.

Notice of reconsideration of Vote to Agricultural Society

Mr. PARSONS presented a Petition from Robert Mundy and others, of Pouche Cove, which was received and read—Praying for a grant to improve the main road from thence to St. John's.

Road Petition from Pouche Cove.

Ordered,—That the said Petition do lie upon the Table.

On Table.

He also presented a Petition from John V. Nugent and Richard Howley, Esqrs., late Returning Officers for the Eastern and Western Divisions of

Petition from Returning Officers for Election Districts of St. John's East and West.

St. John's, which was received and read,—Praying for an additional allowance for their services on that occasion, over and above the amount provided by Statute.

On Table.

Ordered,—That the said Petition do lie upon the Table.

Petition in aid of School at Harbor Grace.

Mr. HAYWARD presented a Petition from James Lampin and Elizabeth Payne, of Harbor Grace, which was received and read,—Praying that Government aid may be afforded them to assist them in carrying out their School there.

Ordered,—That the said Petition do lie upon the Table.

On motion of Mr. HOGSETT, seconded by Mr. HAYWARD,

Address to Governor.

Resolved,—That the following Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor :—

To His Excellency Sir ALEXANDER BANNERMAN, Knight, Governor and Commander-in-Chief in and over the Island of Newfoundland and its Dependencies, &c., &c

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY,—

The House of Assembly, having had under their consideration the expediency of providing for the execution of the office of Speaker, in the event of his unavoidable absence, through illness, from the House, have passed the accompanying Resolution on the subject, and respectfully beg leave to request that your Excellency will be pleased to assent thereto, in Her Majesty's name.

Ordered,—That the Address be engrossed, and be presented to His Excellency the Governor by such Members of this House as are of the Hon. Executive Council.

Road Bill read 1st time.

The Hon. SURVEYOR GENERAL, pursuant to notice and leave granted, presented a Bill for granting to Her Majesty a sum of money for making and repairing Roads, Streets, and Bridges in this Colony, which was read a first time.

Ordered,—That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow,

On motion of Mr. PARSONS, seconded by Mr. WINTER,

Resolved,—That the following Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor :

To *His Excellency Sir ALEXANDER BANNERMAN, Knight, Governor and Commander-in-Chief in and over the Island of Newfoundland and its Dependencies, &c., &c.*

Address to Governor.

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY,—

The House of Assembly respectfully beg leave to request that your Excellency will be pleased to cause enquiry to be made into the merits of the accompanying Petition of John C. Withers, Attorney of John Curtis, surviving Executor of the Estate of the late George Goff, praying compensation for land of the Estate appropriated to the public use, and make such order thereon as to your Excellency shall seem meet.

Ordered,—That the Address be engrossed, and be presented to His Excellency the Governor by such Members of this House as are of the Hon. Executive Council.

On motion of Mr. E. D. SHEA, seconded by Mr. HOYLES,

Resolved,—That a delegation, comprised of Messrs. Kent and Carter, Members of this House, having been sent last Spring to the British North American Colonies, to solicit their aid in resisting the Convention entered into, January, 1857, between Her Majesty's Government and the Emperor of the French, on the subject of the Fisheries of this Colony; and these gentlemen having received the promptest and most cordial co-operation of the Legislatures and people of our sister Colonies; and the said Convention having been withdrawn, with an emphatic recognition and declaration of the territorial and maritime rights of the people of this Colony:

Resolutions in relation to Delegation to B. N. A. Provinces.

Resolved,—That the Speaker do communicate the warmest thanks of this House to the Legislatures of the several Colonies to whom we are so deeply indebted for their influential aid and sympathy.

Resolved,—That the best thanks of this House are due and are hereby given to the Hon. John Kent, Colonial Secretary, and to Frederick B. Carter, Esq., members of this House, for the most zealous and efficient discharge of the duties entrusted to them by the Assembly as Delegates to the B. N. A. Provinces, on the subject of the French Fishery Convention, in the Spring of 1857.

Mr. WARREN gave notice, that on to-morrow he will move an Address to the Governor, to cause a Survey to be made in Bonavista, as to the

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most suitable place for erecting a Public Wharf in that settlement, and the expense of constructing such Public Wharf.

Mr. F. B. CARTER gave notice, that on to-morrow he will move an Address to the Governor, praying for a grant for erecting a Public Landing Place at Catalina.

Mr. PARSONS gave notice, that on to-morrow he will move an Address to the Governor on the Petition of Stephen Mackay, late of Bonavista :

Also, that on to-morrow he will move an Address to the Governor, requesting His Excellency to cause an investigation and Survey to be made as to the practicability of raising from the public Coves, by machinery, and conducting to reservoirs on the Northern Heights of the Town, the Sea Water therefrom, to supply the Hydrants in the various Streets for the purpose of extinguishing fires, and the expense of accomplishing the work.

Notice for Select Committee on Petition of John Bulley.

Also, that on to-morrow he will ask the Hon. Colonial Secretary whether anything has been done upon the Petition of Hugh Hamlin and others, presented last year,—Praying compensation for land taken to improve the road at Logy Bay :

Notice of question in relation to Address on Petition of H. Hamlin and others.

Mr. WALBANK gave notice, that on to-morrow he will move for the appointment of a Select Committee to inquire into the Petition of John Bulley, jr.

Then the House adjourned till to-morrow at Three of the Clock.

Thursday, 15th April, 1858.

Road Petition from King's Cove.

Mr. WARREN presented a Petition from William Hartery and others, of King's Cove, which was received and read,—Praying that the House would grant the sum of Twenty Pounds to remunerate them for making the public road between King's Cove and Newman's Cove.

On Table.

Ordered,—That the said Petition do lie upon the Table.

Order of the Day for 2nd reading of Amendments on Woods and Forests Bill.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of the Amendments of the Legislative Council upon the Bill to prevent the Firing of the Woods

and Forests of this Island, and to make provision for the erection and repair of Boundary Fences therein, being read,

On motion of Mr. HOGSETT, seconded by the Hon. SURVEYOR GENERAL,

Resolved,—That this House cannot consent to the Amendments of the Legislative Council upon the said Bill : and that a Conference be requested with the Council on the subject of the said Amendments, and that a Select Committee be appointed to prepare Reasons to be offered thereat.

Resolution for Conference with Legislative Council.

Ordered,—That Mr. Hogsett, Mr. Carter, and the Hon. Surveyor General, do form the Committee.

Mr. KNIGHT moved, pursuant to Order of the Day, seconded by Mr. HOYLES,

That the Bill to increase the Representation of Twillingate and Fogo, be read a second time.

Motion for 2nd reading of Twillingate and Fogo Representation Bill.

Whereupon,

Mr. HOGSETT moved in Amendment, seconded by the Hon. COLONIAL SECRETARY,

That the Bill be read a second time this day six months.

Amendment.

And the House divided thereon, when there appeared,—

<i>For the Amendment, 15.</i>	<i>Against the Amendment, 11.</i>	<i>Division.</i>
The Hon. Receiver General	Mr. Hoyles	
“ Attorney General	“ Carter	
“ Surveyor General	“ F. B. Carter	
“ Colonial Secretary	“ Knight	
Mr. E. D. Shea	“ Warren	
“ Hogsett	“ Brown	
“ Kelly	“ Winter	
“ Byrne	“ Bemister	
“ Morris	“ March	
“ Delaney	“ Walbank	
“ Casey	“ Prowse	
“ Kavanagh		
“ Talbot		
“ Parsons		
“ Benning		

Amendment agreed to.

So it passed in the affirmative ; and

Ordered,—Accordingly.

Then the House adjourned till Saturday next at Three of the Clock.

Saturday, 17th April, 1858.

On motion of Mr. HOGSETT, seconded by Mr. KELLY,

Resolved,—That the following Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor :

Address to Governor.

To His Excellency SIR ALEXANDER BANNERMAN, *Knight, Governor and Commander-in-Chief in and over the Island of Newfoundland and its Dependencies, &c., &c.*

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY,—

The House of Assembly respectfully request that your Excellency will be pleased to obtain and lay before this House, the opinion of the Crown Officers in England upon the legality of the accompanying grant to Charles F. Bennett, Esq., and should that opinion determine that such grant is illegal, and not binding upon the Crown, that your Excellency will be pleased to take such steps to cancel such grant as may be deemed necessary.

Ordered,—That the Address be engrossed, and be presented to His Excellency the Governor by such Members of this House as are of the Hon. Executive Council.

On motion of Mr. MORRIS, seconded by PROWSE,

Resolved,—That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into the Petition of Richard Howley.

Select Committee on petition of R. Howley.

Ordered,—That Mr. Morris, Mr. Prowse, Mr. Casey, Mr. Walbank, and Mr. Parsons, do form the Committee.

The Hon. ATTORNEY GENERAL, pursuant to notice and leave granted, presented a Bill to Amend the Academy Act, which was read a first time.

Academy Act Amendment
Bill read 1st time.

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

On motion of Mr. WARREN, seconded by Mr. WINTER,

Resolved,—That the following Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor :—

To His Excellency Sir ALEXANDER BANNERMAN, Knight, Governor and Commander-in-Chief in and over the Island of Newfoundland and its Dependencies, &c., &c.

Addresses to Governor.

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY,—

The House of Assembly respectfully beg leave to request that your Excellency will be pleased to inquire into the expediency of erecting a Public Wharf at Bonavista ; and to cause a Survey and Estimate to be made as to the most suitable place for erecting such Wharf, and the probable expense incident thereon, for the consideration of this House.

Ordered,—That the Address be engrossed, and be presented to His Excellency the Governor by such Members of this House as are of the Hon. Executive Council.

On motion of Mr. F. B. CARTER, seconded by Mr. WARREN,

Resolved,—That the following Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor :

To His Excellency Sir ALEXANDER BANNERMAN, Knight, Governor and Commander-in-Chief in and over the Island of Newfoundland and its Dependencies, &c., &c.

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY,—

The House of Assembly have had submitted to them the expediency of causing to be erected at Catalina, in Trinity Bay, a Public Wharf or Landing Place for the convenience of the public, and numerous Traders visiting that place ; and respectfully request that your Excellency will be pleased to institute inquiry into the propriety of making such erection, and the probable cost thereof, for the further consideration of this House.

Ordered,—That the Address be engrossed, and be presented to His Excellency the Governor by such Members of this House as are of the Hon. Executive Council.

On motion of Mr. PARSONS, seconded by Mr. PROWSE,

Resolved,—That the following Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor :—

To His Excellency Sir ALEXANDER BANNERMAN, Knight, Governor and Commander-in-Chief in and over the Island of Newfoundland and its Dependencies, &c., &c.

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY,—

The House of Assembly respectfully beg leave to request that your Excellency will be pleased to take into consideration the prayer of the accompanying Petition of Stephen Mackey, praying compensation for labor done on a public road, and make such provision therefor out of the Public Funds, as to your Excellency shall seem meet ; and this House will indemnify your Excellency therefor.

Ordered,—That the Address be engrossed, and be presented to His Excellency the Governor by such Members of this House as are of the Hon. Executive Council.

Documents from His Excellency the Governor.

The Hon. COLONIAL SECRETARY, by command of His Excellency the Governor, presented to the House the following Documents :

Letter from David Steele, Esq., on the subject of Steam Communication to the Northward of this Island :

Copy of agreement between A. M. Weir, Esq., and the Colonial Government, on the subject of Steam Communication between St. John's, Liverpool, and the United States.

(For which see Appendix.)

On Table

Ordered,—That the said Documents do lie upon the Table.

Petition from inhabitants of Harbor Grace.

The Hon. COLONIAL SECRETARY presented a Petition from William H. Ridley and others, of Harbor Grace, which was received and read,—Praying for a grant to enable them to re-build that portion of the town destroyed by fire, on the evening of the 12th inst.

On Table.

Ordered,—That the said Petition do lie upon the Table.

The Hon. COLONIAL SECRETARY gave notice, that on to-morrow he will ask leave to introduce a Bill to provide for the widening of Water Street, Harbor Grace, and the opening of a Firebreak therein; and to make regulations for the re-building of houses of uninflamable materials in certain parts thereof.

Notice for Bill to re-build Harbor Grace.

Mr. PROWSE gave notice, that on to-morrow he will move an Address to the Governor, on the Petition of Walter Ford, of Burgeo.

Notice of Address on Petition of Walter Ford

Then the House adjourned till Monday next at Three of the Clock.

Monday, 19th April, 1858.

Mr. PROWSE presented a Petition from John Laughlan, of Burgeo, which was received and read,—Praying that a pension may be granted him.

Petition for pension;

Ordered,—That the said Petition do lie upon the Table.

On Table.

The Hon. ATTORNEY GENERAL presented a Petition from George T. Rendel and William H. Mare, Churchwardens of the Church of England Cathedral, which was received and read,—Setting forth that the Southern retaining wall of the old Churchyard, from the inefficient manner of its construction, has become very much dilapidated: That the erection of a wall on the Eastern side, the erection of an iron railing all round, and the filling and levelling the Churchyard is much required, and praying that the House would grant a sum of money to carry out this improvement.

Petition from Church-wardens for grant to improve the Cathedral property.

He also presented a Petition from the same parties, on behalf of the congregation of the Church of England Cathedral, which was received and read,—Praying for a grant to enable them to purchase and remove some small houses at the junction of Church Hill and Gower Street.

Petition from Church-wardens of Episcopal Cathedral for grant to improve ground in front of Cathedral.

Ordered,—That the said Petitions do lie upon the Table

On Table.

The Hon. COLONIAL SECRETARY presented a Petition from John Vinnicombe and others, Pilots, of St. John's, which was received and read,—Praying that the House would adopt regulations for the placing and mooring of vessels arriving in the Harbor of St. John's.

Petition from Pilots of St. John's.

Ordered,—That the said Petition do lie upon the Table.

On Table.

School Petition from Burin:

Mr. BENNING presented a Petition from Thomas Burkett and others, of Burin, which was received and read,—Praying for an increased grant to establish additional Schools in that District.

On Table.

Ordered,—That the said Petition do lie upon the Table.

Road Petition:

Mr. CASEY presented a Petition from William Brazil and others, of St. John's, which was received and read,—Praying for a grant to make a road on the South side of Monday's Pond.

On Table.

Ordered,—That the said Petition do lie upon the Table.

Petition for pension.

Mr. MORRIS presented a petition from Elizabeth Glynn, widow of the late Gaoler of Burin, which was received and read,—Praying that as she is now deprived of her means of living, the House would grant her an allowance to assist in supporting her in her old age.

On Table.

Ordered,—That the said Petition do lie upon the Table.

Harbor Grace re-building
Bill read 1st time.

The Hon. COLONIAL SECRETARY, pursuant to notice and leave granted, presented a Bill to authorise the widening of Water Street in the Town of Harbor Grace, the opening of a new Firebreak therein, and for other purposes, which was read a first time.

On Table:

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

Notice of the suspension of
the Rules of the House.

The Hon. COLONIAL SECRETARY gave notice, that on to-morrow he will move the suspension of the Rules in reference to the said Bill.

Report of Committee to pre-
pare reasons to be offered at
Conference with Legislative
Council on Woods and For-
ests Bill.

Mr. HOGSETT, from the Select Committee appointed to prepare reasons to be offered at the Conference to be requested with the Legislative Council upon the Council's Amendments on the Bill sent up from the Assembly, entitled "An Act to prevent the Firing of the Woods and Forests of this Island, and to make provision for the erection and repair of Boundary Fences therein," presented the Report, which he handed in at the Clerk's Table, where the same were read as follows :

The House of Assembly have requested this conference with the Legislative Council for the purpose of informing them that they cannot concur in certain of the Amendments made by that body, in and upon the Bill entitled "An Act to prevent the firing of the Woods and Forests of this Island, and to make provision for the erection and repair of boundary fences therein," for the following reasons :

1st.—The Amendment made by the Council, of introducing in the 3rd Section, between the words “improved” and “lands” “or unimproved,” was suggested while the Bill was in Committee in the House of Assembly, and elicited a long debate, when it was finally rejected by a very large majority, on the ground that the effect of these words would operate injuriously on a large class, and was not suited to the requirements of this colony.

2nd.—In this colony, except in the Central District, instances are rare where the cultivation of the soil is not combined with the prosecution of the fisheries; and for the most part, such cultivation is confined to fishermen, who, year after year, as time and opportunity permit, add to and extend their several clearings. It will be obvious that under these circumstances, the amount of land under cultivation by each person depends upon his means and number in family; and where these vary, and in many instances are so disproportionate, the one to the other, the Amendment of the Council would impose upon a poor, struggling man, with a large and helpless family, in possession of Twenty Acres of Land, an obligation equal in extent to that which it imposes on a person in more comfortable and prosperous circumstances.

3rd.—The Amendment of the Council would compel that large class of persons to keep up their Boundary Fences to the full extent of the holdings, whilst the provisions of the Assembly would operate only upon that which is cultivated; and out of which each party derives a benefit—the one, as the Assembly thinks, calculated to impose inexpedient and unnecessary restrictions upon the cultivation of the soil, whilst the other encourages and protects it.

4th.—It may be, and has been urged, that in the Outports the measure would be inoperative; but besides the fact that if passed into Law, it would be applicable to the whole colony. The quarrels and misunderstandings that unfortunately take place between neighbours, are as likely to occur in the Outports as in the Central District, in which case a poor man would be liable to be put to great expense by his more wealthy, and it may be vindictive, neighbour.

5th.—Taking into consideration the previous Amendment, the Assembly are at a loss to understand the reasons which weighed with the Council for the adoption of the proviso to the third Section of the Bill, exempting Crown Lands from its operation, thus guarding with jealous care the interests of the Crown, whilst those of the poor struggling settler will be seemingly prejudiced.

House of Assembly, }
29th March, 1858. }

A. SHEA,
Speaker.

Ordered,—That the said Report be adopted.

Message to Council soliciting
Conference on Woods and
Forests Bill.

Ordered,—That a Message be sent to the Legislative Council, requesting their concurrence in the Conference on the Amendments made by the Council on the Bill sent up from the Assembly, entitled "An Act to prevent the Firing of the Woods and Forests of this Island, and to make provision for the erection and repair of Boundary Fences therein."

Ordered,—That Mr. Hogsett and Mr. Carter do take the Message to the Legislative Council.

Messages from Council.

(Messages from the Legislative Council.)

The Master-in-Chancery to the Legislative Council brought down the following Messages :

MR. SPEAKER,—

The Legislative Council acquaint the House of Assembly that they agree to the Conference requested on the subject of Amendments made by the Council on the Bill entitled "An Act to prevent the firing of the Woods and Forests of this Island, and to make provision for the erection and repair of Boundary Fences therein," and have appointed two Managers to meet the Conference on the part of the Assembly, in the Committee-Room of the Council, presently.

LAURENCE O'BRIEN,
President.

Legislative Council Chamber, }
19th April, 1858. }

MR. SPEAKER,—

The Legislative Council acquaint the House of Assembly that they have passed the Bills following, without Amendment, viz. :—

"An Act to establish the Fees and Costs chargeable in the several Police Offices and Courts of Sessions in this Island," and

"An Act to revive and continue an Act entitled 'An Act to encourage the Killing of Wolves in this Colony.'"

LAURENCE O'BRIEN,
President.

Legislative Council Chamber, }
19th April, 1858. }

And then the Messenger withdrew.

Ordered,—That Mr. Hogsett, Mr. F. B. Carter, Mr. Kelly, and Mr. Winter do manage the conference on the part of the House. Managers appointed.

And they went to the conference; and, being returned,

Mr. HOGSETT, reported that the Managers had been at the conference, and had complied with the instructions of the House. Report from Managers of Conference.

Pursuant to Order of the Day, the Bill for granting to Her Majesty a sum of money for making and repairing Roads, Streets, and Bridges, was read a second time. Road Bill read 2nd time.

Ordered,—That the House do, on to-morrow, resolve itself into Committee of the Whole upon the said Bill.

Pursuant to Order of the Day, the House resolved itself into Committee of the Whole upon the Bill to simplify Proceedings in the Superior Courts of this Island. Committee on Simplification of Law Bill,

Mr. SPEAKER left the Chair.

Mr. WARREN took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. SPEAKER resumed the Chair.

The Chairman reported from the Committee that they had considered the Bill to them referred, and had made some progress therein, which they had directed him to report to the House, and to ask leave to sit again on the further consideration thereof. Progress reported.

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

Mr. KELLY, from the Select Committee appointed to report upon the Petition of the inhabitants of Point Verd, for a Breakwater, presented the Report, which he handed in at the Clerk's Table, where it was read as follows: Report of Committee on Breakwater at Point Verd.

Committee Room, House of Assembly, }
10th April, 1858. }

The Select Committee appointed to take into consideration the Petition of the inhabitants of Point Verd, on the subject of a Breakwater, beg to report that they have considered the matter to them referred, and are of opinion that the erection of a Breakwater would be of great utility to the inhabitants in that locality.

Your Committee hereunto annex the declaration of Messrs. John Corbin and John Green, taken before Francis L. Bradshaw, Esq.

All which is respectfully submitted.

M. J. KELLY,

Chairman

JOHN DELANEY

JOHN CASEY

THOMAS KNIGHT

STEPHEN MARCH.

Northern District of Placentia.

Personally applied before me, Francis Bradshaw, Esq., (one of Her Majesty's Justices of the Peace for the said District) John Corbin and John Green, who severally declares :

That a continuation of the Breakwater on the Bar of Point Verd would be of the greatest benefit to the fishing population of Placentia and St. Mary's Bays, as it is the first and last place where caplin was found in said Bays.

We are also of opinion, that the Breakwater, if continued, would prevent the filling up of the gut or entrance of Placentia Harbor, by diverting the shifting sand, that is now accumulating at said entrance, in another direction. It would also form a harbor or anchorage for boats during the Fishery, which would not be subject to tidal influences, and would further be in close proximity to the fishing ground.

JOHN CORBIN,

JOHN GREEN.

Declared before me at Placentia, 31st March, 1858.

J. L. BRADSHAW, J. P.

On Table

Ordered,—That the said Report do lie upon the Table.

Notice of Address on Petition
for Breakwater at Point Verd.

Mr. KELLY gave notice, that on to-morrow he will move an Address to the Governor on the subject of the Breakwater at Point Verd.

Then the House adjourned till to-morrow at Three of the Clock.

Tuesday, 20th April, 1858.

Mr. KAVANAGH presented Petitions from Daniel Griffin and others, of Outer Cove ; Thomas Costello and others, of Torbay ; and from Nicholas Roach and others, of Torbay, which were severally received and read,—Praying for road grants in those localities.

Road Petitions from Torbay and Outer Cove.

Ordered,—That the said Petitions do lie upon the Table.

On Table.

Mr. F. B. CARTER presented a Petition from James L. Mews and others, of Hant's Harbor, which was received and read,—Praying for a grant to make a road round the Harbor.

Road Petition from Hant's Harbor.

Ordered,—That the said Petition do lie upon the Table.

On Table.

Pursuant to Order of the Day, the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole upon the further consideration of Supply.

Committee on Supply.

Mr. SPEAKER left the Chair.

Mr. BENNING took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. SPEAKER resumed the Chair.

The Chairman reported from the Committee that they had considered the business to them referred, and had come to certain Resolutions thereon, which they had directed him to report to the House ; and he handed the Resolutions in at the Clerk's Table, where the same were read as follows :

Resolutions reported.

Resolved,—That it is the opinion of this Committee that there be granted to Her Majesty, Her Heirs, and Successors, the following sums of money to defray the Civil Expenditure of the Island, for the year ending 31st December, 1858 :

The Private Secretary to the Governor, Two Hundred Pounds.

Two Clerk's in the Secretary's Office, Four Hundred Pounds.

The Clerk in the Receiver General's Office, Two Hundred Pounds.

The Keeper of the Colonial Building, Sixty Pounds.

An Office Keeper to the Colonial Secretary's Office, Sixty Pounds.

A Messenger at the Secretary's Office, Sixty Pounds.

The Keeper of the Half-way House on Salmonier Road, Thirty-five Pounds.

The Gate Keeper at Government House Lodge, and Preserver of the Grounds about the same, Sixty Pounds.

The Chief Clerk and Registrar of the Supreme Court, and Central Circuit Court, Three Hundred and Fifty Pounds, and Twenty Pounds for the purchase of Printed Forms. Eighty Pounds to defray the salary of a Clerk in the Office of the Chief Clerk and Registrar of the Supreme and Central Circuit Courts, provided that all Fees and Perquisites received, or that shall be received, in or by virtue of the said Office, or in any way connected therewith, shall be accounted for and paid over half-yearly to the Receiver General.

The Chief Clerk and Registrar of the Northern Circuit Court, Two Hundred Pounds.

The Clerk of the Southern Circuit Court, Two Hundred Pounds.

The Sheriff's Bailiff in the Central District, Fifty Pounds.

The Crier and Tipstaff of the Supreme Court, Sixty Pounds.

The Crier and Tipstaff of the Northern Circuit Court at Harbor Grace, Twenty Pounds.

The sum of Three Hundred Pounds to defray the expenses of Crown Prosecutions.

The sum of Two Hundred Pounds to defray the expenses of Coroners.

The sum of Five Hundred Pounds towards defraying the Expenses of Judges and Officers on Circuit, and of Crown Prosecutions thereon; which sum of money includes table money and means of conveyance, and payment of rent of any Court Rooms where Court Houses may not be erected: Provided that passages shall be allowed and provided on board of each vessel proceeding on the respective Circuits, to such Members of the Bar as may desire to proceed thereon: Provided further that the amount of table money and travelling expenses hereinbefore provided for the said Judges and Officers of Court, on Circuit, shall be apportioned for the said Judges and Officers respectively, by the Governor in Council; and provided further, that should the Governor in Council be of opinion that the said respective Judges and Officers can proceed on Circuit by Land, the said sum of Five Hundred Pounds shall be reduced to Four Hundred Pounds.

The sum of Nineteen Hundred and Eighty Pounds towards defraying the expenses of the Police Department at St. John's, as follows:

To Two Police Magistrates at St. John's, Six Hundred Pounds.

To the Inspector of Police, One Hundred Pounds.

To the Serjeant of Police, Seventy Pounds.

Sixteen Police Constables at St. John's, at Fifty Five Pounds each, Eight Hundred and Eighty Pounds; and One Hundred and Eighty Pounds for Clothing for them.

The Gaoler for St. John's, One Hundred and Fifty Pounds, in lieu of all fees, which are to be accounted for and paid over to the Receiver General.

The sum of Eighteen Hundred and Twenty Pounds to defray the Salaries of the undermentioned Outport Magistrates, as follows :—

A Magistrate for Brigus and Port-de-Grave, One Hundred and Fifty Pounds.

A Magistrate at Harbor Grace, Two Hundred Pounds.

A Magistrate at Carbonear, One Hundred and Fifty Pounds.

A Magistrate at Old Perlican, One Hundred and Thirty Pounds.

A Magistrate at Trinity, One Hundred and Fifty Pounds.

A Magistrate at Bonavista, One Hundred and Fifty Pounds.

A Magistrate for Twillingate and Fogo, One Hundred and Thirty Pounds.

A Magistrate at Bay Bulls, One Hundred Pounds.

A Magistrate at Ferryland, One Hundred Pounds.

A Magistrate at Placentia, One Hundred and Thirty Pounds.

A Magistrate at Burin, One Hundred and Fifty Pounds.

A Magistrate at Grand Bank, One Hundred and Thirty Pounds.

A Magistrate at Harbor Briton, One Hundred Pounds.

A Magistrate at St. Mary's, Fifty Pounds.

The sum of Five Hundred and Sixty Pounds towards defraying the salaries of the undermentioned Outport Clerks of the Peace, as follows :—

A Clerk of the Peace for Brigus and Port-de-Grave, Sixty Pounds.

A Clerk of the Peace at Harbor Grace, One Hundred and Fifty Pounds.

A Clerk of the Peace at Carbonear, Ninety Pounds.

A Clerk of the Peace at Trinity, Sixty Pounds.

A Clerk of the Peace at Bonavista, Sixty Pounds.

A Clerk of the Peace for Twillingate and Fogo, Forty-five Pounds.

A Clerk of the Peace at Burin, Sixty Pounds.

A Clerk of the Peace at Harbor Briton, Thirty-five Pounds.

Provided that all Fees of Office received by the said Clerks of the Peace shall be accounted for, and paid over half-yearly, to the Receiver General.

The sum of Twelve Hundred and Ninety-one Pounds towards defraying the Salaries of the undermentioned Outport Constables, as follows :—

One Constable at Petty Harbor, Twenty Pounds.

One Constable at Torbay, Twenty Pounds.

One Constable at Portugal Cove, Twenty Pounds.

One Constable at South Shore, Twelve Pounds.

One Constable at Harbor Main, Twenty Pounds.

One Constable at Cat's Cove, Twenty Pounds.

Two Constables at Brigus and Port-de-Grave, Fifty Pounds.

One Constable at Bay Roberts, Twenty-five Pounds.

Seven Constables at Harbor Grace, Three Hundred and Twenty-five Pounds ; that is to say, one Constable at Seventy-five Pounds, five Constables at Forty-five Pounds, and one Constable at Twenty-five Pounds.

Three Constables at Carboncar, One Hundred and Five Pounds:

One Constable at Bay de Verd, Twelve Pounds.

One Constable at Western Bay, Twelve Pounds.

One Constable at Heart's Content, Twelve Pounds.

One Constable at Hant's Harbor, Twelve Pounds.

One Constable at Perlican, Twenty Pounds.

One Constable at New Harbor, Twelve Pounds.

Two Constables at Trinity, Thirty-seven Pounds.

One Constable at Catalina, Twenty-five Pounds.

One Constable at Bonavista, Twenty-five Pounds.

One Constable at Tickle Cove, Twelve Pounds.

One Constable at King's Cove, Twelve Pounds.

One Constable at Salvage, Twelve Pounds.

One Constable at Greenspond, Twelve Pounds.

Three Constables at Twillingate and Fogo, Forty-nine Pounds.

One Constable at Exploits Bay, Twelve Pounds.

One Constable at Bay Bulls, Twenty-five Pounds.

One Constable at Witless Bay, Twelve pounds.

- One Constable at Toad's Cove, Twelve Pounds.
 One Constable at Brigus South, Twelve Pounds.
 One Constable at Cape Broyle, Twelve Pounds.
 One Constable at Caplin Bay, Twelve Pounds.
 One Constable at Ferryland, Twenty-five Pounds.
 One Constable at Aquaforte, Twelve Pounds.
 One Constable at Fermcuse, Twelve Pounds.
 One Constable at Rencwse, Twelve Pounds.
 One Constable at St. Mary's, Twenty-five Pounds.
 One Constable at Placentia, Twenty-five Pounds.
 One Constable at Little Placentia, Twenty Pounds.
 One Constable at Oderin, Twelve pounds.
 One Constable at Merasheen, Twelve Pounds.
 One Constable at Burin, Twenty-five Pounds.
 One Constable at St. Lawrence, Twelve Pounds.
 One Constable at Lamaline, Twelve Pounds.
 One Constable at Grand Bank, Twelve Pounds.
 One Constable at Jersey Harbor, Twelve Pounds.
 One Constable at Harbor Briton, Twenty-five Pounds.
 One Constable at Hermitage Bay, Twelve Pounds.
 One Constable at Burgeo Islands, Twelve Pounds.
 One Constable at Spaniard's Bay, Twelve Pounds.
 One Constable at Channel, Twelve Pounds.
 One Constable at Bird Island Cove, Twelve Pounds.

The sum of Two Hundred and forty Pounds towards defraying the Salaries of the undermentioned Outport Gaolers, as follows:—

- A Gaoler at Harbor Grace, Ninety Pounds: Provided that all Fees of Office received by him shall be accounted for, and paid over to the Receiver General.
 A Gaoler at Trinity, Twenty-five Pounds.
 A Gaoler at Bonavista Twenty Pounds.
 A Gaoler at Twillingate and Fogo, Twenty Pounds.
 A Gaoler at Ferryland, Twenty-five Pounds.
 A Gaoler at Placentia, Twenty-five Pounds.

A Gaoler at Burin, Twenty-five Pounds.

A Gaoler for Brigus and Port-de-Grave, Ten Pounds.

The sum of Three Hundred and Seven Pounds towards defraying the Salaries of the undermentioned Ferrymen, as follows :—

A Ferryman at Great Placentia, Thirty Pounds.

A Ferryman at Salmonier, Twenty-five Pounds.

A Ferryman at Portugal Cove, Twenty five Pounds.

A Ferryman at Trinity, Thirty Pounds.

A Ferryman between Harbor Grace and Thomas Fitzgerald's on the South Side of the Harbor, Thirty Pounds.

A Ferryman at Little St. Lawrence, Ten Pounds.

Ferryman for Two Ferries between Burin and Mud Cove, Twenty-five Pounds.

A Ferryman at Holyrood, Thirty Pounds ; that is to say,—for a Boat to be stationed near Crawley's on the South Side, and a Boat near Healey's on the North Side of the Harbor, Fifteen Pounds each.

A Ferryman at Aquaforte, Fifteen Pounds.

Ferryman for Two Ferries at Mortier Bay, Twenty-five Pounds.

A Ferryman at Colinet, Twenty-five Pounds.

A Ferry between Topsail and Belle Isle, Twenty-five Pounds.

A Ferryman at Mall Bay, Twelve Pounds.

The District Surgeon for St. John's, Two Hundred Pounds, including provision for Medicines.

The Gaol Surgeon for St. John's, Forty Pounds.

The District Surgeon for Conception Bay, One Hundred Pounds.

The Gaol Surgeon for Conception Bay, Thirty Pounds.

The Physician of the Lunatic Asylum, Three Hundred Pounds.

For Medical Attendance at St. John's Hospital, Two Hundred and Fifty Pounds.

The sum of Seven Thousand Two Hundred and Fifty Pounds towards the Relief of the Permanent and Casual Poor in St. John's and the Out-ports.

The sum of Two Thousand Pounds towards defraying the expenses of Lunatic Paupers, at the Lunatic Asylum.

The sum of One Thousand Seven Hundred Pounds towards defraying the expenses of Paupers in the St. John's Hospital.

The sum of Five Hundred and Fifty Pounds towards defraying the expenses of Repairs on the Colonial Building.

The sum of Two Hundred and Fifty Pounds towards defraying the expenses of Fuel and Light for the Colonial Building.

The sum of Eighty-five Pounds for repairs on the Custom House in St. John's.

The sum of One Hundred Pounds for Fuel and Light for the Custom House in St. John's.

To defray the expenses of repairing the Court-houses in St. John's and Outports, Eight Hundred Pounds.

The sum of Nine Hundred Pounds towards defraying the ordinary expenditure of Court-houses and Gaols in this Colony.

The sum of Five Hundred Pounds towards defraying the expenses of repairs, fencing, draining, &c., on and about St. John's Hospital.

The sum of One Hundred Pounds towards defraying the expenses of repairs, fencing, &c., in and about the Lunatic Asylum.

The sum of One Hundred Pounds towards defraying the expenses of Postages and other Incidentals.

The sum of Eight Hundred Pounds for Printing and Stationery.

The sum of Two Hundred Pounds towards defraying the expenses of Insuring the Public Buildings.

The sum of Three Hundred Pounds towards defraying the expenses of carrying the Crown Lands Act into operation.

The sum of Two Hundred Pounds for Fuel and Light for Government House.

The sum of Five Hundred Pounds to defray Unforeseen Contingencies.

The sum of Thirty-six Pounds and Ten Shillings towards defraying the expenses of men Stationed at Fort Amherst.

The sum of Fifty Pounds towards payment of Duties on Wines imported or purchased for the use of the Military.

The sum of Two Hundred and Sixteen Pounds towards defraying the expense of Lighting St. John's with Gas.

The sum of Seventy-five Pounds to the Harbor Grace Gas Light Company for Lighting the Town of Harbor Grace.

The sum of One Hundred Pounds to the St. John's Water Company.

The sum of Fifty Pounds towards the support of the Dorcas Society in St. John's.

The sum of Twenty-five Pounds towards the support of the Dorcas Society in Harbor Grace.

The sum of Twenty-five Pounds towards the support of the Dorcas Society in Carbonear.

The sum of Fifty Pounds towards defraying the expenses of the Mechanics' Institute in St. John's.

The sum of Fifty Pounds towards the support of the Industrial Department of the Orphan Asylum School in St. John's.

The sum of One Hundred Pounds towards the employment of the Poor in the Factory in St. John's.

The sum of Twenty-five Pounds towards the support of a Reading Room in St. John's.

The sum of Two Hundred and Fifty Pounds towards the support of the Agricultural Society in St. John's, to be expended as follows :—

The sum of One Hundred and Fifty Pounds in the purchase of Seeds, and of Cattle to improve the breed, in and for such Outport Electoral Districts as may require the same; and the remaining sum of One Hundred Pounds to be expended for the like purpose in St. John's.

The sum of One Hundred Pounds to the Phoenix Volunteer Fire Company at St. John's; and the sum of Fifty Pounds to other Fire Engine Companies therein.

The sum of Ten Pounds to Robert Smith, Constable at Greenspond.

The sum of Ten Pounds, allowance to Patrick Burke, of St. John's:

The sum of Two Hundred Pounds towards the relief of Shipwrecked Crews.

The sum of Two Hundred Pounds towards the general repairs of Roads and Bridges in this Colony.

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- The sum of Five Hundred and Fifty Pounds towards defraying the expenses of constructing Pumps and Water Tanks ; one-half thereof to be expended in the Town of St. John's, under the direction of the Surveyor General, and the other half of the said sum of money to be expended in the Outports of the Colony.
- The sum of Twenty-five Pounds to Joseph Woods for publishing an Almanack for 1858, in St. John's.
- The sum of Fifteen Pounds towards defraying the expenses of repairing and cleaning the Town Clock, at St. John's.
- The sum of One Thousand Pounds towards the Protection and Encouragement of the Fisheries at Cape John and Belle Isle, on the Coast of this Island.
- The sum of Two Thousand Pounds towards defraying the expenses of erecting and building a new Gaol at St. John's.
- The sum of Four Thousand Pounds towards defraying the expenses of erecting and completing a New Wing to the Lunatic Asylum, including Fencing.
- The sum of Three Hundred Pounds towards the erection and completion of a Breakwater at Belle Isle, on the Northern part of the Coast of this Island.
- The sum of One Thousand Pounds towards the encouragement of Emigration to this Colony.
- The sum of One Thousand Pounds towards defraying the expenses of a General Survey of this Island.
- The sum of Three Thousand Two Hundred Pounds towards the erection and establishment of Normal Schools in St. John's, as follows :—
- The sum of One Thousand One Hundred and Forty-five Pounds to the Board of the Church of England Academy ; the sum of One Thousand Four Hundred and Eighty-five Pounds to the Board of the Catholic Academy ; and the sum of Five Hundred and Seventy Pounds to the Board of the Wesleyan Academy.
- The sum of One Thousand Two Hundred Pounds towards the improvement of Quidi Vidi Harbor, in the vicinity of St. John's : provided that all work and materials required for such purpose shall be furnished by tender, subject to the approval of the Governor in Council.

The sum of Seven Hundred and Eighty Pounds to be paid to the Proprietors of the Steam Packet plying between St. John's and Halifax, for extra trips of that vessel during the Winter season.

The sum of Seven Thousand Two Hundred and Eighty Pounds to defray the expenses incident on the establishment of communication by Steam Ships or vessels between England, Newfoundland, and the United States of America.

The sum of Sixty Pounds towards the erection and repair of a Beacon at LaPoile.

The sum of Four Hundred Pounds towards the support of a suitable Steamer to ply for one year between the North and South Sides of Conception Bay, three days in each week from April to January, and once in each week during the Winter months, when the navigation will permit; for which weekly trips the owner shall be entitled to receive Ten Pounds each extra, on the Certificate of the Post Master General, or the Stipendiary Magistrate of Harbor Grace, to the faithful performance of the service: provided the amount to be paid for such Winter trips shall not exceed One Hundred Pounds; and the further sum of Two Hundred and Fifty Pounds to the owner of such Steamer, as a bonus towards the establishment of the said Steam Communication, to be paid at the end of the year terminating in the month of April next.

The sum of Two Hundred Pounds to defray the expenses of conveying Gas to and Lighting the Court-house at, Harbor Grace with Gas during the year.

The sum of Two Hundred Pounds towards defraying the expense of introducing a sufficient supply of fresh water into the Town of Harbor Grace during the current year.

The sum of One Hundred and Fifty Pounds towards the improvement of the Church-hill Grave Yard.

The sum of One Hundred and Fifty Pounds towards the improvement of the Catholic Churchyard adjoining the Kirk of Scotland, in St. John's.

The sum of Fifty Pounds towards the erection of a Breakwater at Point Verde: Provided always that such erection shall be made subject to the superintendence and inspection of a competent person to be appointed for that purpose by the Governor; and that no portion of the

said sum of money shall be expended until such Inspector shall report to the Governor on the practicability and usefulness of the said Breakwater at the said point ; and that such report shall be first approved of by the Governor and Council before such erection shall be commenced to be made.

The sum of One Hundred Pounds towards the erection and completion of a Public Wharf at Belle Isle, in Conception Bay, under the superintendence of the Board of Works.

The sum of Two Hundred and Fifty Pounds to defray the expense of deepening Placentia Gut : Provided always that such improvement in the said Gut shall be done subject to the superintendence and inspection of a competent person to be appointed for that purpose by the Governor : and that no portion of the said sum of money shall be expended until such Inspector shall report to the Governor on the practicability and usefulness of such improvement on the said Gut ; and that such report shall be first approved of by the Governor in Council before the same shall be undertaken.

The sum of One Hundred and Fifty Pounds towards the erection of a Breakwater at Grand Bank : Provided always, that such erection shall be made subject to the superintendence and inspection of a competent person to be appointed for that purpose by the Governor ; and that no portion of the said sum of money shall be expended until such Inspector shall report to the Governor on the practicability and usefulness of the said Breakwater ; and that such report shall be first approved of by the Governor in Council before such work shall be commenced.

The sum of Two Hundred Pounds for the erection and completion of a Public Wharf at Carbonear.

The sum of Two Hundred Pounds for the erection of a Breakwater at Toads Cove : provided always, that such erection shall be made subject to the inspection of a competent person to be appointed for that purpose by the Governor ; and that no portion of the said sum of money shall be expended until such inspector shall report to the Governor on the practicability and usefulness of the said Breakwater, and that such report shall first be approved of by the Governor in Council before such erection shall be undertaken.

The sum of One Hundred Pounds for the erection and completion of a Breakwater at Garnish : provided always, that such erection shall be

made subject to the inspection of a competent person to be appointed for that purpose by the Governor ; and that no portion of the said sum of money shall be expended until such inspector shall report to the Governor on the practicability and usefulness of the said Breakwater, and that such report shall be first approved of by the Governor in Council before such erection shall be undertaken.

The sum of One Hundred and Fifty Pounds for the erection and completion of a Breakwater at Twillingate : provided always, that such erection shall be made subject to the inspection of a competent person to be appointed for that purpose by the Governor ; and that no portion of the said sum of money shall be expended until such inspector shall report to the Governor on the practicability and usefulness of the said Breakwater ; and that such report shall be first approved of by the Governor in Council before such erection shall be undertaken.

The sum of One Hundred Pounds for the erection and completion of a Public Wharf at Catalina : Provided always that such erection shall be made subject to the inspection of a competent person to be appointed for that purpose by the Governor ; and that no portion of the said sum of money shall be expended until such Inspector shall report to the Governor on the practicability and usefulness of the said Wharf ; and that such report shall be first approved of by the Governor in Council before the same shall be commenced to be erected.

The sum of Twenty Pounds for the repairs of a Public Wharf at Trinity ; Provided always that such repairs shall be made subject to the inspection of a competent person to be appointed for that purpose by the Governor ; and that no portion of the said sum of money shall be expended until such Inspector shall report to the Governor on the practicability and usefulness of the said Wharf ; and that such report shall be first approved of by the Governor in Council before such repairs shall be undertaken.

The sum of One Hundred and Fifty Pounds for the erection and completion of a Public Wharf at Bonavista : Provided always that such erection shall be made subject to the inspection of a competent person to be appointed for that purpose by the Governor ; and that no portion of the said sum of money shall be expended until such Inspector shall report to the Governor on the practicability and usefulness of the said Wharf ; and that such report shall be first approved of by the Governor in Council before such erection shall be undertaken.

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- The sum of Sixty Pounds to the Agricultural Society in St. John's, to defray the expense of introducing Kerry Cattle into this Colony.
- The sum of Fifty Pounds to the "Law Society of Newfoundland," for the purpose of their Library.
- The sum of One Hundred Pounds towards defraying the expense of reporting and publishing the proceedings of the Supreme and Circuit Courts of this Colony, and of the Police Courts therein.
- The sum of Sixty Pounds for Clothing for the Police Constables at Harbor Grace.
- The sum of One Hundred and Fifty-six Pounds, Five Shillings and Four Pence, to defray expenses incident on the investigation of a charge against George Simms.
- The sum of Fifty Pounds to defray the expenses incurred in repairing the Half-way House at Salmonier.
- The sum of Forty-nine Pounds Twelve Shillings and Four-pence to Thomas McConnan, for a fire-proof Safe provided for the Receiver General's Office.
- The sum of Sixty Pounds to pay for supplies for shipwrecked Seamen at Cape Race and Offer Wadham.
- The sum of Forty-eight Pounds and Twelve Shillings to pay John T. Neville for certain work in draining for the late Government in the Town of St. John's.
- The sum of Nineteen Pounds Six Shillings and One Penny to John Woods, as a draw-back on Machinery imported by him into this colony.
- The sum of Twenty-four Pounds to the Ferryman at Mall Bay, to defray his claim for two years' salary remaining unpaid.
- The sum of Fifteen Pounds to compensate James Furlong for reporting and publishing the proceedings of the Law Courts last spring.
- The sum of Fifty Pounds to compensate the Chief Stipendiary Magistrate of St. John's, for extra services.
- The sum of Fifty Pounds to compensate Robert R. W. Lilly for extra services in the Police Office.

That in order to widen the Public Road in front of the Church of England Cathedral in St. John's, such sum of money as shall be deemed necessary by the Governor in Council shall be paid and expended for the removal of the house and erections, and for the purchase of the ground immediately in front of the said Cathedral: Provided always that the value of such house and erections, and of the said ground shall be ascertained by the appraisement of a competent person to be appointed for that purpose by the Governor; and that when such house and erections shall be removed, and the said ground paid for according to such appraised value, the same shall become public property.

That in order to improve the Convent School Buildings in the Diocese of Harbor Grace, the Governor in Council shall pay to the Catholic Bishop thereof, a sum equal in amount to what shall be paid for the purpose of widening the said road in front of the said Cathedral in the manner aforesaid.

That the sum of Two Thousand Three Hundred Pounds be appropriated and expended to defray the expenses of the Postal service of this Colony, to be expended under and by virtue of the provisions of the Act passed in the 19th year of Her Majesty's Reign, entitled "An Act to Regulate the Inland Posts of this Colony." Provided always, that out of the said sum there shall be expended the sum of Twenty Pounds towards defraying the expenses of conveying Newspapers and Printed Papers to and from this Colony, subject to certain Rules and Regulations made or to be adopted in relation thereto by the Governor in Council.

Resolutions adopted.

Ordered,—That the said Resolutions be adopted.

Notice for Supply Bill.

The Hon. RECEIVER GENERAL gave notice, that on to-morrow he will move for leave to bring in a Bill of Appropriation in accordance with the Resolutions reported from Committee of the Whole on Supply.

Notice for Survey of Breakwater at Old Perlican.

Mr. WINTER gave notice, that on to-morrow he will move an Address to the Governor, respectfully requesting that His Excellency will be pleased to cause a Survey and Estimate of the probable amount necessary to make the Harbor of Old Perlican, in Trinity Bay, a harbor of refuge, by the erection of a Breakwater to unite Old Perlican and the Main Land.

Then the House adjourned till to-morrow at Three of the Clock.

Wednesday, 21st April, 1858.

MR. DEMISTER presented a Petition from Pierce Hanrahan and others, of Western Bay, which was received and read,—Praying for a grant to open a road from Percy's Cove to the North Shore main line.

Road Petition from Percy's Cove.

Ordered,—That the said Petition do lie upon the Table.

On Table;

(A Message from the Legislative Council.)

Message from Council.

The Master-in-Chancery to the Legislative Council brought down the following Message :

MR. SPEAKER,—

The Legislative Council acquaint the House of Assembly that they have passed the Bill sent up to them for their concurrence, entitled "An Act for the protection of the Breeding of Wild Fowl," with some Amendments, to which they request the concurrence of the Assembly.

LAURENCE O'BRIEN,

President.

Legislative Council Chamber, }
21st April, 1858.

The Amendments of the Legislative Council in and upon the Bill sent up from the Assembly entitled "An Act for the protection of the Breeding of Wild Fowl," were read a first time, as follows :

Amendments on Wild Fowl protection Bill read 1st time.

At the end of the Title of the Bill, insert the words and "for other purposes."

In the Preamble, 2nd line, after the word "Colony," insert "and to provide for the extension of Game."

In the 3rd Section, 1st line, after the word "Partridge," insert the words "or Grouse."

" 3rd line, expunge "fifteenth day of August," and insert instead thereof "first day of September."

In the 4th Section, 3rd and 5th lines, insert after the word "Partridge," the words "or Grouse."

In the 6th Section, 3rd line, insert after the word "Partridge," the words "or Grouse."

Insert as the 7th Section, as follows :

“ 7. — And whereas it would conduce to the comfort and support of the inhabitants of this Colony if the animal known in Nova Scotia by the name of Hare or Rabbit, were imported into Newfoundland, and the breed thereof propagated therein : be it further enacted, that a sum not exceeding Pounds be expended out of the Public monies of this Colony, by, and under the order of the Executive Council for the purpose of importing a sufficient number of the said Nova Scotia Hares or Rabbits, subject to such rules and regulations for their preservation, and such penalties for interfering therewith, as the Governor and Council may ordain by Proclamation in the *Royal Gazette*.

Rejected, interfering with privileges.

Mr. SPEAKER informed the House that the Amendments of the Council upon the said Bill were in violation of the privileges of this House, and could not be further entertained.

Message from Council.

(A Message from the Legislative Council.)

The Master-in-Chancery to the Legislative Council brought down the following Message :

Mr. SPEAKER,—

The Legislative Council request a Conference with the House of Assembly on the subject of the last Conference, and have appointed two Conferees to meet the Managers from the House of Assembly in the Committee Room of the Council, presently.

LAURENCE O'BRIEN,

President.

Legislative Council Chamber, }
21st April, 1858. }

And then the Messenger withdrew.

Ordered,—That the said Message do lie upon the Table.

On motion of Mr. HOGSETT, seconded by Mr. F. B. CARTER,

Message acceding to Conference.

Resolved,—That a Message be sent to the Legislative Council to acquaint them that the House accede to the Conference requested by them.

Managers appointed.

Ordered,—That Mr. Hogsett, Mr. F. B. Carter, Mr. Winter, and Mr. Kelly, do manage the Conference on the part of the House.

Sent to Council.

Ordered,—That Mr. Hogsett and Mr. F. B. Carter, do take the Message to the Legislative Council.

And the names of the Managers being called over, they went to the Conference : and being returned,

Managers attend Conference.

Mr. F. CARTER reported that the Committee of Conference, on behalf of the House, had met the Managers appointed by the Council, and reported as follows ;

The Managers appointed by this House to meet the Conferees of the Legislative Council on the subject of the last Conference, report to the House that they had attended the Conferees of the Council at the time and place appointed, and there found the Conferees sitting with their hats on, when the Managers of this House also sat with their hats on, and were informed by the Conferees that they could not, in obedience to their instructions, communicate with the Managers of this House in their then position.

Report of Managers of Conference.

That the Managers of this House stated they were ready to conform to what they had understood had been the practice on such occasions, by the Managers on both sides standing, and being uncovered, and as they were directed by this House. Whereupon the Managers from this House withdrew.

Whereupon,

On motion of Mr. F. B. CARTER, seconded by Mr. HOGSETT,

Resolved,—That this House do approve of the conduct of the Conferees, as reported by them from the Conference with the Legislative Council, on the subject of the last Conference on the Bill to prevent the firing of the Woods and Forests of this Country.

Resolution on report of Managers of Conference.

Mr. MORRIS moved, seconded by Mr. PARSONS,

That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into the Petition of John V. Nugent, Esq., Sheriff of St. John's, claiming an increase of salary ; and, the question being put thereon, the House divided, when it passed in the negative on division.

Motion for Select Committee on increase of Sheriff's salary.

On motion of the Hon. COLONIAL SECRETARY, seconded by Mr. F. B. CARTER,

Resolved,—That the Rules of the House be suspended in reference to the Bill to provide for the Re-building of the Town of Harbor Grace.

Rules suspended in reference to Harbor Grace re-building Act.

The Hon. RECEIVER GENERAL, pursuant to notice, and leave granted, presented a Bill for granting to Her Majesty a sum of money for defray-

Supply bill read 1st time.

ing the expenses of the Civil Government of this Island for the year ending 31st December, 1858, which was read a first time.

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

Harbor Grace rebuilding Act read the first time.

Pursuant to Order of the Day, the Bill to provide for the Re-building of the Town of Harbor Grace, was read a second time.

Order for Committee.

Ordered,—That the House do, on to-morrow, resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole upon the said Bill, and that it stand first on the Order of the Day.

Committee on Revenue Bill.

Pursuant to Order of the Day, the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole upon the Revenue Bill.

Mr. SPEAKER left the Chair.

Mr. BENNING took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. SPEAKER resumed the Chair.

Reported without Amendment.

The Chairman reported from the Committee that they had passed the Bill to them referred, without Amendment; and he handed the Bill in at the Clerk's Table.

Ordered,—That the Bill be engrossed, and be read a third time to-morrow.

Mr. PARSONS, from the Select Committee appointed to inquire into the propriety of erecting an Asylum for Fishermen, in this Island, presented the Report, which he handed in at the Clerk's Table, where it was read as follows :

Report of Committee on Fishermen's Asylum.

The Committee appointed to take into consideration the Petition of the Fishermen, Shoremen, and others, of St. John's,—Praying for the erection, by the Government, of an Asylum for indigent, aged, destitute or disabled of their class, take leave to report, that they have diligently and maturely examined the matter referred to them, and have availed themselves of the opinions and suggestions of several practical persons upon the subject.

Feeling that, as the Petitioners called upon the Government to advance a large sum of money from the Public Treasury, for the purpose of erecting an important and expensive institution—one which would do credit to the Colony, as well as to the classes who are to be the recipients of its

benefits, their first duty was to enquire by what means such an establishment could be relied upon to be sustained after it should be built :

The Committee felt that unless they could show substantial grounds that the Institution would be efficiently supported, they would not feel justified in recommending to your Honorable House to affirm the prayer of the Petition. To rely upon voluntary contributions for so important a purpose as that of maintaining in efficient order, a " Fisherman's Home," the Committee believe would be unsafe, unreliable, and not at all likely to give satisfaction to the collectors or contributors, nor confidence to the public. Such a mode of support might, while the object was fresh, for a year or two, be found sufficient; but, like most voluntary contributions, would dwindle yearly, and eventually become quite inadequate to the purposes for which it was intended.

Having, then, discarded the idea of supporting a Fisherman's Home by voluntary contributions; which, indeed, (extraneous of the difficulties always in the way of collectors) would be unworthy of the grand object contemplated—the Committee next turned their attention to the means least onerous, and least likely to press hard upon the earnings of the industrious operative Fishermen, Shoremen and Seamen of the Colony.

Taxation is by no means desirable—it is however a " necessary evil," to be tolerated only for the public good; and as nineteen-twentieths of the entire population of the Colony are interested in the Institution prayed for by the Petitioners, the Committee have no hesitation in recommending (borne out as they are by the opinions of the majority of the experienced persons whom they examined,) for the secure sustentation of so beneficent, wide-spread, and national an object as that of an Asylum, which shall be a refuge from the cold charity of the world for the worn-out operatives of the colony—a small contribution from the wages and shares of all shipped men and sharemen employed in the fisheries, and from the wages of all sailors belonging to the Colony. The trifling deduction of One Penny per Pound would scarcely be missed by the parties paying, and would, no doubt, be cheerfully contributed towards the vigorous maintenance and healthful working of an Asylum for the Fishermen of the colony when they have become too old to pursue their vocation, or have become disabled in its pursuit.

This Institution, your Committee think, should not be considered as a local establishment, because centred in St. John's, but a general Colonial Home, the right to protection and shelter in which every disabled Fisher-

man, Shoreman, or Seaman, no matter from what part of the colony, should feel himself entitled to.

The impost recommended by the Committee, though very small, (and only half the amount recommended by several of the witnesses) would, they have no doubt, be ample for all the purposes intended, and might be collected in the same manner as the dues under an Act passed in the sixth year of his late Majesty William IV., entitled "An Act for the Relief of Sick and Disabled Seamen, Fishermen, and other persons."

This provision would not, of course, prevent the acceptance of the annual or other donations of citizens favorable to the object, who do not come under the denomination of contributors by law. These donations, no doubt, would amount to a considerable sum, and would swell the Revenue of the Home to an aggregate amount far above what may be deemed the unavoidable, necessary and legitimate maintenance of the Institution; the overplus, however, could be well expended in procuring industrial employment for all inmates who should desire to be employed in any occupation, either for their own individual benefit, or for the benefit of the general establishment.

It is not the province of the Committee to enter into a detail of what these indoor industrial occupations should be—these would necessarily fall within the authority of the Directors—but net-making and mending would form one branch of suitable and profitable employment.

With these views, deliberately arrived at, the Committee recommend your Honorable House to grant the prayer of the Petition, and enable the Executive to carry it out. They think that a sum of from £2,500 to £3,000 would be all that would be required to raise this noble structure. It should stand in the centre of—or have attached to it—from ten to twenty Acres of Land, which should be laid out under proper management, and cultivated with assiduous care. From this source the Establishment could be supplied, through the industry of the inmates of the Home, with Vegetables and Fruits all the year round—with potatoes, carrots, parsnips, turnips, and other roots, more than enough for their own consumption; and a cow or two could be kept thereon to supply the Establishment with milk and fresh butter; and many other benefits might be derived therefrom, in addition to those we have named, which would make the possession and cultivation of Land connected with the Institution, as an essential to its maintenance, and the comfort of the incumbents, at the same time that it would afford them healthful and pleasureable exercise.

The Committee have no doubt that your Honorable House will see the practicability of their suggestions, and will favorably address the Executive to grant the sum required, and to cause the Asylum to be erected with as little delay as the nature of the subject will admit.

All of which they respectfully submit.

R. J. PARSONS, Chairman.

J. KENT.

JOHN CASEY.

PATRICK MORRIS.

JOHN KAVANAGH.

(For evidence accompanying, see Appendix.)

Ordered,—That the said Report do lie upon the Table.

On Table.

Mr. PARSONS gave notice, that on to-morrow he will move an Address to the Governor on the Report of the Select Committee on the Petition of the Fishermen and Shoremen of St. John's,—Praying for the erection of a Fishermens' Home :

Notices for Addresses to Governor.

Also, that on to-morrow he will move an Address to the Governor on the Petition of John Valentine Nugent, and Richard Howley, Esqrs., Returning Officers for the late Elections in St. John's, East and West.

Mr. HOGSETT gave notice, that on to-morrow he will ask leave to bring in a Bill for the protection of the Breeding of Wild Fowl.

Notice for Wild Fowl protection Bill.

Mr. WALBANK gave notice, that on to-morrow he will move that a Message be sent to the Legislative Council, requesting that the Hon. James Rogerson may have leave to attend and be examined before the Select Committee of this House, appointed to inquire into the Petition of J. W. Chancey.

Notice of Message to Council.

Then the House adjourned till to-morrow at Three of the Clock.

Thursday, 22nd April, 1858.

Pursuant to Order of the Day, the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole upon the Bill to authorize the widening of Water Street in the Town of Harbor Grace.

Committee on Harbor Grace re-building Bill.

Mr. SPEAKER left the Chair.

Mr. KNIGHT took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. SPEAKER resumed the Chair.

Reported without Amend-
ment.

The Chairman reported from the Committee that they had passed the Bill to them referred, without Amendment ; and he handed the Bill in at the Clerk's Table.

Engrossed & read 3d time.

Ordered,—That the Bill be engrossed, and be read a third time this day.

And the Bill was read a third time accordingly.

Passed and titled.

Ordered,—That the Bill pass, and be entitled “ An Act to authorize the widening of Water Street, in the Town of Harbor Grace, the opening of a new Firebreak therein, and for other purposes.”

Committee on Herring
Fishery protection Bill.

Pursuant to Order of the Day, the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole upon the Bill to provide for the protection of the Herring Fishery.

Mr. SPEAKER left the Chair.

Mr. F. B. CARTER took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. SPEAKER resumed the Chair.

Reported with Amendments.

The Chairman reported from the Committee that they had passed the Bill to them referred, with some Amendments ; and he handed the Bill and Amendments in at the Clerk's Table.

Amendments agreed to.

And the said Amendments, having been read throughout a first and second time, were, upon the question put thereon, agreed to by the House.

Ordered,—That the Bill, as amended, be engrossed, and read a third time to-morrow.

Bills read 2nd time.

Pursuant to Order of the Day, the following Bills were severally read a second time ;

The Bill to Incorporate a Wesleyan Conference in Newfoundland :

The Bill for granting to Her Majesty a sum of money to defray the Civil Expenditure of the Island, for the year ending 31st December, 1858.

Ordered,—That this House do resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole on the said several Bills to-morrow.

Order for Committal.

Then the House adjourned till to-morrow at Three of the Clock.

Friday, 23rd April, 1858.

MR. WINTER presented a Petition from John Fitzgerald, which was received and read,—Praying for the appointment of a Select Committee to inquire into the merits of his claim for a balance due him for making the road from Petty Harbor to the Goulds, in 1852.

Petition from John Fitzgerald.

Ordered,—That the said Petition do lie upon the Table.

On Table.

MR. WINTER gave notice, that on to-morrow he will move for the appointment of a Select Committee to inquire into the claim of John Fitzgerald.

Notice for Select Committee.

He also gave notice, that on to-morrow he will move for the appointment of a Select Committee to inquire into the mode most advisable to be adopted for preventing the ravages from fire, and supplying the Town of St. John's with water.

Notice of Select Committee on Fire Prevention.

MR. BYRNE gave notice, that on to-morrow he will move an Address to His Excellency the Governor, requesting that a survey be made of Chapel Cove Pond, and that provision be made to convert the same into a Harbor of Refuge.

Notice of Address to Governor.

On motion of Mr. WALBANK, seconded by Mr. BEMISTER,

Resolved—That the following Message be sent to the Legislative Council:

Message to Council.

MR. PRESIDENT,—

The House of Assembly request that the Hon. the Legislative Council will grant permission to the Hon. James Rogerson, one of their Members, to come to a Select Committee of this House, to whom it was referred to inquire into the Petition of J. W. Chancey, claiming compensation for land taken for the public service.

Ordered,—That Mr. Walbank and Mr. Bemister do take the Message to the Legislative Council.

Bills read 3rd time.

Pursuant to Order of the Day, the following Bills were severally read a third time, as engrossed :

The Bill for granting to Her Majesty certain Duties on Goods, Wares, and Merchandize imported into this Colony and its Dependencies :

The Bill for the protection of the Herring Fishery.

Passed and titled,

Ordered,—That the first Bill pass, and be entitled “ An Act for granting to Her Majesty certain Duties on Goods, Wares, and Merchandize imported into this Colony and its Dependencies.”

Ordered,—That the second Bill pass, and be entitled “ An Act for the protection of Herring on the coast of this Island.

Sent to Council.

Ordered,—That the hon. Receiver General and Mr. Benning do take the Bills to the Legislative Council and desire their concurrence.

Academy Act Amendment
Bill read 2nd time.

Pursuant to Order of the Day, the Bill to Amend the Academy Act, was read a second time.

Ordered,—That the House do, on to-morrow, resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole upon the said Bill.

Committee on Supply Bill.

Pursuant to Order of the Day, the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole upon the Bill for granting to Her Majesty a sum of money to defray the Civil Expenditure of the Island, for the year ending 31st December, 1858.

Mr. SPEAKER left the Chair.

Mr. BENNING took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. SPEAKER resumed the Chair.

Reported without Amend-
ment.

The Chairman reported from the Committee that they had passed the Bill to them referred, without Amendment ; and he handed the Bill in at the Clerk's Table.

Ordered,—That the Bill be engrossed, and read a third time to-morrow.

Committee on Education
Bill.

Pursuant to Order of the Day, the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole upon the Bill for the encouragement of Education.

Mr. SPEAKER left the Chair.

Mr. BENNING took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. SPEAKER resumed the Chair.

The Chairman reported from the Committee that they had made some progress in the Bill to them referred, and had instructed him to ask leave to sit again on the further consideration thereof.

Progress Reported.

Ordered,—That the Committee stand first on the Order of the Day for to-morrow.

Made 1st Order of the Day.

(A Message from the Legislative Council.)

Message from Council.

The Master-in-Chancery to the Legislative Council brought down the following Message :

Mr. SPEAKER,—

The Legislative Council regret that the harmony which has characterized, of late, the intercourse between their House and the House of Assembly, should have been interrupted on the occasion of a Conference between the two Houses being proposed to be holden on the 21st instant, on the subject of the Bill to prevent the firing of Woods and Forests.

The Conferees of the Council were unable to deliver the instructions confided to them upon that subject, and Legislation thereon has been suspended, in consequence of the Conferees of the Assembly declining to adhere to those formalities which, since the establishment of a Legislature in this Colony to the present time, have been prescribed, and which are in strict accordance with the usage of Parliament, viz., by receiving the Conferees of the Council standing and uncovered.

The Legislative Council do not desire to detract in any degree from the dignity and respect due to the Assembly, nor to offer any opinion as to the propriety or convenience of the existing practice ; indeed, so far as the individual feelings of the Members of the Council are concerned, they would cheerfully acquiesce in Members of the Assembly being seated and covered at all Conferences, if such should be more agreeable to them ; but the Council are bound by their established rules and usage—they constitute a co-equal and co-ordinate branch of the Legislature—the privileges they claim are confided to their custody for the benefit of the public, and any intentional denial of such privileges, even in matters unimportant, or any wilful disrespect shewn to the Council in their Legislative

capacity, especially by another branch of the Legislature, is calculated to lower in public estimation the character of both Houses, and to operate prejudicially to the general interests.

The immunities enjoyed by Legislative Bodies, are conferred, not for the gratification of their Members, but to promote the public good; and it is obvious that if the privileges of the Council could be slighted by the Assembly in matters comparatively insignificant, they could be disregarded in others of grave importance; if their rights could be denied in trifling affairs, they might be altogether set aside in those of weight, and the independent functions which the Constitution vests in and expects from the Legislative Council as a distinct branch of the Legislature, might, and doubtless would, should a necessity to get rid of their interposition arise, be practically abrogated.

The Legislative Council derives its existence from the same Commission which constituted a House of Assembly, and, although by that authority neither was endowed with greater powers or privileges than the other, they both, at their institution, by the express recommendation of the Secretary of State, in Despatch of 27th July, 1832, adopted, and since then have professed to follow, the analogous practices of the two Houses of Parliament; by virtue of which analogy the one has claimed an exclusive privilege in regard to money Bills, the other has had conceded to it the courtesies now under consideration.

Without offering any opinion upon the question which has sometimes been raised as to the existence of any analogy between the Parliament of England and the Legislature of Newfoundland, the Council, who hold their offices by the favor of their Sovereign, may be excused for claiming to be, at least, as much entitled to the benefit of that analogy as the House of Assembly.

By the Rules of the Legislative Council, revised by the late Governor, pursuant to his Commission, on the institution of Responsible Government, and adopted by the Council, the former practice of the Council was continued, and they are expressly required to conform, in matters not therein provided, to the practice of the Imperial Parliament, so far as the same may be applicable.

Now, the practice of Parliament on the subject of Conferences, is thus defined by the highest authority:—"The Commons, who first come to the Conference, enter the Room uncovered, and remain standing the whole time. The Lords seat themselves and remain sitting and covered during the Conference; the Lords are to sit there and be covered. The

‘ Commons are, at no Committee or Conference, to be covered, or sit
‘ down in the presence of the Lords, except in cases of bodily infirmity,
‘ and that by connivance, to sit, but not to be covered.’

The Conferees of the Council have been always instructed to conform, and, as the Council believe, have at all times conformed, to this practice.

As the procedure by Conference is calculated to facilitate Legislation, and maintain a good understanding between the two Houses, the Council earnestly hope that they may be enabled to resume that beneficial course, by the Assembly adhering to the accustomed formalities ; and they trust that the foregoing observations will satisfy the House of Assembly, that, in claiming for themselves the observance of that respect and courtesy which their rules prescribe, and usage has accorded to them, the Legislative Council are not seeking to usurp any authority over the Assembly, or to arrogate to themselves any new privileges ; but are merely conserving those which have been confided to their keeping in trust for the public ; and which they could not abandon without a dereliction of duty, and a prejudice to the important functions of the Legislature.

LAURENCE O'BRIEN,

President.

Legislative Council Chamber, }
23rd April, 1858. }

And then the Messenger withdrew.

Ordered,—That the said Message do lie upon the Table.

On Table.

The Hon. ATTORNEY GENERAL, by command of His Excellency the Governor, presented to the House Copy of a Despatch from the Right Hon. the Secretary of State, on the subject of regulations for Telegraph Companies, together with the Copy of an Imperial Act on the same subject.

Despatch from Secretary of State.

(For which see Appendix.)

Ordered,—That the said Documents do lie upon the Table.

On Table.

Mr. HOGSETT gave notice, that on to-morrow he will ask leave to bring in a Bill to Amend the Act for Incorporating the London, New York, and Newfoundland Telegraph Company.

Notice for Bill to Amend Telegraph Act.

Then the House adjourned till to-morrow at Three of the Clock.

Monday, 26th April, 1858.

Supply Bill read 3rd time.

Pursuant to Order of the Day, the Bill for granting to Her Majesty a sum of money for defraying the Civil Expenditure of this Colony, as engrossed, was read a third time.

Passed and titled.

Ordered,—That the Bill pass, and be entitled “An Act for granting to Her Majesty a sum of money for defraying the Civil Expenditure of the Colony, for the year ending 31st December, 1858.”

Sent to Council.

Ordered,—That the hon. Receiver General and Mr. Benning do take the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

On motion of Mr. PARSONS, seconded by Mr. E. D. SHEA,

Resolved,—That the following Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor :

Address on Fishermen's
Asylum.

To His Excellency SIR ALEXANDER BANNERMAN, Knight, Governor and Commander-in-Chief in and over the Island of Newfoundland and its Dependencies, &c., &c.

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY,—

The House of Assembly had presented to them, in their present Session, a numerous and respectably signed Petition, from the Fishermen, Shoremen, Seamen, and others, of the Districts of St. John's,—Praying for the creation, by the Government, of an Asylum for aged, destitute, and disabled Fishermen, &c., which Petition, on motion, was referred to a Select Committee of the House to report upon. In due course the Committee (having taken evidence on the subject) reported upon the said Petition, (copies of which Petition, Report, and Evidence, are hereunto annexed) and recommended that the prayer of the said Petition be adhered to. The House of Assembly, having affirmed the said Report, would therefore respectfully request that your Excellency will be pleased to take the premises into your favorable consideration, and lend your co-operation to so necessary and laudable an undertaking, in such a manner as may be deemed practicable.

Ordered,—That the Address be engrossed, and be presented to His Excellency the Governor by such Members of this House as are of the Hon. Executive Council.

Mr. PARSONS moved, seconded by Mr. MORRIS,

That an Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor, respectfully requesting that he will be pleased to take into consideration the Petition of John V. Nugent and Richard Howley, Esqrs., claiming additional compensation for their services as Returning Officers at the late Election for the Districts of St. John's, East and West.

Notice of Address to Governor.

And, the question being put thereon, it passed in the negative ; and,

Negatived.

Ordered,—Accordingly.

Mr. HOGSETT, pursuant to notice, and leave granted, presented a Bill to provide for the protection of the Breeding of Wild Fowl, which was read a first time.

Wild Fowl protection Bill read 1st time.

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

On motion of Mr. WINTER, seconded by Mr. PARSONS,

Resolved,—That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into the Petition of John Fitzgerald, claiming compensation for loss sustained in 1852, on a contract for making the road from the Goulds to Petty Harbor.

Select Committee on Petition of John Fitzgerald.

Ordered,—That Mr. Winter, Mr. Parsons, Mr. Hogsett, Mr. Robert Carter, and Mr. Casey, do form the Committee.

On motion of Mr. BYRNE, seconded by Mr. TALBOT,

Resolved,—That the following Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor :

To His Excellency SIR ALEXANDER BANNERMAN, *Knight, Governor and Commander-in-Chief in and over the Island of Newfoundland and its Dependencies, &c., &c.*

Address to Governor.

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY,—

The House of Assembly, having had under their consideration the accompanying Petition of the inhabitants of Chapel Cove, in Conception Bay, praying that means be taken to render the Pond in that place a harbor of shelter for vessels, respectfully beg leave to request that your Excellency will be pleased to cause a survey to be made of the the said Pond,

for that purpose, together with an estimate of the probable cost of constructing the same.

Ordered,—That the Address be engrossed, and be presented to His Excellency the Governor by such Members of this House as are of the Hon. Executive Council.

Telegraph Company's Incorporation Act Amendment Bill read 1st time.

Mr. HOGSETT, pursuant to notice, and leave granted, presented a Bill to Amend the Act for Incorporating the London, New York, and Newfoundland Telegraph Company, which was read a first time.

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

Messages from Council.

(Messages from the Legislative Council.)

The Master-in-Chancery to the Legislative Council brought down the following Messages :

MR. SPEAKER,—

The Legislative Council acquaint the House of Assembly, in reply to their message of to-day, that they have given permission to the Hon. Mr. Rogerson, one of the Members of their House, to attend a Select Committee of the Assembly on the subject of a Petition from Mr. John W. Chancey, claiming compensation for land taken for the public service.

LAURENCE O'BRIEN,

President.

Legislative Council Chamber, }
23rd April, 1858. }

Mr. SPEAKER,—

The Legislative Council acquaint the House of Assembly that they have passed the Bill sent up for their concurrence, entitled " An Act to authorize the Receiver General to liquidate certain outstanding Debentures, issued for loans to erect the Colonial Building and Market House in St. John's," without amendment.

LAURENCE O'BRIEN,

President.

Legislative Council Chamber, }
23rd April, 1858. }

Mr. SPEAKER,—

The Legislative Council acquaint the House of Assembly that they have passed the Bill sent up to them for their concurrence, entitled "An Act to authorize the widening of Water Street, in the Town of Harbor Grace, the opening of a new Firebreak therein, and for other purposes," without amendment,

LAURENCE O'BRIEN,

President.

Legislative Council Chamber, }
26th April, 1858. }

Mr. SPEAKER,—

The Legislative Council acquaint the House of Assembly that they see no sufficient reason for receding from the Amendments made by them upon the Bill sent up to them from the House of Assembly, entitled "An Act to prevent the firing of Woods and Forests of this Island, and to make provision for the erection and repair of Boundary Fences therein," and adhere to the same.

LAURENCE O'BRIEN,

President.

Legislative Council Chamber, }
23rd April, 1858. }

And then the Messenger withdrew.

Ordered,—That the said Messages do lie upon the Table.

On Table.

Pursuant to Order of the Day, the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole upon the further consideration of the Education Bill.

Committee on Education
Bill.

Mr. SPEAKER left the Chair.

Mr. BENNING took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. SPEAKER resumed the Chair.

Progress Reported.

The Chairman reported from the Committee that they had made some progress in the Bill to them referred, and had instructed him to ask leave to sit again on the further consideration thereof.

Made 1st Order of the Day.

Ordered,—That the Committee have leave to sit again to-morrow, and stand first on the Order of the Day.

Petition for inspection of bread, flour, &c.

The Hon. ATTORNEY GENERAL presented a Petition from Patrick Buckley and others, of St. John's, which was received and read,—Praying that the House would adopt measures for the inspection of Bread, Flour, Pork, and Butter, imported into this Country :

Petition for Imperial weights and measures.

He also presented a Petition from the same parties, which was received and read,—Praying that the Imperial Measure may be used in the sale of all articles brought into this Country.

On Table.

Ordered,—That the said Petitions do lie upon the Table.

Petition from Officers of Customs for increase of salary.

Mr. HOYLES presented a Petition from John Canning and others, Officers of Customs, which was received and read,—Praying for increased remuneration for the large amount of extra duty performed by them, from the increase of Revenue last year.

On Table.

Ordered,—That the said Petition do lie upon the Table.

Road Petition:

The Hon. ATTORNEY GENERAL presented a Petition from Richard Hamlin and others, of St. John's, which was received and read,—Praying that the House would open a new cross Street at Mahon's Lane, to connect Water Street and Duckworth Street.

On Table:

Ordered,—That the said Petition do lie upon the Table.

Petition from Thomas Coyle.

Mr. CASEY presented a Petition from Thomas Coyle, of St. John's, which was received and read,—Praying compensation for loss sustained by him as Contractor for the Fogo Mail Service, in 1856.

On Table.

Ordered,—That the said Petition do lie upon the Table.

Road Petition from Bay Bulls.

The Hon. RECEIVER GENERAL presented a Petition from John L. McKie and others, of Bay Bulls, which was received and read,—Praying for a grant to make a road from Bear's Cove to Fresh Water.

On Table.

Ordered,—That the said Petition do lie upon the Table.

Notice for Address to Governor.

Mr. HOYLES gave notice, that on to-morrow he will move an Address to the Governor on the subject of the Salaries of the subordinate Officers of Customs :

Also, an Address to the Governor for Copies of the Correspondence referred to in the Despatches laid on the Table of the House on the 23rd instant, in relation to the Telegraph Company's Acts.

Then the House adjourned till to-morrow at Three of the Clock.

Tuesday, 27th April, 1858.

Pursuant to Order of the Day, the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole upon the Bill for the Encouragement of Education. Committee on Education Bill.

Mr. SPEAKER left the Chair.

Mr. BENNING took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. SPEAKER resumed the Chair.

The Chairman reported from the Committee that they had made some progress in the Bill to them referred, and had instructed him to ask leave to sit again on the further consideration thereof. Progress reported.

Ordered,—That the Committee have leave to sit again to-morrow, and stand first on the Order of the Day. Made 1st Order of the Day

Mr. HOGSETT presented a Petition from John Mullaly, of Harbor Grace, which was received and read,—Praying that the House would award him compensation for the pulling down of his House to arrest the progress of fire in the Town of Harbor Grace, on the 12th April last. Petition from J. Mullaly of Harbor Grace.

Ordered,—That the said Petition do lie upon the Table. On Table.

Mr. HOGSETT gave notice, that on to-morrow he will move for the appointment of a Select Committee to inquire into the foregoing Petition of John Mullaly. Notice for Select Committee on Petition of J. Mullaly.

Mr. BEMISTER presented a Petition from Oliver Rouse and others, of Bay-de-Verds, which was received and read,—Praying that the House would grant a sum of money to erect a Public Wharf there; and also to provide Mooring Chains. Petition for Wharf at Bay-de Verds.

Ordered,—That the said Petition do lie upon the Table. On Table.

Notice for Address to Governor.

Mr. BENISTER gave notice, that on to-morrow he will move an Address to the Governor on the subject of the foregoing Petition from the inhabitants of Bay-de-Verds.

Mr. E. D. SHEA gave notice, that on to-morrow he will move an Address to the Governor for an appropriation to defray the expense of arranging and preserving the Records of the Colonial Secretary's Office.

Notice for Bill to provide for retiring Assistant Judges.

The Hon. ATTORNEY GENERAL gave notice, that on to-morrow he will ask leave to introduce a Bill to provide for the Retirement of the Assistant Judges of the Supreme Court of Newfoundland.

Then the House adjourned till to-morrow at Three of the Clock.

Wednesday, 28th April, 1858.

Notice of Address to Governor.

Mr. PRENDERGAST gave notice, that on to-morrow he will move an Address to His Excellency, praying that he will cause appraisement to be made under the Act 9 & 10 Vic., Cap. 4, of an erection or forge, and of the value of the land thereon, in a cross street in Harbor Grace, called Cochrane Street, and that the proprietor be paid the amount of compensation thereof, and that the provisions of the said Act be made to apply thereto.

On motion of Mr. WINTER, seconded by Mr. F. B. CARTER,

Select Committee on prevention of fire.

Resolved,—That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into the most advisable mode of preventing the spread of Fire, and supplying the Town of St. John's with Water.

Ordered,—That Mr. Winter, Mr. E. D. Shea, Mr. Casey, Mr. F. B. Carter, and the Hon. Colonial Secretary do form the Committee.

On motion of Mr. HOYLES, seconded by Mr. F. B. CARTER,

Resolved,—That the following Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor :

To His Excellency SIR ALEXANDER BANNERMAN, *Knight, Governor and Commander-in-Chief in and over the Island of Newfoundland and its Dependencies, &c., &c.*

Address to Governor.

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY,—

The House of Assembly respectfully beg leave to request that your Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid before the House copies of the Correspondence referred to in the Despatches laid on the Table, on the 23rd instant, in relation to Telegraph Companies.

Ordered,—That the Address be engrossed, and be presented to His Excellency the Governor by such Members of this House as are of the Hon. Executive Council.

On motion of Mr. E. D. SHEA, seconded by the Hon. RECEIVER GENERAL,

Resolved,—That the following Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor :—

To His Excellency Sir ALEXANDER BANNERMAN, *Knight, Governor and Commander-in-Chief in and over the Island of Newfoundland and its Dependencies, &c., &c.*

Address to Governor.

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY,—

The House of Assembly respectfully beg leave to request that your Excellency will be pleased to sanction the appropriation of a sum not exceeding One Hundred Pounds to defray the expense of arranging and preserving the Records in the Colonial Secretary's Office, and this House will provide therefor.

Ordered,—That the Address be engrossed, and be presented to His Excellency the Governor by such Members of this House as are of the Hon. Executive Council.

The Hon. ATTORNEY GENERAL, pursuant to notice, and leave granted, presented a Bill to provide Retiring Allowances for the Assistant Judges of the Supreme Court, which was read a first time.

Assistant Judges Retiring
Bill read 1st time.

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

Committee on Education
Bill.

Pursuant to Order of the Day, the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole upon the further consideration of the Bill for the Encouragement of Education.

Mr. SPEAKER left the Chair.

Mr. BENNING took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. SPEAKER resumed the Chair.

Reported with Amendments.

The Chairman reported from the Committee that they had considered the Bill to them referred, and had passed the same, with some Amendments, which they had directed him to report to the House; and he handed the Bill and Amendments in at the Clerk's Table.

Amendments agreed to.

And the said Amendments, having been read throughout a first and second time, were, upon the question put thereon, agreed to by the House.

Ordered,—That the Bill, as amended, be engrossed, and read a third time to-morrow.

Committee on Liquidation
of Debt bill.

Pursuant to Order of the Day, the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole upon the Bill to provide for the liquidation of a certain Debt contracted in the improvement of St. John's.

Mr. SPEAKER left the Chair.

Mr. MORRIS took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. SPEAKER resumed the Chair.

Progress reported.

The Chairman reported from the Committee that they had made some progress in the Bill to them referred; and had instructed him to ask leave to sit again on the further consideration thereof.

Made 1st Order of the Day.

Ordered,—That the Committee have leave to sit again to-morrow, and stand first on the Order of the Day.

Then the House adjourned till to-morrow at Three of the Clock.

Thursday, 29th April, 1858.

Notice of Address to Govern-
ment.

Mr. MARCH gave notice, that on to-morrow he will move an Address to His Excellency the Governor, praying the consideration of an increase of the salary of Richard Rankin, Esq., J.P., at Old Perlican.

Mr. BROWN gave notice, that on to-morrow he will move an Address to His Excellency the Governor on the subject of the Petition of James Raftus and others, praying for a sum of money towards the re-building a School House at Northern Gut, destroyed by fire.

Notice of Address to Governor.

Mr. BYRNE presented a Petition from Patrick O'Brien and others, of Colliers, which was received and read,—Praying for a grant to make a road through that Settlement.

Road Petition from Colliers.

Ordered,—That the said Petition do lie upon the Table.

On Table.

Mr. PARSONS presented a Petition from James Edwards, of St. John's, which was received and read,—Praying compensation for making part of the road on the South side of that Harbor.

Petition from James Edwards.

Ordered,—That the said Petition do lie upon the Table.

On Table.

Pursuant to Order of the Day, the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole upon the Bill to indemnify the Colony for expenditure in improving the Town of St. John's.

Committee on Bill for indemnity for improving St. John's.

Mr. SPEAKER left the Chair.

Mr. KAVANAGH took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. SPEAKER resumed the Chair.

The Chairman reported from the Committee that they had passed the Bill to them referred, with some Amendments, which they had directed him to report to the House; and he handed the Bill and Amendments in at the Clerk's Table.

Reported with Amendments.

And the said Amendments, having been read throughout a first and second time, were, upon the question put thereon, agreed to by the House.

Amendments agreed to.

Ordered,—That the Bill, as amended, be engrossed, and read a third time to-morrow.

Pursuant to Order of the Day, the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole upon the Bill for the Protection of the Seal and other Fisheries of this Island.

Committee on Fishery protection Bill.

Mr. SPEAKER left the Chair.

Mr. KAVANAGH took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. SPEAKER resumed the Chair.

Resolution and Progress
reported.

The Chairman reported from the Committee that they had made some progress in the Bill to them referred, and had instructed him to ask leave to sit again on the further consideration thereof; and that the Committee had passed the following Resolution, which they had directed him to report to the House; and he handed the Resolution in at the Clerk's Table, where the same was read as follows:

Adopted.

Resolved,—That it is the opinion of this Committee that the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee, consisting of the Speaker, Mr. R. Carter, Mr. March, Mr. Hogsett, and the Hon. Colonial Secretary, to report upon.

Ordered,—That the Report be received.

Committee on Simplification
of Law Bill.

Pursuant to Order of the Day, the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole upon the Bill to Simplify Proceedings in the Superior Courts of this Island.

Mr. SPEAKER left the Chair.

The Hon. RECEIVER GENERAL took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. SPEAKER resumed the Chair.

Progress reported.

The Chairman reported from the Committee that they had made some progress in the Bill to them referred, and had instructed him to ask leave to sit again on the further consideration thereof.

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

Committee on Academy Act
Amendment Bill.

Pursuant to Order of the Day, the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole upon the Bill to Amend the Act for the Establishment of an Academy in St. John's.

Mr. SPEAKER left the Chair.

Mr. BENNING took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. SPEAKER resumed the Chair.

Progress reported.

The Chairman reported from the Committee that they had made some progress in the Bill to them referred; and had instructed him to ask leave to sit again on the further consideration thereof.

Ordered,—That the Committee have leave to sit again to-morrow, and stand first on the Order of the Day. Made 1st Order of the Day.

Then the House adjourned till to-morrow at Three of the Clock.

Friday, 30th April, 1858.

The HON. ATTORNEY GENERAL moved, seconded by the Hon. RECEIVER GENERAL, pursuant to Order of the Day,

That the Bill to provide for the liquidation of a certain Debt contracted for the improvement of the Town of St. John's, be now read a third time.

Motion for 3rd reading of Liquidation of Debt Bill.

And, the question being put thereon, the House divided when there appeared,—

For the Motion, 14.

Against the Motion, 7.

Division;

The Hon. Receiver General
 “ Attorney General
 “ Surveyor General
 “ Colonial Secretary
 Mr. E. D. Shea
 “ Hogsett
 “ Kelly
 “ Kavanagh
 “ Byrne
 “ Delaney
 “ Benning
 “ Morris
 “ Casey
 “ Prendergast

Mr. Hoyles
 “ Carter
 “ F. B. Carter
 “ Knight
 “ Winter
 “ March
 “ Warren

So it passed in the affirmative.

Motion affirmed;

And the said Bill was read a third time accordingly.

Read 3rd time.

Passed and titled.

Ordered,—That the Bill pass, and be entitled “ An Act to provide for the liquidation of a certain Debt contracted by this Colony for the making of the Streets and Firebreaks of St. John’s, and for the permanent improvement thereof.”

Sent to Council.

Ordered,—That the Hon. Attorney General and Mr. E. D. Snea, do take the Bill to the Legislative Council and desire their concurrence.

Message from Council.

(A Message from the Legislative Council.)

The Master-in-Chancery to the Legislative Council brought down the following Message :

Mr. SPEAKER,—

The Legislative Council have passed, without Amendment, the Bills sent up to them by the House of Assembly, entitled respectively “ An Act for the protection of the Herring Fishery on the Coast of this Island,” and “ An Act for granting to Her Majesty certain Duties on Goods, Wares, and Merchandize, imported into this Colony and its Dependencies.”

LAURENCE O'BRIEN,

President.

Legislative Council Chamber, }
30th April, 1858. }

And then the Messenger withdrew.

Ordered,—That the said Message do lie upon the Table.

Committee on Academy Act
Amendment Bill.

Pursuant to Order of the Day, the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole upon the further consideration of the Bill to Amend the Act for the Establishment of an Academy in St. John’s.

Mr. SPEAKER left the Chair.

Mr. BENNING took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. SPEAKER resumed the Chair.

Reported with Amendments.

The Chairman reported from the Committee that they had passed the Bill to them referred, with some Amendments, which they had directed him to report to the House ; and he handed the Bill and Amendments in at the Clerk’s Table.

And the said Amendments, having been read throughout a first and second time, were, upon the question put thereon, agreed to by the House.

Amendments agreed to.

Ordered,—That the Bill, as amended, be engrossed, and read a third time to-morrow.

Mr. WINTER, from the Select Committee appointed to inquire into the Petition of Emeline Marrett, claiming compensation for loss sustained by her late husband being deprived of his Office as Secretary to the Board of Control, presented the Report, which he handed in at the Clerk's Table, where the same was read, as follows :—

Report of Committee on
Petition of E. Marrett.

Committee Room,
30th April, 1858. }

The Select Committee appointed to report upon the Petition of Emeline Marrett, beg leave to report that they have considered the matter to them referred, and have taken Evidence thereon, which is annexed :

That your Committee considers that a great act of injustice was done to the late Mr. Marrett, under the circumstances stated in the Evidence ; and therefore your Committee would respectfully submit the claims of his widow (the Petitioner) to the favorable consideration of the House of Assembly.

ROBERT PROWSE,

Chairman.

F. B. T. CARTER

JOHN WINTER

ROBERT J. PARSONS.

Ordered,—That the said Report do lie upon the Table.

On Table.

Mr. PRENDERGAST gave notice, that he would, on to-morrow, move an Address to His Excellency the Governor, praying for the sum of Fifty Pounds to liquidate a debt due for the erection of the Grist Mill at Harbor Grace :

Notice of Address to Govern-
or.

Also, that on to-morrow he will ask leave to introduce a Bill to prevent the desertion of Seamen.

Notice of Bill to prevent
the desertion of Seamen.

Mr. F. B. CARTER gave notice, that on to-morrow he will move an Address to His Excellency the Governor on the Petition of Robert Rodger, for a grant for past services :

Notices of Address: s to Govern-
or.

Also, that on to-morrow he will move an Address to His Excellency the Governor for a sum of money as compensation to Mrs. Marrett on Report of Select Committee.

Time appointed by Governor to assent to Harbor Grace Re-building Act.

The HON. ATTORNEY GENERAL informed the House that he was commanded by His Excellency the Governor to say that it was the intention of His Excellency to give his assent to the Bill to authorize the widening of Water Street in the Town of Harbor Grace, and the opening of a new break therein, in the Legislative Council Chamber to-morrow at Fire-Twelve o'clock.

Ordered,—That the House at its rising do adjourn until to-morrow at half-past Eleven o'clock.

Then the House adjourned until to-morrow at half-past Eleven o'Clock.

Saturday, 1st May, 1858.

Notice for Contingency Committee.

The HON. RECEIVER GENERAL gave notice, that on to-morrow he will move for the appointment of a Select Committee on Contingencies :

Notice of Message to Council.

Also, that on to-morrow he will move that a Message be sent to the Legislative Council, requesting that they will furnish the House with the amount of their Contingencies for the present Session.

Notices of Addresses to Governor.

MR. E. D. SHEA gave notice, that on to-morrow he will move an Address to the Governor on the subject of an increase to the salary of Peter Winsor, Esq.

MR. F. B. CARTER gave notice, that on to-morrow he will move an Address to the Governor on the subject of an increase of salary to John Peyton, Stipendiary Magistrate at Twillingate.

Report of Committee on Fishery protection Bill.

MR. WALBANK, from the Select Committee on the Petition of J. W. Chancey, presented the report, which he handed in at the Clerk's Table ; where it was read, as follows :

Committee Room,
28th April, 1858. }

Report of Select Committee
on Petition of J. W. Chancey.

The Select Committee appointed to take into consideration the prayer of the Petition of John W. Chancey, beg leave to report that they have given the matter due consideration, and have taken evidence on the same.

The Committee are of opinion that Petitioner has sustained considerable injury by the removal of his dwelling to arrest the progress of the fire in Tarahan's Town.

The Committee are of opinion that the claim of the Petitioner is just, and beg to recommend that he be compensated in the sum of One Hundred and Twenty-five Pounds.

All which is respectfully submitted.

M. W. WALBANK,
Chairman.
GEORGE J. HOGSETT,
JOHN DELANEY,
JOHN H. WARREN.

Ordered,—That the said Report do lie upon the Table.

On Table:

Mr. WALBANK gave notice, that on to-morrow he will move an Address to the Governor on the subject of the foregoing Report.

Notice of Address to Governor.

Ordered,—That the following Addresses be presented to His Excellency the Governor :

To His Excellency SIR ALEXANDER BANNERMAN, Knight, Governor and Commander-in-Chief in and over the Island of Newfoundland and its Dependencies, &c., &c.

Address to increase salaries of Customs Officers.

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY,—

The House of Assembly, having had under their consideration the insufficiency of the salaries received by several of the officers of the Customs Department, both in St. John's and the Outports, respectfully request that your Excellency will cause the several salaries of this Department to be revised, and such of them as may not be equivalent to the duties performed by their recipients, increased, in such proportion as may be just, and that until the result of this revision can be laid before the Legislature,

your Excellency will distribute amongst these gentlemen, in such proportions as may be reasonable, the sum of Two Hundred Pounds.

Address on Petition of
Walter Ford.

To His Excellency Sir ALEXANDER BANNERMAN, Knight, Governor and Commander-in-Chief in and over the Island of Newfoundland and its Dependencies, &c., &c.

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY,—

The House of Assembly respectfully beg leave to request that your Excellency will be pleased to take the prayer of the Petition of Walter Ford, of Burgeo, into your favorable consideration, and grant to him the sum of Ten Pounds currency, out of the Public Treasury, and this House will make provision therefor.

Address on Petition of John
Mullaly.

To His Excellency Sir ALEXANDER BANNERMAN, Knight, Governor and Commander-in-Chief in and over the Island of Newfoundland and its Dependencies, &c., &c.

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY,—

The House of Assembly, having had under consideration the accompanying Petition of John Mullaly, praying compensation for loss sustained by the late fire at Harbor Grace, respectfully beg leave to request that your Excellency will be pleased to cause inquiry to be made into the merits of the said Petition, and make such appropriation to compensate Petitioner as your Excellency may deem just and reasonable, and this House will provide therefor.

Address to Governor.

To His Excellency Sir ALEXANDER BANNERMAN, Knight, Governor and Commander-in-Chief in and over the Island of Newfoundland and its Dependencies, &c., &c.

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY,—

The House of Assembly respectfully beg leave to request that your Excellency will be pleased to cause an appraisement to be made, under the Local Act of the 9th and 10th Vic., Cap. 4, of the value of a certain erection or forge, and the ground thereunder, situate in a cross street called Coshrane Street, in Harbor Grace; that the provisions of the said Act be

made to apply to the same property, and that the proprietor thereof be paid therefor such compensation as shall be deemed just, and this House will provide therefor.

To His Excellency SIR ALEXANDER BANNERMAN, Knight, Governor and Commander-in-Chief in and over the Island of Newfoundland and its Dependencies, &c., &c.

Address for Returns for 1st day of next Session.

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY,—

The House of Assembly respectfully beg leave to request that your Excellency will be pleased to cause the following Returns to be furnished to the House of Assembly, on the first day of the next Session thereof; that is to say :

A Return from the Stipendiary Magistrates of every Electoral District in this Colony, showing the number of cases, with the titles, tried before them, whether Civil or Criminal, during the year, the number of judgments and convictions given, the amounts thereof, as well as of all fine, and penalties imposed and received from time to time, and how appropriated and paid; the amount of fees received by each of such Magistrates, and how appropriated :

Also, a Return from all the Clerks and Registrars of the Superior Courts of Record in this Colony, and of all Stipendiary Clerks of the Peace therein, showing the number of Writs, Warrants, or Commitments, whether mesne or final, issued and signed by them, or on their behalf, or by any Commission in their Office; the number of judgments or convictions signed; the amount of fees or costs received and how applied and paid :

Also, a Return from all the Sheriffs and Deputy Sheriffs in every Electoral District, and all Stipendiary Constables therein, shewing the number of Writs or Warrants, whether mesne or final, served, executed, or levied; the number of arrests made during the year; the number of miles travelled in executing such Writs; and the amount of fees received, and how applied :

And, also, a Return from the Gaoler in every Electoral District, shewing the number of persons imprisoned in his Gaol during the year, whether on mesne or final process, whether civil or criminal, stating the title of each case, the time of imprisonment, and length thereof, as well as the cause thereof, and the amount of fees received, and how applied.

Address on Motion of
Richard Rankin.

To His Excellency Sir ALEXANDER BANNERMAN, Knight, Governor and Commander-in-Chief in and over the Island of Newfoundland and its Dependencies, &c., &c.

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY,—

The House of Assembly respectfully beg leave to recommend to your Excellency's consideration the expediency of increasing the salary of Richard Rankin, Esq., J. P., at Old Perlican.

Address on Petition of James
Raftis.

To His Excellency Sir ALEXANDER BANNERMAN, Knight, Governor and Commander-in-Chief in and over the Island of Newfoundland and its Dependencies, &c., &c.

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY,—

The House of Assembly have had under consideration the accompanying Petition of James Raftis and others, residing at Northern Gut, in the District of Port-de-Grave, praying for a sum of money towards rebuilding a School-house recently destroyed by fire, and this House respectfully request that your Excellency will be pleased to appropriate the sum of Pounds for the above purpose, and for which indemnity shall be made by this House to your Excellency.

Address on Education at
French Shore.

To His Excellency Sir ALEXANDER BANNERMAN, Knight, Governor and Commander-in-Chief in and over the Island of Newfoundland and its Dependencies, &c., &c.

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY,—

The House of Assembly respectfully beg leave to request that your Excellency will be pleased to cause inquiry to be made into the best means of imparting Education to the inhabitants on that part of the Coast called the French Shore, and if the same be found practicable, to appropriate such sum out of the Public Funds as your Excellency may consider necessary for such purpose.

To His Excellency Sir ALEXANDER BANNERMAN, Knight, Governor and Commander-in-Chief in and over the Island of Newfoundland and its Dependencies, &c., &c.

Address in reference to Harbor Grace Grist Mill

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY,—

The House of Assembly respectfully beg leave to request that your Excellency will be pleased to cause enquiry to be made into the claim of the proprietor of the Harbor Grace Grist Mill, in reference to a certain debt of £50, alleged to be due thereby, and make such provision therefor out of the Public Funds as your Excellency may consider him entitled to.

To His Excellency Sir ALEXANDER BANNERMAN, Knight, Governor and Commander-in-Chief in and over the Island of Newfoundland and its Dependencies, &c., &c.

Address on subject of Mooring Chains at Bay-de-Verds

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY,—

The House of Assembly respectfully beg leave to request that your Excellency will be pleased to cause inquiry to be made into the practicability and usefulness of providing and fixing Mooring Chains in certain parts of Bay-de-Verds, for the safety of fishing vessels therein; and, if found feasible, to make such provision therefor, out of the Public Funds, as your Excellency may consider necessary, and this House will provide therefor.

To His Excellency Sir ALEXANDER BANNERMAN, Knight, Governor and Commander-in-Chief in and over the Island of Newfoundland and its Dependencies, &c., &c.

Address on Petition of Robert Rodger

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY,—

The House of Assembly respectfully request that your Excellency will be pleased to take into your consideration the case of Robert Rodger, late teacher of the Presbyterian School of St. John's, who has petitioned this House for compensation for loss sustained by the operation of the Academy Act, and grant him such sum as to your Excellency may seem reasonable under the circumstances, and this House will make provision therefor.

Address on Petition of E.
Marrett.

*To His Excellency Sir ALEXANDER BANNERMAN,
Knight, Governor and Commander-in-Chief
in and over the Island of Newfoundland and
its Dependencies, &c., &c.*

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY,—

The House of Assembly, having had under consideration a Petition from Emeline Marrett, widow of the late Daniel P. Marrett, together with the accompanying report of the Select Committee appointed to investigate the said Petition, respectfully request that your Excellency will be pleased to cause such compensation to be made Petitioner as your Excellency may deem just under the circumstances, and this House will provide therefor.

Order of the Day for 2nd
reading of Academy Act
Amendment Bill.

Ordered,—That the said several Addresses be engrossed, and be presented to His Excellency the Governor by such Members of this House as are of the Hon. Executive Council.

The Order of the Day for the 3rd reading of the Academy Act Amendment Bill being read,

Mr. WARREN moved, seconded by the Hon. RECEIVER GENERAL,

That the following clause be added thereto as a Ryder :

Ryder to Academy Act
Amendment Bill.

That the sum of £600 for the General Protestant Academy, voted in the Supply Act of 1857, and yet unappropriated, be divided equally between the Wesleyan and the General Protestant Academies.

Ryder read 1st, 2nd, and 3rd
time.

And the said Ryder having been read throughout a first, second, and third time, was, upon the question put thereon, agreed to by the House.

Ryder adopted.

Ordered,—That the Ryder be adopted, be engrossed, and stand part of the Bill.

Bill read 3rd time.

Ordered,—That the Bill be now read a third time.

And the Bill was read a third time accordingly.

Passed and titled.

Ordered,—That the Bill pass, and be entitled "An Act to Amend an Act passed in the Thirtieth year of the Reign of Her Majesty, entitled An Act to Amend an Act passed in the Seventh year of the Reign of Her Majesty, entitled 'An Act to provide for the Establishment of an Academy in St. John's,'"

Ordered,—That the Hon. Attorney General and Mr. Carter do take the Bill to the Legislative Council and desire their concurrence. Sent to Council.

Pursuant to Order of the Day, the Bill for the Encouragement of Education, as engrossed, was read a third time. Education Bill read 3rd time.

Ordered,—That the Bill pass, and be entitled “An Act for the Encouragement of Education.” Passed and titled.

Ordered,—That the Hon. Surveyor General and Mr. E. D. Shea do take the Bill to the Legislative Council and desire their concurrence. Sent to Council.

Pursuant to Order of the Day, the Bill to provide a Retiring Allowance to the Assistant Judges of the Supreme Court of this Island, was read a second time. Assistant Judges Retiring Bill read 2nd time.

Ordered,—That the House do, on Monday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole upon the said Bill.

Mr. HOGSETT, from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill for regulating the Seal and other Fisheries of this Island, presented the report; which was read as follows:

The Select Committee, to whom was referred the Bill sent down from the Legislative Council, entitled “An Act to regulate the Seal and other Fisheries of this Island, and to provide for the protection of Masters and Servants,” beg leave to report that they have attended to the business to them referred, and have made the following Amendments thereon, which they respectfully submit for consideration of the House.

Expunge the Title of the Bill.

Expunge the Preamble of the Bill.

Expunge the 1st, 2nd, 3rd, 4th, 5th, 6th, 7th, 8th, 9th, 10th, 11th, 12th, 13th, 14th, 15th, 16th, 17th, and 18th Sections.

Expunge Schedule A.

And, insert in lieu thereof—

Whereas it is expedient to make provision for the enforcing of the performance of Contracts between Masters and Servants in this Colony.

Be it therefore enacted, by the Governor, Legislative Council, and Assembly, in Legislative Session convened, that from and after the passing

of this Act, when any person who shall have entered into a Contract or Agreement in writing, which shall be signed by both parties or their agents, and of which there shall be two parts so signed, one to be in the possession of the employer and the other in the possession of the servant, for the performance of any duty within this Colony, as Fisherman, Shoreman, Shareman, Sealer, or any other kind of service, whether Agricultural, Mechanical, or otherwise, shall fail or refuse to perform such Contract or Agreement, it shall be lawful for any Justice of the Peace, upon complaint on oath of the employer of any such person, or his agent, to issue his Warrant and cause such person to be apprehended and brought before him, and in case such person shall refuse to perform such Contract or Agreement, without shewing sufficient excuse or cause therefor, it shall be lawful for such Justice to commit such person to prison for a period not exceeding Thirty days : Provided that should such person, at any time before the expiration of the time for which he shall be committed, consent to perform such contract or agreement, and that the master consents to receive him back into his service, the said Justice shall forthwith discharge such person out of custody.

II.—Any Fisherman, Shareman, Shoreman, Mechanical, or other servant, who shall absent himself from his employer's service without leave, or refuse or neglect to perform his duty without sufficient cause, shall, for every day's absence, refusal, or neglect, forfeit and pay to his employer, who may deduct the same from his wages if he see fit, a sum equal to twice the rateable proportion of his wages stated in his agreement, for such time as he shall be absent or refuse or neglect to perform his service, in addition to any special damage and expenses which the employer shall have sustained by reason of such absence, refusal, or neglect, and which such employer may also deduct in manner aforesaid.

III.—Any employer who shall, without any reasonable cause, refuse or neglect to pay any Fisherman, Shoreman, or other servant, the amount or balance of his wages within three days after the same shall have been earned and become due, according to his agreement, (the same having been demanded) shall forfeit and pay to such servant the wages current at the time for the number of days he may be kept out of his wages or balance, in addition to any special damage and expenses which such servant shall sustain by such refusal or neglect, to be recovered before any Justice of the Peace.

IV.—That should the employer of any such person neglect or refuse to perform his part of such contract or agreement, it shall be lawful for any

Justice of the Peace of this Island, and such Justice of the Peace is hereby required, upon complaint made upon oath by such person, to issue his summons, and cause such employer or agent to be brought before him, and in case such employer or agent shall refuse to perform such contract or agreement, without shewing a sufficient excuse therefor, it shall be lawful for such Justice to impose upon such employer a penalty not exceeding Five Pounds, to be levied on the goods and chattels of such employer, by warrant, under the hand and seal of such Justice; and in case such warrant shall not be satisfied, then it shall be lawful for the said Justice to issue his warrant and apprehend said employer, and commit him to prison for a period not exceeding thirty days.

V.—That on the performance of such contract or agreement on the part of the servant, the balance of wages due thereon shall be paid in lawful current money of this Colony to the person entitled thereto, any contract or agreement to the contrary notwithstanding.

VI.—If any person shall harbor or employ the servant of another after notice of his being such servant, it shall be lawful for any Justice of the Peace of this Island, upon complaint upon oath, to issue his warrant for the apprehension of such harborer or employer, and, upon conviction, the said Justice shall impose upon such harborer or employer a penalty of not less than Five Pounds, or more than Ten Pounds, to be levied on the goods and chattels of such harborer or employer, in manner prescribed by the fourth section of this Act; and upon failure to recover such penalty, the said Justice shall commit the said harborer or employer to gaol in manner and for the time provided by the said section; and the said Justice shall also make an order on such harborer or employer for the payment by him to the first employer of the wages earned by such servant during the time he was employed by the said harborer or employer, and which shall be recovered in the same manner and by the same process as is herein prescribed for the recovery of the penalty mentioned in this section, together with costs.

VII.—Any sealer who, by refusing to work, or otherwise, without sufficient cause, shall wilfully compel any master of a sealing vessel, whilst at sea, to give up the voyage before the time stated in the agreement for its duration and termination, shall, on conviction in a summary manner before any Justice of the Peace, be imprisoned for a period not exceeding one month.

VIII.—All outfits and supplies advanced to any fisherman, shoreman, shareman, or any other servant, shall be charged and paid for at the rea-

sonable and current prices for such outfits and supplies where the same shall be delivered.

IX.—In case any employer shall, during the service of such person, sell any intoxicating liquor to him, such employer shall not be entitled, in any such case, to deduct out of the wages or earnings of such person, any charge or claim such employer may have or make for any liquor sold or delivered to such person at any time during his service; and that no person shall be entitled to recover, in any Court of Justice, any sum of money for any liquor supplied to any such person during his service.

X.—Every vessel engaged in the Seal or Labrador Fisheries of this Colony shall, before proceeding on any such voyage, be provided with a medicine chest, containing a sufficient supply of medicine; and the master of every such vessel shall, on clearing for such voyage, be compelled to produce to the Collector or Sub-Collector, a Certificate under the hand of some respectable medical practitioner or druggist, of such vessel being provided with a sufficient medicine chest, as aforesaid, or otherwise satisfy such Collector or Sub-Collector of the fact.

XI.—All penalties imposed under this Act shall be paid to the party proceeding for the same, and all proceedings under this Act shall be prosecuted and conducted in a summary manner, before any one or more Justices of the Peace, who shall have power to compel the attendance of witnesses.

Ordered,—That the Report be referred to the Committee of the Whole upon the Bill to regulate the Seal and other Fisheries of this Island.

Message from His Excellency the Governor.

A Message from His Excellency the Governor, by the Usher of the Black Rod, F. W. Rennie, Esq. :

Mr. Speaker, and Gentlemen of the House of Assembly : His Excellency the Governor commands your immediate attendance in the Council Chamber.

Accordingly, Mr. Speaker and the House attended His Excellency in the Council Chamber; and being returned,

Assent of His Excellency to Harbor Grace re-building Act.

Mr. SPEAKER informed the House, that when in attendance on His Excellency the Governor, His Excellency had been pleased to give his assent, in Her Majesty's name, to the Bill entitled "An Act to authorize the widening of Water Street in the Town of Harbor Grace, the opening of a new Firebreak therein, and for other purposes."

Monday, 3rd May, 1858.

Mr. MORRIS, from the Select Committee appointed to inquire into the Petition of Richard Howley, Esq., for services under the St. John's Rebuilding Acts, presented the report, which he handed in at the Clerk's Table, where the same was read, as follows :

Report of Select Committee
on Petition of R. Howley.

Committee Room,
28th April, 1858. }

The Select Committee, to whom was referred the Petition of Richard Howley, beg leave to report, that after due deliberation upon the matter, and having taken evidence thereon, which they hereunto annex, your Committee are of opinion that Petitioner is entitled to a further sum of Fifty Pounds in full of all claims.

All which is respectfully submitted.

PATRICK MORRIS,

Chairman.

JOHN CASEY

ROBERT J. PARSONS

ROBERT PROWSE.

Ordered,—That the said Report do lie upon the Table.

On Table.

Mr. MORRIS gave notice, that on to-morrow he will move an Address to the Governor on the subject of the foregoing Report.

Notice of Address to Governor.

The Hon. COLONIAL SECRETARY, by command of His Excellency the Governor, presented to the House a Letter from His Excellency the Governor, accompanying Circular from the Hon. Secretary of State, accompanying Copy of "Normandy's Patent Marine Aerated Fresh Water Company."

Documents from His Excellency the Governor.

(For which see Appendix).

Ordered,—That the said Documents be referred to the Select Committee appointed to inquire into the best means of supplying the town with Water, and preventing the spread of Fire therein.

Referred to Committee on
Fire prevention.

Notices of Addresses to Governor.

The Hon. RECEIVER GENERAL gave notice, that on to-morrow he will move an Address to the Governor on the subject of the rescue of Thirteen shipwrecked Seamen by certain inhabitants of Mobile, in the District of Ferryland.

Mr. PARSONS gave notice, that on to-morrow he will move an Address to the Governor on the Petition of James Edwards.

Committee on Fishery protection Bill.

Pursuant to Order of the Day, the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole upon the Bill to provide for the Protection of the Seal and other Fisheries of this Island.

Mr. SPEAKER left the Chair.

Mr. DELANEY took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. SPEAKER resumed the Chair.

Reported with Amendments.

The Chairman reported from the Committee that they had passed the Bill to them referred, with some Amendments, which they had directed him to report to the House ; and he handed the Bill and Amendments in at the Clerk's Table.

Amendments agreed to.

And the said Amendments, having been read throughout a first and second time, were, upon the question put thereon, agreed to by the House.

Ordered,—That the Bill, as amended, be engrossed, and read a third time to-morrow.

Committee on Assistant Judges Retiring Bill.

Pursuant to Order of the Day, the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole upon the Bill to provide Retiring Allowances for the Assistant Judges of the Supreme Court of this Island.

Mr. SPEAKER left the Chair.

Mr. CASEY took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. SPEAKER resumed the Chair.

Reported with Amendments.

The Chairman reported from the Committee that they had passed the Bill to them referred, with some Amendments, which they had directed him to report to the House ; and he handed the Bill and Amendments in at the Clerk's Table.

And the said Amendments being read throughout a first and second time, were, upon the question put thereon, agreed to by the House.

Ordered,—That the Bill, as amended, be engrossed, and read a third time to-morrow.

The Hon. COLONIAL SECRETARY informed the House that he was commanded by His Excellency the Governor to state that His Excellency assented to the Address of the House on the subject of the appointment of a Deputy Speaker.

Assent of His Excellency to Address in relation to Deputy Speaker.

Mr. HOGSETT gave notice, that on to-morrow he will move to bring in a Bill for the appointment of a Deputy Speaker.

Ordered,—That the following Orders of the Day be severally discharged:—

Orders of the Day discharged.

The 2nd reading of Bill for the Encouragement of Shipbuilding :

The 2nd reading of Bill to Amend the London, New York, and Newfoundland Telegraph Company Act :

The Bill to provide for the protection of the Breeding of Wild Fowl.

Then the House adjourned till to-morrow at Three of the Clock.

Tuesday, 4th May, 1858.

On motion of the Hon. RECEIVER GENERAL, seconded by Mr. WARREN,

Resolved,—That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire in to the Contingencies of the present Session of the Legislature.

Committee on Contingencies.

Ordered,—That the Hon. Receiver General, Mr. Warren, Mr. F. B. Carter, and Mr. Morris do form the Committee.

On motion of the Hon. RECEIVER GENERAL, seconded by Mr. WARREN,

Resolved,—That a Message be sent to the Legislative Council, requesting that they will furnish this House with the amount of their Contingent Expenses for the present Session.

Message to Council.

Ordered,—That the Hon. Receiver General and Mr. Warren do take the Message to the Legislative Council and desire their concurrence.

Fishery protection Bill read 3rd time.

Pursuant to Order of the Day, the Bill sent down from the Legislative Council for the protection of the Seal and other Fisheries, was read a third time.

Passed, and Message to Council requesting assent to.

Ordered,—That the Amendments do pass, and that a message be sent to the Legislative Council requesting their concurrence therein.

Ordered,—That the Hon. Receiver General and Mr. Carter do take the take the Message and Bill to the Legislative Council.

The Hon. ATTORNEY GENERAL, by command of His Excellency the Governor, presented to the House the following Letter from Assistant Judge Simms :

St. John's, May 3, 1858.

Message from the Governor.

SIR,—

Perceiving that a Bill is before the Legislature to provide for the retirement of the Assistant Judges, and not being made aware of the sum which the Government may propose as a retiring pension, I take leave to address your Excellency, and respectfully to submit that I humbly deem a sum of not less than Three Hundred and Fifty Pounds would be a reasonable retiring allowance, after my long public services, and having reference to the retiring allowances granted by the Legislature to the various Public Officers who have recently retired from the public service.

My appointment as Attorney General took place in 1821, which office I filled at periods when the duties were very arduous, and until the office of Assistant Judge was conferred upon me; my tenure of office in this Colony, having now extended to Thirty-four years.

I rely upon your Excellency's kind consideration, and upon the Legislature agreeing to grant an equitable and reasonable compensation to me after my long service, although, at my advanced age, and with my present infirm state of health, it would be vain to expect a long continued receipt of any annuity which may be conferred.

I have the honor to be, Sir,

Your Excellency's obedient,
humble servant

JAMES SIMMS.

His Excellency the Governor.

Ordered,—That the said Letter do lie upon the Table.

On Table.

Mr. F. B. CARTER presented a Petition from the Hon. A. W. DesBarres, Assistant Judge of the Supreme and Central Court, which was received and read,—Setting forth that a Bill affecting the Public, and Memorialist's private interest, he is informed, is now before your Honorable House, in which there are two objectionable principles involved :

Petition from Assistant Judge DesBarres.

1.—That the impartial administration of justice may be damaged by the Honorable House forcing Judges into retirement, thereby exercising what appears an undue influence upon the minds and judgements of the Judges.

2.—As in its nature it affects private interests, he considers notice ought to have been given to the parties interested.

Memorialist therefore prays that he may be heard by himself or his Solicitor at the Bar of Your Honorable House before that Bill passes.

Ordered,—That the said Petition do lie upon the Table.

On Table.

The Order of the Day for the third reading of the Bill to provide Retiring Allowances for the Assistant Judges of the Supreme Court, being read,

Mr. FRENDEGAST moved, seconded by Mr. F. B. CARTER,

Motion for Ryder to Assist-ant Judges Retiring Bill.

That the following clause be added to the Bill as a Ryder :

“ Payable in British Sterling.”

And the question being put thereon, the House divided when there appeared, for the Motion, 9 against the Motion, 8.

Passed on division.

So it passed in the affirmative.

And the said Ryder, having been read throughout a first, second, and third time, was, upon the question put thereon, agreed to by the House.

Read 1st, 2nd, and 3rd time.

Ordered,—That the said Ryder be adopted, engrossed, and stand part of the Bill.

Ryder adopted.

Ordered,—That the Bill be now read a third time.

And the Bill was read a third time accordingly.

Read 3rd time.

Ordered,—That the Bill pass, and be entitled “ An Act to provide for the retirement of the present Assistant Judges of the Supreme Court of Newfoundland.”

Passed and titled

Sent to Council.

Ordered,—That the Hon. Attorney General and Mr. Kelly do take the Bill to the Legislative Council and desire their concurrence.

Desertion of Seamen's Bill
read 2nd time.

Pursuant to Order of the Day, the Bill to prevent the desertion of Seamen, was read a second time.

Ordered,—That the House do, on to-morrow, resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole upon the said Bill.

Committee on Road Bill.

Pursuant to Order of the Day, the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole upon the Bill for granting to Her Majesty a sum of money for making and repairing Roads, Streets, and Bridges, in this Colony.

Mr. SPEAKER left the Chair.

Mr. BENNING took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. SPEAKER resumed the Chair.

Reported without Amendment.

The Chairman reported from the Committee that they had passed the Bill to them referred, without Amendment; and he handed the Bill in at the Clerk's Table.

Ordered,—That the Bill be engrossed, and read a third time to-morrow.

Committee on Wesleyan
Conference Bill.

Pursuant to Order of the Day, the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole upon the Bill for Incorporating a Conference of the Wesleyan Body.

Mr. SPEAKER left the Chair.

Mr. PRENDERGAST took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. SPEAKER resumed the Chair.

Reported without Amendment.

The Chairman reported from the Committee that they had passed the Bill to them referred, without Amendment; and he handed the Bill in at the Clerk's Table.

Ordered,—That the Bill be engrossed, and read a third time to-morrow.

Message from Council.

(A Message from the Legislative Council.)

The Master-in-Chancery to the Legislative Council brought down the following Message :

Mr. SPEAKER,—

The Legislative Council have passed, without Amendment, the Bill sent up to them by the House of Assembly, entitled “ An Act for granting to Her Majesty a sum of money for defraying the expenses of the Civil Government of this Colony, for the year ending the 31st December, 1858, and for other purposes.”

LAURENCE O'BRIEN,

President.

Legislative Council Chamber, }
4th May, 1858. }

And then the Messenger withdrew.

Mr. HOGSETT, pursuant to notice, and leave granted, presented a Bill to provide for the appointment of a Deputy Speaker, which was read a first time.

Deputy Speaker Bill read
1st time.

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

Mr. PRENDERGAST gave notice, that on to-morrow he will move an Address to the Governor on the claim of John Stuart, for compensation for improvement made by him in the Town of St. John's.

Notices of Addresses to Gov
ernor.

Mr. CASEY gave notice, that on to-morrow he will move an Address to the Governor upon the Petition of Thomas Coyell :

Also, that on to-morrow, he will move an Address to the Governor on the subject of the Petition of the inhabitants of St. John's, to open LeMarchant Street, and the Flower Hill Firebreak.

The Hon. COLONIAL SECRETARY gave notice, that on to-morrow he will move an Address of congratulation to Her Majesty on the marriage of the Princess Royal with the Prince of Prussia :

Also, that on to-morrow, he will move an Address to His Excellency the Governor, praying His Excellency to appoint an additional Clerk to the Secretary's Office ; and that this House will provide a salary, not exceeding £100, for the same.

Then the House adjourned till to-morrow at Three of the Clock.

Wednesday, 5th May, 1853.

Petition from C. Ayre for compensation as Private Secretary.

Mr. F. B. CARTER, presented a Petition from Christopher Ayre, of St. John's, which was received and read,—Praying that he may be remunerated for his services as Private Secretary during the administration of the late Governor Hamilton.

On Table.

Ordered,—That the said Petition do lie upon the Table.

Notice of Address on Petition of C. Ayre.

Mr. F. B. CARTER gave notice, that on to-morrow he will move an Address to the Governor on the foregoing Petition of Christopher Ayre.

Petition from C. Ayre for pension.

Mr. PRENDERGAST presented a Petition from Christopher Ayre, Clerk in the Colonial Secretary's office, and Clerk of the Legislative Council, which was received and read,—Setting forth his long services under Government, and praying that a Retiring Allowance may be made him in accordance with the scale laid down in the Act of 1854, providing Retiring Allowances for certain officers of Government.

On Table.

Ordered,—That the said Petition do lie upon the Table.

Notice of Bill for retiring allowance to C. Ayre.

Mr. PRENDERGAST gave notice, that on to-morrow he will move for leave to bring in a Bill to provide a Retiring Allowance for Christopher Ayre.

Petition from W. J. Ward.

Mr. HOYLES presented a Petition from W. J. Ward, Proprietor of the *Morning Post*, which was received and read,—Praying that the sum of £151 4s. 9d., due him for reporting the debates of the Assembly from 1849 to 1852, may be paid him.

Ordered,—That the said Petition be referred to the Committee on Contingencies.

Petition from J. Seaton.

Mr. E. D. SHEA presented a Petition from James Seaton, which was received and read,—Praying that some further compensation may be made him for reporting the debates of the Session in 1854.

Ordered,—That the said Petition be referred to the Select Committee on Contingencies.

Petition from Servants of Assembly.

Mr. PARSONS presented a Petition from Phillip Brown, Michael Power, and William Doyle, servants of the House of Assembly, which was received and read,—Praying for an increase of salary, owing to the increase of their duties since the increase of Representatives in the Assembly.

Ordered,—That the said Petition be referred to the Select Committee on Contingencies.

Mr. CASEY presented a Petition from John Thos. Burton, of St. John's, which was received and read,—Praying compensation for publishing the debates and proceedings of the Assembly, during the present Session, in a condensed form.

Petition from J. T. Burton.

Ordered,—That the said Petition be referred to the Committee on Contingencies.

Mr. CASEY presented a Petition from P. Rogerson & Son and others, of St. John's, which was received and read,—Praying for a grant to make the road on the South Side.

Petition for grant to make a road on South Side.

Ordered,—That the said Petition do lie upon the Table.

On Table.

Mr. CASEY gave notice, that on to-morrow, he will move an Address to the Governor on the Petition of the Proprietors of Property on the South Side of the Harbor of St. John's.

Notices of Addresses to Governor.

Mr. PRENDERGAST gave notice, that on to-morrow, he will move an Address to the Governor, praying that His Excellency will appropriate a sum not exceeding £100 stg., per annum, towards a Roman Catholic Academy at Harbor Grace; and, also, £50 per annum for a Commercial School at Bay Roberts, such appropriation to be continued during the Academy Act of this Session.

Mr. WARREN gave notice, that on to-morrow, he will move an Address to the Governor, praying that in case of failing to procure more than one Steamer for Local Steam Communication with the Outports of this Island, he will cause such one Steamer to run once a month North and South of the Island, alternately.

Mr. DELANEY gave notice, that on to-morrow, he will move an Address to His Excellency the Governor, requesting that His Excellency will be pleased to authorize the Surveyor General to furnish the Members of the Legislature with a Lithographed Copy of the Town of St. John's, executed by William R. Noad, Esq., and that this House will indemnify His Excellency therefor.

The Hon. RECEIVER GENERAL gave notice, that on to-morrow, he will move an Address to His Excellency the Governor, requesting him to sanction an appropriation to liquidate some Outstanding claims relative to the Census Returns.

Shipbuilding Bill read 2nd time.

Mr. PARSONS gave notice, that on to-morrow, he will move that the Bill for the Encouragement of Shipbuilding, be read a second time.

Notice for Bill to facilitate Law Proceedings before Stipendiary Justices.

Mr. F. B. CARTER gave notice, that on to-morrow, he will ask leave to bring in a Bill to facilitate the administration of Justice by Stipendiary Justices.

Notice of Address to Secretary of State for the Colonies.

The Hon. ATTORNEY GENERAL gave notice, that on to-morrow, he will move an Address to the Secretary of State for the Colonies, thanking H. M. Government for the Despatch from Mr. Secretary Labouchere, of March, 1857, informing the Government of this Colony of the abandonment of the French Convention, and recognising the Maritime and Territorial Rights of this Colony.

Message from Council.

(A Message from the Legislative Council.)

The Master-in-Chancery to the Legislative Council brought down the following Message :

MR. SPEAKER,—

The Legislative Council have passed a Bill, entitled, “ An Act to provide for the Liquidation of a certain Debt contracted by the colony for the making and widening of the streets and firebreaks of St. John’s, and for the permanent improvement thereof,” with amendment. Also, a Bill entitled “ An Act to improve the Police Department in and near St. John’s, and to facilitate the abatement of Nuisances,” and request the concurrence of the House of Assembly in the said Bills.

LAURENCE O'BRIEN,

President.

Legislative Council Chamber, }
5th May, 1858. }

And then the Messenger withdrew.

On Table.

Ordered,—That the said Message do lie upon the Table.

Police Bill read 1st time.

The Bill sent down from the Legislative Council, entitled, “ An Act to improve the Police Department in and near St. John’s, and to facilitate the abatement of Nuisances,” was read a first time.

Deputy Speaker Bill read 2nd time.

Pursuant to Order of the Day, the Bill to provide for the appointment of a Deputy Speaker, was read a second time.

Ordered,—That the House do, on to-morrow, resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole upon the said Bill.

Pursuant to Order of the Day, the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole upon the Bill to prevent the Desertion of Seamen.

Committee on Desertion of Seamen's Bill.

Mr. SPEAKER left the Chair.

Mr. PARSONS took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. SPEAKER resumed the Chair.

The Chairman reported from the Committee that they had passed the Bill, with some amendments, which they had directed him to report to the House ; and he handed the Bill and Amendments in at the Clerk's Table.

Passed with Amendments.

And the said Amendments, having been read throughout a first and second time, were, upon the question put thereon, agreed to by the House.

Amendments agreed to.

Ordered,—That the Bill, as amended, be engrossed, and read a third time to-morrow.

Resolved,—That the following Addresses be presented to His Excellency the Governor :—

To His Excellency Sir ALEXANDER BANNERMAN, Knight, Governor and Commander-in-Chief in and over the Island of Newfoundland and its Dependencies, &c., &c.

Address for increase of salary.

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY,—

The House of Assembly having had under consideration the claim of the Stipendiary Magistrate of the District of Ferryland, for an increase of salary, respectfully beg leave to recommend that Your Excellency will be pleased to cause such sum to be paid to that officer, in addition to his salary, as Your Excellency may consider him entitled to for his services, and this House will provide therefor.

To His Excellency Sir ALEXANDER BANNERMAN, Knight, Governor and Commander-in-Chief in and over the Island of Newfoundland and its Dependencies, &c., &c.

Address on Petition of J. W. Chancey.

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY,—

The House of Assembly, having had under their consideration the accompanying Petition from J. W. Chancey, together with the Report of the

Select Committee appointed by the House to inquire therein, (a copy of which, with the Evidence, is annexed) most respectfully request that your Excellency will be pleased to take the case into consideration, and make such award thereon as to your Excellency may appear just.

Address for increase of salary.

To His Excellency Sir ALEXANDER BANNERMAN, Knight, Governor and Commander-in-Chief in and over the Island of Newfoundland and its Dependencies, &c., &c.

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY,—

The House of Assembly have had under consideration the claim of John Peyton, Esq., Stipendiary Magistrate at Twillingate, for an increase of salary, and respectfully request that Your Excellency will be pleased to cause such sum to be paid that Officer, in addition to his present salary, as Your Excellency may, on a review of his services and past allowances, deem him entitled to, and for which this House will provide.

Address on Petition of R. Howley.

To His Excellency Sir ALEXANDER BANNERMAN, Knight, Governor and Commander-in-Chief in and over the Island of Newfoundland and its Dependencies, &c., &c.

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY,—

The House of Assembly have had under consideration the accompanying Petition of Richard Howley, and the Report of the Select Committee appointed to investigate the merits of the claim therein set forth, and respectfully request that Your Excellency will be pleased to take the same under your favorable consideration, and award petitioner such compensation for his services as Your Excellency may deem proper, and this House will indemnify Your Excellency for payment on account therefor.

Address on Petition of J. Edwards.

To His Excellency SIR ALEXANDER BANNERMAN, Knight, Governor and Commander-in-Chief in and over the Island of Newfoundland and its Dependencies, &c., &c.

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY,—

The House of Assembly respectfully beg leave to recommend to Your Excellency's consideration, the prayer of the accompanying Petition of James Edwards, of St. John's, praying compensation for a loss alleged to

have been sustained by him in the performance of a road contract in the District of St. John's, and make such order in reference thereto as Your Excellency may consider just.

To His Excellency Sir ALEXANDER BANNERMAN, Knight, Governor and Commander-in-Chief in and over the Island of Newfoundland and its Dependencies, &c., &c.

Address to remunerate inhabitants of Mobile for saving shipwrecked crew.

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY,—

The House of Assembly beg leave to request that your Excellency will be pleased to cause inquiry to be made into the circumstances connected with the services alleged to have been recently rendered by certain of the inhabitants of Mobile, in the District of Ferryland, in saving the lives of Thirteen Seamen shipwrecked on that part of the Coast of this Island; and to appropriate such an amount as may appear reasonable to Your Excellency to reward them for their gallant conduct.

The Assembly also request that Your Excellency will be pleased to bring under the notice of the Imperial Government the facts connected with this daring deed, as set forth in the accompanying Statement, with a view to the further recognition of the services rendered.

To His Excellency Sir ALEXANDER BANNERMAN, Knight, Governor and Commander-in-Chief in and over the Island of Newfoundland and its Dependencies, &c., &c.

Address on Petition of John Stuart:

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY,—

The House of Assembly, having had their attention called to an Address of this House, passed in 1853, accompanying a Report of the Select Committee appointed to inquire into the Petition of John Stuart, claiming compensation for cost incurred by him in improving the Public Cove known as Rennie, Stuart & Co.'s Cove, would most respectfully beg leave to request that Your Excellency will cause inquiry to be made into the circumstances therein set forth, and make such an award thereon as to Your Excellency may seem just.

To His Excellency Sir ALEXANDER BANNERMAN, Knight, Governor and Commander-in-Chief in and over the Island of Newfoundland and its Dependencies, &c., &c.

Address on Petition of inhabitants of Western District.

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY,—

The House of Assembly most respectfully beg leave to request that your Excellency will be pleased to cause to be opened the LeMarchant Road,

and Flower Hill Firebreak, in accordance with the prayer of the accompanying Petition from the inhabitants of the Western District of St. John's.

Address on Petition of T. Coyel.

To His Excellency Sir ALEXANDER BANNERMAN, Knight, Governor and Commander-in-Chief in and over the Island of Newfoundland and its Dependencies, &c., &c.

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY,—

The House of Assembly respectfully beg leave to request that Your Excellency will be pleased to cause enquiry to be made into the merits of the accompanying Petition of Thomas Coyel, and make such order thereon as to your Excellency may seem just.

Address for Clerk in Colonial Secretary's Office.

To His Excellency SIR ALEXANDER BANNERMAN, Knight, Governor and Commander-in-Chief in and over the Island of Newfoundland and its Dependencies, &c., &c.

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY,—

The House of Assembly, having had brought under their consideration the necessity of an additional Clerk in the Office of the Colonial Secretary, most respectfully beg leave to request that Your Excellency will be pleased to sanction an appropriation not exceeding £100 for this service, and this House will indemnify Your Excellency therefor.

Ordered,—That the said several Addresses be engrossed, and be presented to His Excellency the Governor by such Members of this House as are of the Hon. Executive Council.

Message from Governor.

(A Message from His Excellency the Governor.)

The Hon. COLONIAL SECRETARY, by command of His Excellency the Governor, presented to the House the following Message :

A. BANNERMAN, Governor.

The Documents herewith transmitted, marked from No. 1 to 4, are copies of the Despatches and Correspondence requested by the House of Assembly, relative to the immunities and privileges granted to the Telegraph Company.

In the absence of the Attorney General, the Governor was desirous to know whether the 17th Victoria, Section 20, would enable the Telegraph Company to sell, and dispose of their lands to foreigners, in some localities to which the people of Newfoundland naturally attach much importance.

The Acts of the Legislature, of 1857, had not been then printed, but the Governor now finds that by the 20th Vic., Cap. 8, a former Act was repealed, and the new one provides that "nothing in it contained should in any way affect any proceeding or matter, or thing done by the former Act;" but, it further provides for the naturalization of Aliens residing in this Colony, on condition that every Alien, receiving letters of naturalization, "shall, within Ten days thereafter, take and subscribe the Oath of Allegiance," a condition which, the Governor believes, applies to all Her Majesty's Dominions, and similar Laws would apply to Her Subjects in France and the United States.

The House of Assembly will further observe that the Governor was desirous to ascertain whether "future Legislation might not remedy past errors of omission or commission, without any breach of faith on the part of the Government of Newfoundland."

Government House, }
May, 1858. }

And then the Messenger withdrew.

(For Documents accompanying, See Appendix.)

The Hon. COLONIAL SECRETARY, pursuant to notice, and leave granted, presented the draft of an Address to Her Most Gracious Majesty, which he read in his place; and then handed it in at the Clerk's Table, where it was again read, as follows:

TO THE QUEEN'S MOST EXCELLENT MAJESTY:

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR MAJESTY,—

We, Your Majesty's dutiful and loyal subjects, the Commons of Newfoundland, in General Assembly convened, beg leave respectfully to offer to Your Majesty and Your Majesty's Royal Consort, our warmest congratulations upon the late auspicious union of Her Royal Highness, the Princess Royal, with His Royal Highness, the Prince of Prussia.

Although neither the most numerous nor the most influential section of Your Majesty's North American Subjects, the people of Newfoundland are second to none in feelings of Loyal devotion to Your Majesty's Royal Person and Family, and they avail themselves of the opportunity which

Address of congratulation
on marriage of the Princess
Royal.

this happy event affords them, of expressing their earnest hope, that the close Alliance which has thus been formed between the Royal Houses of England and Prussia, may conduce to the happiness of the Illustrious Individuals more immediately concerned, and may promote the prosperity of the people of both Kingdoms.

Ordered,—That the Address be adopted and engrossed.

Ordered,—That an Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor, respectfully requesting that he will be pleased to forward the foregoing Address to Her Majesty's Principal Secretary of State for the Colonies, to be laid at the foot of the Throne.

Then the House adjourned till to-morrow at Three of the Clock.

Thursday, 6th May, 1858.

Bills read 3rd time.

Pursuant to Order of the Day, the following Bills were read a third time, as engrossed :

The Bill for appropriating a sum of money for making and repairing Roads, Streets, and Bridges :

The Bill to Incorporate a Conference of the Wesleyan Body :

The Bill to prevent the Desertion of Seamen.

Passed and titled.

Ordered,—That the said several Bills do pass, and that the first be entitled “ An Act for granting to Her Majesty a sum of money for making and repairing Roads, Streets, and Bridges, in this Island.”

Ordered,—That the second Bill pass, and be entitled “ An Act relating to the Wesleyan Methodists, and for Incorporating a Conference of their Body.”

Ordered,—That the third Bill pass, and be entitled “ An Act to prevent the Desertion of Seamen.”

Sent to Council.

Ordered,—That the Hon. Surveyor General and Mr. Prendergast do, take the said several Bills to the Legislative Council and desire their concurrence.

Pursuant to Order of the Day, the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole upon the Bill to provide for the appointment of a Deputy Speaker.

Committee on Deputy Speaker Bill.

Mr. SPEAKER left the Chair.

Mr. PRENDERGAST took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. SPEAKER resumed the Chair.

The Chairman reported from the Committee that they had passed the Bill to them referred, with some Amendments, which they had directed him to report to the House; and he handed the Bill and Amendments in at the Clerk's Table.

Passed with Amendments.

And the said Amendments, having been read throughout a first and second time, were, upon the question put thereon, agreed to by the House.

Amendments agreed to.

Ordered,—That the Bill be engrossed, and read a third time to-morrow.

Resolved,—That the following Addresses be presented to His Excellency the Governor:—

To His Excellency Sir ALEXANDER BANNERMAN, Knight, Governor and Commander-in-Chief in and over the Island of Newfoundland and its Dependencies, &c., &c.

Address on Petition of Christopher Ayre.

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY,—

The House of Assembly have had under consideration the accompanying Petition of Christopher Ayre, Esq., praying compensation for services performed in 1855, as acting Private Secretary to Governor Hamilton, and for the appropriation of a sum remaining unexpended for that year. This House respectfully request that Your Excellency will be pleased to cause to be paid the Petitioner the said sum, an amount proportioned to the time for which his services were given.

To His Excellency SIR ALEXANDER BANNERMAN, Knight, Governor and Commander-in-Chief in and over the Island of Newfoundland and its Dependencies, &c., &c.

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY,—

The House of Assembly having had under their consideration the accompanying Petition of the inhabitants of the South Side of St. John's;

Address on Petition of inhabitants of South Side of St. John's.

praying for a grant to make a road on the South Side of the Harbor of St. John's, respectfully request that your Excellency will be pleased, in the event of the proprietors of the land surrendering such portions as may be required for said road, to comply therewith, and this House will indemnify Your Excellency for a sum not exceeding Three Hundred Pounds, to be taken out of the St. John's Road appropriation next year.

Address to supply Members with plans of St. John's.

To His Excellency Sir ALEXANDER BANNERMAN, Knight, Governor and Commander-in-Chief in and over the Island of Newfoundland and its Dependencies, &c., &c.

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY,—

The House of Assembly respectfully beg leave to request that your Excellency will be pleased to authorize the Surveyor General to furnish the Members of the Legislature, each, with a copy of the Lithographed plan of the Town of St. John's, as executed by William R. Noad, Esq., and this House will provide therefor.

Address to liquidate debt.

To His Excellency Sir ALEXANDER BANNERMAN, Knight, Governor and Commander-in-Chief in and over the Island of Newfoundland and its Dependencies, &c., &c.

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY,—

The House of Assembly respectfully beg leave to request that your Excellency will be pleased to cause certain outstanding claims relating to the taking of the Census Returns, to be liquidated out of the Public Funds, and this House will provide therefor.

Ordered,—That the said several Addresses be engrossed, and be presented to His Excellency the Governor by such Members of this House as are of the Hon. Executive Council.

Motion for Address in relation to Academy at Bay Roberts.

Mr. PRENDERGAST, pursuant to notice, presented the draft of an Address to His Excellency the Governor, praying that he would be pleased to sanction an appropriation of £100 for the support of a Roman Catholic Academy at Bay Roberts, and £50 per annum towards the support of a Commercial School there; which he read in his place, and then handed it in at the Clerk's Table, where it was again read.

And the question being put thereon, the House divided, when there appeared :—

<i>For the Motion, 6.</i>	<i>Against the Motion, 7.</i>	Division
The Hon. Attorney General	The Hon. Receiver General	
Mr. Prendergast	Mr. Carter	
“ E. D. Shea	“ F. B. Carter	
“ Kavanagh	“ Bemister	
“ Byrne	“ March	
“ Benning	“ Walbank	
	“ Hoyles	

So it passed in the negative, and

Negatived.

Ordered,—Accordingly.

Mr. WARREN, pursuant to notice, presented the draft of an Address to His Excellency the Governor, praying, that in case of failing to procure more than one Steamer for local Steam Communication with the Out-ports of this Island, he will cause such one Steamer to run once a month, North and South of the Island, alternately ; which he read in his place, and then handed in at the Clerk's Table, where it was again read.

Motion for Address on local Steam Communication.

Mr. SPEAKER informed the House, that a question of a similar tenor having been negatived by this House during the present Session, the present motion is contrary to order, and cannot be entertained.

Motion contrary to order.

Ordered,—That the notice of motion for the second reading of the Bill for the Encouragement of Shipbuilding, be discharged.

Order of the Day discharged.

Mr. PRENDERGAST, pursuant to notice, and leave granted, presented a Bill to provide a Retiring Allowance for Christopher Ayre, Esq., which was read a first time.

Bill to provide Retiring Allowance to C. Ayre, Esq. read 1st time.

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

Mr. F. B. CARTER, pursuant to notice, and leave granted, presented a Bill to facilitate the Administration of Justice by Stipendiary Justices, which was read a first time.

Bill to facilitate Proceedings at Law read 1st time.

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

Mr. F. B. CARTER gave notice, that on to-morrow, he will move the suspension of the Rules of the House in reference to the Bill to facilitate the Administration of Justice by Stipendiary Justices.

Notices of Suspension of Rules.

Mr. PRENDERGAST gave notice, that on to-morrow, he will move the suspension of the Rules of the House in reference to the Bill to provide a Retiring Allowance to Christopher Ayre, Esq,

THE HON. RECEIVER GENERAL gave notice, that on to-morrow, he will move the suspension of the Rules of the House in relation to the Contingency Bill.

Notices of Addresses to Gov-
ernor.

Mr. CASEY gave notice, that on to-morrow, he will move an Address to the Governor, praying that he will cause Four Fire Bells to be provided for the Town of St. John's.

Mr. E. D. SHEA gave notice, that on to-morrow, he will move an Address to the Governor, requesting that he will be pleased to sanction the appropriation of a sum sufficient to defray the expenses of the Law Commissioners.

Mr. PRENDERGAST gave notice, that on to-morrow, he will move an Address to the Governor, requesting that he will be pleased to cause a sum of money not exceeding £75 stg. per annum, to be appropriated towards the support of a Roman Catholic Superior School at Harbor Grace ; and, also, the sum of £25 towards the support of a Commercial School at Trinity, and that such appropriation be continued as long as the Academy Act passed in the present Session of the Legislature shall remain in force.

THE HON. COLONIAL SECRETARY gave notice, that on to-morrow, he will move an Address to the Governor on the subject of employing Steamers for carrying the Mails in this Colony.

Messages from Council.

(A Message from the Legislative Council.)

The Master-in-Chancery to the Legislative Council brought down the following Messages :

Mr. SPEAKER,—

The Legislative Council acquaint the House of Assembly that they have passed the following Bills—entitled “ An Act to provide for the Retirement of the present Assistant Judges of the Supreme Court of Newfoundland.” An Act to Amend An Act passed in the Thirteenth year of the Reign of Her Majesty, entitled “ An Act to Amend An Act passed in the Seventh year of the Reign of Her present Majesty, entitled “ An Act

to provide for the Establishment of an Academy in St. John's, and for other purposes."

LAURENCE O'BRIEN,
President.

Legislative Council Chamber, }
6th May, 1858. }

Mr. SPEAKER,—

The Legislative Council have passed, without Amendment, the Bill sent up to them by the House of Assembly, entitled "An Act for granting to Her Majesty a sum of money for constructing and repairing Roads, Streets, and Bridges, in this Colony."

LAURENCE O'BRIEN,
President.

Legislative Council Chamber, }
6th May, 1858. }

Mr. SPEAKER,—

The Legislative Council beg to acquaint the House of Assembly that in consideration of the important interests involved in the Bill passed by the Council, and sent to the Assembly, entitled "An Act to regulate the Seal and other Fisheries of this Island, and to provide for the protection of Masters and Servants," the Council will not withhold their assent to the Amendments proposed by the Assembly to the said Bill, and they assent to the same, although they conceive such Amendments to be not so efficient for the protection of either Master or Servant as the Bill passed by the Council.

At the same time the Council deem it their duty to draw the attention of the House of Assembly to the course adopted by that House on the present occasion—viz., of expunging the entire Bill sent from the Council, including even the Title, and thus leaving nothing of the Original Bill on

which to engraft an Amendment ; such a proceeding the Council believes to be without precedent, and not courteous to a co-ordinate Branch of the Legislature.

LAURENCE O'BRIEN,
President.

Legislative Council Chamber, }
6th May, 1858. }

And then the Messenger withdrew.

On Table.

Ordered,—That the said Messages do lie upon the Table.

Then the House adjourned till to-morrow at Three of the Clock.

Friday, 7th May, 1858.

Deputy Speaker Bill read
3rd time.

Pursuant to Order of the Day, the Bill to provide for the appointment of a Deputy Speaker, was read a third time, as engrossed.

Passed and titled.

Ordered,—That the Bill pass, and be entitled “ An Act to provide for the execution of the Office of Speaker in certain cases.”

Sent to Council.

Ordered,—That Mr. Prendergast and Mr. Hogsett do take the Bill to the Legislative Council and desire their concurrence.

Suspension of Rules on
Bills.

Ordered,—That the Rules of the House be suspended in relation to the Bill to provide a Retiring Allowance for Christopher Ayre, Esq. ; the Bill to facilitate proceedings before Stipendiary Magistrates in this colony ; and the Bill to defray the contingent expenses of the Legislature.

Bills read 2nd time.

Pursuant to Order of the Day, the following Bills were severally read a second time :

The Bill to provide a Retiring Allowance for Christopher Ayre, Esq :

The Bill to facilitate Proceedings before Stipendiary Justices.

Committed on Bills.

Ordered,—That the House do now resolve itself into a committee of the Whole upon Bills.

Mr. SPEAKER left the Chair.

Mr. WALBANK took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. SPEAKER resumed the Chair.

The Chairman reported from the Committee that they had considered the Bills to them referred, and had severally passed the Bill to provide a Retiring Allowance to Christopher Ayre, Esq., without Amendment; and the Bill to facilitate proceedings before Stipendiary Justices in this Colony, with some Amendments.

Christopher Ayre's Retiring Allowance Bill reported without Amendment, and Stipendiary Justices Bill with Amendments.

And the said Amendments on the last Bill, having been read throughout a first and second time, were, upon the question put thereon, agreed to by the House.

Amendments agreed to.

Ordered,—That the said Bills be engrossed, and severally read a third time this day.

Read 3rd time.

And the said Bills were read a third time accordingly.

Ordered,—That the first Bill pass, and be entitled “ An Act to provide for the Retirement of Christopher Ayre, Clerk of the Legislative Council, and one of the Clerks of the Colonial Secretary's Office.”

Passed and titled.

Ordered,—That the second Bill pass, and be entitled “ An Act to facilitate the recovery of small debts and claims, and the hearing and determining of summary proceedings.”

Ordered,—That Mr. F. B. Carter and Mr. Prendergast do take the said several Bills to the Legislative Council and desire their concurrence.

Sent to Council.

Resolved,—That the following Addresses be presented to His Excellency the Governor :—

To His Excellency Sir ALEXANDER BANNERMAN, Knight, Governor and Commander-in-Chief in and over the Island of Newfoundland and its Dependencies, &c., &c.

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY,—

The House of Assembly respectfully beg leave to request that your Excellency will be pleased to cause Four Bells to be procured for St. John's, for the purpose of alarming the inhabitants in the event of fire; and this House will provide therefor.

Address for Fire Bells.

To His Excellency SIR ALEXANDER BANNERMAN, Knight, Governor and Commander-in-Chief in and over the Island of Newfoundland and its Dependencies, &c., &c.

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY,—

Address to compensate Law Commissioners.

The House of Assembly respectfully beg leave to request that your Excellency will be pleased to cause a sum to be expended out of the Public Funds, to compensate the Law Commissioners for their services on the subject of the simplification of the Practice and mode of Proceeding in the Superior Courts of Law in this Colony; and this House will provide therefor.

To His Excellency Sir ALEXANDER BANNERMAN, Knight, Governor and Commander-in-Chief in and over the Island of Newfoundland and its Dependencies, &c., &c.

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY,—

Address for Commercial School, Trinity.

The House of Assembly respectfully beg leave to request that Your Excellency will cause to be appropriated the sum of Twenty-five Pounds out of the Public Funds, for a Commercial School at Trinity; and this House will provide therefor.

To His Excellency Sir ALEXANDER BANNERMAN, Knight, Governor and Commander-in-Chief in and over the Island of Newfoundland and its Dependencies, &c., &c.

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY,—

Steamers engaged in the service of the colony to carry efficient boats.

The House of Assembly, having had their attention called to the danger arising from the inefficiency of Vessels employed in carrying the Mails, from the fact that many persons travel by these conveyances, beg to request, that, in the case of any Steamers that may be engaged in the service of the colony, it be a condition of their employment that they carry two good Boats, one of which shall be an efficient Life-Boat; and that all Vessels in the service of the colony shall be subject to inspection at least twice a year, and shall cease to be employed unless the foregoing condition (as regards Steamers) be fulfilled, and that the Report of the Inspector be satisfactory to the Government.

Ordered,—That the Addresses be engrossed, and be presented to His Excellency the Governor by such Members of this House as are of the Hon. Executive Council.

(*Messages from the Legislative Council.*)

The Master-in-Chancery to the Legislative Council brought down the following Messages : Messages from Council.

Mr. SPEAKER,—

The Legislative Council have passed, without Amendment, the Bills entitled “ An Act to prevent the desertion of Seamen ;” and “ An Act to provide for the execution of the office of Speaker of the House of Assembly in certain cases.”

LAURENCE O'BRIEN,

President.

Legislative Council Chamber, }
7th May, 1858. }

Mr. SPEAKER,—

The Legislative Council have passed, without Amendment, the Bill sent up to them by the House of Assembly, entitled “ An Act for the Encouragement of Education.”

The Legislative Council have also passed, without Amendment, the Bill sent up to them by the House of Assembly, entitled “ An Act relating to the Wesleyan Methodists in this Colony, and for Incorporating a Conference of their Body.”

LAURENCE O'BRIEN,

President.

Legislative Council Chamber, }
7th May, 1858. }

Mr. SPEAKER,—

The Legislative Council have passed the Bill sent up for their concurrence, entitled “ An Act to provide for the Retirement of Christo-

pher Ayre, Clerk of the Legislative Council, and one of the Clerks of the Colonial Secretary's Office," without Amendment.

LAURENCE O'BRIEN,

President.

Legislative Council Chamber, }
7th May, 1858. }

And then the Messenger withdrew.

On Table.

Ordered,—That the said Messages do lie upon the Table.

On motion of Mr. HOGSETT, seconded by Mr. HOYLES,

Resolved,—That the House do resolve itself into a Committee on Privilege.

And the House resolved itself into the said Committee accordingly.

Mr. SPEAKER left the Chair.

Mr. WARREN took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. SPEAKER resumed the Chair.

Resolutions reported.

The Chairman reported from the Committee that they had considered the business to them referred, and had come to certain Resolutions thereon, which they had directed him to report to the House ; and he handed the Resolutions in at the Clerk's Table, where the same were read, as follows :—

Resolved,—That it is the opinion of this Committee that the following Messages be sent to the Legislative Council :—

Mr. PRESIDENT,—

In reply to the Message of the Legislative Council, of the 23rd day of April last, the House of Assembly, whilst reciprocating the regret expressed by the Legislative Council that the harmonious intercourse between the two branches of the Legislature should have been interrupted, feel that the cause of such interruption has arisen entirely from the assumption, on the part of the Legislative Council, of Privileges which are not in accordance with the practice which has hitherto been observed by that body, on occasion of Conferences, towards Conferrees of the Assembly.

The practice referred to in the Message of the Legislative Council, is strictly correct as regards the House of Lords, and was adopted, no doubt,

by the Parliament of Great Britain at a time when the House of Commons had not assumed that position or influence which it has since attained ; but how, or in what way, such a practice can be applicable to the Legislative Council of Newfoundland, the House of Assembly are at a loss to discover.

In the description of the practice given by the Legislative Council it is said, " The Lords seat themselves, and remain sitting and covered ; during the conference the Lords are to sit and be covered." Now, the House of Lords is composed of Lords Spiritual and Temporal, that is, Peers of the Realm who are the Lords Temporal, and Lords of Parliament who are the Lords Spiritual ; and it is obvious that the members of the Legislative Council must show, before they can be said to fall within the scope of their own definition, that the Legislative Council is composed both of Lords spiritual and temporal. Honorable gentlemen, the House of Assembly believe the gentlemen who compose the Legislative Council to be, but certainly not Lords, and therefore not entitled to the privileges which belong to Lords in England, sitting in the House of Lords.

It is urged on the part of the Legislative Council, that the rules of their Body continue the former practice with reference to Conferences, and make provision, that for matters not therein provided, the practice of the Imperial Parliament, so far as the same may be applicable, shall be adopted.

With reference to the first part of this proposition, the House of Assembly distinctly deny that any such practice as that contended for by the Council ever existed ; and as to such a practice being applicable to the circumstances of this Colony, the simple answer is, that in the Legislative Council of Newfoundland we have no Lords.

Seeing, therefore, that there is no precedent for the privileges claimed by the Council, and conceiving that, in the circumstances of the Colony, such a privilege in its application would be without precedent, the House of Assembly trust that the Legislative Council will recede from the position they have assumed, and thus put a termination to a misunderstanding, the continuance of which must be detrimental to the moral influence of the Legislature.

Mr. PRESIDENT,—

The House of Assembly, having had under their consideration the Message of the Legislative Council on the subject of the Bill entitled " An

Act to regulate the Seal and other Fisheries of this Island, and to provide for the protection of Masters and Servants," beg to acquaint the Council, that while they entirely disclaim all intention of exhibiting any discourtesy towards their Honorable Body, they cannot concur in the opinion of the Council, that the Amendments of the Assembly are without precedent, inasmuch as such Amendments are altogether within the title of the Bill—are strictly pertinent to its subject matter, and are designed to effectuate the objects contemplated by the provisions for which they were substituted.

The Assembly would further observe, that they they notice with regret the course adopted by the Council, of commenting upon and contrasting with the original Bill, the Amendments of the Assembly, as in itself irregular and not calculated to facilitate the transaction of the public business, and as tending to provoke an unseemly controversy between the two Branches of the Legislature.

Ordered,—That the said Resolutions be adopted.

Ordered,—That the said Resolutions be engrossed, and transmitted by Message to the Legislative Council.

Sent to Council:

Ordered,—That Mr. Hoyles and Mr. Hogsett do take the Bill to the the Legislative Council.

Mr. SPEAKER informed the House that he had received the following communication from His Excellency the Governor :—

Secretary's Office,
7th May, 1858. }

SIR,—

Time appointed by Governor
to close the Session.

I have the honor to inform you that it is the intention of His Excellency the Governor to close the Fourth Session of the General Assembly on Monday next, the 10th inst., at Twelve o'Clock.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

J. KENT.

The Honorable
The SPEAKER.

Then the House adjourned till to-morrow at Two of the Clock.

Saturday, 8th May, 1858.

MR. PARSONS, from the Select Committee appointed to inquire into the Petition of John Fitzgerald, claiming compensation for loss sustained by him on a contract for making the road from the Goulds to Petty Harbor, presented the Report; which he handed in at the Clerk's Table, where it was read as follows:

Report of Select Committee
on Petition of J. Fitzgerald.

The Select Committee appointed to enquire into the merits of the Petition of John Fitzgerald, have taken the subject into consideration, and have taken evidence thereupon (which is subjoined,) and they have arrived at the conclusion, that the Petitioner, in consequence of an alteration being made (by the late Board of Road Commissioners) in the direction of the road as at first contracted for by Petitioner, which entailed upon him additional labor and expense, he is justly entitled to the sum of Thirty Pounds Currency, which we respectfully beg your Excellency to cause to be paid to him, and this House will provide for the same.

JOHN WINTER

ROBERT J. PARSONS

JOHN H. WARREN

JOHN CASEY.

Ordered,—That the said Report do lie upon the Table.

Ordered,—That the following Addresses be presented to His Excellency the Governor:—

To His Excellency Sir ALEXANDER BANNERMAN, Knight, Governor and Commander-in-Chief in and over the Island of Newfoundland and its Dependencies, &c., &c.

Addresses to Governor.

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY,—

The House of Assembly respectfully beg leave to request that Your Excellency will be pleased to cause a sum not exceeding Three Hundred Pounds, to be appropriated out of the Public Funds, for the purpose of defraying the expense of obtaining Herring Curers, or of instructing competent persons in the business of curing Herring, and for the improvement of the Herring Fishery of this Colony; and this House will provide therefor.

To His Excellency Sir ALEXANDER BANNERMAN, Knight, Governor and Commander-in-Chief in and over the Island of Newfoundland and its Dependencies, &c., &c.

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY,—

The House of Assembly respectfully request that Your Excellency will please take into consideration the accompanying Petition of James Cantwell, praying compensation for affording relief to Shipwrecked Seamen, and make such order thereon as to Your Excellency may seem just.

Ordered,—That the said several Addresses be engrossed, and be presented to His Excellency the Governor by such Members of this House as are of the Hon. Executive Council.

The Hon. ATTORNEY GENERAL, pursuant to notice, presented the draft of an Address to the Right Hon. the Secretary of State for the Colonies, which he read in his place, and then handed it in at the Clerk's Table, where it was again read, as follows:—

Address to Secretary of State.

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

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR LORDSHIP,—

The House of Assembly of Newfoundland deem it their duty gratefully to recognise the prompt and cordial manner in which Her Majesty's Government acceded to the views of the people of this Colony, as expressed by their Representatives during the last Session of the Legislature, on the subject of the late Convention between the British Government and that of France, in relation to the Newfoundland Fisheries.

In a Despatch from Your Lordship's Predecessor to the late Governor of this Colony, dated 26th March, 1857, Mr. Labouchere states, that when Her Majesty's Government entered into the Convention, "they did so with the full intention of adhering to two principles which have guided them, and will continue to guide them—namely, that the rights at present enjoyed by the community of Newfoundland, are not to be ceded or exchanged without their assent; and that the constitutional mode of submitting measures for that assent is, by laying them before the Colonial Legislature. The proposals contained in the Convention having been now unequivocally refused by the Colony, they will, of course, fall to the

ground ; and you are authorised to give such assurance as you may think proper, that the consent of the community of Newfoundland is regarded by Her Majesty's Government as the essential preliminary to any modification of their Territorial or Maritime Rights."

The assurances thus conveyed, while they testify to the good faith of the Imperial Government, in regard to the Constitutional, Territorial, and Maritime Rights of the people of this Colony, have given the most lively satisfaction to this House, and the inhabitants at large of this valuable dependency of the Crown. They rely with implicit confidence on the observance and operation of the principles thus affirmed for the preservation of those Rights and Privileges which are so dear to them as British Subjects, and inhabitants of Newfoundland.

As the House of Assembly have deemed it their duty to vindicate the rights and opinions of this country upon this highly important question, in opposition to the desires of the Imperial Government, they now gratefully acknowledge this frank and straightforward guarantee of those rights for which they felt it their duty to contend.

Ordered,—That the Address be adopted and engrossed.

Ordered,—That an Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor, respectfully requesting that he will be pleased to forward the Address to the Right Hon. the Secretary of State.

Address to Governor to forward Address to Secretary of State.

Mr. WARREN gave notice, that on the first day of next Session he will move for a Committee of Enquiry relative to the case of Constable Toor.

Notice for Committee on case of Constable Toor.

Mr. PARSONS gave notice, that on to-morrow he will move an Address to the Governor, requesting His Excellency to inquire into the utility and expediency of opening a road through Monkstown, in accordance with the prayer of a Petition presented to the House.

Notices of Addresses to Governor.

Mr. HOYLES gave notice, that on to-morrow he will move an Address to His Excellency to defray a balance due upon the late North American Delegation.

Mr. PARSONS gave notice, that on to-morrow he will move an Address to the Governor on the Petition of John Fitzgerald.

(A Message from the Legislative Council.)

Message from Council.

The Master-in-Chancery to the Legislative Council brought down the following Message :

Mr. SPEAKER,—

The Legislative Council beg leave to acquaint the House of Assembly that the amount of their Contingencies for the present Session, is as follows :

	Sterling.
Contingencies of the Clerk's Office	£168 4 6
Ditto of Usher of the Black Rod	42 19 0
To the Clerk, for his services during the present Session	165 0 0
Master-in-Chancery, ditto ditto	110 0 0
Usher of the Black Rod ditto ditto	120 0 0
Reporter ditto ditto	125 0 0
Door-keeper ditto ditto	50 0 0
Assistant Door-keeper ditto ditto	30 0 0
Messenger ditto ditto	25 0 0
John C. Withers, printing	165 8 6
The Proprietor of the <i>Newfoundlander</i> , for publishing De-	
bates	45 0 0
The Proprietor of the <i>Courier</i> , ditto	45 0 0
The Proprietor of the <i>Express</i> , for copying Debates	30 0 0
The Proprietor of the <i>Ledger</i> ditto	30 0 0
Joseph Woods, balance of account for printing and bind-	
ing Journal of last Session	62 16 10
Probable cost of printing and binding Journal of present	
Session	200 0 0
Thomas Talbot, late Reporter to the Council	30 0 0
	£1474 8 10

LAURENCE O'BRIEN,
President.

Legislative Council Chamber, }
 8th May, 1858. }

And then the Messenger withdrew.

Ordered,—That the said Message do lie upon the Table.

The Hon. RECEIVER GENERAL, from the Select Committee on Contingencies, presented the Report; which he handed in at the Clerk's Table, where it was read as follows:

The Select Committee appointed to enquire into the Contingencies of the present Session of the Legislature, beg leave to report that they have examined the various accounts laid before them, which they find correct, and recommend being paid. They also recommend that there be paid to the Members and Officers of the House for their services during the present Session, as follows:

Report of Select Committee
on Contingencies.

The Speaker of the House of Assembly, for his services during the present Session	.....	.....	£200	0	0
The Chief Clerk of the House of Assembly, for his services during the present Session	.....	.....	£250	0	0
and for transmitting copies of Journals to Colonial Office	.....	.....	25	0	0
The Clerk Assistant, for his services during the present Session	.....	.....	125	0	0
The Solicitor of the House, for his services during the present Session	.....	.....	175	0	0
The Serjeant-at-Arms	ditto	ditto	125	0	0
The Door-keeper	ditto	ditto	45	0	0
The Messenger	ditto	ditto	40	0	0
The Under Door-keeper	ditto	ditto	35	0	0
The Assistant ditto	ditto	ditto	15	0	0
The Outer ditto	ditto	ditto	15	0	0
The Assistant ditto Messenger and Fireman ditto	.....	.....	30	0	0
To Edward Morris, Reporter of the Debates	.....	.....	125	0	0
To Archibald Emerson, Assistant ditto	.....	.....	100	0	0
The Proprietor of the <i>Newfoundlander</i> , for publishing Debates	.....	.....	60	0	0
The Proprietor of the <i>Courier</i> , ditto	.....	.....	60	0	0
To Twenty-nine Members, the Speaker not included, being £42 each for Twenty-one resident in St. John's, and £63 each for Eight resident in Outports	.....	.....	1386	0	0

To the Proprietors of the <i>Patriot</i> Press, for printing Miscellaneous Papers during the present Session	£472	15	4
To the Proprietor of the <i>Newfoundlander</i> , Estimate for printing Journals and Appendix of the House of Assembly for the present Session	350	0	0
and balance for printing Journals and Appendix of last Session	195	7	6
To the Clerk of the House of Assembly, to defray the contingent expenses of his office	232	6	3
To the Sergeant-at-Arms, to defray the Contingent expenses of his office during the present Session	50	15	1
To the Chairman of Supply	50	0	0
To Richard Holden, jur., attending Select Committees, and engrossing Bills during the present Session	100	0	0
To Thomas McConnon, stationery	78	7	6
To the Telegraph Company	71	14	3
To Joseph Woods, binding, &c.	60	0	4
To E. D. Shea, Newspapers, &c.	24	11	10
To the Post-office, for postages	20	12	5
To the Telegraph News Agency, in full, for account from January 7th to date	132	15	3
To the Clerk of the House of Assembly, to defray the Contingent expenses of the Legislative Library	87	5	3
Clement Benning, Chairman of Supply, extra sura	25	0	0
James Seaton, in full, for printing Reports in 1854	50	0	0
Contingencies of Legislative Council	1474	8	10
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	£6286	19	10
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The Contingency Committee recommend that a Committee on printing be appointed at the commencement of each Session, who shall prescribe the necessary arrangements for Miscellaneous and other printing, and to whom, or a majority of them, all papers be referred before printing, and that memoranda be kept by them of their orders. The Committee, considering the heavy charge for Telegraphing, also recommend that in future no expense be incurred on the account chargeable to Contingencies of this House without its express orders.

The Committee have had under their consideration a Petition from F. B. T. Carter, Esq., praying that an additional amount may be awarded him for his services as Delegate to the British North American Provinces, on the French Fishery Convention : the Committee being of opinion that such a claim does not come under their province, recommend the same to the consideration of the House.

The Committee being of opinion that the duties of Clement Benning, Esq., as Chairman of Supply, have been of a more onerous nature than in former Sessions, respectfully recommend that the sum of Twenty-five Pounds be voted him in addition to the usual allowance for that office.

Respectfully submitted by

THOMAS GLEN,

Chairman.

GEORGE J. HOGSETT,

(subject to the annexed
protest with reference to
Mr. Parsons's account,)

PATRICK MORRIS

F. B. T. CARTER

JOHN H. WARREN

Committee Room, }
8th May, 1858. }

I protest against Mr. Parsons's account for printing, because it appears to me to be twenty per cent. over the usual charges of printers, and because the Committee have had no satisfactory evidence before them of the charge of £47, on account of Mr. Woods.

GEORGE J. HOGSETT.

May 8th, 1858.

Ordered,—That the said Report be adopted.

He also, on leave granted, presented a Bill to provide for the Contingent Expenses of the Legislature, which was read a first and second time.

Contingency Bill read 1st
and 2nd time.

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

Committed,

And the House resolved itself into the said Committee accordingly.

Mr. SPEAKER left the Chair.

Mr. BENNING took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. SPEAKER resumed the Chair.

Reported without Amend-
ment.

The Chairman reported from the Committee that they had passed the Bill to them referred, without Amendment ; and he handed the Bill in at the Clerk's Table.

Ordered,—That the Bill be engrossed, and read a third time this day.

Read 3rd time.

And the Bill was read a third time accordingly.

Passed and titled.

Ordered,—That the Bill pass, and be entitled “ An Act to provide for the Contingent Expenses of the Legislature.”

Sent to Council.

Ordered,—That the Hon. Receiver General and Mr. Benning do take the Bill to the Legislative Council and desire their concurrence.

Then the House adjourned till Monday next at Eleven of the Clock.

Monday, 10th May, 1858.

On motion of Mr. HOYLES, seconded by Mr. WARREN,

Resolved,—That the following Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor :—

Address to Governor.

*To His Excellency Sir ALEXANDER BANNER
MAN, Knight, Governor and Commander-
in-Chief in and over the Island of New-
foundland and its Dependencies, &c., &c.*

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY,—

The House of Assembly respectfully request that Your Excellency will be pleased to cause to be paid to F. B. T. Carter, Esq., Delegate of the House of Assembly to the North American Provinces, the sum of Eighty Pounds, balance of his account on that service, and the Assembly will make provision therefor.

Ordered,—That the said Address be engrossed, and be presented to His Excellency the Governor by such Members of this House as are of the Hon. Executive Council.

(*Messages from the Legislative Council.*)

Messages from Council.

The Master-in-Chancery to the Legislative Council brought down the following Messages :

MR. SPEAKER,—

The Legislative Council have passed, without Amendment, the Bill sent up to them by the House of Assembly, entitled "An Act to facilitate the recovery of Small Debts and Claims, and the hearing and determining of Summary Proceedings."

LAURENCE O'BRIEN,

President.

Legislative Council Chamber, }
8th May, 1858. }

MR. SPEAKER,—

The Legislative Council have passed, without Amendment, the Bill sent up to them by the Assembly entitled "An Act to provide for the Contingent Expenses of the Legislature."

LAURENCE O'BRIEN,

President.

Legislative Council Chamber, }
10th May, 1858. }

And then the Messenger withdrew.

Ordered,—That the said Messages do lie upon the Table.

On Table.

The Hon. ATTORNEY GENERAL gave notice, that on an early day next Session, he will introduce a Bill to amend the Crown Lands Act, and to make provision for granting Mining Licenses, Leases, and Grants, in this Colony.

Notice of Crown Lands' Amendment Bill.

Mr. E. D. Shea presented a Petition from James Campbell, which was received and read,—Praying that the House would accord him some remuneration for compiling a Hand Book to be used in Navigation Schools.

Petition from J. Campbell.

Ordered,—That the said Petition do lie upon the Table.

On Table.

Petition from Wesleyans for
proportion of Education
Grant.

Mr. BEMISTER presented a Petition from Henry Daniel and others, Wesleyans of St. John's, which was received and read,—Setting forth that they protest against the division of the sum of £600 granted by the Legislature in its last Session for the erection of a General Protestant Academy, and praying that such a sum of money may be placed at their disposal for the erection of an Academy, as they are entitled to according to population.

On Table.

Ordered,—That the said Petition do lie upon the Table.

Message from the Governor
commanding attendance of
the House.

A Message from His Excellency the Governor by F. W. Rennie, Esq., the Gentleman Usher of the Black Rod :

Mr. Speaker, and Gentlemen of the House of Assembly : His Excellency the Governor commands your immediate attendance in the Council Chamber.

House attend His Excellency.

Accordingly, Mr. Speaker and the House attended His Excellency the Governor in the Council Chamber, when His Excellency was pleased to assent to the following Bills :

Assent of the Governor to
Bills.

An Act to afford Relief to Wives and Children deserted by their Husbands and Parents.

An Act to establish the Fees and Costs chargeable in the several Police Offices and Courts of Session in this Colony.

An Act to revive and continue an Act entitled "An Act to encourage the Killing of Wolves in this Colony."

An Act to amend an Act passed in the Thirteenth year of the reign of Her Majesty, entitled "An Act to amend an Act passed in the Seventh year of the reign of Her present Majesty, entitled 'An Act to provide for the establishment of an Academy in St. John's, and for other purposes.'"

An Act for the protection of the Herring Fishery on the Coast of this Island.

An Act to prevent the Desertion of Seamen.

An Act for the Encouragement of Education.

An Act to authorize the Receiver General to Liquidate certain Outstanding Debentures issued for Loans to erect the Colonial Building and Market House in St. John's.

An Act to provide for the appointment of Surveyors of Shipping in this Island, and for other purposes connected therewith.

An Act for the erection of a Light House on or near Cape St. Mary's, on the Western Coast of Newfoundland.

An Act to facilitate the recovery of Small Debts and Claims, and the hearing and determining of Summary Proceedings.

An Act to provide for the execution of the Office of Speaker of the House of Assembly in certain cases.

An Act to provide for the performance of Contracts between Masters and Servants in this Colony.

An Act for granting to Her Majesty a sum of money for defraying the expenses of the Civil Government of this Colony, for the year ending 31st day of December, 1858, and for other purposes.

An Act to provide for the liquidation of a certain Debt contracted by the Colony, for the making and widening of the Streets and Firebreaks of St. John's, and for the permanent improvement thereof.

An Act to provide for the Retirement of the present Assistant Judges of the Supreme Court.

An Act to repeal and amend certain parts of an Act entitled "An Act for the establishment of a Board of Revenue, and for the Regulation Management, and Collection of all Duties granted to Her Majesty, Her Heirs and Successors, on Goods, Wares, and Merchandize, imported into this Colony and its Dependencies, and to repeal certain Acts relating thereto."

An Act for granting to Her Majesty a sum of money for constructing and repairing Roads, Streets, and Bridges, within this Colony.

An Act for granting to Her Majesty certain Duties on Goods, Wares, and Merchandise, imported into this Colony and its Dependencies.

An Act to provide for the Contingent Expenses of the Legislature during the present Session.

An Act to Incorporate the Wesleyan Conference in this Colony.

An Act to provide for the Retirement of Christopher Ayre, first Clerk in the Colonial Secretary's Office, and Clerk to the Legislative Council.

After which, His Excellency was pleased to make the following Speech to both Branches of the Legislature :

Speech.

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

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

After your close attention to the public business of the colony for the last three months, I am now happy to terminate the Session, and, for a time, to relieve you from your Legislative duties; those among you who reside at a distance from St. John's, will thus be enabled to return to your respective homes, where I hope comfort awaits you, and I trust that prosperity may attend the pursuits which will occupy you for the ensuing summer.

It affords me great satisfaction to find that you have passed congratulatory Addresses to our beloved Sovereign, on the marriage of her daughter, the Princess Royal, to Prince Frederick William of Prussia. I shall be very proud to forward your congratulations to the proper quarter, and I am confident they will be gratifying to the Queen.

At the opening of the Session I alluded to the great rebellion in the East; and I am sure you will now unite with me in rejoicing that there is a cheering prospect of that rebellion being terminated, by God's blessing on the exertions and bravery of Her Majesty's forces in that quarter of the globe, where we may hope that a brighter era will soon open to promote the welfare and prosperity of the people in that vast Empire.

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

I have to thank you for the supplies which you have voted for the Public Service; and these supplies shall be devoted to the purposes which are defined in the Appropriation Act. I observe that you have made a provision as Retiring Allowances for the two Judges, whom age and infirmities incapacitate from longer performing their judicial duties. I am gratified that you have made this arrangement; for on representing to Her Majesty's Government, six months ago, on authority which could not be questioned, the inconvenience which arose to Her Majesty's Subjects, from the physical infirmities of these Judges, I was informed by the Secretary of State that "in the absence of a regular system of retiring allowances for Judges, considerable inconvenience would be sure to be experienced as advancing years rendered them less capable of executing their functions; but that it was obviously my duty to see that the public suffer no real loss from the inefficient fulfilment of duties of such high importance to the community."

I regret that from want of time the Legislature have not been able to complete the Bill introduced to facilitate the administration of justice; but I trust that during the next Session that useful and necessary measure may be perfected, and become a part of the law of the colony.

The important question of Direct Steam Communication from England to Newfoundland, the United States, and back to England, which has so long occupied your attention, has, I am happy to say, been so far arranged that an agreement has been entered into between this colony and the North Atlantic Steam Company, to accomplish this desirable object. This agreement is, however, subject to the approval of the Home Government, and W. S. Lindsay, Esq., the Proprietor of the Steamboats.

I may, also, congratulate you on the prospect that Newfoundland will soon have the advantage of inter-colonial Steam Communication, the benefits of which will only be appreciated when the experiment has been tried.

An agreement has been entered into with a gentleman in this colony to provide a suitable Steamship for that purpose, and I sincerely trust that it may be carried into effect at no distant period.

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

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

Among the various important Bills which you have passed this Session, I am rejoiced to observe the measure for the promotion of Education, and the liberal grants which have been made for that purpose, as well as the arrangements which have been carried into effect, I trust to the satisfaction of all parties, for the allocation of the sums appropriated for educational purposes.

You have, I see, passed a measure relative to the Herring Fishery. I suggested in January last, that it might be desirable to appoint a commission to collect information and report whether a code of laws ought not to be framed to regulate the Fisheries. Such codes are now in force in Canada and the neighbouring Provinces. They were printed and will be found among other papers from the Colonial Office sent here in October, 1856; and I think they will be well worthy of your consideration during the next Session. The protection of all species of Fish to be found along our Coasts is of the greatest importance to those in whom I am sure you all take so great an interest, viz.—the hardy and industrious population who obtain their subsistence from the products of the ocean; and I am confi-

dent that you will receive, if such a Commission were appointed, much valuable information from the knowledge and experience which many of these fishermen must acquire from their daily occupation and observation. Many years ago, I find in Governor Holloway's Report, that above 2,000 tierces of Salmon were annually caught and exported. It would be desirable to know what have been the causes of such a falling off in the export of that valuable fish, and also to ascertain whether Lobsters, Halibut, &c., &c., are as plentiful as I have often heard they are in some localities along the coasts of Newfoundland.

I cannot close the Session without expressing great regret at the calamitous Fire which recently occurred at Harbor Grace, by which valuable premises belonging to enterprising gentlemen who carry on business there were destroyed, which will not only be attended with serious loss to them, as well as to many of the laboring classes who were in their employment, but, I fear, also, to other individuals who must have suffered on that night.

You have, I am glad to see, with promptitude passed the Bill to rebuild that much-admired Town, with such clauses as will, in as far as possible, guard against the spread of fire, by proper "breaks" in the re-construction of the Town; and I hope Harbor Grace will, like a Phoenix, soon rise from its ashes, and that its future prosperity may make up for the late calamity which befel it.

I shall not trespass on your time any longer, and beg to wish all of you health and happiness.

After which, the Honorable the President of the Legislative Council said—

It is His Excellency the Governor's will and pleasure that this General Assembly be Prorogued till Friday, the 1st day of October next:

Assembly Prorogued.

And this General Assembly is accordingly Prorogued till Friday, the 1st day of October next, to be then here holden.

JOHN STUART,
Clerk of General Assembly.

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ELECTORAL DISTRICT OF SAINT JOHN'S (EASTERN DIVISION.)

"	"	"	(WESTERN DIVISION.)
"	"	CONCEPTION BAY	(HARBOR MAINE DIVISION.)
"	"	"	(PORT-DE-GRAVE DIVISION.)
"	"	"	(HARBOR GRACE DIVISION.)
"	"	"	(CARBONAR DIVISION.)
"	"	"	(BAY-DE-VERDS DIVISION.)
"	"	TRINITY.	
"	"	BONAVISTA.	
"	"	TWILLINATE AND FOGO.	
"	"	FERRYLAND.	
"	"	PLACENTIA AND ST. MARY'S.	
"	"	BURIN.	
"	"	FORTUNE BAY.	
"	"	BURGIO AND LAPOILE.	

FRENCH SHORE.

GENERAL RECAPITULATION.

" RETURN OF NUMBER OF MALES AND FEMALES.

Electoral District of St. John's—

No.	NAMES OF SETTLEMENTS.	INHABITANTS OF VARIOUS AGES.														MARRIED PERSONS.		
		No. of Inhabitants.	AGES.													Married Persons Male.	Married Persons Female.	
			Males under 10 years of age.	Females under 10.	Males from 10 to 20.	Females from 10 to 20.	Males from 20 to 30.	Females from 20 to 30.	Males from 30 to 40.	Females from 30 to 40.	Males from 40 to 50.	Females from 40 to 50.	Males above 50 to 70.	Females above 50 to 70.	Males from 70 upwards.			Females from 70 upwards.
1	St. John's (City) and Suburbs from Beck's Cove, &c., East.	13261	1748	1737	1599	1676	1477	1381	807	837	651	581	510	429	108	55	1914	2019
2	Logy Bay ...	180	18	21	23	26	20	18	6	6	6	10	13	7	3		32	33
3	Outer Cove ...	237	37	28	26	27	21	20	10	9	13	11	16	11	5		40	42
4	Middle Cove & Freshwater	68	11	5	11	9	5	1	1	3	5	2	6	2	1		10	8
5	Torbay ...	1196	198	172	151	111	102	76	55	55	58	43	70	58	10	4	175	176
6	Flat Rock ...	236	41	21	29	21	20	15	11	11	11	11	16	12	5		36	36
7	Pouch Cove ...	737	152	138	85	73	49	50	37	31	40	27	22	15	7	8	146	146
8	Belle Isle and Lance Cove	428	65	60	47	53	38	32	18	18	18	15	27	20	12	5	63	62
9	Portugal Cove ...	651	91	92	68	73	56	52	56	40	27	16	34	33	9	4	98	98
10	Balline ...	35	5	4	4	2	1	1	8	5	1	1	1	1	1		8	8
11	Portugal Cove Bridge to Whelan's, Twenty-mile Pond	323	51	47	33	36	21	20	21	18	16	13	21	17	1	2	57	55
Total...		17352	2126	2331	2079	2143	1478	1666	1030	1039	816	730	736	608	162	78	2579	2713

Division of St. John's, East.

WHERE BORN.	NO. OF VARIOUS RELIGIOUS DENOMINATIONS.														NO. ENGAGED IN VARIOUS PROFESSIONS, &c.										SCHOOLS AND PUPILS.	BUILDINGS.						
	Newfoundland.	England.	Ireland.	Scotland.	British Colonies.	Foreign or other States.	No. of Church of England.	" Catholics.	" Wesleyans.	" Kirk of Scotland.	" Free Kirk.	" Congregationalists.	" Clergymen or Ministers.	" Doctors and Lawyers.	" Farmers.	" Mechanics.	" Merchants and Traders.	" Persons engaged in catching and curing Fish.	" Able-bodied Seamen and Fishermen in Colony and Trades.	" Persons engaged in lumbering.	PLACES OF WORSHIP.			SCHOOLS in each Settlement.		Children attending Schools.	How many inhabited Houses.	By how many families inhabited.	Houses now building.	Uninhabited houses.	Stores, Barns, and Out-houses.	Fishing Rooms in actual use.
																					Churches of England.	" Rome.	Wesleyan Churches.										Churches of other Denominations.
10203	618	2010	210	180	10	2149	9238	891	208	256	225	10	33	152	724	236	785	550	28	2	4	1	3	30	2314	2191	2233	7	36	254	19	
133	1	46				8	172							16	1		144	3						1	27	32	32	1	4	8	12	
172		61	1			237								28	1		60	9					1	35	46	40	1		28	11		
52	2	14				68								7			40									11	11	1	11	5		
1061	17	118				188	1008					1		179	6		321	126		1	1		3	158	181	200	19	8	80	53		
201		35				18	211	7						44			82	49					1	40	45	49	11	1	10	10		
701	14	22				273	224	240						73			214	121					3	103	106	122	9	2	45	55		
381	6	41				136	292							19			98						2	61	70	76	2	8	119	18		
627	5	19				321	233	97				2		3	7		191			1	1	1	2	62	116	124	6	15	108	53		
35							33										17									9	9			9		
260	7	50			5	1	109	184	30					37	3		41						2	48	54	63	6	14	62	7		
13826	670	2419	211	185	11	3493	11867	1303	208	256	225	13	33	558	712	236	1993	838	28	6	7	3	3	45	2848	2861	2968	63	88	725	252	

Electoral District of St. John's—

No.	FISHERIES.					Improved LANDS.	AGRICULTURAL PRODUCE.					AGRICULTURAL STOCK.													
	No. of Vessels engaged in Seal Fisheries, &c.	No. of Men on board.	Amount of Tonnage engaged in the Fisheries.	No. of large Boats from 4 to 15 qtls.	No. of large Boats from 15 to 30 qtls.		No. of large Boats from 30 qtls. upwards.	Nets and Seines.	Quantity of Cod Fish cured.	Salmon caught and cured.	Herring cured.	Oil distinguishing each kind.	Seals.	No. of Acres of Dyke and other improved Lands, and average value.	Tons of Hay cut.	Bushels of Wheat and Barley raised.	Bushels of Oats raised.	Barrels of Potatoes raised.	Barrels of Turnips raised.	Qty. Timothy and Clover seed raised.	No. of Barrels of other Root Crops.	Neat Cattle.	Milch Cows.	Horses.	Sheep.	Swine and Goats.
1	49	1182	5463	147	7	5	85	15967½					5367	1556½	1303	2713½	7778½	2261	14	2	1097	485	298	460	499
2				16			17	4666		8	3606		149	102	10	78	1242			79	24	24		65	
3				16			42	1536	1140		1602		176½	152½		151	2361			102	55	33		53	
4				11			23	877	390	6	1480		72½	77½		200	698			29	14	11	22	37	
5				71	5		101	9423	383	6	15649		1518	455		236	6927			504	190	130		231	
6				20			22	2380			612		194	50½		10	952			121	33	16		88	
7				83	1		51	9787			6741		206	100		1690			120	89	17		50		
8				11	4		19	5084		1½			1321½	2357		73	2014		1	191	119	43	168	131	
9				58			59	5125		39			511½	147½		31	942	7		58	31	17	12	63	
10				9				900											5					17	
11				10			7	1173		82			1312	139½	32	213½	1273	253		140	44	30	2	122	
49	1182	5463	485	16	8	439	52918½	1913	1168½	3585	25,680	16	10857	3017½	1435	3706	25877½	2521	14	8	2444	1084	619	664	1356

Division of St. John's East.

WIDOWERS.	WIDOWS & ORPHANS.	PAUPERS.	DEAF AND DUMB.	BLIND.	LUNATICS.	IDIOTS.	BIRTHS, DEATHS & MARRIAGES.			MILLS AND FACTORIES.	ARTICLES MANUFACTURED.					Miscellaneous:										
							Births preceding year.	Deaths preceding year.	Marriages preceding year.		Value of Boots and Shoes manufact'd.	Chairs & Cabinet Wares	Carrriages	Bushels of Lime burnt and Value.	Quantity of Butter manufactured.		Cheese	No. of Vessels built.	Tonnage of ditto.							
108	47	480	51	4	3	3	2	2	315	122	87	1 Mill 3 Men	1700	£	38	4000	Bus.	556	Lbs.	30	1	90	St. JOHN'S, EAST.—1 Oil Factory, value £4020. Agricultural Implements manufactured, £250.			
2	4	6	3						1	4	3	2											640	LOGY BAY.—One Cod Liver Oil Manufactory produced this season 10 tuns 240 gallons manufactured, and 2 tuns common oil; gross proceeds valued at £922 Cy. 640 lbs. fresh butter sent into St. John's market during the summer.		
5	5	5	5						1	3	8	2												2892	OUTER COVE.—2892 lbs. fresh butter, and 1140 fresh salmon sent into St. John's market during the summer.	
2		1	1							1	1	1												400	MIDDLE COVE AND FRESH-WATER.—One Cod Liver Oil Manufactory produced this season 2 tuns manufactured, and 3 tuns common oil; gross proceeds valued at £289 4s.; 400 lbs. fresh butter sent into St. John's market during the summer.	
17	21	8	11	3		2	2	28	13	13														5585	3 Cod Liver Oil manufactories at Torbay, and 3 at Pouch Cove; the former produced 13½ tuns refined, and 5 tuns common oil, and the latter 28 tuns refined, and 7 tuns common oil; gross proceeds valued at £4026 Cy.	
2	4	2								11	2	1													590	
3	7	4								27	3	1													2121	
8	10	2	7	1					1	17	4	1													2520	
13	20	10	17	3	2	3				18	5	7													1456	
1																										
3	9	4	6	1	1	2				13	3														2380	
164	497	482	104	11	6	5	1	5	3	437	163	115	1 Mill 3 Men	£	38	4000	Bus.	19139	Lbs.	30	1	90				

Electoral District of Conception

No.	FISHERIES.				IMPROVED LANDS.	AGRICULTURAL PRODUCE.				AGRICULTURAL STOCK.							
	No. of Vessels engaged in Seal Fisheries, &c.	No. of Men on board.	Amount of Tonnage engaged in the Fisheries.	No. of large Boats from 4 to 15 qils.		No. of Seal Nets.	Tons of Hay cut.	Bushels of Oats raised.	Barrels of Potatoes raised.	Barrels of Turnips raised.	QTY. Timothy and Clover seed raised.	No. of Barrels of other Root Crops.	Neat Cattle.	Milch Cows.	Horses.	Sheep.	Swine and Goats.
1			37	1	25	9080						21	10	9		38	
2			19	3	2	1565						9	4	1		29	
3			8		3	395						20	4			6	
4			4		1	107						5	2			8	
5			10		2	192						8	8			9	
6			4		6	107	8					11	7	1		7	
7			8		1	213						12	3	3		10	
8			5		3	100	3					7	3		2	6	
9			31	1	22	1004	22					26	12	7	15	55	
10			13	1	3	585						13	9	6	4	18	
11			10		9	285	16					6	3	3		14	
12			25	5	10	1527						15	6	7	5	41	
13			8	1	1	380						6	3			14	
14			68	8	11	4234						32	18	18		105	
15			19	3	6	1845						26	18	15	15	94	
16			34	1	40	1677						91	30	10	14	61	
17			17		17	671						29	25	4	8	28	
18			38	1	34	1540						77	53			904	
19			33	4	41	2221						113	83			1231	
20			66	2	3	3380						135	77	50	1479	123	
21			35		25	1485						48	30		552	41	
22			122		49	6190						68	50		352	82	
23			89	3	113	8810	11	55				27	9		289	10	
24			5	1	4	980						14	13		156	3	
25												20	13		90	9	
26			12		6	725						24	13	15	159	19	
27			2		1	300						2			4	2	
			722	12	31	495	4959	11	104		42768	158	33	1149	653	13	
																	819
																	321
																	208
																	135
																	825

Bay—Bay-De-Verds Division.

WIDOWERS.	WIDOWS & ORPHANS.	PAUPERS.	DEAF AND DUMB.	BLIND.	LUNATICS.	IDIOTS.	BIRTHS, DEATHS & MARRIAGES.	MILLS AND FACTORIES.	ARTICLES MANUFACTURED.		Miscellaneous.
									Value of Boots and Shoes manufactured.	Value of other articles manufactured.	
3	7	3				1	24	8	3		
3	4	2					10	5			
	5	4				1	3	2		60	
1							1			60	
1	1	1					5	2	2	180	
1	1	1					2			260	
1	1	1					2			30	
		2					4	2	1	150	
1	5	11		1			13	1	1	320	
	1	2					4	3		290	
1	1						3			30	
5	5	1					19	1	1		
1	1	4		1			5	1	1		
6	9	8					33	13	5	250	
1	9	4		1			11	9		220	
4	13	1					1	2	1		
	4	1					3	2	1		6
4	19	6		1	1		5	1	1		
5	14	3					8	1			22
9	9	1		1			8	7	1		37
	9						3	1	1		16
5	12	2					13	1	4		1
4	6	6				1	25	6	7		3
	1						3	2	1		
	2	2	1		1		3	1			
1							2	1			
55	138	2	64	3	2	1	213	69	31	3418	85

A fine beach, well sheltered, the only safe landing place below Carbon near with the wind from N. to S.E. At present the only access to the top of the cliff is the bed of a winter torrent, up which a wooden bridge might be easily constructed.

Electoral District

No	NAMES OF SETTLEMENTS.	INHABITANTS OF VARIOUS AGES.														MARRIED PERSONS.			
		No. of Inhabitants.	AGES.													Married Persons Male.	Married Persons Female.		
			Males under 10 years of age.	Females under 10.	Males from 10 to 20.	Females from 10 to 20.	Males from 20 to 30.	Females from 20 to 30.	Males from 30 to 40.	Females from 30 to 40.	Males from 40 to 50.	Females from 40 to 50.	Males above 50 to 70.	Females above 50 to 70.	Males from 70 upwards.			Females from 70 upwards.	
1	Cat Harbor ...	199	29	38	26	27	23	12	8	10	11	4	5	4	1	1	25	21	
2	Dead Man's Bay ...	48	10	6	8	9	4	4	2				3	2			7	7	
3	Muddy Hole ...	150	30	32	20	17	12	8	9	11	4	3	2	2			20	22	
4	Doting Cove ...	102	20	13	16	13	9	9	4	3	2	3	6	3	1		18	10	
5	Ragged Harbor...	9	4	1		2	1		1								2	2	
6	Apsey Cove ...	13	2	2	1	3	1	2				1	1				1	1	
7	Western Arm Rocky Bay	14	3	3	2		1	1			1	1					2	2	
8	Bloody Arm ...	11	2	4	1		2	2									1	2	
9	Beaver Cove ...	10	1	2	1		1	2				1	1	1			3	3	
10	Noggin Cove ...	6		1	1	1		1					1		1	1	1	1	
11	Gander Bay ...	72	10	12	21	7	4	1	1	3	4	4	3	2			8	9	
12	Indian Islands ...	107	21	22	18	10	1	3	6	9	7	4	2	1			10	16	
13	Cann Island ...	17	4	2	1	2	3	1	1	1		1	1				2	2	
14	Wild Cove ...	24	3	5	4	7	1				1	2	1				3	3	
15	Little Seldom-come-by ...	23	6	3	6	2		1	1	1	2	1					3	3	
16	Seldom-come-by ...	149	21	21	20	21	23	9	4	6	7	5	7	5			23	23	
17	Cape Fogo ...	47	14	10	5	2	5	4	2	2	1	1		1			6	7	
18	Tilton Harbor ...	364	41	39	47	31	33	33	28	25	10	5	28	17	6	1	42	41	
19	Sandy Cove ...	30	7	7	4	5				1	1	2	3				3	3	
20	Joe Batt's Arm ...	411	65	60	50	45	43	37	28	22	12	9	24	10	4	2	54	56	
21	Grapes Cove ...	11	1	5		1	2				1		1				2	2	
22	Bard Islands ...	222	41	38	30	16	20	23	12	11	6	5	13	5	1	1	40	40	
24	Lion's Den, near Fogo ...	51	5	10	10	10	4	3	2	2		4	3				1	5	5
24	Shoal Bay ...	15	3	2	1	1	3	2			1	2					3	3	
25	Eastern Tickle Fogo ...	86	16	13	11	12	6	7	3	2	4	4	1	2	1	1	13	12	
26	Fogo Harbor ...	775	118	125	101	91	60	57	55	40	38	32	38	10	4	3	104	107	

of Fogo.

Newfoundland.	England.	Ireland.	Scotland.	British Colonies.	Foreign or other States.	No. of Church of England.	Catholics.	Wesleyans.	Kirk of Scotland.	Free Kirk.	Congregationalists.	Baptists & other Denominations.	Clergymen or Ministers.	Doctors and Lawyers.	Farmers.	Mechanics.	Merchants and Traders.	Persons engaged in catching and curing Fish.	Able-bodied Seamen and Fishermen in Colony and Dependencies.	Persons engaged in Lumbering.	Churches of England.	"Rome.	Wesleyan Churches.	Churches other Denominations.	Schools in each Settlement.	Children attending Schools.	BUILDINGS.							
																											How many inhabited Houses.	By how many families inhabited.	Houses now building.	Uninhabited houses.				
																															Stores, Barns, and Out-houses.	Fishing Rooms in actual use.		
190	7	2				167	11	21										2	117	54							26	30	4	2	17	19		
46	2					48													17	10								7	8	1		3	2	
146	4					65	4	81										59	29					1	40		19	23	2		9	6		
102						42		60										53	26								11	20	4		8	8		
9						9												2	2								2	2			1			
12	1					13												3	3								1	1			2	1		
13	1					13		1										4	4								3	3		2	5			
11						11												2	2								2	3			1			
9	1					10												3	3								2	3			2			
6						6		6										4	3								1	2			2	1		
67	3				2	68	4											12	11								9	9		2	4			
102	5					106		1										36	17								15	16		2	10	12		
16	1					6		11										6	6								2	2					2	
23	1					24												6	3								3	3		1	4	2		
22	1					12		11										11	4								3	3		1	1	3		
145	3	1				135	10	4										66	42								23	26		8	3	14	22	
43	4					13	34											14	8								5	6		3	1	7	5	
330	3	25				6	1	363						1		1	2	145	110					1	1	50	54	54	5	6	73	37		
30								30										11	5								4	4				2	4	
388	12	11				253	158										3	165	121	14				1	1	15	65	72	11	5	61	45		
10	1					11												3	3								2	2			1	1		
208	14					222												85	56	10				1	1	40	32	42	7	5	30	21		
48	1	5				1	53											6	5								3	4			4	6		
14	1					15												32	18								10	13			12	8		
79	7					86																												
707	55	16	1	1		535	240							1	1	13	7	230	173	9	1	1		2	125	106	121	13	9	154	72			

Electoral District

No.	FISHERIES.						IMPROVED LANDS.	AGRICULTURAL PRODUCE.				AGRICULTURAL STOCK.										
	No. of Vessels engaged in Seal Fisheries, &c.	No. of Men on board	Amount of Tonnage engaged in the Fisheries.			Quantity of Cod Fish cured.		Tons of Hay cut.	Bushels of Wheat & Barley raised.	Bushels of Oats raised.	Barrels of Potatoes raised.	Barrels of Turnips raised.	Neat Cattle.	Milch Cows.	Horses.	Sheep.	Swine and Goats.					
1							378	28	75	327	5	13	8	11	12	24						
2	3	13	176	71	17	7	281	109	64	1371	5	85	21	33		76						
3	1	4	30	88	10	5	300	166	73	3209		96	58	37	3	26						
4				26	1	3	121	57	71	1121		35	23	15		16						
5				49	9	6	65	90	10	965		42	22	23	21	9						
6				7	1		13	1070		5		25	21			230						
7				6	1		11	1000		4		22	14			115						
8				9	2		11	2300	29	12		22	17	10		260						
9				5	1		10	800		3		4	1			30						
10	1	4		41	8		11410	2	29	Gall. 11110		49	43			50						
11	1	4	24	51	10		54	9540		9540		77	63			293						
12	1	4	29	45	3		21	9800	7	2	9800	81	81			305						
13				107	14		72	20310	19		20310	227	237			745						
14	2	8		24	2			3590			3590	51	72			373						
15				45	22		71	17890			17890	138	189			513						
16				31	3	30	44	16180	11		16180	167	232			377						
17				8	2		9	1050			1050	68	81			427						
Total	9	37	133	311	63	63	635	115590	7	7	7	2131	1481	306	1071	110	176	831	153	337	350	301
As taken on 1st				618	72	31						1202	378	556	285	56		607	176	315	405	

of Ferryland.

No.	ARTICLES MANUFACTURED.										MISCELLANEOUS.														
	WIDOWERS.	WIDOWS & ORPHANS.	PAUPERS.	DEAF AND DUMB.	BLIND.	LUNATICS.	IDIOTS.	BIRTHS, DEATHS & MARRIAGES.	MILLS AND FACTORIES.	Value of Boots and Shoes manufactured.		Chairs & Cabinet Wares.	Carrriages.	Wooden Wares other than the above manufactured.	Bushels of Lino burnt and Value.	Quantity of Butter manufactured.	Cheese.	No. of Vessels built.	Tonnage of ditto.	No. of Boats built.	No. of Vessels owned in this colony.	Tonnage of " "			
1																									
2	5	4	5																						
3	16	17	25	2	1	1	1																		
4	7	28	11	2	1	2	1																		
5	6	5		2																					
6	4	8		1	1	1																			
7	2	2		1																					
8		1		2																					
9	2	1																							
10	2			1																					
11	1	7																							
12	5	5	1																						
13	1	3		2	1	1																			
14	5	17		1																					
15	2	1																							
16	8	10		1																					
17	9	19		1																					
18	1	1																							
Total	76	129	42	14	4	5	2	1	1			1	2	130	54	40									
As taken on 1st																									

1 Bushel Rye raised.

From Brigus inclusive to Cape Race 37 Cod Seines in actual use the present season.

189 Milch Cows in the Southern Division of the District, from Brigus to Cape Race, inclusive, included under the head of Neat Cattle.

Electoral District of

No.	NAMES OF SETTLEMENTS.	INHABITANTS OF VARIOUS AGES.														MARRIED PERSONS.		
		No. of Inhabitants.	AGES.													Married Persons Male.	Married Persons Female.	
			Males under 10 years of age.	Females under 10.	Males from 10 to 20.	Females from 10 to 20.	Males from 20 to 30.	Females from 20 to 30.	Males from 30 to 40.	Females from 30 to 40.	Males from 40 to 50.	Females from 40 to 50.	Males above 50 to 70.	Females above 50 to 70.	Males from 70 upwards.			Females from 70 upwards.
27	Coutteau ...	19	7	1	1	2	1	1	4	2							3	3
28	Cinque Serf ...	26	7	4	2	2	1	3	2		1				2		5	5
29	Rock Harbor (West) ...	16	4	1	2	2		3	2		1	1	1				3	3
30	Grand Bruit ...	51	16	5	7	7	2	2	1	4	3	1	2				8	8
31	Rotte ...	15	3	5	1	2		1	1	1	1						2	2
32	Frenchman's Cave ...	9	3	1		1	1	2	1								2	2
33	Eastern Point ...	57	14	11	8	3	5	7	2		3	2	2				9	9
34	North West Cove ...	10	1	1	3	2			1	1		1					1	1
35	Little Bay ...	50	7	8	6	6	4	5	4	1	2	1	4	2			10	10
36	LaPoile ...	126	13	11	30	10	31	5	7	6	7	1	2	3			14	14
37	LaPlante ...	60	12	10	3	7	5	7	7	3	1	1	2	2			13	13
38	Western Point ...	102	24	21	16	7	5	5	6	7	5	2	2	2			14	14
39	Indian Harbor ...	22	8	4	2	2		1	3	2							3	3
40	Garia ...	129	30	21	17	13	7	10	11	7	4	3	2	2	2		21	21
41	Seal Island Harbor ...	39	6	8	4	6	3	1	3	2	1	1		2	2		7	7
42	Petites ...	170	33	32	19	24	14	15	15	8	5	2	1	1	1		27	27
43	Harbor Le Cou ...	100	17	21	14	5	12	8	8	5	3	1	2	1			17	17
44	Rose Blanche ...	191	29	35	27	22	14	18	16	7	10	5	3	4	1		31	31
45	Moon's Face ...	23	8	7	1		1	3	2				1				3	3
46	Brazils ...	25	10	4	3	2		2	2	1	1						3	3
47	Baker's Tickle ...	40	5	11	5	5	3	4	1	2	1		2	1			6	6
48	Burnt Islands ...	110	13	19	20	13	12	5	7	6	6	3	4	2			16	16
49	Hiscock's Point ...	37	0	6	4	7	2	2	2	1	1	2	1				5	5
50	Isle de Mort ...	117	27	17	19	12	10	8	10	6	1	2	2	3			14	14
51	Margaree ...	21	4	4	2	4	1	1	2	2	1						3	3
52	Channel ...	312	50	47	50	44	26	21	18	13	18	11	11	1	1	1	42	42

Burgoe and LaPoile.

WHERE BORN.	NO. OF VARIOUS RELIGIOUS DENOMINATIONS.										NO. ENGAGED IN VARIOUS PROFESSIONS, &c.						SCHOOLS AND PUPILS.	BUILDINGS.																	
											PROFESSIONS.				PLACES OF WORSHIP.																				
	Newfoundland.	England.	Ireland.	Scotland.	British Colonies.	Foreign or other States.	No. of Church of England.	Catholics.	Wesleyans.	Kirk of Scotland.	Free Kirk.	Congregationalists.	Baptists & other Denominations.	Clergymen or Ministers.	Doctors and Lawyers.	Farmers.		Mechanics.	Merchants and Traders.	Persons engaged in catching and curing Fish.	Able-bodied Seamen and Fishermen in Colony and Dpdes.	Persons engaged in Lumbering.	Churches of England.	Home.	Wesleyan Churches.	Churches other Denominations.	Schools in each Settlement.	Children attending Schools.	How many inhabited Houses.	By how many families inhabited.	Houses now building.	Uninhabited houses.	Stores, Barns, and Out-houses.	Fishing Rooms in actual use.	
17	2					19													5	5									3	3			3		
26						26													6	4										4	5			4	
15	1					16													4	4										3	3	1		1	
51						51													12	9										8	8	5		8	
15						15													2	2										2	2			2	
9						9													2	2										2	2	1		2	
51	5					57			1										17	15										9	9	1	2	8	
10						10													4	2										2	2	1		2	
38	11			1		50													16	14										9	10	1	9	2	8
65	16			45		124	2									6	1		58	57	1			1	20				13	14	18		4		
53	6			1		60													16	16										12	12	5		12	
97	5					102													23	17										14	14	12		13	
19	3					22													3	3										3	3	3		3	
118	11					75		54											30	29										19	22	1	5	15	
33	6					24		15											11	10										6	7	1		6	
155	10			4	1	49	1	120											46	40			1							26	28	3	16	19	
85	15					100													32	29										15	17	2	7	14	
167	24					191													60	51			1							34	35	2	13	32	
23						23													4	4										3	3	1		3	
22	3					25													6	5										3	3	3		3	
34	6					40													10	8										7	8	4		7	
88	17			5		107		2	1										39	34			3							17	18	2	19	16	
35	2					37													10	8										5	5	5		5	
111	5			1		117													36	30										16	18	10		15	
20	1					21													5	4										3	3	1		3	
280	12	2		9		211	11	80	1					1		2	6	80	67			1		1	61				51	52	5	25	35		

ACCOUNT of the respective numbers of Males and Females in the several Electoral Districts, and Divisions of Districts, and on the French Shore.

	No. OF MALES.	No. OF FEMALES.
SANT JOHN'S, EAST DIVISION	8757	8595
" WEST " 	6701	6423
HARBOR MAINE, " 	2789	2597
PORT-DE-GRAVE " 	3349	3140
HARBOR GRACE " 	5285	4782
CARBONAR " 	2675	2558
BAY-DE-VERDS " 	3274	2947
TRINITY BAY	5618	5118
BONAVISTA BAY	4705	4145
TWILLINGALE AND FOGO... ..	5167	4550
FERRYLAND	2776	2452
PLACENTIA AND ST. MARY'S	4434	3900
BURIN	3005	2524
FORTUNE BAY... ..	1994	1499
BURGIO AND LAPOLE	1961	1584
THE FRENCH SHORE	1778	1536
Total.....	64268	58370
	122,638	

GENERAL RECAPITULATION.

No.	NAMES OF DISTRICTS.	INHABITANTS OF VARIOUS AGES.														MARRIED PERSONS.		WHERE BORN.						NO. OF VARIOUS RELIGIOUS DENOMINATIONS.										NO. ENGAGED IN VARIOUS PROFESSIONS, &c.										SCHOOLS AND PUPILS.		BUILDINGS.						
		AGES.														Married Persons Male.	Married Persons Female.	Newfoundland.	England.	Ireland.	Scotland.	British Colonies.	Foreign or other States.	No. of Church of England.	Catholics.	Wesleyans.	Kirk of Scotland.	Free Kirk.	Congregationalists.	Baptists & other Denominations.	Clergymen or Ministers.	Doctors and Lawyers.	Farmers.	Mechanics.	Merchants and Traders.	Persons engaged in catching and curing Fish.	Able-bodied Seamen and Fishermen in Colony and Dpces.	Persons engaged in Lumbering.	PLACES OF WORSHIP.				Schools in each District.	Children attending Schools.	How many inhabited Houses.	By how many families inhabited.	Houses now building.	Uninhabited houses.	Stores, Barns, and Out-houses.	Fishing Rooms in actual use.		
		No. of Inhabitants.	Males under 10 years of age.	Females under 10.	Males from 10 to 20.	Females from 10 to 20.	Males from 20 to 30.	Females from 20 to 30.	Males from 30 to 40.	Females from 30 to 40.	Males from 40 to 50.	Females from 40 to 50.	Males above 50 to 70.	Females above 50 to 70.	Males from 70 upwards.																								Females from 70 upwards.	Churches of England.	Rome.	Wesleyan Churches.									Churches other Denominations.	
1	Saint John's East ...	17352	2426	2331	2079	2143	1478	1666	1030	1039	846	730	736	608	162	78	2579	2713	13826	670	2419	211	185	41	3493	11867	1303	208	256	225	13	33	558	742	236	1993	858	28	6	7	3	3	45	2848	2861	2968	63	88	725	252		
2	" West ...	13124	1886	1780	1520	1612	1125	1170	727	709	663	565	687	506	93	81	1927	1935	10399	428	2109	105	47	36	2162	10033	579	82	169	92	7	1	8	215	686	164	1889	1672	61	2	2			25	1455	1692	2031	42	130	497	114	
3	Conception Bay. { Harbor Maine ...	5386	856	885	634	619	463	380	324	286	272	228	184	155	56	44	821	872	5062	42	270	4	1	7	1160	4153	71	2			2		488	7	15	1689	1278	1	3	1			14	793	862	898	72	63	659	403		
4		Port-de-Grave ...	6469	965	932	819	750	535	548	366	335	302	249	291	267	71	59	976	997	6113	125	236	4	7	4	2726	1637	2112	1		13	5	2	73	65	27	2321	1382	9	3	2	3			17	992	1014	1169	65	74	519	148
5		Harbor Grace ...	10067	1537	1458	1211	1140	1006	842	602	525	407	399	427	351	95	67	1507	1536	9360	131	515	40	15	6	5490	3390	1112	2	73		6	5	45	164	20	2687	2011		7	3	2	1		24	1295	1521	1662	120	86	577	328
6		Carbonear ...	5233	745	790	638	609	429	428	267	230	244	247	292	204	60	50	813	843	4739	90	393	2	8	1	791	2582	1859		1	4	3	19	67	18	2138	1297	1	1	1			7	436	776	914	38	36	203	66		
7		Bay-de-Verds ...	6221	1041	1030	744	645	535	453	337	301	286	235	269	231	62	52	869	868	6061	75	83		1	1	446	1583	4191		1	4	2	1	3	7	2995	1198	3	1	4	10		18	1047	963	1107	62	48	518	174		
8	Trinity Bay ...	10736	1840	1778	1373	1208	907	858	667	581	337	324	407	311	87	58	1628	1628	10440	192	98	5	1		6016	1253	3460		4	2	1	5	3	10	51	31	3900	1864	101	12	3	8		20	1035	1647	1755	100	37	1180	753	
9	Bonavista ...	8850	1443	1360	1134	1081	791	669	525	450	355	298	384	250	73	37	1248	1248	8471	218	145	7	7	2	5714	2030	1083		9	14	8	4	28	41	41	4633	1894	27	11	4	1		19	812	1209	1450	151	114	1032	524		
10	Twillingate and Fogo ...	9717	1697	1661	1223	1117	880	731	530	478	378	298	405	238	54	27	1370	1377	9118	462	111	4	14	8	6232	1442	2036		7		7	2		31	28	4674	2196	104	9	4	4		16	675	1386	1531	98	49	1382	1009		
11	*Ferryland ...	5228	737	706	635	632	463	388	326	284	249	197	311	190	55	25	669	669	4799	70	354	3	2		127	5093	8					4	2	18	7	2	2573	463		3	8			23	834	883	930	2	12	132	303	
12	Placentia and St. Mary's ...	8334	1398	1404	946	928	830	675	599	422	286	238	304	196	71	37	1088	1080	7717	122	478	4	8	5	966	7156	208	4			6	1	85	47	24	2971	1135		5	15	1		25	982	1197	1288	94	39	923	567		
13	Burin ...	5529	889	858	706	643	533	423	370	266	233	163	224	142	50	29	721	732	4989	340	166	1	14	19	1356	2354	1810	1		1	7	7	4	9	30	38	1969	1123		3	5	3		12	476	805	862	53	99	549	392	
14	Fortune Bay ...	3493	542	523	473	377	482	229	229	163	117	95	131	97	20	15	434	433	3137	270	9		76	1	2787	646	30			29	3	1	3	12	16	1122	1048		3				10	259	492	511	26	5	279	300		
15	Burgeo and LaPoile ...	3545	651	610	510	414	327	261	218	157	157	83	83	52	15	7	508	506	3168	281	2		89	5	3172	89	282	2			2	1		17	22	1024	892		4	1			5	197	529	555	26	9	276	422		
	Total...	119304	18653	18106	14645	13948	10784	9721	7117	6226	5132	4349	5135	3798	1024	666	17158	17437	107399	3516	7383	390	475	136	42638	55309	20144	302	520	347	44	77	71	1552	1970	689	38578	20311	334	71	61	37	4	280	14136	17837	19631	1012	889	9451	5755	
	French Shore ...	3334	585	584	434	397	272	232	194	169	141	81	136	82	16	11	486	499	Countries were born only partially given.						1647	1586	85		16				145	3	5	1227	576		1	2				527	556	14	14	489	247			

* The 141 Servants set forth at foot of General Abstract for Ferryland are non-residents.

NOTE.—The Census of the Labrador was cursorily taken by the Superintendent of Fisheries, (JAMES L. PRENDERGAST, Esquire,) in 1856 and 1857, but it is not sufficiently correct or full to form a part of the foregoing Returns. The number of permanent residents, as given by that gentleman, from L'Anse Sablon to Sandwich Bay, both inclusive, including Belle Isle, is 1650, of whom 1331 are Protestants, and 319 Roman Catholics.

APPENDIX.

ESTIMATES AND PUBLIC ACCOUNTS.

ESTIMATE

FOR DEFRAYING PART OF THE PUBLIC EXPENDITURE OF
NEWFOUNDLAND, FOR THE YEAR 1858.

MISCELLANEOUS SALARIES.

Private Secretary to the Governor	£200	0	0	
†1st Clerk, Secretary's Office	200	0	0	
2nd Clerk ditto	200	0	0	
One Clerk in Receiver General's Office	200	0	0	
Keeper Colonial Building	60	0	0	
Office Keeper	60	0	0	
Messenger	60	0	0	
Keeper Half-way house, Salmonier	35	0	0	
Gate Keeper, Government Lodge	60	0	0	
				£1075 0 0

THE JUDICIAL DEPARTMENT.

SALARIES.

Chief Clerk and Registrar Supreme Court, including Stationery	£370	0	0	
Clerk to ditto	80	0	0	
Chief Clerk and Registrar Northern Circuit Court	200	0	0	
“ “ Southern “	200	0	0	
Sheriff's Bailiff, Central District	50	0	0	
Crier and Tipstaff, St. John's	60	0	0	
“ Harbor Grace.....	20	0	0	

MISCELLANEOUS.

Crown Prosecutions	300	0	0	
Coroners	200	0	0	
Circuit of Judges	500	0	0	
				1980 0 0
Carried forward.....				£3055 0 0

†Engaged in the Financial Secretary's Office.

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THE POLICE DEPARTMENT.

SALARIES:

	Brought forward.....		£3055 0 0
Two Magistrates	£600 0 0	
Inspector .....	.....	90 0 0	
Sergeant .....	.....	60 0 0	
Constables, 16, at £55, £880, Clothing £180 ...	.....	1060 0 0	
Gaoler .....	.....	150 0 0	

OUTPORTS.

Stipendiary Magistrates, Clerks of the Peace, Constables and Gaolers, as per detailed statement	3769 0 0		
		5729 0 0	

RELIEF OF THE POOR.

SALARIES:

District Surgeons, St. John's .....	.....	200 0 0	
Gaol Surgeon " .....	.....	40 0 0	
District Surgeon, Conception Bay £100, Gaol Surgeon do. £30 .....	.....	130 0 0	
Physician Lunatic Asylum .....	.....	300 0 0	
Medical Attendance St. John's Hospital .....	.....	250 0 0	

MISCELLANEOUS.

Permanent and Casual Poor, St. John's and Outports	7250 0 0		
Servants and Paupers Lunatic Asylum	2000 0 0		
“ “ St. John's Hospital	1700 0 0		
		11870 0 0	

COLONIAL BUILDING.

Fuel and Light .....	.....	250 0 0	
Repairs .....	.....	350 0 0	

CUSTOM HOUSE.

Fuel and Light	100 0 0	
Repairs	85 0 0	
		785 0 0	
	Carried forward.....		£21439 0 0

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COURT HOUSES AND GAOLS.

	Brought forward.....		£21489 0 0
Repairs of Court Houses and Gaols	£600 0 0	
Supplies of do. do.	900 0 0	

ST, JOHN'S HOSPITAL.

Repairs, laying out ground, &c., &c.	500 0 0	
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LUNATIC ASYLUM.

Repairs	100 0 0	
			2100 0 0

FERRIES.

Great Placentia	30 0 0	
Salmonier	25 0 0	
Portugal Cove .....	.....	25 0 0	
Trinity .....	.....	30 0 0	
Topsail .....	.....	25 0 0	
Harbor Grace, South Side .....	.....	30 0 0	
Holyrood ... ..	.....	30 0 0	
Little St. Lawrence .....	.....	10 0 0	
Burin to Mud Cove ....	.....	25 0 0	
Aquaforte ....	.....	15 0 0	
Mortier Harbor .....	.....	25 0 0	
Colinet .....	.....	25 0 0	
			295 0 0

MISCELLANEOUS IN AID OF ESTABLISHMENTS.

Printing and Stationery....	.....	800 0 0	
Postages and Incidentals .....	.....	100 0 0	
Insurance on Public Buildings .....	.....	200 0 0	
Carrying on Crown Lands' Act .....	.....	300 0 0	
Fuel and Light, Government House .....	.....	200 0 0	
Unforeseen Contingencies .....	.....	500 0 0	
			2100 0 0

MISCELLANEOUS GENERAL.

Men stationed at Fort Amherst .....	.....	36 10 0	
Duties on Wine, Military Mess .....	.....	50 0 0	
St. John's Gas Company, Lighting Streets	166 0 0	
Harbor Grace Gas Company "	50 0 0	
			302 10 0
Carried forward.....			£26236 10 0

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	Brought forward.....			£26236 10 0
St. John's Water Company	£100	0 0	
Dorcas Societies, St. John's £50, Harbor Grace £25, and Carbonear £25	100	0 0	
Mechanics' Institute .....	.....	50	0 0	
Factory .....	.....	100	0 0	
Orphan Asylum, Industrial Department .....	.....	50	0 0	
Agricultural Society, St. John's and Outports ...	.....	250	0 0	
Phoenix Fire Company £100, and others £50 ...	.....	150	0 0	
Robert Smith and Patrick Burke, allowance £10 each .....	.....	20	0 0	
Shipwrecked Crews .....	.....	200	0 0	
General repairs of Roads and Bridges .....	.....	200	0 0	
Pumps and Tanks, St. John's and Outports .....	.....	400	0 0	
Reading Room .....	.....	25	0 0	
Almanac for St. John's .....	.....	25	0 0	
Repairing and cleaning Town Clock, ditto .....	.....	15	0 0	
				1685 0 0
Protection of Fisheries, Cape John and Belle Isle .....	.....	1000	0 0	
New Gaol.. .....	.....	1000	0 0	
New Wing Lunatic Asylum, fencing Grounds, &c., .....	.....	4000	0 0	
Break Water Belle Isle .....	.....	300	0 0	
Encouragement of Emigration .....	.....	1000	0 0	
A General Survey .....	.....	1000	0 0	
Normal School Establishments .....	.....	3000	0 0	
Improvement of Quidi Vidi Harbor ... ..	.....	1200	0 0	
Estimated Grant to Halifax Steam Packet .....	.....	1040	0 0	
				14540 0 0
Direct Steam from England to St. John's, Newfoundland, and United States of America .....	.....			7280 0 0
				£49741 10 0

THOMAS GLEN,

Receiver General.

Estimates and Public Accounts.

Detailed Statement

Of Salaries to Stipendiary Magistrates, Clerks of the Peace, Constables and Gaolers, in the undermentioned Outports, for the Year 1858.

OUTPORTS.	Magis- trates.	Clerks of the Peace.	CONSTABLES.		Gaolers.	Total.
			No.	Salary.		
	£	£		£	£	£
Petty Harbor			1	20		20
Torbay			1	20		20
Portugal Cove			1	20		20
South Shore			1	12		12
Harbor Maine			1	20		20
Cats Cove			1	20		20
Brigus and Port-de-Grave	150	60	2	50		260
Bay Roberts			1	25		25
Harbor Grace	200	150	6	280	90	720
Carbonear	150	90	3	95		335
Bay-de-Verds			1	12		12
Western Bay			1	12		12
Hants Harbor			1	12		12
Perlican	130		1	20		150
Hearts Content			1	12		12
Trinity	150	60	2	37	25	272
New Harbor			1	12		12
Catalina			1	25		25
Bonavista	150	45	1	25	20	240
Tickle Cove			1	12		12
King's Cove			1	12		12
Salvage			1	12		12
Greenspond			1	12		12
Twillingate and Fogo	130	45	3	49	20	244
Exploits Bay			1	12		12
Bay Bulls	100		1	25		125
Witless Bay			1	12		12
Forwarded.....	£1160	450	38	875	155	2640

Estimates and Public Accounts.

DETAIL.—(Continued.)

OUTPOSTS.	Magis- trates.	Clerks of the Peace.	CONSTABLES.		Gaolers.	Total.
			No.	Salary.		
	£	£		£	£	£
Forwarded.....	1160	450	38	875	155	2640
Toads Cove			1	12		12
Brigus South			1	12		12
Cape Broyle			1	12		12
Caplin Bay			1	12		12
Ferryland	100		1	25	25	150
Aquaforte			1	12		12
Fermeuse			1	12		12
Renewse			1	12		12
St. Mary's			1	25		25
Placentia	130		1	25	25	180
Little Placentia			1	20		20
Oderin			1	12		12
Merashéen			1	12		12
Burin	150	60	1	25	25	260
St. Lawrence .. .			1	12		12
Lamaline			1	12		12
Grand Bank	130		1	12		142
Jersey Harbor			1	12		12
Harbor Briton	100	35	1	25		160
Burgeo Islands			1	12		12
Hermitage Bay			1	12		12
Spaniards Bay			1	12		12
Port-au-Basque			1	12		12
Total.....	£1770	545	61	1224	230	3769

RECAPITULATION.

13 Magistrates			£1,770
8 Clerks of the Peace			545
61 Constables			1224
7 Gaolers			230
			£3,769

THOMAS GLEN,
Receiver General.

Treasury Accounts.

Dr.	BALANCE SHEET OF THE RECEIVER				
Customs Bonds, (outstanding)	£26,629 3 9
Cash, (in Treasury)	10,808 5 11
				Assets.....	<u>£67,437 9 8</u>
Public Debt (as per Contra)	176,706 15 8
				Total Debtors.....	<u>£244,144 5 4</u>

I hereby certify that the foregoing Accounts are just and true in every particular, to the best of my knowledge and belief.

THOMAS GLEN,

Receiver General.

St. John's, Newfoundland, ?
 The 1st day of January, 1858.)

Treasury Accounts.

GENERAL'S ACCOUNTS ON THE 31ST DECEMBER, 1857.					CR.
Outstanding Warrants	.....	.....	.....	.....	£10,983 3 0
Outstanding Interest	.....	.....	.....	.....	4,758 1 2
Light Houses	.....	.....	.....	.....	1,259 17 11
Treasury Notes	.....	.....	.....	.....	77 2 8
				Liabilities.....	£17,078 4 9
Debtures issued, viz., —					
St. John's Re-building Act, 15th Vic.	.....	£50,838	5	8	
Harbor Grace Street Act, 9th and 10th Vic.	.....	1,372	14	8	
St. John's Academy Act, 7th Vic.	.....	195	10	0	
Colonial Building and Market House Acts	.....	14,946	0	0	
Colonial Penitentiary Act, 14th Vic.....	.....	7,500	0	0	
Lunatic Asylum Act, 15th and 16th ...	.....	5,750	0	0	
Act 12th Vic., general purposes	.....	7,500	0	0	
“ 17th “	.....	6,000	0	0	
“ 18th & 19th “	.....	45,000	0	0	
Consolidated Stock Act, 19th Vic. ....	.....	37,604	5	4	
					176,706 14 8
Revenue and Expenditure, being excess of Assets over Liabilities	.....				50,359 4 11
				Total Creditors.....	£214,144 5 4

Examined and found correct.

JAMES TOBIN,

Financial Secretary

Treasury Accounts.

THE RECEIVER GENERAL OF NEWFOUNDLAND

Dr.

1857.				
Jan. 1.—	To Balance from last year			
	In Bonds	£19,517	19	10
	In Cash	22,014	16	11
		<u>41,562</u>	16	9

CUSTOMS REVENUE.

" Amount received from the Customs Department for the year ended the 31st day of December, 1857—				
	In Bond	£8,103	7	10
	In Cash	18,069	3	7
		<u>106,272</u>	11	5

POSTAL REVENUE.

" Amount received from William L. Solomon, Post Master General, for Postal Revenue, ended the 30th day of June, 1857				
			£577	15

SHERIFFS' FEES.

" Amount received from John V. Nugent, Sheriff of the Central District, on account the year 1856				
		£102	17	1
" Amount received from Garland C. Gaden, Sheriff of the Northern District, for the year ended 30th June, 1857				
			77	15
" Amount received from John Stephenson, Sheriff of the Southern District, for the year ended 31st December, 1856				
			3	9
		<u>£181</u>	2	4

GAOLERS FEES.

" Amount received from Richard Brace, Gaoler St. John's, for fees of Office for the year ended the 31st day of December, 1857				
			£12	2
	Carried forward.....	<u>£148,009</u>	8	7

Treasury Accounts.

IN ACCOUNT CURRENT WITH THE COLONY.

Cr.

1857.				
Jan. 1—	By Outstanding Warrants from last year	£9182	18	9
	" Outstanding Interest	4766	8	3
		<u>£13949</u>	7	0
7—	" Warrant No. 1—relief of the poor	100	0	0
	" " 2—miscellaneous	9	2	0
	" " 3—ditto	70	0	0
8—	" " 1—roads	54	6	11
	" " 2—ditto	130	2	8
	" " 3—ditto	143	8	3
	" " 4—ditto	30	12	8
10—	" " 5—printing and Stationery	80	16	0
	" " 6—Telegraph Company	1500	0	0
	" " 7—C. and C. prosecutions	20	18	0
	" " 8—circuit expenses	17	13	6
13—	" " 9—miscellaneous	88	18	4
	" " 5—roads	39	15	5
16—	" " 10—miscellaneous	112	9	7
	" " 11—ditto	329	18	5
	" " 6—roads	40	14	6
	" " 7—ditto	71	1	7
	" " 8—ditto	99	0	2
21—	" " 12—miscellaneous	100	0	0
22—	" " 13—ditto	237	10	0
27—	" " 9—roads	26	8	5
28—	" " 10—ditto	276	17	5
29—	" " 14—miscellaneous	331	5	5
Feb. 5—	" " 15—ditto	201	2	8
9—	" " 16—ditto	27	3	6
	" " 11—roads	65	2	10
	" " 12—ditto	73	12	1
14—	" " 17—miscellaneous	19	3	8
	" " 20—crown land Act	20	0	0
	" " 13—roads	25	1	5
	" " 14—ditto	100	0	0
	" " 21—unforeseen contingencies	10	0	0
21—	" " 22—relief of the poor	200	0	0
25—	" " 15—roads	27	3	10
March 2—	" " 16—ditto	46	13	2
	" " 17—ditto	45	4	10
4—	" " 23—delegation expenses	300	0	0
10—	" " 24—relief of the poor	200	0	0
	Carried forward.....	<u>£5271</u>	13	9
			13949	7

Treasury Accounts.

THE RECEIVER GENERAL OF NEWFOUNDLAND

Dr.

1857—To amount brought forward £148609 8 7

CROWN LANDS.

“ amount received from the following parties for rent due the crown :—

George Winter	.....	£11 14 0
William G. Flood	.....	20 11 0
William J. Ward	.....	42 12 10
Philip Duggan	.....	6 7 0
Walter Irwin	.....	4 12 6
John Cormack	.....	1 10 0
Thomas Murray	.....	10 16 0
John Keating	.....	5 15 6
John Costin	.....	0 10 6
Edmund Byrne	.....	4 4 0
Joanna Keating	.....	1 6 6
Bridget Dailey	.....	1 11 2
Charles Loughlan	.....	60 0 0
Mary Hagan	.....	1 14 0
Estate of the late John Thompson	.....	40 10 0
John Feehan	.....	13 17 6
Richard Trelogan	.....	9 0 0
William B. Calver	.....	2 2 0
Denis and Robert Walsh	.....	1 10 0
James Whelan	.....	1 14 8
Andrew Fitzgerald	.....	5 0 0
Widow Aylward	.....	0 17 4
William West	.....	0 14 0
Caroline Adams	.....	1 2 6
Widow Doyle	.....	1 5 0
Michael Connell	.....	0 2 6
George Winter	.....	3 10 0
George Winter	.....	2 5 0
George Winter	.....	0 2 0
Thomas Brown	.....	0 12 3
Nathaniel Hill	.....	12 15 0
Estate of the late Denis Hanigan	.....	52 10 0
William Mahony	.....	9 9 0
Matthew Pope	.....	43 6 8
Matthew Doyle	.....	0 11 0

Carried forward..... £376 1 5 148609 8 7

Treasury Accounts.

IN ACCOUNT CURRENT WITH THE COLONY.

Cr.

1857.	By amount brought forward	.....	£5,271 13 9	£13,949 7 0
Mar. 10—	“ Warrant No. 25—miscellaneous	.....	160 16 7	
“	“ 18—roads	.....	85 13 5	
12—	“ 26—postal act	.....	18 6 11	
“	“ 27—miscellaneous	.....	92 12 0	
18—	“ 28—	.....	1666 18 4	
“	“ 29—legislative contingencies	.....	1450 10 7	
“	“ 30—	.....	913 4 6	
“	“ 31—	.....	1386 0 0	
20—	“ 32—miscellaneous	.....	61 5 0	
“	“ 33—ditto	.....	235 12 11	
23—	“ 34—ditto	.....	170 0 0	
“	“ 35—ditto	.....	17 3 5	
“	“ 19—roads	.....	238 4 3	
28—	“ 36—relief of the poor	.....	200 0 0	
“	“ 37—miscellaneous	.....	453 0 0	
“	“ 38—ditto	.....	306 11 6	
30—	“ 39—ditto	.....	411 4 0	
“	“ 40—ditto	.....	72 12 10	
31—	“ 41—salaries	.....	511 5 0	
“	“ 42—ditto	.....	806 18 3	
“	“ 43—ditto	.....	463 15 0	
“	“ 44—ditto	.....	462 10 0	
“	“ 45—ditto	.....	97 10 0	
“	“ 46—ditto	.....	122 10 0	
“	“ 47—ditto	.....	90 0 0	
“	“ 48—ditto	.....	119 15 0	
“	“ 49—ditto	.....	70 0 0	
“	“ 50—ditto	.....	48 15 0	
“	“ 51—ditto	.....	225 0 0	
“	“ 52—ditto	.....	350 0 0	
“	“ 53—ditto	.....	73 15 0	
“	“ 54—education	.....	387 10 0	
“	“ 55—ditto	.....	713 10 0	
“	“ 56—ditto	.....	724 0 0	
“	“ 57—ditto	.....	95 0 0	
“	“ 58—postal act	.....	224 17 7	
“	“ 59—ditto	.....	347 2 6	
“	“ 60—relief of the poor	.....	87 10 0	
April 1—	“ 61—court houses and gaols.	156 9 10	
“	“ 62—ditto	128 12 6	

Carried forward..... £10514 9 8 13949 7 0

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THE RECEIVER GENERAL OF NEWFOUNDLAND

Dr.

1857.	To amount brought forward	£376	1	5	£148,609	8	7
	<i>CROWN LANDS.</i>							
	" Received from Edmund Hanrahan, Surveyor General, being amount received by James N. Leamon, Deputy Surveyor at Brigus, for grants of Crown Lands issued ...	.....	16	2	8			
	" Received from the following parties for prices on renewal of leases :							
	George Winter	.....	£14	0	0			
	Denis and Robert Walsh....		2	0	0			
			16	0	0			
	" Amount received from John Kent, Colonial Secretary, for fees received by him on granting Mining Licenses of search to the undermentioned parties :							
	C. F. Bennett	.....	£5	0	0			
	James Murphy	.....	5	0	0			
	F. N. Gisborne....	.....	5	0	0			
	Ditto	..	5	0	0			
	Ditto	...	5	0	0			
	Francis Taylor ..	.....	5	0	0			
			£30	0	0			
	" Received from Edmund Hanrahan, Surveyor General, being amount received by him from Isaac Collins, for License of occupation granted to him to search for Minerals on Little Lawn Bay, in the District of Burin	.....	10	0	0			
	" Received from Clift, Wood & Co., for rent of Store under the Market House, for the year ended 1st November, 1857	.....	144	14	8			
	" Received from Edmund Hanrahan, Surveyor General, being amount received by him for Sales of Crown Lands, &c., during the year 1857	39	2	8			
						632	1	5
	Carried forward.....		£149,241	10	0			

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IN ACCOUNT CURRENT WITH THE COLONY.

Cr.

1857.	By amount brought forward	£19514	9	8	£13949	7	0
April 1—	" Warrant No. 63—St. John's Hospital	.....	139	10	0			
	" " 64— ditto	.....	103	11	1			
9—	" " 68—Lunatic Asylum	.....	491	4	11			
	" " 69—Colonial Building	.....	112	4	9			
	" " 70—miscellaneous	.....	38	17	5			
	" " 71—relief of the poor	.....	200	0	0			
	" " 72—miscellaneous	.....	26	19	3			
	" " 73 ...district surgeons	.....	40	0	0			
	" " 74 ...miscellaneous	.....	174	0	0			
	" " 20...roads	.....	198	3	6			
14...	" " 75...miscellaneous	.....	435	10	7			
	" " 76... ditto	.....	134	1	11			
	" " 77... ditto	.....	52	16	0			
18...	" " 79... ditto	.....	432	8	1			
	" " 80... ditto	.....	1750	0	0			
	" " 21...roads	.....	240	19	6			
21...	" " 81... miscellaneous	.....	69	11	2			
	" " 82... ditto	.....	260	0	0			
27...	" " 83...salaries	.....	13	3	8			
	" " 22...roads	.....	168	8	0			
May 2...	" " 23...ditto	.....	76	13	9			
	" " 24...ditto	.....	68	19	7			
	" " 84...miscellaneous	.....	85	2	7			
	" " 85... ditto	.....	44	7	6			
6...	" " 87... ditto	.....	255	10	1			
	" " 88... ditto	.....	151	6	0			
	" " 25...roads	.....	162	10	11			
	" " 26...ditto	.....	19	4	1			
	" " 27...ditto	.....	28	10	2			
	" " 28...ditto	.....	50	14	5			
	" " 29...ditto	.....	77	4	10			
	" " 30...ditto	.....	32	5	0			
	" " 31...ditto	.....	36	10	4			
12...	" " 32... ditto	.....	99	0	8			
14...	" " 33...ditto	.....	30	15	6			
	" " 91... miscellaneous	.....	272	16	10			
16...	" " 92... ditto	.....	16	14	2			
	" " 84...roads	56	19	0			
18...	" " 85...ditto	60	14	2			
23...	" " 36...ditto	293	0	7			
	Carried forward.....		£26514	19	8	13949	7	0

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Dr.

1857.

To amount Brought forward	£149211 10 0
<i>CLERKS OF THE PEACE FEES.</i>		
" Amount received from Robert R. W. Lilly, St. John's, for the year ended the 31st day of December, 1857	£21 3 10
" Amount received from Lewis W. Emerson, Harbor Grace, for the half-year ended the 31st day of December, 1856	.....	9 0 6
" Amount received from John Stentafor, Brigus, for the half year ended 31st December, 1856	.....	4 5 6
" Amount received from John C. Nuttall, Brigus, for the half year ended 30th June, 1857	.....	16 17 2
" Amount received from John Mackay, Carbonear, for the year ended 31st December, 1856	.....	20 11 4
" Amount received from Robert Bayly, Trinity, for the year ended the 30th day of September, 1857	.....	2 2 2
" Amount received from John Lawrence, Bonavista, for three quarters ended the 30th day of June, 1857	.....	3 16 6
" Amount received from Abraham A. Pearce, Twillingate, for the year ended 30th September, 1857	.....	2 16 0
" Amount received from Andrew Ellis, Harbor Briton, for the year ended the 31st day of December, 1856	.....	1 1 0
" Amount received from Francis L. Bradshaw, J.P., Placentia, for the year ended the 30th day of June, 1857	.....	2 17 7
		84 11 7
<i>PATENTS FEES.</i>		
" Received from John Kent, Colonial Secretary, being fee received by him on granting patent to C. N. Nixon	5 0 0
Carried forward.....		£149,331 1 7

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IN ACCOUNT CURRENT WITH THE COLONY.

Cr.

1857.

	By amount brought forward	£26,514 19 8	£13,949 7 0
May 23—	Warrant No. 37—roads	.....	305 9 1	
" "	93—miscellaneous	.....	55 18 10	
" "	95— ditto	.....	156 0 0	
" "	96— ditto	.....	214 16 8	
29—	" " 98— ditto	.....	225 13 6	
30—	" " 100— ditto	.....	126 3 0	
" "	" " 101— ditto	.....	120 9 6	
" "	" " 102— ditto	.....	20 13 4	
June 2—	" " 38—roads	.....	66 10 8	
4—	" " 103—miscellaneous	.....	320 2 4	
6—	" " 104— ditto	.....	336 2 2	
" "	" " 107—fuel & light, govt. house....	.....	24 2 0	
" "	" " 108—miscellaneous	.....	29 8 8	
" "	" " 39...roads	.....	505 1 10	
" "	" " 40—ditto	.....	8 1 2	
12—	" " 109—miscellaneous	.....	33 1 2	
20—	" " 110— ditto	.....	98 6 0	
27—	" " 41—roads	.....	833 5 3	
30—	" " 112—miscellaneous	.....	46 13 2	
" "	" " 113— ditto	.....	153 10 8	
" "	" " 114—salaries	.....	484 12 1	
" "	" " 115—ditto	.....	823 9 9	
" "	" " 116—ditto	.....	467 1 9	
" "	" " 117—ditto	.....	462 10 0	
" "	" " 118—ditto	.....	97 10 0	
" "	" " 119—ditto	.....	122 10 0	
" "	" " 120—ditto	.....	90 0 0	
" "	" " 121—ditto	.....	119 15 0	
" "	" " 122—ditto	.....	70 0 0	
" "	" " 123—ditto	.....	52 0 0	
" "	" " 124—ditto	.....	225 0 0	
" "	" " 125—ditto	.....	350 0 0	
" "	" " 126—ditto	.....	70 12 6	
" "	" " 127—education	.....	387 10 0	
" "	" " 128— ditto	.....	713 10 0	
" "	" " 129— ditto	.....	724 0 0	
" "	" " 130— ditto	.....	95 0 0	
" "	" " 131—postal act	.....	230 1 8	
" "	" " 132— ditto	309 12 6	
" "	" " 133—relief of the poor	87 10 0	
	Carried forward.....		£36,146 13 11	13,949 7 0

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1857.

To amount brought forward £140,331 1 7

LICENSESES.

“ Received from Robert R. W. Lilly, Acting Clerk of the Peace, St. John's, being amount collected for the year ended the 31st day of December, 1857 £712 11 0

“ Received from Lewis W. Emerson, Clerk of the Peace, Harbor Grace, for amount collected for the year ended the 31st day of December, 1856 46 16 0

“ Received from Benjamin Sweetland, J.P., Trinity, for amount collected for the year ended 31st December, 1856 9 10 8

“ Received from Peter Winser, J.P., Ferryland, for amount collected for the year ended 31st December, 1857 2 10 0

“ Received from Andrew Ellis, Clerk of the Peace, Harbor Briton, for amount collected for the year ended the 31st day of March, 1857 6 15 0

£778 2 8

CLERK OF COURTS FEES.

“ Amount received from Charles Simms, Chief Clerk and Registrar of the Supreme and Central Circuit Courts, for fees of office, for the year ended the 30th day of June, 1857 £266 18 4

SAINT JOHN'S HOSPITAL.

“ Amount received from George J. Hogsett, Secretary to the Board of Works, on account the quarter ended the 31st day of March, 1857 50 10 10

“ Amount received from John Stuart, Acting Secretary to the Board of Works, on account the three quarters ended the 31st day of December, 1857 184 9 6

£235 9 4

Carried forward.....

£150,611 11 11

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1857.

	By amount brought forward		£36,146 13 11	£13,949 7 0
June 30—	Warrant No. 134—salaries		332 8 3	
July 2—	“ “ 135—miscellaneous		56 7 0	
“ “	“ “ 136—printing & stationery		150 2 1	
“ “	“ “ 137—Lunatic Asylum		431 12 10	
“ “	“ “ 138—St. John's Hospital		188 12 0	
“ “	“ “ 139... ditto		127 17 3	
4—	“ “ 145—post-office and lock-up		77 10 8	
“ “	“ “ 146		4 2 7	
“ “	“ “ 147 } repairs and expenses of		95 2 6	
“ “	“ “ 148 } court-houses and gaols		64 12 4	
“ “	“ “ 149		34 10 11	
“ “	“ “ 150...miscellaneous		170 10 2	
10... “	“ “ 151... ditto		272 15 1	
“ “	“ “ 152... ditto		130 8 11	
20... “	“ “ 153... ditto		232 11 3	
24... “	“ “ 154... ditto		103 2 0	
28... “	“ “ 155... ditto		215 14 9	
“ “	“ “ 42...roads		555 2 3	
29... “	“ “ 157—miscellaneous		876 12 5	
August 5... “	“ “ 158 . ditto		116 15 4	
13... “	“ “ 160... ditto		1659 3 10	
“ “	“ “ 43...roads		39 7 1	
18... “	“ “ 161... miscellaneous		267 15 2	
22... “	“ “ 162... ditto		578 5 0	
25... “	“ “ 44...roads		836 2 11	
28... “	“ “ 163...miscellaneous		114 15 4	
Sept. 2... “	“ “ 164... ditto		254 13 2	
10... “	“ “ 45...roads		159 3 8	
14... “	“ “ 165...miscellaneous		841 14 10	
15... “	“ “ 46—roads		72 13 5	
17... “	“ “ 166...miscellaneous		233 8 11	
21... “	“ “ 167... ditto		326 7 8	
“ “	“ “ 47...roads		784 18 6	
24... “	“ “ 48...ditto		76 10 7	
30... “	“ “ 169... miscellaneous		487 1 7	
“ “	“ “ 170...salaries		511 5 0	
“ “	“ “ 171...ditto		823 15 6	
“ “	“ “ 172...ditto		400 1 0	
“ “	“ “ 173...ditto		462 10 0	
“ “	“ “ 174...ditto		97 10 0	

Carried forward..... £48,810 7 8 13,949 7 0

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1857.	To amount Brought forward	£150,611 11 11
	<i>FINES AND FORFEITURES.</i>	
	" Received from Robert R. W. Lilly, Acting Clerk of the Peace, St. John's, for fines collected for the year ended the 31st day of December, 1857	85 12 10
	" Received from Lewis W. Emerson, Clerk of the Peace, Harbor Grace, for fines collected for the half year ended the 31st December, 1856	8 10 0
	" Received from Peter Winsor, J. P., Ferryland, for fines collected for the year ended 31st December, 1857	5 0 0
	" Received from Garland C. Gaden, Sheriff of the Northern District, for fines collected for the year ended 30th day of June, 1857	4 0 0
		103 2 10
	<i>CONSOLIDATED STOCK.</i>	
	" Amount received for Debentures issued for the year 1857, under Consolidated Stock Act, 19th Vic., Cap. 6	19663 0 0
	<i>PREMIUM ON CONSOLIDATED STOCK.</i>	
	" Amount received on £19,653 0 0, Debentures issued for the year 1857, under Consolidated Stock Act, 19th Vic. Cap. 6....	567 12 0
	Carried forward.....	£170,945 6 9

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Cr.

1857.	By amount brought forward			
Sept. 30—	Warrant No. 175—salaries	£48,810 7 8	£13,949 7 0	
" "	176—ditto	122 10 0		
" "	177—ditto	90 0 0		
" "	178—ditto	116 10 0		
" "	179—ditto	76 0 0		
" "	180—ditto	52 0 0		
" "	181—ditto	225 0 0		
" "	182—ditto	350 0 0		
" "	183—education	70 12 6		
" "	184— ditto	387 10 0		
" "	185— ditto	713 10 0		
" "	186— ditto	721 0 0		
" "	187—postal act	95 0 0		
" "	188— ditto	228 15 0		
" "	189—relief of the poor	309 12 6		
" "	190...salaries	87 10 0		
" "	191...St. John's Hospital	562 10 0		
" "	192... ditto	239 4 11		
" "	193... court-houses & gaols....	74 3 10		
" "	194—Lunatic Asylum	123 11 4		
" "	200—repairs of buildings	358 16 2		
" "	201—miscellaneous	51 3 4		
" "	202— ditto	133 12 9		
Oct. 3—	49—roads	56 3 11		
5—	50—ditto	655 18 0		
6—	51—ditto	342 1 1		
7—	203—miscellaneous	170 7 10		
" "	205—printing and stationery ...	184 8 4		
" "	206...miscellaneous	98 16 4		
12—	52—roads	621 8 2		
20—	53—ditto	52 9 2		
" "	54—ditto	426 8 11		
22—	207—miscellaneous	157 2 0		
" "	208— ditto	507 0 1		
" "	55—roads	306 16 7		
30—	56— ditto	130 7 1		
" "	57—ditto	45 2 9		
" "	58—ditto	24 13 1		
" "	59— ditto	63 14 3		
" "	60—ditto	59 19 11		
		79 6 10		
	Carried forward.....	£58,002 4 4	13,949 7 0	

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DR.

1857. To amount brought forward £170,945 6 9

MISCELLANEOUS.

Jany. 10—	Received from Garland C. Gaden, Sheriff of the Northern District, being balance unexpended of the sum of £20 received 22nd August 1856, to defray the cost of Civil and Criminal Prosecutions in Northern Circuit Court	£4 4 4	
April 23—	Received from Hon. Laurence O'Brien, being on account amount received by him for expenses of Delegation to London from the Council, and now returned by him	200 0 0	
July 6—	Received from Hon. James Tobin, being on account amount received by him for expenses of Delegation to London from the Council, and now returned by him	180 0 0	
Aug. 10—	Received from Ambrose Shea, Agent for the New York, Newfoundland, and London Telegraph Company, on account making road hence to Trepassy .. £1,000		
Dec. 12—	Ditto ditto 1,000		
		<u>£2,000 0 0</u>	
31—	Received from John Stuart, Acting Secretary to the Board of Works, on account repairs to Portugal Cove Wharf	64 11 3	
	Received from John Stuart, Acting Secretary to the Board of Works, on account Lunatic Asylum	17 8 4	
		<u>£2,466 3 11</u>	

Carried forward.....

£173,411 10 8

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IN ACCOUNT CURRENT WITH THE COLONY.

CR.

1857.	By amount brought forward	£58,002 4 4	£13,949 7 0
Oct. 22—	Warrant No. 61—roads	.....	540 1 10	
	“ “ 62....ditto	.....	34 17 0	
31—	“ “ 63....ditto	.....	70 10 0	
	“ “ 64....ditto	.....	106 14 11	
	“ “ 65...ditto	.....	68 15 3	
	“ “ 211—miscellaneous	.....	286 7 11	
	“ “ 212—education	.....	71 5 0	
Nov. 3...	“ “ 213—miscellaneous	.....	66 7 10	
	“ “ 66....roads	.....	48 3 6	
	“ “ 67....ditto	.....	53 6 10	
	“ “ 68....ditto	.....	26 11 5	
	“ “ 69....ditto	.....	59 10 3	
	“ “ 70....ditto	.....	36 8 10	
9...	“ “ 71....ditto	.....	34 19 8	
	“ “ 72 .ditto	.....	1103 2 11	
	“ “ 73...ditto	.....	50 11 1	
	“ “ 74...ditto	.....	80 1 8	
	“ “ 215... miscellaneous	.....	537 3 1	
14...	“ “ 216.... ditto	.....	204 13 6	
	“ “ 217.... ditto	.....	158 13 4	
	“ “ 75...roads	.....	36 1 10	
	“ “ 76....ditto	.....	76 18 1	
	“ “ 77—ditto	.....	52 9 0	
	“ “ 78....ditto	.....	38 14 10	
	“ “ 79....ditto	.....	60 18 4	
	“ “ 80...ditto	.....	39 4 5	
	“ “ 81....ditto	.....	37 12 8	
17...	“ “ 82...ditto	.....	46 10 4	
21...	“ “ 218—miscellaneous	.....	428 16 1	
23...	“ “ 221... ditto	.....	186 7 3	
25...	“ “ 83....roads	.....	46 11 4	
	“ “ 84....ditto	.....	59 15 11	
	“ “ 85 ...ditto	.....	37 16 1	
	“ “ 86—ditto	.....	126 6 1	
27...	“ “ 87—ditto	.....	40 7 3	
	“ “ 88....ditto	.....	67 2 9	
	“ “ 222....miscellaneous	.....	212 16 8	
30...	“ “ 89—roads	51 10 7	
Dec. 2...	“ “ 90—ditto	91 11 8	
	“ “ 91—ditto	39 9 8	

Carried forward..... £68,417 11 0 13,949 7 0

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Dr.

1857.
To amount brought forward £173,411 10 3

LIGHT HOUSES.

“ Amount of Light Dues received from the Customs Department, on account general Light-houses, for the year ended 31st December, 1857 £6125 4 7
 “ Received from Customs Department, being amount of Cape Race Light Tolls collected for the half-year ended the 30th day of September, 1857. 17 2 5
 “ Received from the Accountant of the Board of Trade, London, for balance of maintenance of Cape Race Light-house, to 30th June, 1857 £520 15 6
 “ Ditto for the quarter ended 30th September, 1857 163 19 0
 “ Amount received for 14 gallons Seal Oil sold by the Board of Works 2 5 6
 £6831 7 0

Carried forward..... £180,242 17 9

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IN ACCOUNT CURRENT WITH THE COLONY.

Cr.

1857.
By amount brought forward £63,417 11 0 £13,949 7 0
 Dec. 2—“ Warrant No. 223—miscellaneous 452 3 2
 3—“ “ 224—ditto 180 14 11
 “ “ “ 92—roads 101 8 3
 “ “ “ 93—ditto 153 6 3
 “ “ “ 94—ditto 563 19 9
 15—“ “ 95—ditto 149 8 10
 “ “ “ 96—ditto 55 7 10
 “ “ “ 225—miscellaneous 128 1 8
 17—“ “ 227—ditto 248 13 10
 “ “ “ 97—roads 65 8 10
 “ “ “ 98—ditto 48 3 3
 “ “ “ 99—ditto 56 18 11
 21—“ “ 100...ditto 87 2 11
 “ “ “ 228—miscellaneous 96 17 6
 “ “ “ 230— ditto 452 18 6
 31—“ “ 101—roads 94 9 10
 “ “ “ 102—ditto 40 8 2
 “ “ “ 103—ditto 66 11 5
 “ “ “ 104—ditto 43 9 10
 “ “ “ 105—ditto 39 9 9
 “ “ “ 106—ditto 266 7 9
 “ “ “ 231—miscellaneous 1092 13 10
 “ “ “ 232... ditto 230 7 3
 “ “ “ 233—salaries 511 5 0
 “ “ “ 234—ditto 800 0 0
 “ “ “ 235—ditto 408 4 9
 “ “ “ 236—ditto 462 10 0
 “ “ “ 237—ditto 650 0 0
 “ “ “ 238...ditto 122 10 0
 “ “ “ 239—ditto 90 0 0
 “ “ “ 240...ditto 116 10 0
 “ “ “ 241...ditto 76 0 0
 “ “ “ 242...ditto 52 0 0
 “ “ “ 243...ditto 225 0 0
 “ “ “ 244...ditto 350 0 0
 “ “ “ 245 .ditto 70 12 6
 “ “ “ 246—education 387 10 0
 “ “ “ 247— ditto 713 10 0
 “ “ “ 248— ditto 724 0 0
 “ “ “ 249— ditto 95 0 0

Carried forward..... £74,060 15 11 13,949 7 0

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1857.

To amount brought forward £180,242 17 8

Carried forward.....

£180,242 17 8

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IN ACCOUNT CURRENT WITH THE COLONY:

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1857.

By amount brought forward	£74,060 15 11	£13,949 7 0
Dec. 31— " Warrant No. 250—education	83 15 0	
" " 251—postal act	.....	227 15 0	
" " 252.... ditto	.....	341 11 0	
" " 253...relief of the poor	.....	87 10 0	
" " 254—printing and stationery	....	116 2 2	
" " 255—miscellaneous	.....	190 17 1	
" " 263 ...St. John's Hospital	.....	245 11 7	
" " 264.... ditto	.....	229 1 10	
" " 265—Lunatic Asylum	.....	461 7 10	
" " 266.... ditto	.....	123 19 5	
" " 267 } expenses of court-houses &		77 7 5	
" " 268 } gaols	.....	126 17 7	
" " 269—miscellaneous	.....	43 8 11	
" " 270....ditto	.....	178 4 5	
" " 272...ditto	.....	99 5 8	
" " 273—St. John's re-building act	.....	25 0 0	
		<u>76,718 10 10</u>	
" Amount of Warrants for Light-houses Expenditure, for the year ended 31st December, 1857, as per Light-house account		£8826 9 4	
Total amount of Warrants drawn on the Receiver General	.....	<u>85,545 0 2</u>	

DEBENTURES PAID OFF.

" The following Debentures under St. John's Re-building Act, paid off:			
No. 10, due 29th October, 1857	.....	75 0 0	
11 ditto	.....	47 0 0	
12 ditto	.....	30 0 0	
13 ditto	.....	40 0 0	
14 ditto	.....	50 0 0	
15 ditto	.....	70 0 0	
16 ditto	150 0 0	
17 ditto	170 0 0	
18 ditto	56 0 0	
Carried forward.....		<u>£688 0 0</u>	<u>99,494 7 2</u>

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1857:

To amount brought forward	£180,242 17 8
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Carried forward.....		£180,242 17 8
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IN ACCOUNT CURRENT WITH THE COLONY.

Cr.

1857.

By amount brought forward	£688 0 0	99,494 7 2
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DEBENTURES PAID OFF.

Dec. 31— " The following Debentures under St. John's Re-building Act, paid off:

No. 19, due 29th October, 1857	.....	36 0 0
20 ditto	.....	85 0 0
21 ditto	.....	155 0 0
22 ditto	.....	63 0 0
23 ditto	.....	160 0 0
24 ditto	.....	125 0 0
25 ditto	.....	80 0 0
26 ditto	.....	65 0 0
27 ditto	.....	25 0 0
28 ditto	.....	25 0 0
29, due 3rd November	.....	110 0 0
30, due 29th October	.....	170 0 0
31 ditto	.....	30 0 0
32 due 3rd November	.....	40 0 0
33 ditto	.....	110 0 0
34 ditto	.....	40 0 0
35 ditto	.....	130 0 0
36 ditto	.....	230 0 0
37 ditto	.....	60 0 0
38 ditto	.....	300 0 0
39, due 4th November	.....	42 0 0
42, due 8th ditto	.....	400 0 0
43 ditto	.....	300 0 0
44 ditto	.....	250 0 0
45 ditto	.....	200 0 0
46 ditto	.....	150 0 0
47 ditto	.....	110 0 0
48 ditto	.....	612 0 0
49, due 17th November	.....	30 0 0
50 ditto	.....	165 0 0
51, due 19th November	.....	75 0 0
52 ditto	.....	50 0 0
54, due 23rd November	210 0 0
55 ditto	150 0 0
58 ditto	30 0 0

Carried forward.....	£5,501 0 0	£99,494 7 2
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Dr.

1857.

To amount brought forward £180,242 17 8

Carried forward..... £180,242 17 8

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IN ACCOUNT CURRENT WITH THE COLONY.

Cr.

1857.

By amount brought forward £5,501 0 0 £99,494 7 2

DEBENTURES PAID OFF.

Dec. 31— " The following Debentures under St. John's re-building Act, paid off :

No. 59, due 24th November, 1857	.....	£25	0	0
62 ditto	.....	45	0	0
64 26th November	.....	170	0	0
65 ditto	.....	250	0	0
66 ditto	.....	110	0	0
67 ditto	.....	33	6	8
68 27th November	.....	150	0	0
69 ditto	.....	40	0	0
74 2nd December	.....	35	0	0
76 8th ditto	.....	90	0	0
77 ditto	.....	65	0	0
78 ditto	.....	185	0	0
81 13th December	.....	90	0	0
82 26th November	.....	33	6	8
84 14th December	.....	40	0	0
86 20th ditto	.....	430	0	0
87 ditto	.....	36	0	0
88 ditto	.....	34	0	0
89 21st December	.....	80	0	0
90 ditto	.....	30	0	0
90½ ditto	.....	30	0	0
91 ditto	.....	100	0	0
96 28th December	.....	140	0	0
98 ditto	.....	37	0	0
99 22nd December	.....	100	0	0

£7,879 13 4

" The following Debentures under Act 9th Vic., Cap. 7, paid off :

No. 19, due 1st January, 1857 £300 0 0
" 20 ditto 400 0 0

£700 0 0

" Debenture No. 32, under Act 12th Vic., Cap. 20, due 1st July, 1855, paid off

368 14 8

Carried forward..... £9,038 8 0 £99,494 7 2

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1857. To amount brought forward £180,242 17 8

Carried forward.....

£180,242 17 8

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IN ACCOUNT CURRENT WITH THE COLONY.

CR.

1857. By amounts brought forward £9,038 8 0 99,494 7 2

DEBENTURES PAID OFF.

Dec. 31— " The following Debentures under Colonial Building and Market House Acts, paid off:

No. 29, due 4th May, 1856	£300 0 0
33 28th do. 1857	350 0 0
34 1st June, 1857	300 0 0
35 4th ditto	520 0 0
38 23rd Oct., 1857	400 0 0
44 31st Dec., 1857	1,000 0 0
45 ditto	650 0 0

£3,520 0 0

£12,558 8 0

SINKING FUND.

" This amount paid into Savings' Bank on account Sinking Fund, being 2 per cent. on £37,604 5s. 4d., Debentures issued under Consolidated Stock Act, 19th Vic.

£752 1 8

" Ditto ditto being amount of premium received on £17,041 5s. 4d., Debentures issued under Consolidated Stock Act in the year 1856

465 19 6

" Ditto ditto being amount of premium received on £19,663, Debentures issued under Consolidated Stock Act in the year 1857

567 12 0

£1,785 13 2

TREASURY NOTES.

" This amount paid the Union Bank of Newfoundland for £211 0s. 0d. currency, in Treasury Notes, equal to in sterling, (to be cancelled)

182 17 4

Carried forward.....

£114,021 5 8

Treasury Accounts.

THE RECEIVER GENERAL OF NEWFOUNDLAND

DR.

1857. To amount brought forward £180,242 17 8

Carried forward..... £180,242 17 8

Treasury Accounts.

IN ACCOUNT CURRENT WITH THE COLONY.

CR.

1857. By amount brought forward £114,021 5 8

INTEREST ON PUBLIC DEBT.

Dec. 31—"Interest on £58,177 19s. 0d., Debentures issued under St. John's Re-building Act to this date at 5 per cent. viz.:

£45,055 13 4	for 12 months'	£2,252 15 8
251 6 8	360 days	12 8 3
60 0 4	354 ditto	2 18 3
162 18 8	12 months & 241 days	13 10 10
100 0 0	271 days	3 14 4
390 0 0	237 ditto	12 13 9
736 13 4	12 months & 252 days	62 5 4
50 0 0	21 days	0 2 11
121 6 8	19 ditto	0 6 4
52 0 0	5 days	0 0 9
3,526 0 0	6 months & 114 days	143 4 2
1,323 0 0	6 ditto 121 ditto	55 0 1
680 0 0	6 ditto 126 ditto	28 14 9
60 0 0	6 ditto 127 ditto	2 10 10
1,722 0 0	6 ditto 131 ditto	73 19 1
115 0 0	6 ditto 142 ditto	5 2 4
210 0 0	6 ditto 146 ditto	9 9 0
140 0 0	6 ditto 147 ditto	6 6 5
100 0 0	6 ditto 149 ditto	4 10 9
40 0 0	6 ditto 150 ditto	1 16 5
320 0 0	6 ditto 155 ditto	14 15 11
35 0 0	6 ditto 157 ditto	1 12 7
155 0 0	6 ditto 161 ditto	7 5 11
350 0 0	6 ditto 162 ditto	16 10 3
210 0 0	6 ditto 173 ditto	10 4 6
965 0 0	6 ditto 174 ditto	47 2 7
425 0 0	6 ditto 175 ditto	20 16 3
237 0 0	6 ditto 181 ditto	11 16 0
585 0 0	6 ditto 183 ditto	29 5 0
<u>£58,177 19 0</u>		<u>2,850 19 3</u>

" 12 months' interest on £195 10s. 0d., Debentures issued, to this date, under St. John's Academy Act, at 6 per cent.

11 14 8

Carried forward..... £2,862 13 11 £114,021 5 8

Treasury Accounts.

THE RECEIVER GENERAL OF NEWFOUNDLAND

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Carried forward..... £180,242 17 8

Treasury Accounts.

IN ACCOUNT CURRENT WITH THE COLONY.

Cr.

1857. By amount brought forward £2,862 13 11 114,021 5 8

INTEREST ON PUBLIC DEBT.

Dec. 31— " Interest on £37,664 5s. 4d., Debentures issued under Consolidated Stock Act, to this date, at 6 per cent., viz. :

£17941 5 4 for 12 months,	£1076 9 6	
19316 6 8 70 days	222 5 4	
346 13 4 33 days	1 17 7	
	<u>1300 12 5</u>	
£37604 5 4		

" Interest on £18,166 0s. 0d., Debentures issued under Colonial Building and Market House Acts, to this date, at 6 per cent., viz. :

£14946 for 12 months,	£896 15 2	
2050 for 6 months & 114 days	99 18 4	
1170 for 6 months	35 2 0	
	<u>1031 15 6</u>	
£18166		

" 12 months' interest on £7,500 0s. 0d., Debentures issued, to this date, under Act 12th Vic., Cap. 20, at 6 per cent. 450 0 0

" 12 months' interest on £7,500 0s. 0d., Debentures issued to this date, under Penitentiary Act, viz. :

£7300 0 0, at 5 per cent.	£365 0 0	
200 0 0 6 "	12 0 0	
	<u>347 0 0</u>	
£7500 0 0		

" 12 months' interest on £1,372 14s. 8d., Debentures issued to this date, under Harbor Grace Street Act, at 5 per cent. 68 12 8

" 12 months' interest on £6000 0 0, Debentures issued to this date, under Act 17th Vic., viz. :

£2650 0 0, at 5 per cent.	£132 10 0	
1800 0 0 4 ¹⁸ / ₂₀ "	88 4 0	
1000 0 0 4 ⁷ / ₈ "	48 15 0	
550 0 0 4 ⁵ / ₄ "	26 2 6	
	<u>295 11 6</u>	
£6000 0 0		

Carried forward..... £6,386 6 0 £114,021 5 8

Treasury Accounts.

THE RECEIVER GENERAL OF NEWFOUNDLAND

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Carried forward..... £180,242 17 8

Treasury Accounts.

IN ACCOUNT CURRENT WITH THE COLONY.

Cr.

1857.

By amount brought forward £6,386 6 0 £114,021 5 8

INTEREST ON PUBLIC DEBT.

Dec. 31— " 12 months' Interest on £5,750 Os. 0d., Debentures issued to this date under Lunatic Asylum Acts, viz.:

£3,500 0 0	at 5 per cent.	£175 0 0
1,450 0 0	4 ¹⁰ / ₂₀ ditto	71 15 6
800 0 0	4 ⁷ / ₈ ditto	39 0 0

£5,750 0 0 £285 15 6

" 12 months' Interest on £45,000 Os. 0d., Debentures issued to this date under Act 18th & 19th Vic., viz.:

£17,050 0 0	at 5 ¹ / ₂ per cent.	£970 15 0
27,950 0 0	5 ditto	1,367 10 0

£45,000 0 0 2,338 5 0
£9,010 6 6

OUTSTANDING DEBENTURES.

" Paid the Union Bank of Newfoundland for this amount transferred to credit of Outstanding Debentures at 4 per cent. per annum interest, being for the following Debentures under Colonial Building Act, past due:

No. 12, due 14th December, 1854	.....	£1,000 0 0
19 31st May, 1855	.....	50 0 0
22 30th May, 1855	.....	150 0 0
30 22nd April, 1857	.....	525 0 0
31 23rd May, 1857	.....	250 0 0
36 1st July, 1857	.....	1,400 0 0
37 1st October, 1857	.....	350 0 0
32 23rd May, 1857	.....	250 0 0
40 25th October, 1857	.....	450 0 0
39 17th November, 1857	.....	200 0 0
41 1st December, 1857	.....	400 0 0
42 31st October, 1857	.....	200 0 0
43 14th December, 1857	.....	290 0 0

£5,515 0 0

Carried forward..... £128,546 12 2

Treasury Accounts.

THE RECEIVER GENERAL OF NEWFOUNDLAND

Dr.

1857.

To amount brought forward £180,242 17 8

Dec. 31— " Outstanding Warrants £10,983 6 0
 " Outstanding Interest 4,758 1 2
£15,741 4 2

£195,984 1 10

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IN ACCOUNT CURRENT WITH THE COLONY.

Cr.

1857.

By amount brought forward £128,546 12 2

Dec. 31— " Balance in Treasury, in cash £40,808 5 11
 " Ditto ditto in bonds 26,629 3 9
£67,437 9 8

£195,984 1 10

Examined and found correct.

JAMES TOBIN,

Financial Secretary.

Treasury Accounts.

DR.		STATEMENT OF LIGHT			
1857.					
Jan.	7—	To Warrant No. 4—favor Board of Works	.....	£16	0 0
Feb.	14—	“ “ 18— “ Thomas Stone	.....	21	13 4
		“ “ 19— “ John Hally	.....	60	0 0
				£91	13 4
April	7—	“ “ 65— “ sundries	.....	122	3 9
		“ “ 66— “ “	.....	166	1 11
		“ “ 67— “ “	.....	35	15 0
	14—	“ “ 78— “ Board of Works	.....	500	0 0
May	2—	“ “ 86— “ “	.....	35	8 5
	9—	“ “ 89— “ Sundries	.....	36	0 4
	12—	“ “ 90— “ Edward Oke	.....	28	0 0
	23—	“ “ 94— “ Sundries	.....	11	1 0
		“ “ 97— “ John Murphy	.....	7	19 3
	29—	“ “ 99— “ Sundries	.....	390	14 0
June	6—	“ “ 105— “ “	.....	505	4 9
		“ “ 106— “ Board of Works	.....	1000	0 0
	20—	“ “ 111— “ Sundries	.....	201	10 0
				3039	18 5
July	3—	“ “ 140— “ “	.....	77	0 2
		“ “ 141— “ “	.....	120	4 2
		“ “ 142— “ “	.....	95	13 2
		“ “ 143— “ “	.....	194	7 0
		“ “ 144— “ “	.....	82	15 3
	29—	“ “ 156— “ “	.....	91	8 4
Aug.	10—	“ “ 159— “ “	.....	472	15 6
Sept.	21—	“ “ 168— “ Board of Works	.....	220	8 9
	30—	“ “ 195— “ Sundries	.....	111	18 4
		“ “ 196— “ “	.....	234	16 1
		“ “ 197— “ “	.....	123	6 11
		“ “ 198— “ “	.....	77	19 5
		“ “ 199— “ “	.....	53	1 6
				1955	14 7
Oct.	6—	“ “ 204— “ Smith and Campbell	.....	500	0 0
	22—	“ “ 209— “ Sundries	.....	68	3 7
		“ “ 210— “ “	.....	240	13 1
Nov.	4—	“ “ 214— “ William O’Gready	.....	129	0 0
	21—	“ “ 219— “ Sundries	.....	665	4 8
		“ “ 220— “ “	.....	42	14 7
Dec.	17—	“ “ 226— “ “	.....	141	12 4
	19—	“ “ 229— “ “	.....	1095	17 3
	31	“ “ 256— “ “	.....	91	11 1
				£2,974	16 7
Carried forward.....				£5,087	6 4

Treasury Accounts.

		HOUSES ACCOUNT.		CR.	
1857.					
January	1—	By Balance	.....	£3,255	0 3
	9—	“ Amount received for 14 gallons Seal Oil sold by Board of Works at 3s. 3d.	.....		2 5 6
July	7—	“ Received from the Customs Department, being amount of Cape Race Light Tolls collected for the quarter ended 30th June, 1857	.....	£7	13 0
Oct.	10—	“ Ditto for the quarter ended 30th September, 1857	.....	9	9 5
				£17	2 5
July	25—	“ Received from the Accountant of the Board of Trade, London, for balance of maintenance of Cape Race Light House to 30th June, 1857	.....	£520	15 6
Oct	17—	“ Ditto ditto for the quarter ended 30th September, 1857	.....	165	19 0
				£686	14 6
				£703	16 11
March	31—	“ Received from the Customs Department, being amount of Light Dues collected on account General Light Houses, for the quarter ended this day	.....	£913	0 3
June	30—	“ Ditto ditto ditto	.....	2,021	14 10
Sept.	30—	“ Ditto ditto ditto	.....	1,948	4 7
Dec.	31—	“ Ditto ditto ditto	.....	1,242	4 11
				6,125	4 7
Carried forward....				£10,086	7 3

Treasury Accounts.

DR.	STATEMENT OF LIGHT			
1857.	To amount brought forward	£2,974 16 7	£5,087 6 4	
Dec. 31—	“ Warrant No. 257—favor sundries	111 12 9		
	“ “ 258— “	227 15 5		
	“ “ 259— “	216 15 2		
	“ “ 260— “	82 11 3		
	“ “ 261— “	37 2 2		
	“ “ 262— “	14 5 7		
	“ “ 271.... “	74 4 1		
		£3,739 3 0		
	“ To Balance as per Balance Sheet		£8,826 9 4	
			1,259 17 11	
			£10,086 7 3	

Treasury Accounts.

	HOUSES ACCOUNT:	CR.
1857.	By amount brought forward	£10,086 7 3
		£10,086 7 3

Examined and found correct.

JAMES TOBIN,

Financial Secretary.

Treasury Accounts.

DR.

STATEMENT OF PUBLIC

1857.		
January 1—To Balance	.....	£167,257 18 0
Dec. 15— “ Amount of Debentures issued under Consolidated Stock Act 19th Vic., Cap. 6, for the year 1857	.....	19,663 0 0
“ Amount of Debentures issued under St. John's Re-building Act 15th Vic., Cap. 4, during the year 1857	.....	2,344 5 8
		£189,265 3 8

DR.

STATEMENT OF

1857.		
Nov. 24—To paid the Union Bank of Newfoundland for £211 0s. 0d.. Cy., in Treasury Notes, equal to in Sterling (to be cancelled)	.....	£182 17 4
Dec. 31— “ Balance as per Balance Sheet	.....	77 2 8
		£260 0 0

Treasury Accounts.

DEBT ACCOUNT.

Cr.

1857.

Dec. 31—By amount of Debentures paid off for the year ended 31st December, 1857, as per preceding account	.....	£12,558	8	0
“ Balance as per Balance Sheet	.....	176,706	15	8

£189,265 3 8

Examined and found correct.

JAMES TOBIN,

Financial Secretary.

TREASURY NOTE ACCOUNT.

Cr.

1857.

Jan. 1—By Balance	£260	0	0
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£260 0 0

Examined and found correct.

JAMES TOBIN,

Financial Secretary.

Treasury Accounts.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

OF THE AFFAIRS OF THE COLONY OF NEWFOUNDLAND FOR THE YEAR 1858. EXPENDITURE.

GOVERNMENT DEPARTMENTS.

The Governor .....	.....	.....	.....	£2,000	0	0	
Private Secretary ....	.....	.....	.....	200	0	0	
Gate Keeper .....	.....	.....	.....	60	0	0	£2,260 0 0

COLONIAL SECRETARY'S OFFICE.

The Colonial Secretary .....	.....	.....	.....	£500	0	0	
*First Clerk .....	.....	.....	.....	200	0	0	
Second Clerk .....	.....	.....	.....	200	0	0	
Office Keeper .....	.....	.....	.....	60	0	0	
Messenger .....	.....	.....	.....	60	0	0	£1,020 0 0

RECEIVER GENERAL'S OFFICE.

TREASURY DEPARTMENT.

The Receiver General .....	.....	.....	.....	£500	0	0	
Clerk .....	.....	.....	.....	200	0	0	£700 0 0

CUSTOMS DEPARTMENT.

The Assistant Collector .....	.....	.....	.....	£300	0	0	
Landing and Tide Surveyor .....	.....	.....	.....	250	0	0	
Two Landing Surveyors .....	.....	.....	.....	400	0	0	
1st Clerk and Warehouse Keeper .....	.....	.....	.....	200	0	0	
2nd Clerk .....	.....	.....	.....	150	0	0	
3rd Clerk .....	.....	.....	.....	150	0	0	
4th Clerk and Locker .....	.....	.....	.....	150	0	0	
Locker .....	.....	.....	.....	80	0	0	
Tide Waiters and day boatmen ....	.....	.....	.....	1500	0	0	
Night boatmen .....	.....	.....	.....	300	0	0	
Allowance to unofficial members of Board of Revenue .....	.....	.....	.....	100	0	0	
House Keeper .....	.....	.....	.....	40	0	0	
Incidental expenses....	.....	.....	.....	150	0	0	3770 0 0

SUB-COLLECTORS.

Harbor Grace 100, Trinity 150, LaPoile 135 .....	.....	.....	.....	445	0	0	
Carbonear 125, Fogo 125, Greenspond 125.....	.....	.....	.....	375	0	0	
Lamaline 100, Gaultois 100, Brigus 100 .....	.....	.....	.....	300	0	0	
Placentia 100, Burin 100, Harbor Briton 100	300	0	0	1420 0 0

Forwarded.....	£5,190	0	0	£3,980	0	0
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*Engaged in Financial Secretary's Office.

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Forwarded £3,980 0 0

CUSTOMS DEPARTMENT.—Continued £5,190 0 0

Bay Bulls 50, Ferryland 50	£100	0	0		
Burgeo 50, Twillingate 50	.....	100	0	0		
Channell 50, Oderin 50	.....	100	0	0		
Little Placentia 50, St. Mary's 50	.....	100	0	0		
St. Lawrence 50, Belloram 50	.....	100	0	0	£500	0 0
Percentage on Duties to Sub-Collectors					500	0 0—6190 0 0

FINANCIAL SECRETARY'S OFFICE.

The Financial Secretary..... 300 0 0

THE BOARD OF WORKS.

The Surveyor General	.....	£400	0	0		
Secretary	.....	200	0	0	£600	0 0

CROWN LANDS' ACT.

Superintendent Public Buildings	.....	£150	0	0		
Chairman	.....	40	0	0		
Repairs Government House, &c.	.....	130	0	0		
Deputy Surveyors and Incidentals	.....	300	0	0		
A General Survey	.....	1000	0	0		
Mrs. Westcott's pension	.....	30	0	0	1950	0 0

COLONIAL BUILDING.

The Keeper	.....	60	0	0		
Repairs	.....	350	0	0		
Fuel and Light....	.....	250	0	0	£660	0 0

CUSTOM HOUSE.

Fuel and Light....	.....	100	0	0		
Repairs	.....	85	0	0	185	0 0

COURT HOUSES AND GAOLS.

Repairs Court Houses and Gaols	....	600	0	0		
Supplies ditto	.....	900	0	0	1500	0 0

ST. JOHN'S HOSPITAL.

Repairs, laying out grounds, &c., &c..... £500 0 0

LUNATIC ASYLUM.

Repairs 100 0 0—£5,495 0 0

Carried forward..... £15,965 0 0

Treasury Accounts.

Carried forward..... £15,965 0 0

MISCELLANEOUS IN AID OF ESTABLISHMENTS.

Expenditure under Street Act	.....	.....	1000	0	0
Printing and stationery	.....	.....	800	0	0
Postages and Incidentals	.....	.....	100	0	0
Insurance on Public Buildings	.....	.....	200	0	0
Fuel and Light, Government House	.....	.....	200	0	0
Unforeseen Contingencies	.....	.....	500	0	0
					2800 0 0

JUDICIAL DEPARTMENT.

The Chief Justice £1200, payable in dollars at 4s. 2d	.....	.....	1248	0	0
Two Puisne Judges £1400, ditto ditto	.....	.....	1456	0	0
The Attorney General	.....	.....	500	0	0
The Solicitor General	.....	.....	200	0	0
Sheriff Central District £300, Bailiff £50	.....	.....	350	0	0
Sheriff Northern District	.....	.....	300	0	0
Sheriff Southern District	.....	.....	200	0	0
Chief Clerk and Registrar Supreme Court £350, Stationery £20	.....	.....	370	0	0
Clerk to ditto	.....	.....	80	0	0
Chief Clerk and Registrar Northern Circuit Court	.....	.....	200	0	0
Chief Clerk and Registrar Southern Ditto	.....	.....	200	0	0
Crier and Tipstaff, St. John's	.....	.....	60	0	0
Crier and Tipstaff, Harbor Grace	.....	.....	20	0	0

MISCELLANEOUS.

Crown Prosecutions	.....	.....	300	0	0
Coroners	.....	.....	200	0	0
Circuit of Judges	.....	.....	500	0	0
					6184 0 0

POLICE DEPARTMENT.

Two Police Magistrates	.....	.....	600	0	0
Clerk of the Peace	.....	.....	300	0	0
Inspector	.....	.....	90	0	0
Sergeant	.....	.....	60	0	0
Constables, 16 at £55 £880, Clothing £180	.....	.....	1060	0	0
Gaoler	.....	.....	150	0	0
Stipendiary Magistrates, Constables, Clerks of the Peace, and Gaolers, as per detailed statement	3769	0	0
					6029 0 0

Forwarded..... £30,978 0 0

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Carried forward..... £30,978 0 0

RELIEF OF THE POOR.

The Commissioner of the Poor	£250	0	0	
District Surgeon, St. John's	.....	200	0	0	
Gaol Surgeon ditto	.....	40	0	0	
District Surgeon, Conception Bay	.....	100	0	0	
Gaol Surgeon ditto	.....	30	0	0	
Physician, Lunatic Asylum	.....	300	0	0	
Medical attendance, St. John's Hospital	.....	250	0	0	—1170 0 0

MISCELLANEOUS.

Permanent Paupers, St. John's and Outports	7000	0	0		
Servants and Paupers, Lunatic Asylum	.....	2000	0	0	
Servants and Paupers, St. John's Hospital	....	1700	0	0	— 10700 0 0
					11,870 0 0

EDUCATION.

Master Roman Catholic Academy		250	0	0	
Master Episcopalian ditto	}	recommended to be increased by £300	200	0	0
Master General Protestant ditto			150	0	0
Master Harbor Grace ditto			150	0	0
Master Carboncar ditto			150	0	0
Estimated Expenditure under Education Act	.....	10500	0	0	
Normal School Establishments	.....	3000	0	0	
					14,400 0 0

FERRIES.

Estimated amount for that service 295 0 0

RETIRED ALLOWANCE ACT.

PENSIONS.

James Crowdy, late Colonial Secretary	.....	400	0	0	
Edmund M. Archibald, late Attorney General	.....	350	0	0	
Joseph Noad, late Surveyor General	.....	285	0	0	
Hugh A. Emerson, late Solicitor General	90	0	0	
Benjamin G. Garrett, late Sheriff,	275	0	0	
					1400 0 0

Forwarded..... £58,943 0 0

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Carried forward..... £58,943 0 0

POST OFFICE DEPARTMENT.

The Post Master General	£275	0	0
Chief Clerk	.....	.....	.....	130	0	0
Assistant	.....	.....	.....	50	0	0
Messenger and Assorter	.....	.....	.....	50	0	0
Assistant Assorters	.....	.....	.....	60	0	0
Post Masters in Outports	.....	.....	.....	290	0	0
Way Masters	.....	.....	.....	52	0	0
Conveying Mails	.....	.....	.....	1353	0	0
Incidentals	.....	.....	.....	100	0	0
				2360 0 0		

MISCELLANEOUS GENERAL.

Men stationed at Fort Amherst	.....	.....	.....	36	10	0
Duties on Wine, Military Mess	.....	.....	.....	50	0	0
St. John's Gas Company, lighting streets	.....	.....	.....	166	0	0
Harbor Grace ditto ditto	.....	.....	.....	50	0	0
St. John's Water Company	.....	.....	.....	100	0	0
Shipwrecked Crews	.....	.....	.....	200	0	0
Dorcas Societies, St. John's 50, Harbor Grace 25, Carbonear 25	.....	.....	.....	100	0	0
Mechanics' Institute 50, Factory 100	.....	.....	.....	150	0	0
Agricultural Society	.....	.....	.....	250	0	0
Robert Smith and Patrick Burke, allowance £10 each	.....	.....	.....	20	0	0
Keeper Half-way house Salmonier	.....	.....	.....	35	0	0
Phoenix Fire Company 100, and others 50	.....	.....	.....	150	0	0
Pumps and Tanks, St. John's and Outports	.....	.....	.....	400	0	0
General repairs Roads and Bridges	.....	.....	.....	200	0	0
Reading Room 25, St. John's Almanac 25	.....	.....	.....	50	0	0
Orphan Asylum, Industrial Department	.....	.....	.....	50	0	0
				2,007 10 0		
Protection of Fisheries, St. John's and Belle Isle	.....	.....	.....	1000	0	0
New Gaol	.....	.....	.....	2000	0	0
New Wing Lunatic Asylum, fencing, &c.,	.....	.....	.....	4000	0	0
Breakwater, Belle Isle	.....	.....	.....	300	0	0
Encouragement of Emigration	.....	.....	.....	1000	0	0
Improving the Harbor of Quidi Vidi	.....	.....	.....	1200	0	0
Estimate for Grant to Halifax Steam Packet	.....	.....	.....	1040	0	0
				10,540 0 0		
Direct Steam from England to St. John's and America	.....	.....	.....	7,280 0 0		
				£81,130 10 0		
Forwarded.....						

Treasury Accounts.

Carried forward £81,130 10 0

INTEREST OF PUBLIC DEBT.

Amount of Public Debt	£167,733	9	0	
Interest payable half yearly....	£9,300	0	0	

SINKING FUND.

2 per cent. on amount of Consolidated Stock, say 68,607 5s.4d. 1,372 2 11

ROADS AND BRIDGES.

Estimated amount of appropriation for Main Roads	£8000			
Ditto ditto District Roads	5000			
	13,000	0	0	

LEGISLATIVE CONTINGENCIES.

Estimated amount of Expenditure	£5,000	0	0	
				£28,672 2 11
Balance in favor of the Colony.....				8,512 14 4
				£118,315 7 3

A S S E T S :

Balance from 1857				
Estimated amount of Custom Duties	£80,000	0	0	£35,515 7 3
Ditto Crown Lands	700	0	0	
Ditto Licenses, Fines, &c.,	1,500	0	0	
Ditto Post Office	600	0	0	82,800 0 0
				£118,315 7 3

Lodged in the Savings' Bank by the Commissioners for the redemption of the Public Debt :

In Cash	£702	0	0	
In Government Debentures.....	2,462	6	8	
	£3,164	6	8	

THOMAS GLEN,

Receiver General.

Treasury Accounts.

LIGHT HOUSES.

ESTIMATE FOR 1858.

LIABILITIES.

The Inspector of Light-houses.....	.....	.....	£160	0	0	
Keeper Cape Pine £100, Assistant £70.....	.....	.....	170	0	0	
Keeper Cape Spear 100 " 70.....	.....	.....	170	0	0	
Keeper Harbor Grace Island 105, Assistant 70	.....	.....	175	0	0	
Keeper Harbor Grace Beacon	.....	.....	31	0	0	
Keeper Cape Bonavista 100, Assistant 70	.....	.....	170	0	0	
Keeper Fort Amherst 80, Assistant 30	.....	.....	110	0	0	
Keeper Green Island 100, Assistant 70	.....	.....	170	0	0	
Keeper Offer Wadham 100, Assistant 70	.....	.....	170	0	0	
Keeper Dodding Head 100, Assistant 70	.....	.....	170	0	0	
Keeper Bacalieu 100, Assistant 70	.....	.....	170	0	0	
						£1666 0 0
Oil, Fuel, Stores, and Repairs	.....	.....	1590	0	0	
Outstanding contracts	.....	.....	2140	0	0	
						3730 0 0
Balance in favor of Light-houses....	.....	.....				1113 17 11
						£6509 17 11

ASSETS.

Balance from 1857 ..	.....	.....	£1259	17	11	
Estimated amount of Light Dues for 1858.....	.....	.....	5250	0	0	
						£6509 17 11

THOMAS GLEN,

Receiver General.

Treasury Accounts.

STATEMENT OF THE ASSETS AND LIABILITIES OF THE COLONY OF NEWFOUNDLAND, ON THE 31ST DECEMBER, 1857.

A S S E T S .

Cash in the Union Bank	.....	.....	.....	£10,808	5	11
Customs Bonds Outstanding	.....	.....	.....	26,629	3	9
						£67,437	9	8

L I A B I L I T I E S .

Outstanding Warrants	.....	.....	.....	10,983	3	0
Outstanding Interest	.....	.....	.....	4,758	1	2
Light-house Account	.....	.....	.....	1,259	17	11
Treasury Notes in circulation	.....	.....	.....	77	2	8
						£17,078	4	9
Unpaid Debentures	.....	.....	.....	3,458	6	8
Unexpended Grants	.....	.....	.....	11,385	11	0
						14,843	17	8
Balance in favor of the Colony	.....	.....	.....	35,515	7	3
						£67,437	9	8

THOMAS GLEN,

Receiver General.

Treasury Accounts.

STATEMENT OF THE PARTICULAR VOTES FORMING CREDIT BALANCE OF £1,607 17s. 3d., AS SHEWN IN THE FINANCIAL SECRETARY'S ACCOUNTS FOR 1856.

To amount appropriated per Minute of Council for the employment of able-bodied Poor, dated 5th November, 1855	£1,655	0	0
This amount expended in 1855	189	10	6
Balance 31st December, 1855			£1,465 9 6
Balance per Financial Secretary on 31st December, 1855, as above	£1,465	9	6
Balance of Outport Permanent Poor per Financial Secretary on 31st December, 1855		75	7 9
Vote in Supply 19th Vic., Cap. 24, for employment of able-bodied Poor, Trinity District, per Financial Secretary's Statement, 1856... ..		67	0 0
			£1,607 17 3

DR.	POOR RELIEF.	C R
1856.	1856.	
To amount expended by the Financial Secretary, per Journal, page 152	£1761 2 10	By Legislative vote for Relief of the Poor, 1856
To amount expended by the Board of Works, per Journal page 153	844 1 0	£7500 0 0
To amount expended by the Commissioner of the Poor, per Journal, page 154.....	9016 0 9	By this sum for employment of able-bodied poor, as above
	£11,651 5 1	1607 17 3
		By indemnity granted by the Legislature
		£548 7 10
		£11,051 6 1

JAMES TOBIN,

Financial Secretary.

Treasury Accounts.

BALANCES unnecessary for New Account and deducted from the Credit Balances.

Coroners	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	£6	10	2
Court Houses and Gaols, ordinary expenses	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	51	16	6
Fuel and Light, Colonial Building	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	76	15	5
Ditto ditto Custom House	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2	14	0
Insurance on Public Buildings	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	14	4	8
Postage and Incidentals	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	54	2	7
Saint John's Hospital	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	524	0	5
Unforeseen Contingencies	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	49	19	8
Miscellaneous Votes, 1856	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	150	0	0
Trinity Roads, 16 Vic., Cap. 5	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	6	18	3
Postage Stamps	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	0	5
Herring Fishery Protection, &c.	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	70	17	10
								£1,008 19 11		
								£1,008 19 11		
Credit of Light Houses Account, as per Receiver General's Receipts								..	£1,259	17 11
This sum carried to new Account, 1858	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	....	11,382	0 2
									£13,650 18 0	

JAMES TOBIN,

Financial Secretary.

December 31st, 1857.

Treasury Accounts.

*STATEMENT of the Consolidated Debentures issued in the year 1857, under the Act 19 Vic.,
Cap. 6, bearing interest at 6 per cent, with the amount of Premium received.*

Date 1857.	No. of Debenture.	Name.	Amount of Stock.	Rate of Premium.	Amount of Premium.
Oct. 22—	65 & 66	John Curran	£200 0 0	3 per cent.	£6 0 0
	67 to 69	John Furlong	420 0 0	2½ "	10 10 0
	70	Executors of late J. Furlong	2000 0 0	3½ "	70 0 0
	71 & 72	Patrick Kough	1000 0 0	2½ "	21 5 0
	73	St. John's Marine Insurance Company	866 13 4	3 "	26 0 0
	74 to 79	William Bindon	2000 0 0	3 "	60 0 0
	80	Thomas Avery	500 0 0	3 "	15 0 0
	81	Thomas H. Mabin	100 0 0	3½ "	3 2 6
	82	John W. Smith	300 0 0	3 "	9 0 0
	83	Bryan Robinson	150 0 0	2 "	3 0 0
	84	Michael Dobin	250 0 0	3 "	7 10 0
	85	Thomas Dobin	250 0 0	3 "	7 10 0
	86 & 87	John Little	200 0 0	2½ ¹⁰ "	4 4 0
	88 & 89	Lawrence O'Brien	1959 13 4	2 "	39 3 10
	90	Ellen Donnelly	200 0 0	3 "	6 0 0
	91	Mary Kent	150 0 0	3 "	4 10 0
	92	Joseph Crowdy	100 0 0	2½ "	2 10 0
	93 to 98	Catherine Halern	1000 0 0	2 "	20 0 0
	99 to 106	James Power	866 13 4	2 "	17 6 8
	107	Elizabeth Woodley	200 0 0	3 "	6 0 0
	108 & 109	Newfoundland Savings' Bank	834 7 9	3 "	25 0 8
	110	Patrick Strapp	750 0 0	3¼ "	24 7 6
	111	Joseph Crowdy	50 0 0	2½ "	1 5 0
	112 & 113	Estate of late Walter Whelan	400 0 0	4½ ²⁰ "	16 4 0
Nov. 28—	114	Thomas Slaney	173 6 8	3 "	5 4 0
	115	Mary Slaney	86 13 4	3 "	2 12 0
	116	John Costello	86 13 4	3 "	2 12 0
Oct. 22—	117	William Tiller, Sr.	400 0 0	2 "	8 0 0
	118 & 119	Newfoundland Savings' Bank	100 0 0	3 "	3 0 0
	120 to 127	Ditto	2000 0 0	3½ "	70 0 0
	128	Ditto	718 18 11	3 "	21 11 4
	129	Ditto	1000 0 0	3½ "	35 0 0
	130	Bridget Keefe	350 0 0	1½ ²⁰ "	14 3 6
			£19,663 0 0		£567 12 0

THOMAS GLEN,
Receiver General.

St. John's, Newfoundland, 31st December, 1857.

Treasury Accounts.

*DETAILED ACCOUNT of the Revenue of the Colony of Newfoundland from all sources,
for the Year ended 31st December, 1857.*

Customs .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	£116,606	4	4
Crown Lands .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	632	1	5
Sheriff's Fees .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	181	2	4
Clerk of Court's Fees .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	266	18	4
Postal Revenue .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	577	15	7
Licenses .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	778	2	8
Fines and Forfeitures .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	103	2	10
Clerks of the Peace Fees .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	81	11	7
Gaolers' Fees .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	12	2	6
Patents' Fees .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	5	0	0
Premium on Consolidated Stock .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	567	12	0
Saint John's Hospital .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	235	9	4
Lunatic Asylum .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	17	8	4
Received from Garland C. Gaden, Sheriff of the Northern District, on account Civil and Criminal Prosecutions .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	4	4	4
Received from the Board of Works, on account repairs to Portugal Cove Wharf .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	64	11	3
Received from Hon. Laurence O'Brien, on account Delegation expenses (return Expenditure) .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	200	0	0
Ditto from Hon. James Tobin .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	180	0	0
						£120,519	6	10

THOMAS GLEN,

Receiver General.

Receiver General's Office, }
February 15th, 1858. }

Customs Returns.

PORT OF ST. JOHN'S, NEWFOUNDLAND,

An Account of the Goods imported in the Year ended 31st December, 1857, showing the aggregate Quantities and Value of the various Articles, and amount of Duty collected thereon.

ARTICLES IMPORTED.	QUANTITY.	VALUE.	DUTY.
Ale, Porter, Cider, and Perry, in Bottles,	4,156	Doz.	£155 17 5
in Casks	110,239	Gals.	1377 19 9
Animals, viz., Horses			
Oxen and Cows			
Sheep, Swine, & Calves			
Apples	22	Brls.	1 13 0
Bacon, Hams, Tongues, Smoked Beef and Sausages	480 1 3	Cwts.	180 2 0
Beef [salted and cured]	54	Brls.	5 8 0
Biscuit	100,352	Cwts.	1254 8 0
Butter	6,605 0 22	"	990 15 8
Cheese	238 1 15	"	59 11 11
Chocolate and Cocoa	6,264	Ibs.	26 2 0
Cigars	337,700	M.	168 17 0
Coals	6,849½	Tons	342 9 6
Coffee	224,024	Lbs.	933 8 8
Feathers	45,551	"	189 15 11
Flour	534	Brls.	40 1 0
Fruit [dried]	170,771	Lbs.	711 10 11
" other descriptions			94 9 6
Lumber	32,000	Feet	4 0 0
Leather [manufactures of]			7123 10 0
Molasses	961,523	Gals.	10015 17 3
Oatmeal and Indian Meal	303	Brls.	7 11 6
Pork	481½	"	72 4 6
Ready-made Clothing			
Salt	51,344	Tons	1288 12 0
Shingles	909½	M.	45 9 3
Spirits, viz., Brandy, Gin and Cordials	31,751	Gals.	6350 4 0
Rum	203,761	"	15282 1 6
Sugar, viz., Refined	2,085 1 22	Cwts.	1251 5 4
Unrefined	16,375 3 13	"	6140 19 2
Bastard	277 1 1	"	103 19 6
Tea	518,812	Lbs.	8646 17 4
Timber	9½	Tons	0 9 6

Customs Returns.

PORT OF ST. JOHN'S, NEWFOUNDLAND,

An Account of the Goods imported in the Year ended 31st December, 1857, shewing the aggregate Quantities and Value of the various Articles, and an amount of Duty collected thereon.—[Continued.]

ARTICLES IMPORTED.	QUANTITY.	VALUE.	DUTY.
Tobacco [manufactured]	514,480	Lbs.	6,431 0 0
Stems			
Vinegar	4,793	Gals.	59 18 3
Wines, viz, in bottles	432	"	108 0 0
not in bottles, viz., Port,)			
Madeira, Hock, Burgundy,)	5,155	"	1,031 0 0
Claret, and Dry Lisbon)			
Sherry	735	"	£172 14 11
Other Wines	4,540	"	454 0 0
Goods, Wares, and Merchandise, enumerated to pay duty at the rate of 5 per cent.			6,157 19 7
Not otherwise enumerated or described			123,159 11 8
			365,709 18 10
			36,571 0 0
	Totals		£113,786 18 3

THOMAS GLEN,

Receiver General.

Custom House, }
The 31st day Dec., 1857. }

Customs Returns.

PORT OF ST. JOHNS, NEWFOUNDLAND,

Dr. AN ACCOUNT CURRENT OF RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS

December 31—To Outport Balances from last year, viz.,			
Trinity .....	.....	£525 8 7	
Carbonear .....	.....	211 16 9	
Harbor Grace.....	.....	1486 15 5	
Placentia .....	.....	30 18 0	
Burin .....	.....	164 11 10	
Harbor Briton ...	.....	39 17 10	
Gaultois .....	.....	388 16 9	
Little Placentia ...	.....	55 5 8	
		<hr/>	£2903 10 10
“ Duties, viz,			
St. John's	£95,744 9 8		
10 per cent.	9,574 8 10		
	<hr/>	105,318 18 6	
Outport .....	.....	18,042 8 7	
Local Distillation .....	.....	338 10 0	
		<hr/>	123,699 17 1
“ Light Dues, viz.,			
St. John's .....	.....	3,865 18 8	
Outports .....	.....	2,259 5 11	
		<hr/>	6,125 4 7
“ Copyright Duties ....	.....	3 3 0	
“ Fines and Forfeitures .....	.....	271 12 6	
“ Surcharges .....	.....	24 16 11	
“ Samples .....	.....	24 4 3	
“ Cape Race Light Toll .....	.....	25 6 6	
“ Barque <i>Canada</i> .....	.....	7 5 4	
“ Outport Balances, viz.,			
Twillingate .....	.....	2 1 11	
Gaultois .....	.....	0 2 1	
English Harbor...	.....	3 1 1	
		<hr/>	5 5 1
		<hr/>	£133,090 6 1

I certify that the foregoing Account is just and true in every particular, to the best of my knowledge and belief.

THOMAS GLEN,

Receiver General.

Custom House, the 31st day of December, 1857.

Customs Returns.

FOR THE YEAR ENDED THE 31st DAY OF DECEMBER, 1857.

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December 31—By Balances due Outports, viz.,			
Lamaline	£6 0 0	
St. Mary's	7 6 9	£13 6 9
“ Drawbacks, viz.,			
St. John's .....	.....	5,650 10 7	
Outports .....	.....	36 10 0	5687 0 7
“ Return Duties, viz,			
St. John's .....	.....	170 3 10	
Outports .....	.....	12 19 8	183 3 6
“ Over entries			228 16 7
“ Incidentals, viz.,			
St. John's .....	.....	295 15 3	
Outports .....	.....	15 2 10	310 18 1
“ Mr. Birkett, balance			456 19 11
“ Copyrights paid Commissariat			2 16 0
“ Board of Revenue $\frac{1}{2}$ seizures			324 6 0
“ Salaries, viz.,			
Reserved .....	.....	3,689 14 2	
Customs, St. John's .....	.....	2,944 5 8	
“ Outports .....	.....	2,360 4 10	8994 4 8
“ Cape Race Toll remitted			17 2 5
“ Treasury, viz.,			
Cash .....	.....	24,294 8 2	
Bonds .....	.....	88,103 7 10	112397 16 0
“ Outport Balances, viz.,			
Greenspond .....	.....	45 9 0	
Trinity .....	.....	208 2 0	
Carbonear .....	.....	190 5 10	
Harbor Grace.....	.....	2259 6 1	
Placentia .....	.....	12 8 2	
Little Placentia....	.....	0 0 1	
Oderin .....	.....	0 14 7	
Burin .....	.....	98 3 0	
Harbor Briton ...	.....	0 3 4	
LaPoile .....	.....	48 0 0	
Burgeo .....	.....	279 19 11	
Channel .....	.....	12 10 0	3215 2 0
“ Balance in Union Bank, to meet out- standing Drawbacks, &c.			1,258 11 7
		<hr/>	£133,090 6 1

Financial Secretary's Office,
Examined and found correct.

JAMES TOBIN,
Financial Secretary.

Customs Returns.

Total Value in Sterling of the Imports and Exports of the Colony of Newfoundland from and to each Country in the Year 1857.

COUNTRIES.	IMPORTS THEREFROM.	EXPORTS THERETO.
United Kingdom	£577,277 0 0	£551,185 0 0
British Colonies, viz.,		
Canada	62,929 0 0	24,385 0 0
Nova Scotia	181,801 0 0	70,048 0 0
New Brunswick	9,879 0 0	376 0 0
P. E. Island	12,056 0 0	921 0 0
British Guiana	22,287 0 0	19,904 0 0
British W. Indies....	24,940 0 0	85,186 0 0
Jersey	10,086 0 0	4,108 0 0
Gibraltar .....	.....	4,293 0 0
Malta .....	.....	5,330 0 0
Mauritius .....	.....	2,603 0 0
Foreign Countries, viz. :		
Denmark	5,051 0 0	
Hanse Towns	112,335 0 0	
Spain	8,916 0 0	193,903 0 0
Portugal	15,433 0 0	149,479 0 0
Italy	2,719 0 0	88,148 0 0
Ionian Islands .....	.....	2,640 0 0
Sweden	199 0 0	
United States	340,237 0 0	87,328 0 0
Spanish W. Indies	69,496 0 0	39,001 0 0
Brazils	467 0 0	322,338 0 0
St. Pierre	1,374 0 0	
Total.....	£1,413,432 0 0	£1,651,171 0 0

Customs Returns.

GENERAL IMPORTS INTO THE COLONY OF

ARTICLES.	Countries whence Imported.	QUANTITIES IMPORTED.	
		In British vessels.	In Foreign vessels.
Animals, viz. Horses	Canada	No. 3	
	Nova Scotia	105	
	P. E. Island	6	
		114	
Oxen and Cows	Nova Scotia	No. 3329	
	P. E. Island	73	
		3402	
		No. 3706	
Sheep	Nova Scotia	3706	
	P. E. Island	35	
		3741	
		No. 2	
Swine	United Kingdom	2	
	Nova Scotia	98	
	P. E. Island	20	
		120	
Apothecaries Ware	Great Britain	£288 0 0	
	Nova Scotia	1 0 0	
	United States	83 0 0	
	St. Pierre	3 0 0	
		£375 0 0	
Medicine	Great Britain	£1764 0 0	
	Nova Scotia	11 0 0	
	New Brunswick	1 0 0	
	United States	408 0 0	£50
		£2184 0 0	£50
Arms, viz., Guns	Great Britain	No. 408	
	Jersey	12	
	Canada	20	
	Nova Scotia	4	
	United States	6	
		450	
		No. 408	

Customs Returns.

NEWFOUNDLAND IN THE YEAR 1857.

Total quantities imported.	Quantities entered for Home Consumption.	VALUE IN STERLING.		DUTY. Gross amount received in Sterling.
		Of Total Imports.	Average price fixed for the value	
No.	No.			
3	3	£60 0 0	£20 0 0	
105	105	1575 0 0	15 0 0	
6	6	90 0 0		
114	114	£1725 0 0		
No.	No.			
3329	3329	£16645 0 0	£5 0 0	
73	73	365 0 0		
3402	3402	£17010 0 0		
No.	No.			
3706	3706	£1853 0 0	0 10 0	
35	35	17 0 0		
3741	3741	£1870 0 0		
No.	No.			
2	2	£2 0 0	£1 0 0	
98	98	98 0 0		
20	20	20 0 0		
120	120	£120 0 0		
£288 0 0	£288 0 0	£288 0 0	Declared	
1 0 0	1 0 0	1 0 0	"	
83 0 0	83 0 0	83 0 0	"	
3 0 0	3 0 0	3 0 0	"	
£375 0 0	£375 0 0	£375 0 0		
£1764 0 0	£1764 0 0	£1764 0 0	Declared	
11 0 0	11 0 0	11 0 0	"	
1 0 0	1 0 0	1 0 0	"	
458 0 0	458 0 0	458 0 0	"	
£2234 0 0	£2234 0 0	£2234 0 0		
No.	No.			
408	408	£607 0 0	Declared	
12	12	34 0 0	"	
20	20	45 0 0	"	
4	4	9 0 0	"	
6	6	9 0 0	"	
450	450	£704 0 0		

Customs Returns.

GENERAL IMPORTS INTO THE COLONY OF

ARTICLES.	Countries whence Imported.	QUANTITIES IMPORTED.	
		In British vessels.	In Foreign vessels
Gunpowder	Great Britain	lbs. 48000	
	Jersey	300	
	Nova Scotia	225	
	United States	125	
		48650	
Lead Shot	Great Britain	Cwts. 1391	
	Jersey	10	
	Nova Scotia	11	
	United States	1	
		1413	
Bacon and Hams	Great Britain	Cwts. 88	
	Jersey	1	
	Canada	10	
	Nova Scotia	6	
	P. E. Island	6	
	Denmark	10	
	Hamburg	281	Cwts. 41
	Portugal	1	
	United States	200	21
	St. Pierre	1	
		554	65
	Beef	Great Britain	Brls. 90
Jersey		10	
Canada		37	
Nova Scotia		307	
New Brunswick		2	
P. E. Island		30	
Hamburg		20	
United States		2227	152
		2723	152
Beer and Cider	Great Britain	Dozs. 3734½	
	Nova Scotia	3	
	Hamburg		400
	United States	19	
		3756½	400

Customs Returns.

NEWFOUNDLAND IN THE YEAR 1857.

Total quantities imported.	Quantities entered for Home Consumption.	VALUE IN STERLING.		DUTY. Gross Amount received in Sterling.
		Of Total Imports.	Average price fixed for the value	
lbs. 48000	lbs. 48000	£1280 0 0	Declared	
300	300	12 0 0	"	
255	225	10 0 0	"	
125	125	4 0 0	"	
48650	48650	£1306 0 0		
Cwts. 1391	Cwts. 1391	£2039 0 0	Declared	
10	10	15 0 0	"	
11	11	16 0 0	"	
1	1	1 0 0	"	
1413	1413	£2071 0 0		
Cwts. 88	Cwts. 88	£330 0 0	£3 15 0	
1	1	4 0 0		
10	10	28 0 0	2 16 0	
6	6	17 0 0		
6	6	17 0 0		
10	10	37 0 0	3 15 0	
272	272	1020 0 0		
1	1	4 0 0		
224	224	627 0 0	2 16 0	
1	1	4 0 0	3 15 0	
619	619	£2088 0 0		
Brls. 90	Brls. 90	£405 0 0	£4 10 0	
10	10	45 0 0		
37	37	74 0 0	2 0 0	
307	307	614 0 0		
2	2	4 0 0		
30	30	60 0 0		
20	20	90 0 0	4 10 0	
2879	2379	4758 0 0	2 0 0	
2875	2875	£6050 0 0		
Dozs. 3734½	Dozs. 3734½	£934 0 0	0 5 0	
3	3	1 0 0		
400	400	100 0 0		
19	19	5 0 0		
4156½	4156½	£1040 0 0		

Customs Returns.

GENERAL IMPORTS INTO THE COLONY OF

ARTICLES.	Countries whence Imported.	QUANTITIES IMPORTED.	
		In British vessels.	In Foreign vessels
Beer and Cider	Great Britain	Gallons. 94481	
	Jersey	387	
	Canada	440	
	Nova Scotia	11565	
	Hamburg	30	2025
	United States	1311	
		108214	2025
Bread	Great Britain	Cwts. 4165	
	Jersey	7040	
	Canada	1085	
	Nova Scotia	1503	
	New Brunswick	61	Cwts.
	Denmark	1538	3580
	Hamburg	54889	29548
	United States	5741	1008
	St. Pierre	16	
	70038	34136	
Bricks	Great Britain	No. 283925	
	Canada	74000	
	Nova Scotia	37000	
	Hamburg	314426	183378
	United States	125000	
		831351	183378
Butter	Great Britain	Cwts. 901	
	Canada	2991	
	Nova Scotia	6794	8
	New Brunswick	4	
	P. F. Island	42	
	Denmark	100	
	Hamburg	3387	2640
	United States	2964	614
	St. Pierre	24	
		17207	3257

Customs Returns.

NEWFOUNDLAND IN THE YEAR 1857.

Total quantities imported.	Quantities entered for Home Consumption.	VALUE IN STERLING.		DUTY. Gross amount received in Sterling.
		Of Total Imports.	Average price fixed for the value	
Gallons. 94481	Gallons. 94481	£4721 0 0	£0 1 0	
387	387	19 0 0		
440	440	22 0 0		
11565	11565	578 0 0		
2055	2055	103 0 0		
1311	1311	66 0 0		
110239	110239	5512 0 0		
Cwts. 4165	Cwts. 4165	£2915 0 0	£0 14 0	
1040	1040	728 0 0		
1085	1085	759 0 0		
1503	1503	1052 0 0		
61	61	43 0 0		
5118	5118	4094 0 0	0 16 0	
84137	84137	67550 0 0		
6749	6749	4724 0 0	0 14 0	
16	16	11 0 0		
104174	104174	£81876 0 0		
No. 283925	No. 283925	£381 0 0	Declared	
74000	74000	61 0 0	"	
37000	37000	81 0 0	"	
497804	497803	543 0 0	"	
125000	125000	157 0 0	"	
1017729	1017729	£1223 0 0		
Cwts. 901	Cwts. 901	£4054 0 0	£4 10 0	
2991	2991	11964 0 0	4 0 0	
6797	6797	27188 0 0		
4	4	16 0 0		
42	42	168 0 0		
100	100	325 0 0	3 5 0	
6027	6027	19588 0 0		
3578	3578	14312 0 0	4 0 0	
24	24	96 0 0		
20164	20164	£77711 0 0		

Customs Returns.

GENERAL IMPORTS INTO THE COLONY OF

ARTICLES.	Countries whence Imported.	QUANTITIES IMPORTED.	
		In British vessels.	In Foreign vessels.
Cabinet Wares	Great Britain	£1465 0 0	
	Nova Scotia	181 0 0	
	P. E. Island	46 0 0	
	British W. Indies	10 0 0	
	Hamburg	477 0 0	18
	United States	776 0 0	
		£2955 0 0	18
Candles		lbs.	
	Great Britain	75120	
	Jersey	425	
	Canada	1470	
	Nova Scotia	16655	
	Spain		3500
	Portugal	2088	3230
	United States	121221	7080
	St. Pierre	102	
	217081	13810	
Cheese		Cwts.	
	Great Britain	204	
	Jersey	10	
	Canada	3	
	Nova Scotia	205	2
	New Brunswick	1	
	Hamburg	16	5
	United States	233	64
	672	71	
Chocolate and Cocoa		lbs.	
	Great Britain	16080	
	Nova Scotia	10855	
	United States	3400	350
	St. Pierre	78	
	30413	350	
Clocks and Watches	Great Britain	£163 0 0	
	Nova Scotia	51 0 0	
	United States	370 0 0	88
		£884 0 0	88

Customs Returns.

NEWFOUNDLAND IN THE YEAR 1857.

Total quantities imported.	Quantities entered for Home Consumption.	VALUE IN STERLING.		DUTY.
		Of Total Imports.	Average price fixed for the value	
				Gross Amount received in Sterling.
£1465	£1465	£1465	Declared	
181	181	181	"	
46	46	46	"	
10	10	10	"	
495	495	495	"	
776	776	776	"	
£2973	2973	£2973		
	lbs.			
75120	75120	£2574	Declared	
425	425	13	"	
1470	1470	47	"	
16655	16655	431	"	
3500	3500	119	"	
5318	5318	125	"	
128301	128301	3581	"	
102	102	4	"	
230891	230891	£6894		
	Cwts.			
204	204	£918	90s.	
10	10	30	60s.	
3	3	7	50s.	
207	207	517	"	
1	1	2	"	
21	21	63	60s.	
297	297	668	45s.	
743	743	£2205		
	lbs.			
16080	16080	£402	Gd.	
10855	10855	271		
3750	3750	94		
78	78	2		
30763	30763	£769		
£163	£163	£163	Declared	
51	51	51	"	
458	458	458	"	
£972	£972	£972		

Customs Returns.

GENERAL IMPORTS INTO THE COLONY OF

ARTICLES.	Countries whence Imported.	QUANTITIES IMPORTED.	
		In British vessels.	In Foreign vessels.
Coals		Tons.	
	Great Britain	6769½	
	Jersey	80	
	Nova Scotia	33253	21
	United States	116	
		40218½	21
Coffee		lbs.	
	Great Britain	97068	
	Canada	638	
	Nova Scotia	7712	
	New Brunswick	20	
	British W. Indies	927	
	United States	75158	
	Brazils	1644	
	Spanish W. Indies	21080	
	St. Pierre	308	
		204555	
Corks and Corkwood		£20	
	Great Britain	4	
	Jersey	74	
	Canada	4	
	Nova Scotia	10	
	Spain	195	22
	Portugal	307	22
Coke		Tons.	
	Great Britain	21	
Cordage and Cables		Cwts.	
	Great Britain	16341	
	Jersey	300	
	Canada	160	
	Nova Scotia	108	
	Hamburg	563	553
	Spain	14	
	United States	15	
	St. Pierre	37	
			17538

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Total quantities imported.	Quantities entered for Home Consumption.	VALUE IN STERLING.		DUTY. Gross amount received in Sterling.
		Of Total Imports.	Average price fixed for the value	
Tons.	Tons.			
6769½	6769½	£3385	10s.	
80	80	40	"	
33277	33277	19966	12	
116	116	70	"	
40242½	40242½	£23461		
Lbs.	Lbs.			
97068	91101	£2277	6d.	
638	638	16		
7712	7712	193		
20	20	1		
927	927	23		
75158	75158	1878		
1644	1644	41		
21080	16516	1163		
308	308	8		
204555	221021	£5600		
£20	£20	£20	Declared	
4	4	4	"	
74	74	74	"	
4	4	4	"	
10	10	10	"	
217	217	217	"	
£329	£329	£329		
Tons.	Tons.			
21	21	£10		
Cwts.	Cwts.			
16341	16341	£30246	Declared	
300	300	648	"	
160	160	378	"	
108	108	290	"	
1116	1116	2070	"	
14	14	13	"	
15	15	40	"	
37	37	101	"	
18091	18091	£39786		

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GENERAL IMPORTS INTO THE COLONY OF

ARTICLES.	Countries whence Imported.	QUANTITIES IMPORTED.	
		In British vessels.	In Foreign vessels
Corn, Grain, and Oats	Great Britain	Bshls. 140	
	Canada	218	
	Nova Scotia	2912	
	P. E. Island	20028	
		33228	
Wheat	Canada	Bshls. 230	
	United States	10	
		240	
Oatmeal	Great Britain	Brls. 657½	
	Canada	190	
	Nova Scotia	45	
	P. E. Island	78	
	Hamburg	157½	47
	United States	65	5
	1193	52	
Beans	Nova Scotia	Bshls. 2	
	Portugal		40
	United States	85	
		87	40
Peas	Great Britain	Brls. 103	
	Canada	1338	
	Nova Scotia	40	
	Hamburg	250	95
	United States	273	42
		2004	137
Barley	Great Britain	Bshls. 121	
	Canada	10	
	Nova Scotia	4	
	P. E. Island	1110	
	Hamburg	50	
		1295	
Bran	Great Britain	Bshls. 40	
	United States	624	
	Total.....	664	

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Total quantities imported.	Quantities entered for Home Consumption.	VALUE IN STERLING.	
		Of Total Imports.	Average price fixed for the value.
Bshls. 140	Bshls. 140	£10	1s. 6d.
218	218	16	
2912	2912	221	
20028	20028	2245	
33228	33228	£2492	
Bshls. 230	Bshls. 230	£29	2s. 6d.
10	10	1	
240	240	£30	
Brls. 657½	Brls. 657½	£592	18s.
190	190	171	
45	45	40	
78	78	70	
204½	204½	184	
70	70	63	
1245	1245	£1120	
Bshls. 2	Bshls. 2		Declared
40	40	£6	3s.
85	85	13	
127	127	£19	
Brls. 103	Brls. 103	£108	21s.
1338	1338	1405	
40	40	42	
345	345	869	Declared
315	315	331	21s.
2141	2141	£2255	
Bshls. 121	Bshls. 121	£12	2s.
10	10	1	
4	4		
1110	1110	111	
50	50	49	Declared
1295	1295	£173	
Bshls. 40	Bshls. 40	£6	3s.
624	624	94	
664	664	£100	

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GENERAL IMPORTS INTO THE COLONY OF

ARTICLES.	Countries whence Imported.	QUANTITIES IMPORTED.	
		In British vessels.	In Foreign vessels
Corn—Indian	Canada	Bshls. 1900	
	Nova Scotia	20	
	New Brunswick	30	
	United States	2462	550
		4412	550
Corn Meal	Great Britain	Brls. 25	
	Canada	183	
	Nova Scotia	405	20
	United States	5851	2278
		6464	2298
Flour	Great Britain	Brls. 264	
	Canada	24595	
	Nova Scotia	6702	40
	New Brunswick	155	
	Hamburg	450	
	United States	89271	31142
	St. Pierre	203	
		121640	31182
Earthen and China Ware	Great Britain	£4888	
	Jersey	73	
	Canada	7	
	Nova Scotia	244	
	United States	1	£34
	St. Pierre	1	
	5214	£34	
Fishing Tackle	Great Britain	£33406	
	Jersey	1857	
	Nova Scotia	608	
	United States	389	£43
	St. Pierre	50	
		£36310	£43
Fish, viz.,—preserved	Great Britain	8 Cans	

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Total quantities imported.	Quantities entered for Home Consumption.	VALUE IN STERLING	
		Of Total Imports.	Average price fixed for the value.
Bushels. 1900	Bushels, 1900	£332	3s. 6d.
20	20	3	
30	30	5	
3012	3012	527	
4962	4962	£867	
Barrels. 25	Barrels. 25	£17	13s. 6d.
183	183	124	
425	425	287	
8129	8129	5487	
8762	8762	£5915	
Barrels. 264	Barrels. 264	£317	24s.
24595	24595	29514	
6742	6742	8090	
155	155	186	
450	450	540	
120413	120413	144496	
203	203	244	
152822	152822	£183387	
£4888	£4888	£4888	Declared
73	73	73	"
7	7	7	"
244	244	244	"
35	35	35	"
1	1	1	"
£5248	£5248	£5248	
£33406	£33406	£33406	Declared
1857	1857	1857	"
608	608	608	"
432	432	432	"
50	50	50	"
£36353	£36353	£36353	
8 Cans.	8 Cans.	£8	20s.

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GENERAL IMPORTS INTO THE COLONY OF

ARTICLES.	Countries whence Imported.	QUANTITIES IMPORTED.	
		In British vessels.	In Foreign vessels.
Herrings	Canada	Boxes.	
	Nova Scotia	990	
	New Brunswick	37	
	United States	734	
		50	
		1811	
Mackerel	Nova Scotia	Barrels.	
		2½	
Lobsters	P. E. Island	30 Cans.	
Oysters	Nova Scotia	Brls.	
	P. E. Island	366	
	United States	478	
		6	22
		850	22
Tongues and Sounds	P. E. Island	Brls.	
		14	
Feathers	Great Britain	lbs.	
	Nova Scotia	19720	
	Spain	20	
	Portugal	3118	2240
	Italian States	9438	2000
	Elba	8791	
		224	
	41311	4240	
Fruit, viz., Dried	Great Britain	lbs.	
	Jersey	67106	
	Canada	20	
	Nova Scotia	8391	
	Spain	69034	
	Portugal	365	
	Italian States	2134	
	United States	111	
	Brazils	17979	5587
	St. Pierre	30	
		14	
	165184	5587	

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Total quantities imported.	Quantities entered for Home Consumption.	VALUE IN STERLING.	
		Of Total Imports.	Average price fixed for the value.
Boxes.	Boxes.		
990	990	£99	2s.
37	37	4	
734	734	73	
50	50	5	
1811	1811	£181	
Barrels.	Brls.		
2½	2½	£2	20s.
30 Cans.	30 Cans.	£30	20s.
Brls. Cans.	Brls. Cans.		
366	366	£183	10s.
478	478	239	"
6	6	25	"
850	850	£447	
Brls.	Brls.		
14	14	£7	10s.
lbs.	lbs.		
19720	19720	£493	6d.
20	20		
5358	5358	134	
11438	11438	286	
8791	8791	220	
224	224	6	
45551	45551	£1159	
lbs.	lbs.		
67106	67106	£1678	6d.
20	20		
8391	8391	210	
69034	69034	1726	
365	365	9	
2134	2134	53	
111	111	3	
23566	23566	589	
30	30	1	
14	14		
170771	170771	£4269	

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GENERAL IMPORTS INTO THE COLONY OF

ARTICLES.	Countries whence Imported	QUANTITIES IMPORTED.	
		In British vessels.	In Foreign vessels
Apples	Canada	Brls. 56	
	Nova Scotia	1114	
	New Brunswick	8	
	Jersey	7½	
	Portugal	13½	
	United States	1167	401
	St. Pierre	1	
			2867	401
Plums	Nova Scotia	278 Pkgs.	
	Great Britain	£105	
Fruit (other sorts)	Canada	1	
	Nova Scotia	9	
	British W. Indies	21	
	British Guiana	7	
	Hamburg	59	
	Spain	14	£10
	Portugal	237	1
	Italian States	6	
	United States	450	6
	Spanish W. Indies	7	
	Brazils	11	
		£921	23
Glassware	Great Britain	£1179	
	Jersey	19	
	Nova Scotia	6	
	Hamburg	69	£271
	United States	506	26
		£1779	£300
Hardware (10 per cent.)	Great Britain	£25,700	
	Jersey	280	
	Canada	106	
	Nova Scotia	519	
	Hamburgh		£37
	United States	2619	161
	St. Pierre	41	10
		£29,298	£208

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NEWFOUNDLAND IN THE YEAR 1857.

Total quantities imported.	Quantities entered for Home Consumption.	VALUE IN STERLING	
		Of Total Imports.	Average price fixed for the value.
Barrels.	Barrels.		
56	56	£28	10s.
1114	1114	557	
8	8	4	
7½	7½	4	
13½	13½	7	
1568	1568	781	
1	1		
2768	2768	£1384	
278 Pkgs.	278 Pkgs.	£56	1s.
£105	£105	£105	Declared
1	1	1	"
9	9	9	"
21	21	21	"
7	7	7	"
50	50	50	"
30	30	30	"
238	238	238	"
6	6	6	"
456	456	456	"
7	7	7	"
11	11	11	"
£944	£944	£944	
£1179	£1179	£1179	Declared
19	19	19	"
6	6	6	"
343	343	343	"
532	532	532	"
£2079	£2079	£2079	
£25700	£25700	£25700	Declared
280	280	280	"
106	106	106	"
519	519	519	"
37	37	37	"
2810	2810	2810	"
54	54	54	"
£29500	£29500	£29500	

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GENERAL IMPORTS INTO THE COLONY OF

ARTICLES.	Countries whence Imported.	QUANTITIES IMPORTED.	
		In British vessels.	In Foreign vessels.
Hardware (5 per cent.)	Great Britain	£24490	
	Jersey	140	
	Nova Scotia	208	
	New Brunswick	2	
	United States	3	6
	Gottenburg		199
		£24843	205
Iron (Pig)	Great Britain	40 TONS	
		Cwts.	
	Jersey	1	
	Nova Scotia	11	
	Hamburg	17	Cwts.
Lard	United States	61	1
		90	1
Lead	Great Britain	Cwts.	
		611	
Lead Paint	Great Britain	Cwts.	
	Jersey	1909	
	Nova Scotia	9	
	United States	5	Cwts.
		2	12
		1925	12
Leather and Earthenwares	Great Britain	£56821	
	Jersey	1469	
	Canada	48	
	Nova Scotia	1215	
	New Brunswick	6	
	Hamburg	8941	7477
	Portugal	311	
	United States	10997	1147
	St. Pierre	33	
			79841
Meat and Poultry	Nova Scotia	£3700	
	P. E. Island	502	
	Portugal	1	
			£4203

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Total quantities imported.	Quantities entered for Home Consumption.	VALUE IN STERLING.	
		Of Total Imports.	Average price fixed for the value.
£24490	£24490	£24490	Declared
140	140	140	
208	208	208	
2	2	2	
9	9	9	
199	199	199	
£25048	£25048	£25048	
40 TONS	40 TONS	£115	Declared
Cwts.	Cwts.		
1	1	£4	80s.
11	11	44	
17	17	72	
62	62	247	
91	91	£368	
Cwts.	Cwts.		
611	611	£797	Declared
Cwts.	Cwts.		
1909	1909	£2496	Declared
9	9	14	
5	5	5	
14	14	17	
1937	1937	£2532	
£56821	£56821	£56821	Declared
1469	1469	1469	
48	48	48	
1215	1215	1215	
6	6	6	
16418	16418	16418	
311	311	311	
12144	12144	12144	
33	33	33	
£88465	£88465	£88465	
£3700	£3700	£3700	Declared
502	502	502	
1	1	1	
£4203	£4203	£4203	

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ARTICLES.	Countries whence Imported	QUANTITIES IMPORTED.	
		In British vessels	In Foreign vessels
Miscellaneous Articles	Great Britain	£3607	
	Jersey	23	
	Canada	25	
	Nova Scotia	323	
	P. E. Island	15	
	Hamburg	16	£289
	Spain	8	11
	Portugal	68	4
	United States	795	61
	Spanish W. Indies	6	
	Brazils	1	
	Elba	12	
	St. Pierre	13	
			£4912	£365
Molasses	Nova Scotia	Gallons. 88051	
	New Brunswick	140	
	British W. Indies	221085	
	British Guiana	167803	
	Great Britain	876	
	United States	162939	6562
	Spanish W. Indies	155717	156984
	St. Pierre	365	
		796976	163546
Manufac's of India Rubber	Canada	£57	
	Nova Scotia	83	
	United States	971	£49
			£1110	£49
Oakum	Great Britain	Cwts. 1659	
	Jersey	10	
	Nova Scotia	10	
	Hamburg	75	Cwts. 53
	United States	48	
			1803

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Total quantities im- ported.	Quantities entered for Home Consumption.	VALUE IN STERLING.	
		Of Total Imports.	Average price fixed for the value.
£3607	£3607	£3607	Declared.
23	23	23	
25	25	25	
323	323	323	
15	15	15	
305	305	305	
19	19	19	
72	72	72	
856	856	856	
6	6	6	
1	1	1	
12	12	12	
13	13	13	
£5277	£5277	£5277	
Gallons. 88051	Gallons. 82158	£7338	1s. 8d.
140	140	12	
221085	221325	18428	
167803	171411	13983	
876	876	73	
169501	169501	14125	
312701	305147	26058	
365	365	30	
960522	961523	£80043	
£57	£57	£57	Declared.
83	83	83	
1020	1020	1020	
£1160	£1160	£1160	
Cwts. 1659	Cwts. 1659	£2047	Declared.
10	10	12	
10	10	12	
128	128	161	
49	49	92	
1856	1856	£2824	

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ARTICLES.	Countries whence Imported.	QUANTITIES IMPORTED.	
		In British vessels.	In Foreign vessels
Oil, viz., Linseed	Great Britain	Gallons. 13914	
	Jersey	200	
	Nova Scotia	155	
	United States	48	20
		14297	20
Olive	Great Britain	Gallons. 401	
	Jersey	50	
	Nova Scotia	240	
	Portugal	946	
	Italian States	4	
	United States	344	
	St. Pierre	7	
	1992		
Paper Manufactures	Great Britain	£3557	
	Jersey	7	
	Canada	30	
	Nova Scotia	172	
	United States	132	£9
	St. Pierre		
	3898	£9	
Printed Books	Great Britain	1535	
	Jersey	16	
	Canada	20	
	Nova Scotia	880	
	New Brunswick	30	
	United States	297	1
	2778	1	
Pictures	Great Britain	734	
	Nova Scotia	16	
	Italian States	4	
	United States	101	15
		£858	15

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Total quantities imported.	Quantities entered for Home Consumption.	VALUE IN STERLING.	
		Of Total Imports.	Average price fixed for the value.
Gallons. 13914	Gallons. 13914	£2878	Declared
200	200	40	"
155	155	34	"
48	48	10	"
14317	14317	£2962	
Gallons. 401	Gallons. 401	£111	Declared
50	50	8	"
240	240	72	"
946	[946	186	"
4	4	1	"
344	344	109	"
7	7	4	"
1992	1992	£491	
£3557	£3557	£3557	Declared
7	7	7	"
30	30	30	"
172	172	172	"
141	141	141	"
£3907	£3907	£3907	
£1535	£1535	£1535	Declared
16	16	16	"
20	20	20	"
880	880	880	"
30	30	30	"
298	298	298	"
£2779	£2779	£2779	
£734	£734	£734	Declared
16	16	16	"
4	4	4	"
119	119	119	"
£873	£873	£873	

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ARTICLES.	Countries whence Imported.	QUANTITIES IMPORTED.	
		In British vessels.	In Foreign vessels.
Pitch, Tar, and Turpentine	Great Britain	Brls. 2551	
	Jersey	42	
	Nova Scotia	173	
	Hamburg	445	100
	United States	2242	585
	St. Pierre	12	
			5465	685
Plate and Jewellery	Great Britain	£331	
	Nova Scotia	613	
		£944	
Pork	Great Britain	Brls. 2637	
	Jersey	83	
	Canada	537	
	Nova Scotia	1441	
	New Brunswick	19	
	P. E. Island	35	
	Denmark	50	
	Hamburgh	280	16½
	United States	18946	3790
	St. Pierre	32	
			24060	3806½
Potatoes	Great Britain	Bshls. 774	
	Nova Scotia	1475	
	P. E. Island	53337	
	Jersey	4680	
	Spain		130
	Portugal	160	260
	United States	8	14
	St. Pierre	8	
			60442	404
Vegetables	Great Britain	Bshls. 5	
	Nova Scotia	741	23
	P. E. Island	17538	
	British W. Indies	3	
	Spain		32
			18287

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Total quantities imported.	Quantities entered for Home Consumption.	VALUE IN STERLING	
		Of Total Imports.	Average price fixed for the value.
Barrels. 2551	Barrels. 2551	£1268	Declared
42	42	32	10s.
173	173	86	"
545	545	479	"
2827	2827	1413	"
12	12	6	"
6150	6150	£3284	
£331	£331	£331	Declared
613	613	613	"
£944	£944	£944	
Barrels. 2637	Barrels. 2637	£11866	90s.
83	83	373	"
537	537	1879	70s.
1441	1441	5043	"
19	19	66	"
35	35	122	"
50	50	225	90s.
296½	296½	1334	"
22736	22736	79576	70s.
32	32	112	"
27866½	27866½	£100596	
Bushels. 774	Bushels. 774	£52	1s. 4d.
1475	1475	98	
53337	53337	3556	
4680	4680	312	
130	130	9	
420	420	28	
22	22	1	
8	8		
60846	60846	£4056	
Bushels. 5	Bushels. 5		2s.
764	764	£76	
17538	17538	1754	
3	3		
32	32	3	
18342	18342	£1833	

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ARTICLES.	Countries whence Imported.	QUANTITIES IMPORTED.	
		In British vessels.	In Foreign vessels.
Vegetables (Continued)		Bushels.	Bushels.
	Portugal	18287	55
	United States	353	140
	St. Pierre	557	247
		28	
		19225	442
Religious purposes, articles for	Great Britain	£1030	
	United States	55	
		£1085	
Rice.		Cwts.	
	Great Britain	1580	
	Nova Scotia	8	
	Hamburg	9	
	United States	103	12
		1700	12
Salt		Tons.	
	Great Britain	26803	
	Jersey	815	
	Nova Scotia	2493	
	New Brunswick	82	
	British W. Indies	140	
	Spain	4017	4049
	Portugal	8227	995
	Italian States	2608	
	Elba	667	
	United States	72	214
	Spanish W. Indies		40
	St. Pierre	112	10
		46036	5308
Soap		Cwts.	
	Great Britain	7124	
	Jersey	22	
	Canada	223	
	Nova Scotia	216	
	New Brunswick	1	Cwts.
	United States	138	9
	St. Pierre	7	
	7731	9	

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Total quantities imported.	Quantities entered for Home Consumption.	VALUE IN STERLING.	
		Of Total Imports.	Average price fixed for the value.
Bushels.	Bushels.		
18342	18342	£1833	2s.
493	493	49	
804	804	80	
28	28	3	
19667	19667	£1965	
£1030	£1030	£1030	Declared
55	55	55	"
£1085	£1085	£1085	
Cwts.	Cwts.		
1580	1580	£1052	Declared
8	8	8	20s.
9	9	9	"
115	115	115	"
1712	1712	£1184	
Tons.	Tons.		
26803	26803	£20102	15s.
815	815	611	
2493	2493	1870	
82	82	61	
140	140	105	
8066	8066	6049	
9222	9222	6916	
2608	2608	1956	
667	667	500	
286	286	214	
40	40	30	
122	122	91	
51344	51344	£38505	
Cwts.	Cwts.		
7124	7124	£6780	Declared
22	22	26	"
223	223	153	"
216	216	243	"
1	1	2	"
147	147	175	"
7	7	5	"
7740	7740	£7384	

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ARTICLES.	Countries whence Imported.	QUANTITIES IMPORTED.	
		In British vessels.	In Foreign vessels
Seeds, 10 per cent.	Great Britain	£521	
	Nova Scotia	44	
	Hamburg		£12
	Portugal	1	
	United States	5	
		£571	£12
Seeds, fice	Great Britain	£345	
	Nova Scotia	16	
	P. E. Island	2	
	United States	32	
		£395	
Spirits, viz., Brandy	Gallons.		
	Great Britain	6414	
	Nova Scotia	1315	
	Hamburgh	144	125
	United States	3536	
	Spanish W. Indies		16
	St. Pierre	139	
		11548	141
Geneva	Gallons.		
	Great Britain	20548	
	Jersey	45	
	Nova Scotia	25	
	Hamburg	1648	112
United States	739		
		23005	112
Whiskey	Great Britain	4279 gals.	
Rum	Gallons.		
	Great Britain	7527	
	Nova Scotia	12742	
	British W. Indies	30640	
	British Guiana	42879	
	United States	20663	60
	Italian States	4	
	Spanish W. Indies	71374	5519
St. Pierre	605		
		186434	5579

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Total quantities imported.	Quantities entered for Home Consumption.	VALUE IN STERLING	
		Of Total Imports.	Average price fixed for the value.
£521	£521	£521	Declared
44	44	44	"
12	12	12	"
1	1	1	"
5	5	5	"
£583	£583	£583	
£345	£345	£345	Declared
16	16	16	"
2	2	2	"
32	32	32	"
£395	£395	£395	
Gallons.	Gallons.		
6414	5774	£4810	15s.
1315	167	886	
269	269	202	
3536	1817	2652	
16	16	12	
139	139	104	
11689	8182	£8666	
Gallons.	Gallons.		
20548	16729½	£4623	4s. 6d.
45	45	10	
25	25	6	
1760	1635	396	
739	839	166	
23117	19273½	£5201	
4279 Gallons.	4264 Gallons.	£963	4s. 6d.
Gallons.	Gallons.		
7527	6921	£1129	3s.
12742	16866	1911	
30640	30243	4596	
42879	44837	6432	
20723	18340	3108	
4	4	1	
76893	85944	11534	
605	605	91	
192013	203760	28802	

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ARTICLES.	Countries whence Imported.	QUANTITIES IMPORTED.	
		In British vessels.	In Foreign vessels.
Rum, Shrub	Canada	Gallons. 117	
Cordials	Great Britain	Gallons. 25½	
	British Guiana	1	
	St. Pierre	4½	
		31	
Stone, viz., Slates	Great Britain	No. 1030	
	Great Britain	£331	
Manufactures of Stone	Jersey	16	
	Canada	5	
	Nova Scotia	2	
	Italian States	10	
		£364	
Gypsum	United States	26 Bls.	
Lime Stone	Great Britain	Tons. 173	
	United States	Pieces. 114	
Lime	Nova Scotia	Barrels. 34	
Free Stone	Nova Scotia	Tons. 302	
Grind Stones	Nova Scotia	No. 69	
	Great Britain	Cwts. 1937	
Sugar, viz., Refined	Jersey	1	
	Nova Scotia	2	Cwts. 77
	United States	63	3
	Spanish W. Indies		
	St. Pierre	2	
		2005	80

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Total quantities imported.	Quantities entered for Home Consumption.	VALUE IN STERLING.	
		Of Total Imports.	Average price fixed for the value.
Gallons. 117		£18	3s.
Gallons. 25½	Gallons. 25½	£4	3s.
1	1	1	
4½	4½	£5	
31	31	£9	Declared
No. 1030	No. 1030	£331	Declared
£331	£331	16	"
16	16	5	"
5	5	2	"
2	2	10	"
10	10	£364	
£364	£364	£6	5s.
Barrels. 26	Barrels. 26	£50	Declared
Tons. 173	Tons. 173	£131	Declared
Pieces. 114	Pieces. 114	£8	5s.
Barrels. 34	Barrels. 34	£302	20s.
Tons. 302	Tons. 302	£17	5s.
No. 69	No. 69	£5811	60s.
Cwts. 1937	Cwts. 1937	3	
1	1	6	
2	2	420	
140	140	9	
3	3	6	
2	2	£6255	
2085	2085		

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GENERAL IMPORTS INTO THE COLONY OF

ARTICLES.	Countries whence Imported.	QUANTITIES IMPORTED.	
		In British vessels.	In Foreign vessels
Unrefined	Great Britain	Cwts. 40	
	Nova Scotia	297	
	British W. Indies	1148	
	British Guiana	1196	Cwts.
	United States	44	3
	Spanish W. Indies	15285	5069
	Brazils	274	
	St. Pierre	2	
		18236	5072
Bastard	Great Britain	Cwts. 269	
	United States	8	
		277	
Tea	Great Britain	Lbs. 410758	
	Jersey	3889	
	Canada	1484	
	Nova Scotia	15267	
	New Brunswick	166	
	Hamburg	1770	
	United States	70017	1645
	St. Pierre	1385	
		504786	1645
Tallow	United States	Lbs. 6923	
Tobacco, viz., Stems	Nova Scotia	Cwts. 35	
Leaf	United States	Cwts. 102	
Manufactured	Great Britain	Lbs. 843	
	Nova Scotia	23684	
	New Brunswick	144	
	United States	452032	46937
	St. Pierre	617	
		477320	46937

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Total quantities imported.	Quantities entered for Home Consumption.	VALUE IN STERLING	
		Of Total Imports.	Average price fixed for the value.
Cwts. 40	Cwts. 40	£60	30s.
297	297	445	
1148	1658	1722	
1196	1344	1794	
47	47	70	
20301	12714	30456	
274	274	411	
2	2	3	
23308	16376	£31961	
Cwts. 269	Cwts. 269	£538	40s.
8	8	16	
277	277	£554	
lbs. 410758	lbs. 423229	£22249	1s. 1d.
3889	3889	211	
1484	1484	80	
15267	15267	827	
166	166	9	
1770	1770	96	
71662	71622	3882	
1385	1385	75	
506381	513812	£27429	
lbs. 6923	lbs. 6923	£173	
Cwts. 35	Cwts. 35	£49	28s.
Cwts. 102	Cwts. 102	£399	
lbs. 843	lbs. 843	£28	8d.
23684	23684	789	
144	144	5	
498969	489192	16632	
617	617	21	
524257	514480	£17475	

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ARTICLES.	Countries whence Imported.	QUANTITIES IMPORTED.	
		In British vessels.	In Foreign vessels
Cigars	Canada	No. 64050	
	Hamburg	1500	
	United States	137800	
	Spanish W. Indies	61300	71250
	Brazils	2000	
	St. Pierre	300	
		266950	71250
Turpentine and Varnish		Brls.	
	Great Britain	136	
	Nova Scotia	3	
	Hamburgh	5	
	United States	116	4
		260	4
Vinegar		Gallons.	
	Great Britain	1302	
	Jersey	25	
	Canada	60	
	Nova Scotia	224	
	Portugal		40
United States	3108	54	
		4719	74
Wine, 4s. per Gallon		Gallons.	
	Great Britain	1134	
	Portugal	11655	
	United States	104	
		12893	
Wine, 5s. per Gallon		Gallons.	
	Great Britain	134	
	Jersey	12	
	P. E. Island	20	
	British Guiana	2	
	Hamburg	4	28
	Spain		80
	Portugal	2	
	United States	4	
	St. Pierre	20	
		198	108

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NEWFOUNDLAND IN THE YEAR 1857.

Total quantities imported.	Quantities entered for Home Consumption.	VALUE IN STERLING.	
		Of Total Imports.	Average price fixed for the value.
No.	No.		
64050	64050	£64	20s.
1500	1500	1	"
137800	137800	138	20s.
132550	132050	198	30s.
2000	2000	2	20s.
300	300		"
338200	337700	£403	
Barrels.	Barrels.		
136	136	£294	Declared
3	3	14	"
5	5	16	"
120	120	320	"
264	264	£644	
Gallons.	Gallons.		
1302	1302	£130	2s.
25	25	3	
60	60	6	
224	224	22	
40	40	4	
3142	3142	£314	
4793	4793	£479	
Gallons.	Gallons.		
1134	429	£642	11s.
11655	4726	6410	
104		57	
12893	5155	£7109	
Gallons.	Gallons.		
134	260	£84	12s. 6d.
12	12	7	
20	20	12	
2	2	1	
32	32	20	
80	80	50	
2	2	1	
4	4	2	
20	20	12	
306	432	£189	

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ARTICLES.	Countries whence Imported.	QUANTITIES IMPORTED.	
		In British vessels.	In Foreign vessels.
Wine, 2s. 6d. per Gallon and 12½ per cent.	Great Britain	Gallons. 751	
	Spain	357	57
	Portugal	301	
		1409	57
Wine, 2s. per Gallon	Great Britain	Gallons. 768	
	Spain		5979
	Portugal	380	554
	Italian States		
		1148	6533
Woollens, Silks, Linens, Cottons, and Slops	Great Britain	£240520	
	Jersey	2043	
	Canada	12	
	Nova Scotia	2633	
	New Brunswick	87	
	Denmark	119	160
	Hamburg	2664	2532
	United States	5894	611
	St. Pierre	148	
		254480	3303
Wood Wares	Great Britain	£1906	
	Jersey	167	
	Canada	164	
	Nova Scotia	2273	17
	New Brunswick	11	
	P. E. Island	11	
	British W. Indies	36	
	British Guiana	20	
	Denmark	30	61
	Hamburg	84	95
	Spain		1
	Portugal	2	
	United States	3417	385
	St. Pierre	21	
	8142	559	

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Total quantities imported.	Quantities entered for Home Consumption.	VALUE IN STERLING	
		Of Total Imports.	Average price fixed for the value.
Gallons. 751	Gallons. 270	£413	11s.
414	414	228	
301	51	166	
1466	735	£807	
Gallons. 768	Gallons. 720	£288	7s. 6d.
5979	2596	2242	
934	1190	350	
7681	4506	£2880	
£240520	£240520	£240520	Declared
2403	2403	2403	"
12	12	12	"
2633	3633	2633	"
87	87	87	"
279	279	279	"
5196	5196	5196	"
6505	6505	6505	"
148	148	148	"
£257783	£257783	£257783	
£1906	£1906	£1906	Declared
167	167	167	"
164	164	164	"
2190	2290	2290	"
11	11	11	"
11	11	11	"
36	36	36	"
20	20	20	"
91	91	91	"
179	179	179	"
1	1	1	"
2	2	2	"
3802	3802	3802	"
21	21	21	"
£8701	8701	£8701	

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ARTICLES.	Countries whence Imported.	QUANTITIES IMPORTED.	
		In British vessels.	In Foreign vessels.
Canvas	Great Britain	£19569	
	Jersey	290	
	Nova Scotia	73	
	United States	394	
	St. Pierre	9	
			£20335
Wood, viz., Shooks and Casks		No.	
	Great Britain	11744	
	Canada	189756	
	Nova Scotia	4106	
	United States	1049	8143
			206655	1843
Billets	Nova Scotia	No. 350	
		Dozs. 208	
Blocks	Great Britain	208	
	Canada	20	
	Hamburg	335	216
		563	216
Board and Plank		Feet.	
	Jersey	32000	
	Canada	268748	
	Nova Scotia	4084502	
	New Brunswick	2880128	
	P. E. Island	389781	
	United States	8625	16445
	St. Pierre	500	
		7664284	16445
Laths	Nova Scotia	No. 236600	
	New Brunswick	498900	
		735500	
Staves		No.	
	Canada	1761319	
	Nova Scotia	554173	
	New Brunswick	53000	
	P. E. Island	182100	
	United States	71040	15500
		2621633	15500

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Total quantities imported.	Quantities entered for Home Consumption.	VALUE IN STERLING.	
		Of Total Imports.	Average price fixed for the value.
£19569	£19569	£19569	Declared
290	290	290	"
73	73	73	"
394	394	394	"
9	9	9	"
£20335	20335	£20335	
No.	No.		
11744	11744	£37	
189756	189756	593	
4106	4106	13	
2892	2892	9	
208498	208498	£652	
No.	No.		
350	350	£1	
Dozs.	Dozs.		
208	208	£149	Declared
20	20	24	"
551	551	245	"
779	779	£418	
Feet.	Feet.		
32000	32000	£64	40s.
268748	268748	537	
4084502	4084502	8169	
2880128	2880128	5760	
389781	389781	779	
25070	25070	50	
500	500	1	
7680729	7680729	£15360	
No.	No.		
236600	236600	£47	4s.
498900	498900	100	
735500	735500	£147	
No.	No.		
1761319	1761319	£12329	£7
554174	554174	3879	
53000	53000	371	
182100	182100	1274	
86540	86540	606	
2637133	2637133	18459	

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ARTICLES.	Countries whence Imported.	QUANTITIES IMPORTED.	
		In British vessels.	In Foreign vessels
Mahogany	Spanish W. Indies		Tons. 5½
Timber	Canada	Tons. 210	
	Nova Scotia	1473	
	New Brunswick	266	
	P. E. Island	249	
	United States	61	16
	Spanish W. Indies	3	
		2262	16
Shingles	Canada	No. 3349250	
	Nova Scotia	1898500	
	New Brunswick	8340750	
	P. E. Island	651000	
	United States	14000	
	St. Pierre	22000	
			14275500
Masts and Spars	Canada	No. 92	
	Nova Scotia	920	
	New Brunswick	254	
	P. E. Island	100	
	United States	1	
		1367	

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Total quantities imported.	Quantities entered for Home Consumption.	VALUE IN STERLING	
		Of Total Imports.	Average price fixed for the value.
Tons. 5½	Tons. 5½	£20	
Tons. 210	Tons. 210	£210	20s.
1473	1473	1473	
266	266	266	
249	249	249	
77	77	77	
3	3	3	
2278	2278	£2278	
No. 3349250	No. 3349250	£1005	6s.
1898500	1898500	570	
8340750	8340750	2502	
651000	651000	195	
14000	14000	4	
22000	22000	7	
14275500	14275500	£4283	
No. 92	No. 92	£92	20s.
920	920	920	
254	254	254	
100	100	100	
1	1	1	
1367	1367	£1367	

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ARTICLES.	Countries to which exported.	QUANTITIES.		
		PRODUCE AND MANUFACTURES OF THE COLONY.		
		In British vessels.	In Foreign vessels	Total.
Arms, viz., Guns	Great Britain			
	United States			
Beef	Great Britain			
	United States			
Butter	Great Britain			
	United States			
Bread	Great Britain			
	Nova Scotia			
	P. E. Island			
	British W. Indies			
	British Guiana			
	United States			
	Spanish W. Indies			
Bricks	British W. Indies			
	Nova Scotia			
Corkwood	Great Britain			
	United States			
Copper	Great Britain			
	United States			
Copper Ore	Great Britain	Cwts. 696 3 8		Cwts. 696 3 8
	Nova Scotia			
Cordage	British W. Indies			
	Portugal			
Corn	British W. Indies			
	Portugal			
Peas	British W. Indies			

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EXPORTED.		VALUE IN STERLING.			
British, Foreign, & other Colonial Produce & Manufactures.	Total.	Produce and Manufactures of the Colony.	British, Foreign, & other Colonial Produce and Manufactures.	Total.	Average price fixed for the value.
No. 1	No. 1		£4	£4	
144 Bls.	144 Bls.		£288	£288	40s.
Cwts. 42 3 7	Cwts. 42 3 7		£138	£138	65s.
Cwts. 1	Cwts. 1		£1	£1	20s.
28	28		22	22	16s.
14	14		11	11	16s.
734	734		477	477	13s.
166	166		108	108	"
4	4		3	3	14s.
50	50		32	32	13s.
997	997		£654	£654	
No. 6000	No. 6000		£9	£9	30s.
Cwts. 6	Cwts. 6		£4	£4	12s.
Cwts. 59 3 19	Cwts. 59 3 19		£224	£224	8d. per lb.
24	24		85	85	
91	91		340	340	
174 3 19	173 3 19		£649	£649	
	Cwts. 696 3 8		£696	£696	20s.
Cwts. 4	Cwts. 4		£8	£8	40s.
Bushels. 160	Bushels. 160		£24	£24	3s.
80	80		12	12	
240	240		£36	£36	
15 Bls.	15 Bls.		£11	£11	15s.

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ARTICLES.	Countries to which exported.	QUANTITIES.		
		PRODUCE AND MANUFACTURES OF THE COLONY.		
		In British vessels.	In Foreign vessels.	Total.
Corn Meal	Nova Scotia			
	British W. Indies			
Rice	British W. Indies			
	Spanish W. Indies ..			
Flour	Great Britain			
	Nova Scotia			
Earthenware	Nova Scotia			
Fish, viz., Dry Cod	Great Britain	Cwts. 64955		Cwts. 64955
	Jersey	5600		5600
	Canada	2552		2552
	Nova Scotia	67051		67051
	P. E. Island	70		70
	British W. Indies	113274	5723	118997
	British Guiana	23930	4522	28452
	Spain	67435	199340	266775
	Portugal	198085	7991	206076
	Italian States	131094	13660	144754
	Ionian Islands	4400		4400
	Gibraltar	2328	4800	7128
	Malta	8200		8200
	United States	28273	9954	38227
	Spanish W. Indies	43579	15646	59225
	Brazils	338755	29450	368205
	Mauritius	1655		1655
		1101236	291086	1392322
Mackerel	Great Britain	Tres. 1	Brls. 1	Tres. 1
	British W. Indies	3	20	3
	United States	12	186	12
	Mauritius		7	
		15	214	15
			22	236

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EXPORTED.		VALUE IN STERLING.			
British, Foreign, & other Colonial produce and Manufactures.	Total.	Produce and Manufactures of the Colony.	British, foreign, & other Colonial Produce and Manufactures.	Total.	Average price fixed for the value.
Brls. 536	Brls. 536		£362	£362	13s. 6d.
110	110		74	74	
646	646		£436	£436	
Cwts. 91	Cwts. 91		£136	£136	30s.
70	70		105	105	
161	161		£241	£241	
Brls. 395	Brls. 395		£474	£474	24s.
534	534		641	641	
929	929		£1115	£1115	
£10	£10		£10	£10	
	Cwts. 64955	£32477		£32577	10s.
	5600	3640		3640	13s.
	2552	1658		1658	"
	67051	43583		43583	"
	70	45		45	"
	118997	77348		77348	"
	28452	18494		18494	"
	266775	193411		193411	14s. 6d.
	206076	149405		149405	"
	144754	86852		86852	12s.
	4400	2640		2640	"
	7128	4276		4276	"
	8200	5330		5330	13s.
	38227	24847		24847	"
	59225	38496		38496	"
	368205	322179		322179	17s. 6d.
	1655	1448		1448	"
	1392322	£1006129		£1006129	
	Tierces. 1	£1		£1	30s. p brl.
	3	37		37	
	12	359		359	
	7	10		10	
	15	387		£387	

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ARTICLES.	Countries to which Exported.	QUANTITIES.			
		PRODUCE AND MANUFACTURES OF THE COLONY.			
		In British vessels.	In Foreign vessels.	Total.	
Fish, viz., Core		Cwts.		Cwts.	
	Great Britain	228		228	
	Jersey	8		8	
	Canada	368		368	
	Nova Scotia	530		530	
	British W. Indies.....	8		8	
United States	1156	1870	3026		
		2298	1870	4168	
Caplin		Packages.	Packages.		
	Great Britain	161		161	
	Canada	16		16	
	Nova Scotia	14		14	
	British W. Indies.....	18		18	
	Portugal		6	6	
	United States	1		1	
	Mauritius	1		1	
		211	6	217	
Trout		Tierces. Brls.		Tierces. Brls.	
	Great Britain		1		1
	Canada	1		1	
	British W. Indies.....		3		3
	United States	35	14	35	14
	Brazils	2		2	
	Mauritius	5 bxs. 4½		5 bxs. 4½	
		38	22½	38	22½
Sounds		Packages.			
	Great Britain	79		79	
	Canada	6		6	
	Nova Scotia	226		226	
	Jersey	16		16	
	British W. Indies.....	9		9	
	United States	342	100	442	
	Brazils	6		6	
		684	100	784	

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EXPORTED.		VALUE IN STERLING.			
British, Foreign, & other Colonial Produce & Manufactures.	Total.	Produce and Manufactures of the Colony.	British, Foreign, & other Colonial Produce and Manufactures.	Total.	Average price fixed for the value.
	Cwts.				
	228	£68		£68	6s.
	8	2		2	
	368	110		110	
	530	159		159	
	8	2		2	
	3026	908		908	
	4168	1249		£1249	
	Packages.				
	161	£40		40	5s.
	16	4		4	
	14	3		3	
	18	4		4	
	6	2		2	
	1				
	1				
	217	£53		53	
	Tierces. Brls.				
		£2		2	35s. p brl.
	1	3		3	
		5		5	
	35	115		115	
	2	5		5	
	5 bxs. 4½	12		12	
	38	142		142	
	22½				
	Packages.				
	79	£10		10	2s. 6d.
	6	1		1	
	226	28		28	
	16	2		2	
	9	1		1	
	442	55		55	
	6	1		1	
	784	98		98	

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GENERAL EXPORTS FROM THE COLONY OF

ARTICLES.	Countries to which exported.	QUANTITIES.		
		PRODUCE AND MANUFACTURES OF THE COLONY.		
		In British vessels.	In Foreign vessels	Total.
Fish, viz., Herrings		Brls.		
	Great Britain	2077		2077
	Jersey	8		8
	Canada	2266		2266
	Nova Scotia	17867		17867
	New Brunswick	145		145
	P. E. Island	508		508
	British Guiana	1462	252	1714
	British W. Indies	4864	412	5276
	Portugal		50	50
	United States	9681	8797	18478
	Spanish W. Indies ..	417	82	499
	Brazils	10		10
	Mauritius	882½		882½
		40187½	9593	49780½
Ditto		Boxes.	Boxes.	
	Great Britain	10		10
	Portugal		100	100
	Brazils	45		45
		55	100	155
Salmon		Tres. Brls. Kits.	Tres. Brls. Kits.	Tres. Brls. Kits.
	Great Britain	131 31		131 31
	Canada			30
	Nova Scotia	79 152 18		79 152 18
	British W. Indies	91 102	52 7	143 109
	British Guiana			4
	Spain			12
	Portugal		2 16	2 16
	Italian States	245 2		245 2
	United States	1205 138	681 305½	1886 443½
	Brazils	2		2
	Mauritius			42
		1753 501 18	733 314½ 28	2486 815 46
Ditto preserved		Boxes.	Boxes.	
	Great Britain	135		135
	British W. Indies	10		10
	Spain		5	5
	Brazils	15		15
		160	5	165

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NEWFOUNDLAND IN THE YEAR 1857.

British, Foreign, & other Colonial produce and Manufactures.	EXPORTED. Total.	VALUE IN STERLING.			Average price fixed for the value.
		Produce and Manufactures of the Colony.	British, Foreign, & other Colonial Produce and Manufactures.	Total.	
	Brls.				
	2077	£1298		£1298	12s. 6d.
	8	5		5	
	2266	1417		1417	
	17867	11167		11167	
	145	90		90	
	508	317		317	
	1714	1071		1071	
	5276	3297		3297	
	50	31		31	
	18478	11548		11548	
	499	312		312	
	10	6		6	
	882½	551		551	
	49780½	£31110		31110	
	Boxes.				
	10	£1		1	2s. 6d.
	100	12		12	
	45	5		5	
	155	£18		18	
	Tres. Brls. Kits.				
	131 31	£798		798	105s. & Trc.
	30	105		105	
	79 152 18	959		959	
	143 109	1134		1134	
	4	15		15	
		10		10	
		17		17	
	2 16	1291		1291	
	245 2	11450		11450	
	1886 443½	10		10	
	2	147		147	
	42				
	2486 815½ 46	£15936		15936	
	Boxes.				
	135	£135		£135	20s.
	10	10		10	
	5	5		5	
	15	15		15	
	165	£165		165	

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GENERAL EXPORTS FROM THE COLONY OF

ARTICLES.	Countries to which Exported.	QUANTITIES.		
		PRODUCE AND MANUFACTURES OF THE COLONY.		
		In British vessels.	In Foreign vessels	Total.
Lobsters	Great Britain British W. Indies..... Brazils	Boxes.		
		22		22
		3		3
		12		12
		37		37
Halibut	Nova Scotia	Brls.		
		18		18
Turbot	Great Britain Nova Scotia	Brls. Kegs.		Brls. Kegs.
		2 8		2 8
Fruit, viz., Apples	Great Britain	2 8		2 8
Berries	Great Britain Nova Scotia United States	Gallons.		
		752		752
		200		200
		10		10
		962		962
Raisins	Brazils			
Preserves	Great Britain	145 lbs.		145
Glassware	Great Britain Nova Scotia United States			
Iron and Ironwares	Great Britain Nova Scotia United States			
Lead	United States			
Lead Ore	Great Britain	120 Tons		120 Tons

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EXPORTED.		VALUE IN STERLING.			
British, Foreign, & other Colonial Produce & Manufactures.	Total.	Produce and Manufactures of the Colony.	British, Foreign, & other Colonial Produce and Manufactures.	Total.	Average price fixed for the value.
	Boxes.				
	22	£22		£22	20s.
	3	3		3	
	12	12		12	
	37	£37		£37	
	Brls.				
	18	£18		18	15s.
	Brls. Kegs.				
	2 8	£2 3		2 3	
	2 8	£5		5	
	Brls.				
	1		£1	1	20s.
	Gallons.				
	752	£19		19	6d.
	200	5		5	
	10				
	962	£24		24	
	720 lbs.		£18	18	6d.
	145 lbs.		£4	4	6d.
	£1		£1	1	
	3		3	3	
	4		4	4	
	£8		8	8	
	£93		£93	93	
	114		114	114	
	567		567	567	
	£774		£774	774	
Cwts.	Cwts.				
80 1 22	80 1 22		£120	120	30s.
	120 Tons		£1200	1200	£10

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GENERAL EXPORTS FROM THE COLONY OF

ARTICLES.	Countries to which exported.	QUANTITIES.					
		PRODUCE AND MANUFACTURES OF THE COLONY.					
		In British vessels.		In Foreign vessels.		Total.	
Leatherwares	P. E. Island						
	United States						
Mineral Specimens	Canada	2 Cases		2 Cases		2 Cases	
Molasses	Great Britain						
	Canada						
	Nova Scotia						
	P. E. Island						
Miscellaneous	Great Britain						
	Jersey						
	Canada						
	Nova Scotia						
	United States						
Oil, viz., Cod Liver		Tuns	Gals.	Tuns	Gals.		
	Great Britain	97	15		45	97	60
	Canada	2	122			2	122
	Nova Scotia	1	2			1	2
	Spain		40				40
	United States	10	148	10	137	21	29
			111	71	10	182	121	253
Blubber and Dregs		Tuns	Gals.				
	Great Britain	309	87	1	205	312	36
	Jersey	3	28			3	28
	Nova Scotia	17	126			17	126
	New Brunswick		150				150
	United States	45	237			45	237
		376	116	1	205	378	65

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NEWFOUNDLAND IN THE YEAR 1857.

EXPORTED.		VALUE IN STERLING.			
British, Foreign, & other Colonial produce and Manufactures.	Total.	Produce and Manufactures of the Colony.	British, Foreign, & other Colonial Produce and Manufactures.	Total.	Average price fixed for the value.
£18	£18		£18	£18	
10	10		10	10	
£28	£28		£28	28	
	2 Cases.	£40		40	
Gallons.	Gallons.				
220498	220498		£18375	18375	1s. 8d.
23120	23120		1927	1927	
112	112		10	10	
1376	1376		114	114	
245106	245106		£20426	20426	
£183	£183		£183	183	
3	3		3	3	
4	4		4	4	
128	128		128	128	
62	62		62	62	
£380	£380		£380	380	
	Tuns. Galls.				
	97 60	£6806		6806	£70 p Tun.
	2 122	173		173	
	1 2	70		70	
		11		11	
	21 40	1478		1478	
	21 29				
	121 253	£8538		8538	
	Tuns. Galls.				
	312 36	£2809		2809	£9
	3 28	28		28	
	17 126	157		157	
		5		5	
	45 237	413		413	
	378 65	£3412		3412	

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GENERAL EXPORTS FROM THE COLONY OF

ARTICLES.	Countries to which Exported.	QUANTITIES.					
		PRODUCE AND MANUFACTURES OF THE COLONY.					
		In British vessels.		In Foreign vessels.		Total.	
		Tuns.	Galls.				
Oil, viz., Cod	Great Britain	4042	226	246	87	4289	57
	Jersey	7	100			7	100
	Canada	20	56			20	56
	Nova Scotia	97	28			97	28
	New Brunswick	2	167			2	167
	British W. Indies.....	9	1			9	1
	British Guiana			1	39	1	39
	Spain			5	17	5	17
	United States	335	174	54	59	389	233
	Gibraltar		128				128
		4515	112	306	202	4822	58
Ditto Seal	Great Britain	5927	65	389	83	6316	148
	Jersey		19				19
	Canada	295	85			295	85
	Nova Scotia	100	207			100	207
	New Brunswick	2	199			2	199
	P. E. Island		40				40
	British W. Indies.....	11	235			11	235
	British Guiana	2	195	1	84	4	23
	United States	346	82	86	141	432	223
	Spanish W. Indies	1	30			1	30
		6088	133	477	52	7165	185
		Gallons.				221	
Ditto Herring	Great Britain	221				221	
Paper Manufactures	Great Britain						
	Nova Scotia						
Pork	United States						
Potatoes, & c.,	Great Britain						
	British W. Indies.....						
	United States						
	Brazils						

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British, Foreign, & other Colonial Produce & Manufactures.	EXPORTED.		VALUE IN STERLING.			
	Total.		Produce and Manufactures of the Colony.	British, Foreign, & other Colonial Produce and Manufactures.	Total.	Average price fixed for the value.
	Tuns.	Galls.	£			
	4289	57	£141544		£141544	£33
	7	100	244		244	
	20	56	667		667	
	97	28	3205		3205	
	2	167	88		88	
	9	1	297		297	
	1	39	38		38	
	5	17	167		167	
	389	233	12863		12863	
		128	17		17	
	4822	58	£159130		159130	
	Tuns.	Galls.	£233713		233713	£37
	6316	148	3		3	
	295	85	10927		10927	
	100	207	3730		3730	
	2	199	103		103	
		40	6		6	
	11	235	441		441	
	4	23	151		151	
	432	223	16016		16016	
	1	30	41		41	
	7165	185	£265131		265131	
	Gallons.		£9		9	£10
	221					
	£10	£10	£10		£10	
	60	60	60		60	
	70	70	70		70	
	150 brls	150 brls.	£525		525	70s.
	Bushels.	Bushels.				
	2	2	£3		3	1s. 4d.
	40	40	92		92	
	1380	1380	2		2	
	30	30				
	1452	1452	97		97	

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GENERAL EXPORTS FROM THE COLONY OF

ARTICLES.	Countries to which exported.	QUANTITIES.					
		PRODUCE AND MANUFACTURES OF THE COLONY.					
		In British vessels.		In foreign vessels.		Total.	
		Tuns	Cwts.	Tuns	Cwts.	Tuns	Cwts.
Rags & Paper stuff	Great Britain	27	3	4	16	31	19
	Jersey		6				6
	Canada	70	7			70	7
	Nova Scotia	8				8	
	United States	75	10	33	2	108	12
		181	6	37	18	219	4
Salt	Nova Scotia						
	P. E. Island						
Silver and Plate	Great Britain						
Soap	P. E. Island						
Spirits, viz., Brandy	Great Britain						
	Canada						
	New Brunswick						
	British W. Indies						
Rum	Great Britain						
	Canada						
	Nova Scotia						
	Spain						
Skins, viz., Seal		No.					
	Great Britain	448026		38541		486567	
	Nova Scotia	250				250	
	United States	7487		1809		9296	
		455763		40350		496113	
Ditto Calf		No.					
	Nova Scotia	140				140	
	United States	30				30	
		170				170	

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EXPORTED.			VALUE IN STERLING.			
British, Foreign, & other Colonial produce and Manufactures.	Total.		Produce and Manufactures of the Colony.	British, Foreign, & other Colonial Produce and Manufactures.	Total.	Average price fixed for the value.
	Tuns.	Cwts.				
	Tuns.	Cwts.				
	31	19	£160		£160	£5
		6				
	70	7	352		352	
	8		40		40	
	108	12	543		543	
	219	4	£1095		£1095	
Hogsheads.	Hogsheads.					
2060	2060		£670		670	6s. 6d.
126	126		41		41	
2186	2186		£711		711	
£130	£130		£130		130	
100 lbs.	100 lbs.		£1		1	3d.
Gallons.	Gallons.					
630	630		£472		472	15s.
344	344		258		258	
25	25		19		19	
1683	1683		1262		1262	
2682	2682		£2011		2011	
Gallons.	Gallons.					
271	271		£41		41	3s.
552	552		83		83	
906	906		136		136	
1896	1896		284		284	
3625	3625		£544		544	
	No.					
	486567		£97313		97313	4s.
	250		50		50	
	9296		1854		1854	
	496113		£99217		99217	
	No.					
	140		£14		14	2s.
	30		3		3	
	170		£17		17	

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GENERAL EXPORTS FROM THE COLONY OF

ARTICLES.	Countries to which Exported.	QUANTITIES.		
		PRODUCE AND MANUFACTURES OF THE COLONY.		
		In British vessels.	In Foreign vessels.	Total.
Skins, viz., Sheep	United States	No.	No.	No.
		107	107	107
Hides, viz., Cow & Ox	Great Britain	No.	No.	
	Jersey	1832	9	1841
	Nova Scotia	23		23
	P. E. Island	222		222
	United States	40		40
		2558	145	2703
	4675	154	4829	
Furs	Great Britain	No.		
	Jersey	2480		2480
	Nova Scotia	322		322
	United States	43		43
		13	3	16
	2858	3	2861	
Sugar, viz., unrefined	Great Britain			
	Canada			
	Nova Scotia			
Tea	Nova Scotia			
	P. E. Island			
	United States			
Tobacco, viz., Man'd	Nova Scotia			
	P. E. Island			
	United States			
Whalebone	Great Britain	Tuns.	Cwts.	
	United States	2	6	2 6
		1	5	1 5
	2	6	3 11	

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NEWFOUNDLAND IN THE YEAR 1857.

British, Foreign, & other Colonial Produce & Manufactures.	EXPORTED.		VALUE IN STERLING.			
	Total.		Produce and Manufactures of the Colony.	British, Foreign, & other Colonial Produce and Manufactures.	Total.	Average price fixed for the value.
	No.					
	107		£11		£11	2s.
	No.					
	1841		£1243		1243	13s. 6d.
	23		15		15	
	222		150		150	
	40		27		27	
	2703		1824		1824	
	4829		3259		3259	
	No.					
	2480		£1240		1240	10s.
	322		161		161	
	43		21		21	
	16		8		8	
	2861		£1430		1430	
Cwts. 5931 3 0	Cwts. 5931 3 0		£8897		8897	30s.
4117 2 19	4117 2 19		6167		6177	
10 2 6	10 2 6		16		16	
10059 3 25	10059 3 25		15090		15090	
3028 lbs.	3028 lbs.		£164		164	1s. 1d.
592	592		32		32	
8429	8429		456		456	
12049	12049		652		652	
527 lbs.	527 lbs.		£15		15	7d.
454	454		13		13	
310	310		9		9	
1291	1291		£37		37	£5
	Tuns. Cwts.					
	2 6		£12		12	
	1 5		6		6	
	3 11		£18		18	

Customs Returns.

GENERAL EXPORTS FROM THE COLONY OF

ARTICLES.	Countries to which Exported.	QUANTITIES.		
		PRODUCE AND MANUFACTURES OF THE COLONY.		
		In British vessels.	In Foreign vessels.	Total.
Wollens & Slops	Great Britain			
	Nova Scotia			
	P. E. Island			
Wine	Great Britain			
	Canada			
	Nova Scotia			
	New Brunswick			
	P. E. Island			
	British W. Indies.....			
	British Guiana			
	United States			
	Spanish W. Indies ...			
Brazils				
Wood, viz., Shingles Spars	Mauritius			
	British Guiana	6		6
Hoops	Great Britain	Bundles. 393		393
	British W. Indies.....	1020	735	1755
		1413	735	2148
Board & Plank	Great Britain	Feet. 4355		4355
	Mauritius	35820		35820
		40175		40175
Timber	Great Britain	Tuns. 3		3
	Spain		3	3
		3	3	6
		No. 17900		17900
Staves	Great Britain			

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NEWFOUNDLAND IN THE YEAR 1857.

EXPORTED.		VALUE IN STERLING.			
British, Foreign, & other Colonial produce and Manufactures.	Total.	Produce and Manufactures of the Colony.	British, Foreign, & other Colonial Produce and Manufactures.	Total.	Average price fixed for the valu.
£20	£20		£20	£20	
30	30		30	30	
210	210		210	210	
£260	£260		£260	£260	
Gallons.	Gallons.				
607	606		£334	334	11s.
871	871		479	479	
7689	7689		4229	4229	
130	130		71	71	
157	157		86	86	
632	632		348	348	
28	28		15	15	
1039	1039		571	571	
27	27		15	15	
145	145		80	80	
11320	11325		£6228	6228	
No.	No.				
421	421		£369	369	17s. 6d.
	No.				
	6	£12		12	40s.
	Bundles.				
	393	£58		58	3s.
	1755	263		263	
	2148	£321		321	
	Feet.				
	4355	£9		9	40s.
	35820	71		71	
	40175	£80		80	
	Tuns.				
	3	£6		6	40s.
	3	6		6	
	6	£12		12	
	No.				
	17900	£90		90	£5

THOMAS GLEN,
Receiver General.

Customs Returns.

No. 1.—AN ACCOUNT of the Number, Tonnage, and Crews of Vessels entered inwards at
each Port in Newfoundland, from each Country, in the year 1857, distinguishing Vessels with
and British from those in Ballast,

UNITED

	BRITISH.									WITH CARGO.		
	WITH CARGO.			IN BALLAST.			TOTAL.					
	Vessels	Tons.	Crews.	Vessels	Tons.	Crews.	Vessels	Tons.	Crews.			
St. John's	177	36141	1970				177	36141	1970			
Twillingate	7	766	50				7	766	50			
Fogo	7	953	48				7	953	48			
Greenspond	2	218	15				2	218	15			
Trinity	2	178	12				2	178	12			
Carboncar	10	1463	84				10	1463	84			
Harbor Grace	36	6753	372	1	102	6	37	6855	378			
Brigus	1	123	9				1	123	9			
Ferryland	1	126	7				1	126	7			
Placentia	1	191	8				1	191	8			
Burin	3	731	29				3	731	29			
Harbor Briton	5	971	57				5	971	57			
LaPoile	3	504	28				3	504	28			
	255	49118	2689	1	102	6	256	49220	2695			

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each Port in Newfoundland, from each Country, in the year 1857, distinguishing Vessels with
and British from foreign Ships.

KINGDOM.

FOREIGN.						TOTAL.								
IN BALLAST.			TOTAL.			WITH CARGO.			IN BALLAST.			TOTAL.		
Vessels	Tons.	Crews.	Vessels	Tons.	Crews.	Vessels	Tons.	Crews.	Vessels	Tons.	Crews.	Vessels	Tons.	Crews.
						177	36141	1970				177	36141	1970
						7	766	50				7	766	50
						7	953	48				7	953	48
						2	218	15				2	218	15
						2	178	12				2	178	12
						10	1463	84				10	1463	84
						36	6753	372	1	102	6	37	6855	378
						1	123	9				1	123	9
						1	126	7				1	126	7
						1	191	8				1	191	8
						3	731	29				3	731	29
						5	971	57				5	971	57
						3	504	28				3	504	28
						255	49118	2689	1	102	6	256	49220	2695

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BRITISH

	BRITISH.									WITH CARGO.		
	WITH CARGO.			IN BALLAST.			TOTAL.					
	Vessels	Tons.	Crews.	Vessels	Tons.	Crews.	Vessels	Tons.	Crews.			
St. John's	509	64896	3911	5	735	45	514	65631	3956			
Twillingate	1	62	5				1	62	5			
Fogo	2	328	14				2	328	14			
Greenspond												
Trinity	1	97	6				1	97	6			
Carboncar	11	1271	83				11	1271	83			
Harbor Grace	41	4844	317				41	4844	317			
Brigus	8	1004	62				8	1004	62			
St. Mary's	1	45	3				1	45	3			
Placentia	12	779	55				12	779	55			
Oderin	1	35	5				1	35	5			
Burin	35	2512	162	3	237	17	38	2749	179	1	119	5
Lamaline	5	231	18				5	231	18			
Harbor Briton	41	2980	225				41	2980	225			
Gaultois	5	204	19				5	204	19			
LaPoile	70	3220	334	1	19	3	71	3239	337			
	743	82508	5219	9	991	65	752	83499	5284	1	119	5

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POSSESSIONS.

FOREIGN.						TOTAL.								
IN BALLAST.			TOTAL.			WITH CARGO.			IN BALLAST.			TOTAL.		
Vessels	Tons.	Crews.	Vessels	Tons.	Crews.	Vessels	Tons.	Crews.	Vessels	Tons.	Crews.	Vessels	Tons.	Crews.
						509	64896	3911	5	735	45	514	65631	3956
						1	62	5				1	62	5
						2	328	14				2	328	14
						1	97	6				1	97	6
						11	1271	83				11	1271	83
						41	4844	317				41	4844	317
						8	1004	62				8	1004	62
						1	45	3				1	45	3
						12	779	55				12	779	55
						1	35	5				1	35	5
						1	119	5	30	2631	167	3	237	17
									5	231	18			
												5	231	18
												41	2980	225
												5	204	19
												70	3220	334
												1	19	3
												71	3239	337
												9	991	65
												752	83618	5289

Customs Returns.

No. 1—Continued.

DENMARK

	BRITISH.											
	WITH CARGO.			IN BALLAST.			TOTAL.						WITH CARGO.
	Vessels	Tons.	Crews.	Vessels	Tons.	Crews.	Vessels	Tons.	Crews.	Vessels	Tons.	Crews.
St. John's										1	316	15
Harbor Grace										2	319	16
Gaultois	1	161	11				1	161	11			
	1	161	11				1	161	11	3	635	31

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St. John's	21	3775	190	3	713	37	24	4488	227	12	2531	114
Fogo	1	143	6				1	143	6			
Greenspond	1	98	7				1	98	7			
Trinity	3	359	24				3	359	24			
Harbor Grace	3	602	30				3	602	30	2	475	25
	29	4977	257	3	713	37	32	5690	294	14	3006	139

Customs Returns.

DENMARK

FOREIGN.						TOTAL.								
IN BALLAST.			TOTAL.			WITH CARGO.			IN BALLAST.			TOTAL.		
Vessels	Tons.	Crews.	Vessels	Tons.	Crews.	Vessels	Tons.	Crews.	Vessels	Tons.	Crews.	Vessels	Tons.	Crews.
			1	316	15	1	316	15				1	316	15
			2	319	16	2	319	16				2	319	16
						1	161	11				1	161	11
			3	639	31	4	796	42				4	796	42

TOWNS.

			12	2531	114	33	6306	301	3	713	37	36	7019	341
						1	143	6				1	143	6
						1	98	7				1	98	7
						3	359	24				3	359	24
			2	475	25	5	1077	55				5	1077	55
			14	3006	139	43	7983	396	3	713	37	46	8696	433

Customs Returns.

No. 1.—Continued.

S P A I N .

	BRITISH.									WITH CARGO.		
	WITH CARGO.			IN BALLAST.			TOTAL.					
	Vessels	Tons.	Crews.	Vessels	Tons.	Crews.	Vessels	Tons.	Crews.	Vessels	Tons.	Crews.
St. John's	25	3068	166				25	3068	166	44	4970	386
Fogo	2	238	14				2	238	14			
Harbor Grace	4	540	38	1	136	9	5	676	47	13	1684	139
Oderin	1	140	10				1	140	10			
Harbor Briton	1	113	6				1	113	6	1	160	10
Gaultois	1	185	9				1	185	9			
	34	4284	243	1	136	9	35	4420	252	58	6814	535

Customs Returns.

S P A I N .

	FOREIGN.						TOTAL.								
	IN BALLAST.			TOTAL.			WITH CARGO.			IN BALLAST.			TOTAL.		
	Vessels	Tons.	Crews.	Vessels	Tons.	Crews.	Vessels	Tons.	Crews.	Vessels	Tons.	Crews.	Vessels	Tons.	Crews.
	10	1129	90	45	6099	476	69	8038	552	10	1129	90	79	9167	642
							2	238	14				2	238	14
	3	313	27	16	1997	166	17	2224	177	4	449	36	21	2673	213
							1	140	10				1	140	10
				1	160	10	2	273	16				2	273	16
							1	185	9				1	185	9
	13	1442	117	71	8256	652	92	11098	778	14	1578	126	106	12676	904

Customs Returns.

No. 1—Continued.

P O R T U G A L .

	BRITISH.									With Cargo.		
	With Cargo.			In Ballast.			Total.					
	Vessels	Tons.	Crews.	Vessels	Tons.	Crews.	Vessels	Tons.	Crews.			
St. John's	47	5559	357				47	5559	357	10	1489	101
Twillingat	1	118	7				1	118	7			
Fogo	1	105	6				1	105	6			
Carbonear	3	458	30				3	458	30			
Harbor Grace	2	270	17	1	123	8	3	293	25			
Burin	3	313	19				3	313	19			
Harbor Briton	6	1181	79				6	1181	79			
LaPoile	3	498	31				3	498	31			
	66	8502	541	1	123	8	67	8625	552	10	1489	101

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St. John's	7	1274	57				7	1274	57			
Greenspond	1	154	10				1	154	10			
Trinity	1	251	11				1	251	11			
Carbonear	3	474	30				3	474	30			
Harbor Grace	2	388	25				2	388	25			
	14	2541	133				14	2541	133			

Customs Returns.

P O R T U G A L .

FOREIGN.						TOTAL.								
In Ballast.			Total.			With Cargo.			In Ballast.			Total.		
Vessels	Tons.	Crews.	Vessels	Tons.	Crews.	Vessels	Tons.	Crews.	Vessels	Tons.	Crews.	Vessels	Tons.	Crews.
1	139	11	11	1628	112	57	7048	456	1	139	11	58	7187	467
						1	118	7				1	118	7
						1	105	6				1	105	6
						3	458	30				3	458	30
						2	270	17	1	123	8	3	393	25
						3	313	19				3	313	19
						6	1181	79				6	1181	79
						3	498	31				3	498	31
1	139	11	11	1628	112	76	9991	645	2	262	19	78	10253	664

I T A L Y .

						7	1274	57				7	1274	57
						1	154	10				1	154	10
						1	251	11				1	251	11
						3	474	30				3	474	30
						2	388	25				2	388	25
						14	2541	133				14	2541	133

Customs Returns.

No. 1.—Continued.

UNITED

	BRITISH.									WITH CARGO.		
	WITH CARGO.			IN BALLAST.			TOTAL.					
	Vessels	Tons.	Crews.	Vessels	Tons.	Crews.	Vessels	Tons.	Crews.	Vessels	Tons.	Crews.
St. John's	97	12525	650				97	12525	650	20	3777	142
Fogo	5	555	31				5	555	31	1	121	7
Trinity	2	243	15				2	243	15			
Carbonear	3	390	24				3	390	24	1	125	13
Harbor Grace	10	1513	89				10	1513	89	7	1233	62
Oderin	1	35	5				1	35	5	1	127	5
Burin	5	439	26				5	439	26			
Lamaline.	1	56	4				1	56	4			
Harbor Briton	2	249	17				2	249	17	1	246	7
Gaultois	1	211	12				1	211	12			
LaPoile	5	504	39				5	504	39	12	1076	69
	132	16720	912				132	16720	912	43	6705	305

Customs Returns.

STATES.

	FOREIGN.						TOTAL.								
	IN BALLAST.			TOTAL.			WITH CARGO.			IN BALLAST.			TOTAL.		
	Vessels	Tons.	Crews.	Vessels	Tons.	Crews.	Vessels	Tons.	Crews.	Vessels	Tons.	Crews.	Vessels	Tons.	Crews.
				20	3777	142	117	16302	792				117	16302	792
				1	121	7	6	676	38				6	676	38
							2	243	15				2	243	15
				1	125	13	4	515	37				4	515	37
				7	1233	62	17	2746	151				17	2746	151
				1	127	5	2	162	10				2	162	10
							5	439	26				5	439	26
							1	56	4				1	56	4
				1	246	7	3	495	24				3	495	24
							1	211	12				1	211	12
				12	1076	69	17	1580	108				17	1580	108
				43	6705	305	175	23425	1217				175	23425	1217

Customs Returns.

No. 1—Continued.

SPANISH

	BRITISH.									WITH CARGO.		
	WITH CARGO.			IN BALLAST.			TOTAL.					
	Vessels	Tons.	Crews.	Vessels	Tons.	Crews.	Vessels	Tons.	Crews.			
St. John's	22	2095	165	2	421	23	24	3116	188	9	1290	84
Harbor Grace							1	86				10
	22	2095	165	2	421	23	24	3116	188	10	1376	94

BRAZIL.

St. John's	7	1330	73	17	3298	183	24	4628	256			
Harbor Grace	2	380	24	1	184	12	3	564	36			
Harbor Briton				2	379	25	2	379	25			
	9	1710	97	20	3861	220	29	5571	317			

Customs Returns.

WEST INDIES:

	FOREIGN.						TOTAL.								
	IN BALLAST.			TOTAL.			WITH CARGO.			IN BALLAST.			TOTAL.		
	Vessels	Tons.	Crews.	Vessels	Tons.	Crews.	Vessels	Tons.	Crews.	Vessels	Tons.	Crews.	Vessels	Tons.	Crews.
	3	426	27	12	1716	111	31	3985	249	5	847	50	36	4832	299
	2	320	22	3	406	32	1	86	10	2	320	22	3	406	32
	5	746	49	15	2122	143	32	4071	259	7	1167	72	39	5238	331

BRAZIL.

							7	1330	73	17	3298	183	24	4628	256
							2	380	24	1	184	12	3	564	36
										2	379	25	2	379	25
							9	1710	97	20	3861	220	29	5571	317

Customs Returns.

No. 2.—

ABSTRACT OF THE

	BRITISH.									WITH CARGO.		
	WITH CARGO.			IN BALLAST.			TOTAL.					
	Vessels	Tons.	Crews.	Vessels	Tons.	Crews.	Vessels	Tons.	Crews.	Vessels	Tons.	Crews.
United Kingdom	255	49118	2689	1	102	6	256	49220	2695			
British Possessions	743	82508	5219	9	991	65	752	83499	5284	1	119	5
Denmark	1	161	11				1	161	11	3	635	31
Hanseatic Towns	29	4977	257	3	713	37	32	5690	294	14	3006	139
Spain	34	4284	243	1	136	9	35	4420	252	58	6814	535
Portugal	66	8502	544	1	123	8	67	8625	552	10	1489	101
Italy	14	2541	133				14	2541	133			
United States.	132	16720	912				132	16720	912	43	6705	305
French Colonies	34	770	98	3	239	15	37	1009	113	1	119	5
Spanish Colonies	22	2695	165	2	421	23	24	3116	188	10	1376	94
Brazil	9	1710	97	20	3861	220	29	5571	317			
	1339	173986	10368	40	6586	383	1379	180572	10751	140	20263	1215

Customs Returns.

FOREGOING ACCOUNT.

	FOREIGN.						TOTAL.								
	IN BALLAST.			TOTAL.			WITH CARGO.			IN BALLAST.			TOTAL.		
	Vessels	Tons.	Crews.	Vessels	Tons.	Crews.	Vessels	Tons.	Crews.	Vessels	Tons.	Crews.	Vessels	Tons.	Crews.
							255	49118	2689	1	102	6	256	49220	2695
				1	119	5	744	82627	5224	9	991	65	753	83618	5289
				3	635	31	4	796	42				4	796	42
				14	3006	139	43	7983	399	3	713	37	46	8696	433
	13	1442	117	71	8256	652	92	11098	778	14	1578	126	106	12676	904
	1	139	11	11	1628	112	76	9991	645	2	262	19	78	10253	664
							14	2541	133				14	2541	133
				43	6705	305	175	23425	1217				175	23425	1217
				1	119	5	35	889	103	3	239	15	38	1128	118
	5	746	49	15	2122	143	32	4071	259	7	1167	72	39	5238	331
							9	1710	97	20	3861	220	29	5571	317
	19	2327	177	159	22590	1392	1479	194219	11583	59	8913	560	1538	203162	12143

Customs Returns.

No. 3—AN ACCOUNT of the Number, Tonnage, and Crews of Vessels cleared outwards at
Cargo from those in Ballast,

UNITED

	BRITISH.											
	WITH CARGO.			IN BALLAST.			TOTAL.			WITH CARGO.		
	Vessels	Tons.	Crews.	Vessels	Tons.	Crews.	Vessels	Tons.	Crews.	Vessels	Tons.	Crews.
St. John's	114	22725	1346				114	22725	1346	3	402	21
Twillingate	3	369	22				3	369	22			
Fogo	4	498	24				4	498	24			
Greenspond	3	349	22				3	349	22			
Trinity	4	436	28				4	436	28			
Carbonear	5	686	43				5	686	43			
Harbor Grace	10	1510	98				10	1510	98	3	379	21
Burin	1	95	6	2	551	21	3	646	27			
Harbor Briton	2	450	27				2	450	27			
LaPoile	2	317	18				2	317	18			
	148	27435	1634	2	551	21	150	27986	1655	6	781	42

Customs Returns.

each Port in Newfoundland, for each Country, in the year 1857, distinguishing Vessels with
and British from foreign Ships.

KINGDOM.

FOREIGN.						TOTAL.								
IN BALLAST.			TOTAL.			WITH CARGO.			IN BALLAST.			TOTAL.		
Vessels	Tons.	Crews.	Vessels	Tons.	Crews.	Vessels	Tons.	Crews.	Vessels	Tons.	Crews.	Vessels	Tons.	Crews.
			3	402	21	117	23127	1367				117	23127	1367
						3	369	22				3	369	22
						4	498	24				4	498	24
						3	349	22				3	349	22
						4	436	28				4	436	28
						5	686	43				5	686	43
			3	379	21	13	1889	110				13	1889	110
						1	95	6	2	551	21	3	646	27
						2	450	27				2	450	27
						2	317	18				2	317	18
			6	781	42	154	28216	1676	2	551	21	156	28767	1697

Customs Returns.

No. 3.—Continued.

BRITISH

	BRITISH.									WITH CARGO.		
	WITH CARGO.			IN BALLAST.			TOTAL.					
	Vessels	Tons.	Crews.	Vessels	Tons.	Crews.	Vessels	Tons.	Crews.			
St. John's	178	29308	1936	328	38047	2101	506	67355	4037	5	1110	50
Fogo	1	195	8	5	605	28	6	800	36			
Greenspond	1	164	10	1	154	10	2	318	20			
Trinity				3	508	27	3	508	27			
Carbon car	2	173	16	14	1968	113	16	2141	129			
Harbor Grace	10	1601	97	31	4756	242	41	6357	339	1	333	13
Brigus				5	632	36	5	632	36			
Ferryland				3	398	20	3	398	20			
Great Placentia	11	715	49	1	191	8	12	906	57			
Oderin	2	40	8	3	309	21	5	349	29			
Burin	28	1882	129	4	471	25	32	2353	154			
Lamaline	4	193	12				4	193	12			
Harbor Briton	7	616	45	5	311	27	12	927	72			
Gaultois	2	95	7	3	329	16	5	424	23			
LaPoile	33	1428	160	20	702	84	53	2190	244			
	279	36410	2477	426	49441	2758	705	85851	5235	6	1443	63

Customs Returns.

POSSESSIONS.

	FOREIGN.						TOTAL.								
	IN BALLAST.			TOTAL.			WITH CARGO.			IN BALLAST.			TOTAL.		
	Vessels	Tons.	Crews.	Vessels	Tons.	Crews.	Vessels	Tons.	Crews.	Vessels	Tons.	Crews.	Vessels	Tons.	Crews.
	6	1218	49	11	2328	99	183	30418	1986	334	39265	2150	517	69683	4136
	1	121	4	1	121	4	1	195	8	6	726	32	7	921	40
							1	164	10	1	154	10	2	318	20
										3	508	27	3	508	27
							2	173	16	14	1968	113	16	2141	129
	1	127	7	2	460	20	11	1934	110	32	4883	249	43	6817	359
										5	632	36	5	632	36
										3	398	20	3	398	20
							11	715	49	1	191	8	12	906	57
							2	40	8	3	309	21	5	349	29
							28	1882	129	4	471	25	32	2353	154
							4	193	12				4	193	12
	1	246	7	1	246	7	7	616	45	6	557	34	13	1173	79
							2	95	7	3	329	16	5	424	23
							33	1428	160	20	762	84	53	2190	244
	9	1712	67	15	3155	130	285	37853	2540	435	51153	2825	720	89006	5365

Customs Returns.

No. 3—Continued.

S W E D E N .

Harbor Grace

BRITISH.											
WITH CARGO.			IN BALLAST.			TOTAL.			WITH CARGO.		
Vessels	Tons.	Crews.	Vessels	Tons.	Crews.	Vessels	Tons.	Crews.	Vessels	Tons.	Crews.

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St. John's	14	1911	129			14	1911	129	59	6712	526
Twillingate	1	94	7			1	94	7			
Fogo	3	364	20			3	364	20			
Greenspond	2	218	15			2	218	15			
Carbonear	1	143	9			1	143	9			
Harbor Grace	4	612	36			4	612	36	14	1635	134
Harbor Briton									1	160	10
	25	3342	216			25	3342	216	74	8507	670

Customs Returns.

S W E D E N .

FOREIGN.						TOTAL.								
IN BALLAST.			TOTAL.			WITH CARGO.			IN BALLAST.			TOTAL.		
Vessels	Tons.	Crews.	Vessels	Tons.	Crews.	Vessels	Tons.	Crews.	Vessels	Tons.	Crews.	Vessels	Tons.	Crews.
1	199	9	1	199	9				1	199	9	1	199	9

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			59	6712	526	73	8623	655				73	8623	655
						1	94	7				1	94	7
						3	364	20				3	364	20
						2	218	15				2	218	15
						1	143	9				1	143	9
			14	1635	134	18	2247	170				18	2247	170
			1	160	10	1	160	10				1	160	10
			74	8507	670	99	11849	886				99	11849	886

Customs Returns.

No. 3.—Continued.

P O R T U G A L .

	BRITISH.									WITH CARGO.		
	WITH CARGO.			IN BALLAST.			TOTAL.					
	Vessels	Tons.	Crews.	Vessels	Tons.	Crews.	Vessels	Tons.	Crews.	Vessels	Tons.	Crews.
St. John's	42	5154	324				42	5154	324	6	613	53
Twillingate	2	206	14				2	206	14			
Fogo	1	118	6				1	118	6			
Trinity	4	548	33				4	548	33			
Carboncar	1	142	9				1	142	9			
Harbor Grace	1	117	9				1	117	9			
Burin	5	601	38				5	601	38			
Harbor Briton	6	898	59				6	898	59			
Gaultois	2	309	21				2	309	21			
LaPoile	2	366	24				2	366	24			
	66	8459	537				66	8459	537	6	613	53

Customs Returns.

P O R T U G A L .

FOREIGN.						TOTAL.								
IN BALLAST.			TOTAL.			WITH CARGO.			IN BALLAST.			TOTAL.		
Vessels	Tons.	Crews.	Vessels	Tons.	Crews.	Vessels	Tons.	Crews.	Vessels	Tons.	Crews.	Vessels	Tons.	Crews.
			6	613	53	48	5767	377				48	5767	377
						2	206	14				2	206	14
						1	118	6				1	118	6
						4	548	33				4	548	33
						1	142	9				1	142	9
						1	117	9				1	117	9
						5	601	38				5	601	38
						6	898	59				6	898	59
						2	309	21				2	309	21
						2	366	24				2	366	24
			6	613	53	72	9072	590				72	9072	590

Customs Returns.

No. 3—Continued.

ITALY.

	BRITISH.											
	WITH CARGO.			IN BALLAST.			TOTAL.					
	Vessels	Tons.	Crews.	Vessels	Tons.	Crews.	Vessels	Tons.	Crews.	Vessels	Tons.	Crews.
St. John's	10	1311	81				10	1311	81			
Twillingate	3	438	24				3	438	24			
Fogo	4	569	28				4	569	28			
Greenspond	3	278	17				3	278	17			
Trinity	7	618	41				7	618	41			
Carbonear	1	180	10				1	180	10			
Harbor Grace	2	230	14				2	230	14	4	574	43
Brigus	2	303	17				2	303	17			
Harbor Briton	1	136	10				1	136	10			
LaPoile	2	297	20				2	297	20			
	35	4360	262				35	4360	262	4	574	43

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Trinity	2	193	12				2	193	12			
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Customs Returns.

ITALY.

FOREIGN.						TOTAL.								
IN BALLAST.			TOTAL.			WITH CARGO.			IN BALLAST.			TOTAL.		
Vessels	Tons.	Crews.	Vessels	Tons.	Crews.	Vessels	Tons.	Crews.	Vessels	Tons.	Crews.	Vessels	Tons.	Crews.
1	180	9	1	180	9	10	1311	81	1	180	9	11	1491	90
						3	438	24				3	438	24
						4	569	28				4	569	28
						3	278	17				3	278	17
						7	618	41				7	618	41
						1	180	10				1	180	10
						6	804	57				6	804	57
			4	574	43	2	303	17				2	303	17
						1	136	10				1	136	10
						2	297	20				2	297	20
1	180	9	5	754	52	39	4934	305	1	180	9	40	5114	314

ISLANDS.

						2	193	12				2	193	12
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Customs Returns.

No. 3.—Continued.

UNITED

	BRITISH.									WITH CARGO.		
	WITH CARGO.			IN BALLAST.			TOTAL.					
	Vessels	Tons.	Crews.	Vessels	Tons.	Crews.	Vessels	Tons.	Crews.			
St. John's	29	3003	171				29	3003	171	6	970	42
Trinity				1	109	8	1	109	8			
Harbor Grace	5	683	47				5	683	47	1	164	6
St. Mary's	1	129	7				1	129	7			
Oderin	3	97	13				3	97	13	1	127	4
Burin	2	179	10				2	179	10	3	273	14
Harbor Briton	2	249	17				2	249	17	1	129	7
LaPoile	1	182	11				1	182	11	12	1082	67
	43	4522	276	1	109	8	44	4631	284	24	2754	140

FRENCH

LaPoile				2	29	8	2	29	8			
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Customs Returns.

STATES.

FOREIGN.						TOTAL.								
IN BALLAST.			TOTAL.			WITH CARGO.			IN BALLAST.			TOTAL.		
Vessels	Tons.	Crews.	Vessels	Tons.	Crews.	Vessels	Tons.	Crews.	Vessels	Tons.	Crews.	Vessels	Tons.	Crews.
2	492	17	8	1471	59	35	3982	213	2	492	17	37	4474	230
									1	109	8	1	109	8
1	364	15	2	528	21	6	817	53	1	364	15	7	1211	68
						3	129	7				1	129	7
			1	127	4	4	224	17				4	224	17
			3	273	14	5	452	24				5	452	24
			1	129	7	3	378	24				3	378	24
			12	1082	67	13	1264	78				13	1264	78
3	856	32	27	3610	172	67	7276	416	4	965	40	71	8211	456

POSSESSIONS.

									2	29	8	2	29	8
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Customs Returns.

No. 3—Continued.

SPANISH

	BRITISH.											
	WITH CARGO.			IN BALLAST.			TOTAL.			WITH CARGO.		
	Vessels	Tons.	Crews.	Vessels	Tons.	Crews.	Vessels	Tons.	Crews.		Vessels	Tons.	Crews.
St. John's	23	2799	172				23	2799	172	5	1000	38
Harbor Grace	1	141	11				1	141	11	1	153	7
	24	2940	183				24	2940	183	6	1153	45

BRAZIL.

St. John's.	86	18579	976				86	18579	976	10	1929	96
Twillingate	1	152	10				1	152	10			
Harbor Grace	12	2394	145				12	2394	145			
Burin	2	280	17				2	280	17			
Harbor Briton	6	1199	68				6	1199	68			
Gaultois	2	431	26				2	431	26			
	109	23035	1242				109	23035	1242	10	1929	96

Customs Returns.

WEST INDIES.

	FOREIGN.						TOTAL.								
	IN BALLAST.			TOTAL.			WITH CARGO.			IN BALLAST.			TOTAL.		
	Vessels	Tons.	Crews.	Vessels	Tons.	Crews.	Vessels	Tons.	Crews.	Vessels	Tons.	Crews.	Vessels	Tons.	Crews.
	2	518	21	7	1518	59	28	3799	210	2	518	21	30	4317	231
				1	153	7	2	294	18				2	294	18
	2	518	21	8	1671	66	30	4093	228	2	518	21	32	4611	249

BRAZIL.

				10	1929	96	96	20508	1072				96	20508	1072
							1	152	10				1	152	10
							12	2394	145				12	2394	145
							2	280	17				2	280	17
							6	1199	68				6	1199	68
							2	431	26				2	431	26
				10	1929	96	119	24964	1338				119	24964	1338

Customs Returns.

No. 4.—

ABSTRACT OF THE

	BRITISH.									WITH CARGO.		
	WITH CARGO.			IN BALLAST.			TOTAL.					
	Vessels	Tons.	Crews.	Vessels	Tons.	Crews.	Vessels	Tons.	Crews.	Vessels	Tons.	Crews.
United Kingdom	148	27485	1634	2	551	21	150	27086	1655	6	781	42
British Possessions	279	36410	2477	426	40441	2758	705	85851	5235	6	1443	63
Sweden												
Spain	25	3342	216				25	3342	216	74	8507	670
Portugal	66	8459	537				66	8459	537	6	613	53
Italy	35	4360	262				35	4360	262	4	574	43
Ionian Islands	2	193	12				2	193	12			
United States.	43	4522	276	1	109	8	44	4631	284	24	2754	140
French Colonies				2	29	8	2	29	8			
Spanish Colonies	24	2940	183				24	2940	183	6	1153	45
Brazil	109	23035	1242				109	23035	1242	10	1929	96
	731	110696	6839	431	50130	2795	1162	160826	9684	136	17754	1152

Customs Returns.

FOREGOING ACCOUNT.

	FOREIGN.						TOTAL.								
	IN BALLAST.			TOTAL.			WITH CARGO.			IN BALLAST.			TOTAL.		
	Vessels	Tons.	Crews.	Vessels	Tons.	Crews.	Vessels	Tons.	Crews.	Vessels	Tons.	Crews.	Vessels	Tons.	Crews.
				6	781	42	154	28216	1676	2	551	21	156	28767	1697
	9	1712	67	15	3155	130	285	37853	2510	435	51153	2825	720	89006	5365
	1	199	9	1	199	9				1	199	9	1	199	9
				74	8507	670	99	11849	886				99	11849	886
				6	613	53	72	9072	590				72	9072	590
	1	180	9	5	754	52	39	4934	305	1	180	9	40	5114	314
				2	193	12							2	193	12
	3	856	32	27	3619	172	67	7276	416	4	965	40	71	8241	456
				2	29	8				2	29	8	2	29	8
	2	518	21	8	1671	66	30	4092	228	2	518	21	32	4611	249
				10	1929	96	119	24964	1338				119	24964	1338
	16	3465	138	152	21219	1290	867	128450	7991	447	53595	2933	1314	182015	10924

Customs Returns.

No. 5—

TOTAL Number, Tonnage, and Crews of Vessels entered at

	BRITISH.											
	WITH CARGO.			IN BALLAST.			TOTAL.			WITH CARGO.		
	Vessels	Tons.	Crews.	Vessels	Tons.	Crews.	Vessels	Tons.	Crews.	Vessels	Tons.	Crews.
St. John's	916	131481	7552	28	5305	296	944	136786	7848	96	14373	842
Twillingate	9	946	62				9	946	62			
Fogo	18	2322	119				18	2322	119	1	121	7
Greenspond	4	470	32				4	470	32			
Trinity	9	1128	68				9	1128	68			
Carboncar	30	4056	251				30	4056	251	1	125	13
Harbor Grace	100	15290	912	4	545	35	104	15835	947	25	3797	252
Brigus	9	1127	71				9	1127	71			
Ferryland	1	126	7				1	126	7			
Placentia	13	970	63				13	970	63			
Oderin	4	230	24				4	230	24	1	127	5
Burin	46	3995	236	3	237	17	49	4232	253	2	238	10
St. Lawrence				1	68	4	1	68	4			
Lamaline	17	526	54	1	33	3	18	559	57			
Harbor Briton	60	5683	403	2	379	25	62	6062	428	2	406	17
Gaultois	18	803	66				18	803	66			
LaPoile	84	4788	445	1	19	3	85	4807	448	12	1076	69
St. Mary's	1	45	3				1	45	3			
	1339	173986	10368	40	6586	383	1379	180572	10751	140	20263	1215

Customs Returns.

each Port in the Colony of Newfoundland, in the year 1857.

FOREIGN.						TOTAL.								
IN BALLAST.			TOTAL.			WITH CARGO.			IN BALLAST.			TOTAL.		
Vessels	Tons.	Crews.	Vessels	Tons.	Crews.	Vessels	Tons.	Crews.	Vessels	Tons.	Crews.	Vessels	Tons.	Crews.
14	1694	128	110	16067	970	1012	14554	8351	42	6099	424	1054	152853	8818
						9	946	62				9	946	62
			1	121	7	19	2443	126				19	2443	126
						4	470	32				4	470	32
						9	1128	68				9	1128	68
			1	125	13	31	4181	264				31	4181	264
5	633	49	30	4430	301	125	19087	1164	9	1176	84	134	20265	1248
						9	1127	71				9	1127	71
						1	126	7				1	126	7
						13	970	63				13	970	63
			1	127	5	5	357	29				5	357	29
			2	238	10	48	4233	246	3	237	17	51	4470	263
									1	68	4	1	68	4
						17	526	54	1	33	3	18	559	57
			2	406	17	62	6089	420	2	379	25	64	6468	445
						18	803	66				18	803	66
			12	1076	69	96	5864	514	1	19	3	97	5883	517
			1	45	3							1	45	3
19	2327	177	159	22590	1392	1479	194249	11583	59	8913	560	1538	203162	12143

Customs Returns.

No. 6—

TOTAL Number, Tonnage, and Crews of Vessels cleared at

	BRITISH.											
	WITH CARGO.			IN BALLAST.			TOTAL.					
	Vessels	Tons.	Crews.	Vessels	Tons.	Crews.	Vessels	Tons.	Crews.	Vessels	Tons.	Crews.
St. John's	496	84790	5135	328	38047	2101	824	122837	7236	94	12745	826
Twillingate	10	1259	77				10	1259	77			
Fogo	13	1744	86	5	605	28	18	2349	114			
Greenspond	9	1009	64	1	154	10	10	1163	74			
Trinity	17	1795	114	4	617	35	21	2412	149			
Carbonear	10	1324	87	14	1968	113	24	3292	200			
Harbor Grace	45	7288	457	31	4756	242	76	12044	699	24	3238	224
Brigus	2	303	17	5	632	36	7	935	53			
Ferryland				3	398	20	3	398	20			
Placentia	11	715	49	1	191	8	12	906	57			
Oderin	5	137	21	3	309	21	8	446	42	1	127	4
Burin	38	3037	200	6	1022	46	44	4059	246	3	273	14
Lamaline	4	193	12				4	193	12			
Harbor Briton	24	3548	226	5	311	27	29	3859	253	2	289	17
Gaultois	6	835	54	3	329	16	9	1164	70			
LaPoile	40	2590	233	22	791	92	62	3381	325	12	1082	67
St. Mary's	1	129	7				1	129	7			
	731	110696	6839	431	50130	2795	1162	160826	9634	136	17754	1152

Customs Returns.

each Port in the Colony of Newfoundland in the Year 1857.

	FOREIGN.						TOTAL.								
	IN BALLAST.			TOTAL.			WITH CARGO.			IN BALLAST.			TOTAL.		
	Vessels	Tons.	Crews.	Vessels	Tons.	Crews.	Vessels	Tons.	Crews.	Vessels	Tons.	Crews.	Vessels	Tons.	Crews.
	11	2408	96	105	15153	922	590	97535	5961	239	40455	2197	929	137090	8158
							10	1259	77				10	1259	77
	1	121	4	1	121	4	13	1744	86	6	726	32	19	2470	118
							9	1009	64	1	154	10	10	1163	74
							17	1795	114	4	617	35	21	2412	149
							10	1324	87	14	1968	113	24	3292	200
	3	690	31	27	3928	255	69	10526	681	34	5446	273	103	15972	654
							2	303	17	5	632	36	7	935	53
										3	398	20	3	398	20
							11	715	49	1	191	8	12	906	57
				1	127	4	6	264	25	3	309	21	9	573	46
				3	273	14	41	3310	214	6	1022	46	47	4332	260
							4	193	12				4	193	12
	1	246	7	3	535	24	26	3837	243	6	557	34	32	4394	277
							6	835	54	3	329	16	9	1164	70
				12	1082	67	54	3672	300	22	791	92	74	4463	392
							4	129	7				1	129	7
	16	3465	138	152	21219	1290	867	128450	7991	447	53595	2933	1314	182045	10924

THOMAS GLEN,
Receiver General.

Customs Returns.

*ABSTRACT of the State of Shipping Registered at this Port for the Year ended
31st December, 1857.*

Total amount of last year's Account	1115	75345	
Less difference of Tonnage for Ships re-measured under Merchant's Shipping Act, but not Registered <i>De Novo</i>		62	
	1115	75283	
STRUCK OFF, ←			
	Ships.	Tons.	
Vessels wrecked, foundered, destroyed by fire, and missing	19	1690	
Broken up, or otherwise destroyed as unsea- worthy, and no longer employed at sea ...	7	347	
Sold to Foreigners	1	129	
Transferred and Registered <i>De Novo</i> in the Port, and transferred to other Ports	22	2163	49 4329
			1066 70954
ADDED, —			
New Vessels	65	3084	
Vessels Registered <i>De Novo</i> on account of purchase, transferred from other Ports, or otherwise	75	8011	140 11125
Total			1206 82079

Board of Works.

*STATEMENT of Expenditure by the Board of Works on account of the LUNATIC
ASYLUM, for the year ending 31st December, 1857.*

April 15—	To P. Jordan & Sons, clothing, &c.	£165	1	5		
	Redmond Brine, beef	55	12	7		
	P. Hogan, groceries	74	10	6		
	E. St. John, bread	104	14	1		
	H. H. Stabb, servants' wages....	57	1	10		
	Dempsey, shoeing horses	1	4	11		
	B. G. Garrett, india rubber urinal	1	1	8		
	Jonas Barter, coffins	3	16	3		
	William Pope, shoeing horses...	0	6	6		
	St. John's Cemetery, burials ...	0	17	4		
	William Coyle, for plaus	2	14	7		
	Brooking & Sons, for mangle	21	8	8		
	Peter Neville, cows to bull	0	13	0		
	J. F. Neville, for glass	2	1	7		
					£491	4 11
May 23—	H. H Stabb, for farm horse.....				26 0 0	
June 30—	Thomas McMurdo & Co., medicine	5	12	2		
	P. Hogan, groceries	77	6	0		
	Gas Company, for coal tar	2	19	9		
	J. Kavanagh, for coal	13	13	0		
	C. F. Bennett & Co., furnace bars	7	15	6		
	H. H. Stabb, saddling and repairs	1	3	3		
	Ditto servants' wages ..	57	1	10		
	Redmond Brine, beef	54	6	2		
	E. St. John, bread	107	9	1		
	John Power, coffins	3	12	9		
	P. Jordan & Sons, clothing.....	62	15	11		
	J. Maher, blacksmith	4	5	9		
	M. W. Hutchings, longers, &c.	33	11	8		
					431	12 10
July 11—	Whiteway, for a grave	0	10	10		
Aug. 19—	H. H. Stabb, allowance for fitting up apart- ments in Asylum	50	0	0		
	G. F. Bown, for 300 hhds. coal	119	3	4		
					169	14 2
	Brought forward.....				£1118	11 11

Board of Works.

STATEMENT.—Continued.

	To amount brought forward	£1118 11 11
June 30—	Ann Coleson, in full compensation for services as Matron	56 10 0
	W. J. Shahan, passage Lunatic from Hermitage Bay.....	3 0 0
Oct. 5—	H. H. Stabb, for purchase of three cows ...	26 0 0
	Heuardine, for burials	0 10 10
		86 0 10
24—	E. St. John, for bread	108 6 2
	Robert Cowan, fodder	2 3 0
	P. Jordan & Sons, clothing.....	59 13 0
	Redmond Brine, beef	57 6 2
	H. H. Stabb, for servants	49 1 6
	P. Hogan, Groceries, &c.,	82 6 4
		358 16 2
Dec. 31—	Thomas McMurdo & Co., medicine	7 0 1
	P. Jordan & Sons, clothing.....	85 14 3
	P. Hogan, groceries	81 6 8
	Redmond Brine, beef	49 0 6
	E. St. John, bread	102 4 10
	Clift, Wood & Co., barley	3 5 0
	H. Cowan, cows grazing	7 16 0
	John Wills, hay, straw, &c. ..	82 6 8
	J. & W. Boyd, lumber	34 2 11
	Samuel Carnel, carts	5 10 11
	Mill account, repairing engine	35 17 3
	Bulley Mitchell and Co., plank	7 9 9
	P. McPherson, tub, &c.,	2 5 11
	R. O'Dwyer, blubber	14 14 0
	H. H. Stabb, for servants' wages	51 17 10
	Thomas McConnon, Stationery	2 18 10
	John Power, for coffins	1 16 4
	H. H. Stabb, petty accounts ...	6 19 6
		585 7 3
	Richard Sullivan, passage of Lunatic from Ferryland	4 6 8
	H. H. Stabb, for petty expenses	0 15 10
		£2153 18 8

Board of Works, 31st December, 1857.

EDMUND HANRAHAN, *Chairman,*

JOHN STUART, *Acting Secretary, B. W.*

Examined,

JAMES TOBIN, *Financial Secretary.*

Board of Works.

DETAILED STATEMENT of Expenditure by the Board of Works on account of the ST. JOHN'S HOSPITAL, and repairs of, for the Year ending 31st December, 1857.

January	9—	To Dr. Carson, petty expenses		£0 17 4
	11—	Mary Haley, balance wages	£0 13 0	
		Cartage	0 2 2	
		Labour	0 4 4	£0 19 6
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April	11—	Jonas Barter, coffins		0 11 8
	18—	P. Hogan, groceries, &c.,	41 17 9	
		Michael Sheehan, boots	1 6 0	
		P. Jordan & Sons, clothing ..	8 11 6	
		J. Murray, bread	22 2 0	
		Redmond Brine, beef	30 17 1	
		Charles Rielley, milk	6 12 11	
		F. Dowsley, medicine	9 6 10	
		E. Carroll, labour	3 15 4	
		Martin Freney, ditto	2 1 7	
		C. F. Bennett & Co., repairs stove	2 15 0	
		T. Dillon, eggs	0 16 10	
		James Hayse, for a ladder	4 6 8	
		P. Canning, tin work	2 2 0	
		William Molloy, tubs	2 18 6	
		Redmond Brine, 6 iron bedsteads	5 4 6	
		Ditto for beef	3 14 3	
		Dr. Rochfort, quarter salary....	27 1 8	
		Dr. Carson ditto	27 1 8	
		John Prowse, for servants.....	21 17 8	
		John Prowse, keeper, quarter salary	10 16 8	
		Emma Brine, mistress ditto	6 10 0	
		J. J. Graham, stationery	0 11 4	
		Trehear & McKenzie, painting	0 13 10	
		Houghton & Co., air and water boots	12 16 9	255 17 10
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May	5—	Mullings, Brokerage	0 1 8	
		Paid for stop cock	0 7 9	0 9 5
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Brought forward				£258 15 9

Board of Works.

DETAILED STATEMENT.—Continued.

	To amount brought forward		£258 15 9
June 30—	John Prowse, keeper, quarter salary at £70	£17 10 0	
	Joanna Beeson, matron ditto	9 12 2	
	John Power, undertaker	8 14 10	
	Charles Rielly, milk	10 9 1	
	Dempsey, smithwork	0 13 6	
	J. J. Graham, stationery	0 14 8	
	R. C. Cemetery, graves	0 13 0	
	John Prowse, for servants	20 3 0	
	P. Hogan, groceries	62 6 5	
	Muldowney, glazing	1 4 3	
	Dr. Carson, quarter salary	27 1 8	
	Ditto petty expenses.....	2 7 9	
	Dr. Rochfort, quarter salary ..	27 1 8	
	Redmond Brine, beef	35 5 7	
	Edward St. John, bread	33 19 5	
	F. Dowsley, medicine	10 15 11	
	P. Jordan & Sons, clothing.....	27 9 6	
	Martin Freeny, labor	3 18 10	
	Edward Carroll ditto	5 17 5	
	Gas Company	10 10 7	316 9 3
July 22—	Catherine O'Neal, balance wages		3 0 8
30—	Burke, tallying coals		1 1 8
August 19—	Paid for grave for T. Corcoran		1 6 0
	G. F. Bown, for 60 hhds. coals		22 6 4
October 22—	Wills, for plumber's work		3 12 9
24—	Dr. Carson, quarter salary 30th September	£27 1 8	
	Dr. Rochfort ditto ditto	27 1 8	
	John Prowse, keeper ditto	17 10 0	
	Joanna Beeson, matron ditto	7 10 0	
	Dr. Carson, for domestics	30 5 1	
	Edward St. John, for bread.....	36 0 2	
	James Murray ditto	3 4 5	
	Redmond Brine, for beef	36 3 8	
	Charles Rielley	12 16 6	
	John Power, for collins	4 17 6	
	F. Dowsley, medicines	13 13 6	
	P. Jordan & Sons, clothing, &c.	17 1 9	
	Brought forward.....	£233 5 11	£606 12 5

Board of Works.

STATEMENT.—Continued.

	To amount brought forward	£233 5 11	£606 12 5
October 24—	P. Hogan, groceries	67 6 11	
	J. Dempsey, smithwork	2 1 7	
	William Daymond, stretchers	2 12 0	
	Dr. Carson, petty accounts	5 19 0	
	William Heuardine, graves	2 3 4	
			£313 8 9
	William Coyle, for repairs 1856		81 6 9
	Gorman, in part contract for drain	7 16 0	
	William O'Grady, carpenter, work sewers...	10 7 6	
			18 3 0
	Gorman, in part contract drain		4 6 8
	Ditto ditto		3 9 4
	William O'Grady, carpenter work, coal house	9 9 4	
	Bennett & Co., plank for drain	4 19 8	
	Bowring Brothers, nails for ditto	0 14 11	
	O'Brien & Co., ditto and lead	1 11 2	
	Clift, Wood & Co., deals for ditto	9 2 9	
	William O'Grady, carpenter work, coal house	10 2 7	
	Gorman, in part contract for drain	3 9 4	
	Ditto ditto	4 6 8	
	William O'Grady, carpenter work, coal house	9 7 7	
	Ditto ditto	11 7 6	
	Ditto ditto	7 5 2	
	Charles Daley, mason	0 18 2	
	Moore, stone for drain	4 5 9	
	Paid labor at New Fence	4 2 4	
	Bennett & Co., lumber in part Gorman's contract for sewer	9 10 1	
	Bennett & Co., posts for fence	2 2 2	
	J. & W. Boyd, lumber for coal house and fence	47 0 10	
	Brought forward.....	£139 16 0	£977 7 5

Board of Works.

STATEMENT.—Continued.

	To amount brought forward	£139 16 0	£977 7 5
	Clift, Wood & Co., lumber for coal house	8 12 9	
	Bennett & Co., plank in part of Gorman's contract for sewer	3 16 6	
	Gorman, balance contract for making sewer and drain	29 4 5	
	Gorman, labor at fence	1 10 9	
	E. Carroll, for labour	12 17 0	
		7 12 6	195 17 5
	William O'Grady, carpenter	4 6 8	
	Michael Gorman, part contract	13 14 2	
	William Smith, mason work	25 13 4	2 10 3
	Wills, carpenter work	5 4 9	
Nov. 26 —	R. J. Parsons, advertising	6 18 8	
	Gorman, labor at fence	0 17 4	
	Paid for burials	13 0 9	49 16 8
Dec. 7—	G. F. Bown, for 120 lhds. coal		0 5 7
	W. T. Parsons, repairing clock... ..		5 14 7
28—	John Maher, iron work		
31—	Freeny, labor	8 3 9	
	E. Carroll, ditto	9 18 11	18 2 8
		5 18 7	
	John Maher, smith work	3 11 0	
	L. O'Brien & Co., nails	10 8 0	
Dec. 31—	L. O'Brien & Co., potatoes.....	10 8 10	
	John Wills, carrots, turnips	32 6 9	
	Edward St. John, bread	4 11 0	
	John Wills, plumber	28 3 4	
	P. O'Sullivan, contract privies... ..	9 4 2	
	Ditto carpenter work... ..	43 15 0	
	Dr. Carson, quarter salary and arrears	43 15 0	
	Dr. Rochfort, ditto ditto	17 10 0	
	John Prowse, keeper, quarter salary	28 9 11	
	Dr. Carson, for domestics	47 2 0	
	Redmond Brine, beef	12 16 8	
	Charles Rielley, milk	18 16 6	
	F. Dowsley, medicine	44 6 5	
	P. Jordan & Sons, clothing.....	83 3 0	
	P. Hogan, groceries	2 13 8	
	Dempsey, smith work	£446 19 10	£1288 8 8
	Brought forward.....		

Board of Works.

STATEMENT.—Continued.

To amount brought forward .....	.....	£146 19 10	£1288 8 8
Gas Company, gas for quarter .....	.....	8 5 4	
Dr. Carson, petty accounts ... ..	.....	9 6 3	
T. McMurdo & Co., medicine... ..	.....	2 12 0	
Joanna Beeson, matron, quarter salary.....	.....	7 10 0	
		<hr/>	474 13 5
J. & W. Boyd, for lumber	1 6 8	
Dr. Carson, for petty expenses	1 0 11	
		<hr/>	2 7 2
			<hr/>
			£1765 9 3
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Board of Works, 31st December, 1857.

E. HANRAHAN,

Chairman.

JOHN STUART,

Acting Secretary, B. W.

Examined,

JAMES TOBIN,

Financial Secretary.

DETAILED STATEMENT of Expenditure by the Board of Works on account of Insurance on Public Buildings, for the year ending 31st December, 1857.

Date.	Office in which Insured.	Commences on	Expires on	Government House	Colonial Building	Market House & Court House	Lunatic Asylum	Hospital.	Custom House	Amount.
July 21—	Liverpool and London Insurance Company, per Bowring Brothers	1857. July 21	1858. July 21	1000	2000	1000	1000			37 9 11
24—	Royal Insurance Company of Liverpool, per W. L. Anthony	24	24	2000	4000					31 4 0
25—	Equitable Insurance Company, per E. L. Jarvis			1000		1000	1000			18 14 10
26—	Alliance Insurance Company, per Brooking Son & Co.	25	25	1000	2000	1000			1000	41 4 11
31—	Phoenix Insurance Company, per J. & W. Rendell	26	26			1000	1000	866 13 4		10 16 8
	Ditto	31	31	1000		1000	1000		2000	46 5 0
				£6000	8000	4000	3000	866 13 4	3000	185 15 4

Board of Works, 31st December, 1857.

EDMUND HANRAHAN,
Chairman,

JOHN STUART,
Acting Secretary, B. W.

Examined,

JAMES TOBIN,
Financial Secretary.

Board of Works.

Board of Works.

DETAILED STATEMENT of Expenditure by the Board of Works on account of expenses of Court Houses and Gaols, for the year ending 31st December, 1857.

Jan. 16—	To Carberry, for cartage	£0	1	3	
	Burridge, sweeping chimnies	0	9	6	
					£0 10 9
March 21—	Jane Campbell, washing				1 4 10
April 11—	E. Gibbons, washing	0	5	10	
	Mary Power, washing lock-up	2	14	10	
					3 0 8
18—	John Carew, expenses prisoners in lock-up	12	0	8	
	John R. Jeans, keeper Court House, quarter salary 31st March	13	15	0	
	Joseph Score, turnkey gaol, ditto	10	16	8	
	James Bryan, gaol servant, ditto	10	0	0	
	Patrick Hogan, supplies Court House	21	3	7	
	Ditto groceries for gaol	23	5	6	
	E. Sinnot, washing	4	0	3	
	William Sinnot, firewood	1	11	2	
	Henry Winton, <i>Ledger</i>	0	13	0	
	P. Jordan & Sons, clothing, &c.,	22	3	6	
	J. J. Graham, stationery	4	15	1	
	Samuel Knight, powder	1	0	9	
	Charles Cozens, for Court House, Brigus ...	1	8	10	
	William Fennell, for Court House, Bonavista	0	13	0	
	Giles Brothers, coals Court House, Carbonear	9	10	8	
	P. Duggan, coal for Court House, St. Mary's	1	17	6	
	D. Rogers, diet prisoners, Harbor Grace	13	1	8	
	Rutherford Brothers, candles, ditto	7	15	8	
	L. Kennedy, washing	1	8	0	
	D. Rogers, allowance prisoners Harbor Grace	7	10	0	
					168 10 6
28—	Michael Power, labour	0	13	10	
May 23—	John Carew, half year's rent, lock-up	10	16	8	
	George Simms, annual allowance for S. G. Court	4	0	0	
	Cartage	0	6	6	
					15 17 0
					£189 3 9
	Brought forward.....				£189 3 9

Board of Works.

DETAILED STATEMENT.—Continued.

	To amount brought forward		£189	3	9
June 6—	John R. Jeans, cleaning Court House and Offices	£2 13 3			
9—	Cleansing Court House, Ferryland	0 13 0			
29—	E. Gibbons, washing, gaol	0 12 3			
	T. Hughes, 12 constables staves	1 10 0			
				5	8
				0	5
30—	J. H. Carter, Ferryland			8	6
	John R. Jeans, quarter salary, keeper Court House	12 10 0		0	2
	Joseph Score, turukey, ditto quarter salary ..	10 16 8			
	James Bryan, gaol servant, ditto	10 0 0			
	J. R. Jeans, keeper Court House, ditto	13 15 0			
	E. Sinnot, washing	5 7 4			
	Gas Company, gas for lock-up	1 14 3			
	Ditto ditto Court House	18 17 6			
	T. McConnon, stationery	2 12 10			
	James Whelan, gaol barber, half year	6 0 0			
	William Sinnot, for firewood.....	1 6 0			
	James Rice, cleaning Court House, Twillingate	0 16 6			
	Ditto diet prisoners	1 13 2			
	J. J. Graham, stationery	0 19 11			
	P. Hogan, sundries, Court House, St. John's ..	13 11 9			
	Henry Winton, Ledger 3 months	0 6 6			
	Michael Fennell, expenses prisoners, Bonavista	0 15 4			
	P. Hogan, supplies for gaol	32 18 3			
	J. Woods, 6 months Courier for Police Office, Judges' Chambers, and Clerk's Office...	1 6 0			
	Thomas E. Gaden, coals, Harbor Breton ...	10 5 10			
	Bowring Brothers, locks	1 4 5			
	Robert Peace, night kettles	1 11 2			
	Job Brothers, lamp	0 5 7			
	George H. Hayward, candles	1 17 11			
	E. Power, padlocks	0 7 3			
	Charles Granger, expenses, Trinity	0 16 0			
	D. Rogers, diet prisoners, Harbor Groce.....	9 8 7			
	Ditto allowance for servants	7 10 0			
	Louisa Kennedy, washing	1 10 9			
	Rutherford Brothers, supplies, Harbor Grace ..	5 17 4			
	Brought forward.....	£176 1 10	£194	17	5

Board of Works.

DETAILED STATEMENT.—Continued.

	To amount brought forward	£176 1 10	£194 17 6
June 30—	Ridley & Sons, coal, Harbor Grace	6 10 0	
	J. R. Jeans, diet prisoners, Lock-up	7 0 11	
	T. McCannon, stationery, Judges' Chambers	4 5 6	
	J. Burrous, advertising, Harbor Grace	0 7 6	
	E. D. Shea, printing subpoenas	25 11 4	
			219 17 1
July 22—	Sweeping Gaol chimnies	0 15 2	
	Nowlan, candles for gaol	2 12 0	
	G. F. Bown, 200 hhds. coal, C. H.	75 14 9	
	Ditto 120 ditto Gaol	47 13 4	
	Storing coal, Signal-hill	2 3 4	
Aug. 19—	Mary Power, diet lock-up	6 10 6	
	T. L. Bradshaw, allowance for coals	3 9 4	
			138 18 5
	Samuel Rumson, Carbonear	13 0 0	
	J. B. Blackburn, annual allowance coal for Harbor Briton	4 0 0	
	Rutherford Brothers, 95 hhds. coal for Har- bor Grace	38 10 6	
			55 10 6
Sept. 10—	<i>Conception Bay Man</i> , one year's subscription	0 13 0	
	Rutherford Brothers, Harbor Grace, supplies	2 3 8	
	Mary Bryan, washing	0 9 4	
30—	Mary Power, diet prisoners lock-up, and cleaning till date	5 8 7	
			8 14 7
Oct. 10—	Whitewashing cells, lock-up		1 1 8
14—	Uriah Williams, painting Stairs	4 10 0	
	Charles Granger, cleaning Court House, Trinity	0 16 0	
	Brooking & Sons, supplies for ditto	6 6 3	
	F. R. Page, Two charts and diary for Sheriff's Office	3 18 0	
	Michael Fennel, diet prisoners at Bonavista	0 18 6	
			16 8 9
	Brought forward		£635 8 5

Board of Works.

DETAILED STATEMENT.—Continued.

	To amount brought forward		£635	8	5
Oct. 24—	Michael Fennel, expenses, Bonavista			0	13
	G. F. Bown, coals ditto			4	12
	St. John's Water Company.	6	10	0	
	Rutherford Brothers, supplies, Harbor Grace	7	19	3	
	Louisa Kennedy, washing gaol	1	2	10	
	D. Rodgers, for servants, Harbor Grace	7	10	0	
	Ditto, diet prisoners,	7	5	4	
	E. Sinnot, washing, St. John's	3	1	5	
	W. Sinnot, firewood	1	6	0	
	John R. Jeans, salary to 30th September ...	13	15	0	
	Joseph Score, turnkey, ditto	10	16	8	
	James Bryan, gaol servant	10	0	0	
	P. Hogan, gaol supplies	24	15	7	
	James Whelan, gaol barber, quarter salary	3	0	0	
	J. J. Graham, stationery	2	7	5	
	Brooking & Sons, coal, Trinity....	10	11	3	
	J. H. Warren, coal, Bonavista	8	4	8	
					123 11 4
Nov. 7—	James Rice, on account prisoners, Twillingate	6	14	4	
	Ditto, 12 hhds. coals, and candles do.	9	18	5	
	Ditto, diet prisoners	2	3	1	
	W. Hanlon, cost of gown for Crier, St. John's	2	12	0	
					21 7 10
28—	T. Geary, lighting fires, and cleaning C. H., Ferryland	0	17	4	
	P. Hogan, supplies for Court House, St. John's, to 30th September ...	38	5	7	
	R. Marshall, 25 hhds. coal for Court House, Burin	9	15	0	
					48 17 11
Dec. 10—	Charles Cozens, Brigus, for coals				8 4 8
	Slade & Co., 6 hhds. coal, for C. House at Twillingate	2	12	0	
	F. R. Page, for a chart	2	16	4	
					5 8 4
	Forward & Co., 20 hhds. coal, Carbonear ...				9 8 0
31—	John Jeans, Keeper Court House, St. John's, quarter salary ...	13	15	9	
	Joseph Score, turnkey, ditto ...	10	16	8	
	James Bryan, gaol servant, ditto	10	0	0	
	James Whelan, barber, ditto	3	0	0	
					£37 11 8
	Brought forward.....				£852 6 6

Board of Works.

DETAILED STATEMENT.—Continued.

	To amount brought forward	£37 11 8	£852 6 6
Dec. 31—	J. J. Graham, stationery	2 9 5	
	E. Sinnot, washing	3 10 1	
	William Sinnot, firewood	1 6 0	
	Gas Company, for lock-up and Court House to 30th September	11 18 8	
	Richard Brace.....	3 16 3	
	John Kavanagh, coals, St. Mary's	4 4 0	
	Bowring Brothers, stove, Clerk's Office	2 3 4	
	Ditto coals, Ferryland Court House...	10 8 0	
	Water Company, St. John's, to 30th Septem- ber	6 10 0	
	D. Rogers, expenses prisoners Harbor Grace	15 8 9	
	Ditto, for servants	7 10 0	
	Ditto, cleaning gaol	0 12 0	
	L. Kennedy, washing	1 1 3	
	Rutherford Brothers, supplies, Harbor Grace	9 9 10	
	P. Jordan & Sons, clothing, &c., gaol	34 12 3	
	P. Hogan, groceries, &c., ditto	27 3 9	
	Ditto, supplies Court House, ditto	22 8 2	
	J. J. Whiteford, clock for lock-up	2 1 7	
	Richard Brace, dinner for prisoners	0 8 8	
	Lionel Chancey	0 17 4	
	Charles Cozens, on account Brigus Court House	1 18 4	
		207 9 4	
			£1059 15 10

Board of Works, 31st December, 1857.

E. HANRAHAN,

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JOHN STUART,

Acting Secretary, B. W.

Examined,

JAMES TOBIN,

Financial Secretary.

Board of Works.

*DETAILED STATEMENT of Expenditure by the Board of Works on account of Repairs
of GOVERNMENT HOUSE, for the Year ending 31st December, 1857.*

	May 1—To Maurice Casey, keeper of grounds	£6	13	4
June 30—	Patrick Kough, account till date	86	9	8
	Maurice Casey, keeper of grounds	20	0	0
	Patrick Kough, account 31st March	46	5	8
Sept. 30—	Ditto ditto 30th September	113	4	10
Dec. 31—	Ditto ditto 31st December	107	4	4
		£379 17 10		

Board of Works, 31st December, 1857.

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JOHN STUART,

Acting Secretary, B. W.

Examined,

JAMES TOBIN,

Financial Secretary.

Board of Works.

DETAILED STATEMENT of Expenditure by the Board of Works on account of the repairs of the St. John's COURT HOUSE, for the year ending the 31st December, 1857.

June	30—	To O'Neal and Walsh, in part contract	.....		£52 0 0
Aug.	19—	F. Harley, plaster work	.....	£7 5 2	
		Ditto ditto	.....	3 13 2	
					10 18 4
June	30—	J. Carew, repairs lock-up	.....	15 3 4	
		T. McGrath, repairs grates.....	.....	4 2 7	
					19 5 11
Oct.	24—	Ditto, smith work	.....	12 12 0	
Dec.	7—	P. O'Sullivan, carpenter work	.....	63 7 6	
		Ditto, ditto	.....	26 8 10	
					102 8 4
	31—	T. McGrath, blacksmith work....	.....	12 19 1	
		George Gear, for stove	.....	4 7 6	
		P. O'Sullivan, carpenter work....	.....	47 9 5	
					64 16 0
		John Sheehan, funnel for Court House.....	.....	2 3 3	
		T. McGrath, blacksmith	.....	4 1 0	
		Ditto, for lock-up	.....	0 16 0	
		Ditto, for gaol	.....	5 18 1	
					12 8 4
					£261 16 11

Board of Works, 31st December, 1857.

EDMUND HANRAHAN,

Chairman,

JOHN STUART,

Acting Secretary, B. W.

Examined,

JAMES TOBIN,

Financial Secretary.

Board of Works.

DETAILED STATEMENT of Expenditure by the Board of Works, on account of the Repairs of COURT HOUSES and GAOLS, for the year ending the 31st December, 1857.

April 18—	To Bowring Brothers, for door spring	£0	9	1
	T. McGrath, repairs lock-up	25	6	5
	Ditto, Court House	4	5	4
	Ditto, Gaol	0	9	1
	C. F. Bennett & Co., Stove for lock-up.....	3	9	4
	Robert Peace, Lamp, Court House	1	14	8
	James Brown, painting Sessions Court	15	12	2
	R. L. Whiting, repairing Court House, Harbor Grace	0	12	0
	John Rossetor, repairing Court House, Ferryland	0	13	10
	J. H. Carter, nails, ditto	0	5	2
	W. Manning, ditto	0	13	0
	P. O'Sullivan, Carpenter work, gaol	24	14	2
	Ditto ditto Court House	50	7	9
June 30—	A. Strathie, carpenter work for Court House Bonavista	19	11	0
				£148 3 6

Board of Works, 31st December, 1857.

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JOHN STUART,

Acting Secretary, B. W.

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JAMES TOBIN,

Financial Secretary.

Board of Works.

DETAILED STATEMENT of Expenditure by the Board of Works on account of the repairs of Outport COURT HOUSES, for the year ending the 31st December, 1857.

April 10—	To Joseph Ryan, for Carbonar Court House....	£6 6 1		
Aug. 19—	Ditto, ditto ditto	1 17 5		
				£8 3 6
Oct. 17—	C. F. Bennett & Co., sundries for Court House, Twillingate			13 7 4
24—	Charles Parsons, in part contract for Court House, Harbor Grace			25 0 0
	John H. Warren, for Court House, Bonavista	13 0 0		
	J. Hipposly, in part contract for Court House, Harbor Grace	12 15 0		
				25 15 0
26—	Thomas Gaden, for Court House, Harbor Briton	16 6 8		
	Thomas Tipeld, painting Court House at Twillingate	3 13 8		
				20 0 4
Dec. 12—	William Yetman, repairing Court House at Ferryland	1 10 4		
	F. Geary, Ditto ditto	1 1 3		
				2 11 7
31—	Bowring Brothers, sundries, ditto			2 7 2
				2 11 7
				2 7 2
				£97 4 11

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E. HANRAHAN,
Chairman.

JOHN STUART,
Acting Secretary, B. W.

Examined,
JAMES TOBIN,
Financial Secretary.

Board of Works.

*CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT of Expenditure by the Board of Works
on account of the erection of the NEW GAOL at St. John's,
for the year ending 31st December, 1857.*

July 23—To cash paid labourers assorting building stone
and materials from 18th April to date ...

£165 11 6

Board of Works, 31st December, 1857.

E. HANRAHAN,
Chairman.

JOHN STUART,
Acting Secretary. B. W.

Examined,

JAMES TOBIN,
Financial Secretary.

*DETAILED STATEMENT of Expenditure by the Board of Works on account of repairs of
the St. John's CUSTOM HOUSE, for the year ending 31st December, 1857.*

Aug. 14—To William Hodder, on account contract		£8	13	4
Sept. 5— Ditto, ditto		8	13	4
Oct. 3— Ditto, ditto, painting		6	14	4
6— Ditto, balance contract		20	13	4
Nov. 28— P. O'Sullivan, carpenter		14	6	9

£59 1 0

Board of Works, 31st December, 1857.

E. HANRAHAN,
Chairman.

JOHN STUART,
Acting Secretary, B. W.

Examined,

JAMES TOBIN,
Financial Secretary.

Board of Works.

DETAILED STATEMENT of Expenditure by the Board of Works, on account of Fuel and Light for the St. John's CUSTOM HOUSE, for the year ending the 31st December, 1857.

June	30—	To L. Macassey for coal .....	.....	£19	14	4
Aug.	19—	G. F. Bown, for 80 lhds. coal....	.....	29	3	6
Dec.	31—	G. F. Bown, for 24 ditto .....	.....	9	7	2
				£58		5 0

Board of Works, 31st December, 1857.

E. HANRAHAN,
Chairman,

JOHN STUART,
Acting Secretary, B. W.

Examined,
JAMES TOBIN,
Financial Secretary.

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT of Expenditure by the Board of Works on account of Cleansing the Town of St. JOHN'S, for the Year ending 31st December, 1857.

Dec.	23—	To Expenditure for this service, from 29th May to date	£432	15	10
				£432		15 10

Board of Works, 31st December, 1857.

E. HANRAHAN,
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JOHN STUART,
Acting Secretary, B. W.

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JAMES TOBIN,
Financial Secretary.

Board of Works.

DETAILED STATEMENT of Expenditure by the Board of Works on account of Fuel and Light for the COLONIAL BUILDING, for the year ending 31st December, 1857.

June	30—	To St. John's Gas Company, to 31st March.....	£31	7	6	
Aug.	19—	J. Delaney, labor, coals	1	2	6	
		Ditto, ditto	2	3	4	
		L. Macassey, for coals	0	16	5	
		William Sinnot, firewood	2	5	6	
		G. F. Bown, for coals	29	4	1	
						126 19 4
	20—	G. F. Bown, for coals	6	11	3	
		J. W. Smith, Gas Lamp for Savings' Bank...	2	12	0	
Oct.	24—	P. Burke, tallying coals	2	14	2	
		E. Delaney, laborers at coals ...	3	18	0	
		L. Macassey, 2 hds. coals.....	0	19	0	
						16 14 5
Dec.	31—	St. John's Gas Company, to 30th September				19 10 10
						£173 4 7

Board of Works, 31st December, 1857.

E. HANRAHAN,

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JOHN STUART,

Acting Secretary, B. W.

Examined,

JAMES TOBIN,

Financial Secretary.

Board of Works.

*DETAILED STATEMENT of Expenditure by the Board of Works on account of the New
POST OFFICE and LOCK-UP, St. John's, for the year ending
the 31st December, 1857.*

May	28—	To John Saunders, in part of contract	.....	£70	0	0	
June	30—	P. & T. Hearn, for chairs	.....	1	13	1	
		St. John's Gas Company, fittings	.....	9	8	9	
		T. McGrath, grates	.....	6	5	2	
		T. McDurdo & Co., paints &c.	.....	3	18	10	
		M. Shea, expenses removing furniture	.....	4	16	2	
		T. McGrath, iron work	.....	5	16	3	
		Ditto, ditto	.....	12	19	1	
		St. John's Gas Company, lamps	.....	8	1	6	
		Walsh and O'Neal, building Chimnies	.....	24	11	10	
		William Daymond, for office table	.....	2	7	8	
							149 18 4
		John Saunders, in part contract	.....				150 0 0
Oct.	24—	Dunn & Goff, for office table ...	.....	4	15	4	
		W. & H. Thomas & Co., for lamp	.....	4	6	8	
		T. McGrath, for funnelling.....	.....	5	5	11	
							14 7 11
Nov.	12—	J. Brown, painting	.....	19	17	10	
		P. & L. Tessier, for stoves	.....	8	5	6	
		John Saunders, in part contract	.....	8	13	4	
							36 16 8
		Executors late John Saunders, for balance contract	.....				126 18 8
							£478 1 7

Board of Works, 31st December, 1857.

E. HANRAHAN,

Chairman.

JOHN STUART,

Acting Secretary, B. W.

Examined,

JAMES TOBIN,

Financial Secretary.

Board of Works.

DETAILED STATEMENT of Expenditure by the Board of Works on account of PUMPS and TANKS, for the year ending 31st December, 1857.

Jan.	9—	To D. Morley, sinking pump	£21 13 4	
		James Munary, labor	0 17 4	
			£22 10 8	
	16—	John Colbert and others, labor	3 12 9	
	31—	Ditto ditto	6 7 4	
Feb.	3—	Ditto ditto	7 5 6	
			17 5 7	
April	18—	W. LeMessurier, for plank	2 13 6	
		J. Maher, quarter salary to 31st March, for keeping pumps in repair.....	7 9 11	
		P. O'Sullivan, carpenter work..	5 2 9	
			15 6 2	
May.	22—	John Maher, smithwork, new pump		6 13 9
		Andrew Keefe, work at Belle Shut	1 7 3	
		Richard Moore, flags for drain	14 2 6	
June	6—	Cost of pump, Marsh Hill	3 7 7	
		Cartage, 4s. 4d., cartage, 3s. ...	0 7 4	
			10 4 8	
	9—	Rendell, for blocks and tub for pump, Marsh Hill	1 1 0	
	13—	Labor, ditto	6 19 1	
	23—	Ditto, ditto	7 13 4	
	26—	Ditto, ditto	10 15 9	
			26 9 2	
	30—	John Maher, quarter salary, keeping pumps in order	10 0 0	
		Ditto, blacksmith work, new pump	4 8 10	
			14 8 10	
July	11—	Labor, Marsh Hill	11 2 8	
	22—	Ditto, ditto	8 18 3	
	24—	Ditto, ditto	6 17 9	
	30—	Ditto, ditto	6 2 2	
Aug.	14—	Ditto, ditto	7 8 2	
	19—	Ditto, ditto	6 7 10	
	22—	Ditto, ditto	7 12 1	
			54 8 11	
Sept.		Ditto, Gas Works Firebreak ...	2 7 8	
		Ditto, ditto	6 10 0	
	14—	Richard Hally, repairing pumps	3 1 6	
			11 19 2	
	15—	Labor, Marsh Hill and Gas Works firebreak	5 16 1	
	17—	Thomas Mahon, for repairs.....	3 14 8	
			9 10 9	
		Brought forward.....		£197 17 8

Board of Works.

DETAILED STATEMENT.—Continued.

	To amount brought forward			£197 17 8
	Labour, Marsh hill		£8 9 6	
	J. & W. Boyd, for plank		0 18 0	
				£9 7 6
Sept. 19—	Labour, Gas Works firebreak....		4 16 7	
Dec. 3—	Ditto ditto ditto		4 13 7	
				9 10 2
6—	John Maher, balance salary as Superintendent of pumps		5 0 0	
	Ditto, for iron work		2 16 7	
				7 16 7
10—	Labour, Gas Works firebreak		4 1 5	
22—	Ditto ditto ditto		6 2 2	
24—	Ditto ditto ditto		2 8 6	
				12 12 1
	Stone for Marsh Hill		1 13 4	
Nov. 10—	L. O'Brien & Co., powder and nails		1 14 5	
14—	William Hally, fitting pump at Gas Works firebreak		3 7 7	
26—	Paid for pitch & tar		0 3 11	
	Paid for new pump at Marsh Hill, and near Newman's		4 2 9	
				11 2 0
Dec. 31—	John McCarthy, Carbonear			12 3 0
				£260 9 0

Board of Works, 31st December, 1857.

E. HANRAHAN,

Chairman.

JOHN STUART,

Acting Secretary, B. W.

Examined,

JAMES TOBIN,

Financial Secretary.

Board of Works.

*DETAILED STATEMENT of Expenditure by the Board of Works on account of repairs of
the COLONIAL BUILDING, for the year ending 31st December, 1857.*

April 18—To	Thomas McGrath, blacksmith	£8 4 4	
	James Brown, painting	7 0 10	
	John Maher, locks	0 11 3	
	P. O'Sullivan, carpenter work....	96 2 4	
		£112 4 9	
June 27—	John Maher, for lock	0 5 7	
30—	T. McGrath, smithwork	2 2 11	
	Ditto, ditto	5 4 5	
		7 12 11	
Aug. 19—	Ditto, fixing kitchen range	0 5 7	
Sept. 14—	Michael Hurley, labour	0 10 4	
		0 15 11	
Oct. 24—	John Sheehan, tinsmith		19 10 1
	T. McGrath, blacksmith	2 1 7	
	James Brown, painting	3 18 5	
		6 0 0	
Dec. 7.—	P. O'Sullivan, carpenter		54 1 7
	O'Donnell, for brooms	0 15 7	
	Higgins, for labour	0 12 1	
	Hanley, for scrubbing	0 6 6	
	Labour	1 4 11	
	Sweeping Chimnies	0 7 2	
	John Maher, for lock	0 5 2	
		3 11 5	
26—	C. Daley, repairing grate		0 6 6
31—	John Maher, for lock	0 5 2	
	Bowring Brothers, for slop pail	1 10 4	
	T. McGrath, smith work	0 19 11	
	P. O'Sullivan, carpenter	6 7 8	
		9 3 1	
		£213 6 3	

Board of Works, 31st December, 1857.

E. HANRAHAN,
Chairman.

JOHN STUART,
Acting Secretary, B. W.

Examined,
JAMES TOBIN,
Financial Secretary.

Board of Works.

*CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT of Expenditure by the Board of Works,
on account of the NEW ROAD connecting the Military and Circular
Roads, for the year ending 31st December, 1857.*

Nov. 26—To cash paid daily labour from 6th June to date	<u>£282 19 7</u>
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Board of Works, 31st December, 1857.

E. HANRAHAN,
Chairman.

JOHN STUART,
Acting Secretary, B. W.

Examined,
JAMES TOBIN,
Financial Secretary.

*DETAILED STATEMENT of Expenditure by the Board of Works on account of repairs on
the WHARF at PORTUGAL COVE, for the year ending 31st December, 1857.*

Feb. 3—To Hanlon, for sticks	£3 9 4	
Dooling, for ditto... ..	5 18 3	
	<u> </u>	£9 7 7
April 28— M. Dooley, for labour		5 4 0
June 30— Paid for plank		1 14 8
M. Dooley, for repairs		1 6 0
Oct. 24— Ditto, for timber and labour... ..		10 8 0
Nov. 28— Ditto, for ditto ditto.....		7 8 5
		<u>£35 8 9</u>

Board of Works, 31st December, 1857.

E. HANRAHAN,
Chairman.

JOHN STUART,
Acting Secretary, B. W.

Examined,
JAMES TOBIN,
Financial Secretary.

Board of Works.

*CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT of Expenditure by the Board of Works on account of
LIGHT HOUSES, for the Year ending 31st December, 1857.*

To Bacalieu erection account			£1212	5	0
Dodding Head erection account			1650	19	3
Wadham Island erection account.....			1609	0	5
Green Island Light House			347	5	5
Harbor Grace Island ditto			484	8	2
Harbor Grace Beacon ditto			105	4	5
Dodding Head Light House ditto.....			148	13	8
Cape Pine Light House ditto.....			390	7	7
Cape Race ditto			957	7	6
Offer Wadham ditto			413	0	11
Cape Spear ditto			311	8	2
Cape Bonavista ditto			362	8	9
Fort Amherst ditto			198	2	7
General Light Houses			361	15	4
Dodding Head Road			274	1	11
			£8828	9	4

Board of Works, 31st December, 1857.

E. HANRAHAN,

Chairman.

JOHN STUART,

Acting Secretary, B. W.

Examined,

JAMES TOBIN,

Financial Secretary.

Board of Works.

DETAILED STATEMENT of Expenditure by the Board of Works on account of the erection of the LIGHT HOUSE on BACALIEU ISLAND, for the year ending the 31st December, 1857.

Nov. 17—	To J. T. Neville, for first instalment of contract for building	£532	0	0
Dec. 10—	Robert Oke, for travelling expenses while fixing site		5	17 0
17—	D. & T. Stevenson, in part payment of apparatus in course of construction		674	8 0
			£1212 5 0	

Board of Works, 31st December, 1857.

E. HANRAHAN,

Chairman.

JOHN STUART,

Acting Secretary, B. W.

Examined,

JAMES TOBIN,

Financial Secretary.

DETAILED STATEMENT of Expenditure by the Board of Works on account of the erection of the LIGHT HOUSE at DODDING HEAD, for the year ending 31st December, 1857.

May. 28—	To Smith & Campbell, 1st instalment of contract for building	£386	0	0
Oct. 24—	John Rielley, boat hire		6	1 4
Dec. 17—	D. & T. Stevenson, Edinburg, for estimated cost of apparatus in course of construction		515	12 0
	Bowring Brothers, freight from Liverpool of apparatus		9	5 11
19—	Smith & Campbell, second instalment of contract		386	0 0
	Smith & Campbell, in part of last instalment		348	0 0
			£1650 19 3	

Board of Works, 31st December, 1857.

E. HANRAHAN,

Chairman.

JOHN STUART,

Acting Secretary, B. W.

Examined,

JAMES TOBIN,

Financial Secretary.

Board of Works.

DETAILED STATEMENT of Expenditure by the Board of Works on account of the erection of the LIGHT HOUSE on the OFFER WADHAM ISLAND, for the year ending 31st December, 1857.

Aug.	19—	To Smith & Campbell, first instalment of contract for building	£415	6	8
Oct.	6—	Smith & Campbell, on account of contract	500	0	0
	23—	John Martin, for iron circle ...	13	0	5
		D. & T. Stevenson, of Edinburg, for estimated cost of apparatus in course of construction	350	0	0
Dec.	19—	Smith & Campbell, contractors, for balance contract	330	13	4
			£1609 0 5		

Board of Works, 31st December, 1857.

E. HANRAHAN,

Chairman,

JOHN STUART,

Acting Secretary, B. W.

Examined,

JAMES TOBIN,

Financial Secretary.

Board of Works.

*DETAILED STATEMENT of Expenditure by the Board of Works on account of the
LIGHT HOUSE on GREEN ISLAND, for the year ending
the 31st December, 1857.*

April 18—	To Thomas Stone, for freight	£21 13 4	
	P. Houllahan, keeper, quarter salary	25 0 0	
	Slade & Co., nails	6 15 2	
	Daymond, pedestal for lantern	6 13 10	
	P. Jordan & Sons, glass cloths	1 18 8	
	S. Carnel, wheelbarrow	1 1 8	
	A. Smith, marble top for lantern	3 0 8	
			£66 3 4
May 23—	John Murphy, for one month taking charge of Light-house	7 19 3	
	Insurance, oil to Bonavista.....	2 2 3	
June 30—	P. Houllahan, keeper, quarter salary	25 0 0	
	Ditto, allowance for fuel per annum	28 0 0	
	D. Weir, for soap	1 12 6	
	Bowring Brothers, glass cloths	6 16 2	
	John Maher, smith work	0 11 8	
			72 2 4
Aug. 19—	Joseph Joy, freight	10 8 0	
	W. Daymond	3 9 4	
			13 17 4
Oct. 17—	J. & W. Boyd, shingles		3 11 6
	P. Houllahan, building store room, &c.	10 8 0	
	Bennett & Co.....	5 4 0	
			15 12 0
24—	W. & H. Thomas & Co., for lead	2 8 10	
	E. Grey, iron work	2 19 2	
	P. Houllahan, quarter salary 30th Sept. ..	25 0 0	
	James Houllahan, quarter ditto	7 10 0	
	Joseph Joy, freight	3 0 8	
	M. Houllahan, boarding carpenters	3 5 0	
	W. Walsh, boat and freight ...	10 4 11	
	J. Saunders, mason work	4 11 0	
	S. Carnel, for wheelbarrow.....	2 18 0	
			61 17 7
Nov. 17—	E. Grey, iron work	3 1 1	
	Slade & Co., lead, oilpaint.....	3 17 9	
	John Dempsey, window sashes	10 14 6	
			17 13 4
	Brought forward.....		£250 17 5

Board of Works.

DETAILED STATEMENT.—Continued.

	To amount brought forward	£250 17 5
Dec. 10—	Robert Oke, travelling expenses	6 11 9
31—	Robert Peace, plumber	£21 2 6
	P. Houllahan, keeper, quarter salary	25 0 0
	J. Houllahan, assistant ditto	17 10 0
	Bowring Brothers, tools	10 6 5
	Ditto, locks, screws, &c.,	4 11 9
	W. & H. Thomas & Co., chairs	3 3 3
	J. J. Dearin, oil, paint	6 6 8
	Job Brothers, Cordage &c.....	1 15 8
		89 16 3
		£347 5 5

Board of Works, 31st December, 1857.

E. HANRAHAN,

Chairman,

JOHN STUART,

Acting Secretary, B. W.

Examined,

JAMES TOBIN,

Financial Secretary.

Board of Works.

DETAILED STATEMENT of Expenditure by the Board of Works on account of the LIGHT HOUSE at HARBOR GRACE ISLAND, for the year ending 31st December, 1857.

April 18—	To F. L. Oke, keeper, quarter salary 31st Mar.	£26	5	0	
	Joseph Neal, assistant ditto	7	10	0	
	Rutherford Brothers, plank	3	8	9	
	R. O'Dwyer & Co, lead	3	18	6	
	John Maher, for funnel	6	13	10	
	S. Carnel, wheelbarrow	1	1	8	
	E. L. Oke, fuel allowance	28	0	0	
					£76 17 9
June 3—	C. Mahony, cartage lumber to Portugal Cove				1 6 0
	M. Doyle, freight lumber				3 12 9
30—	E. L. Oke, keeper, quarter salary	26	5	0	
	Joseph Neal, assistant ditto	7	10	0	
	Duncan Weir, soap	2	12	0	
	Bowring Brothers, sundries	14	4	7	
					50 11 7
Aug. 19—	J. & W. Boyd, lumber	14	6	9	
	C. Mahony, cartage to Cove	1	6	0	
					15 12 9
	O'Brien & Co., nails	3	2	8	
	Clift, Wood & Co., shingles	1	16	4	
					4 19 0
	674 gallons seal oil, at £51 currency				113 17 11
Oct. 17—	Bennett & Co., 1502 feet board	5	4	1	
	J. & W. Boyd, plank	5	19	0	
	Tessier & Co., shingles	4	8	9	
	J. & W. Boyd, scantling	3	10	6	
					19 2 4
24—	E. L. Oke, keeper, quarter salary 30th Sept.	26	5	0	
	Joseph Neal, assistant ditto	7	10	0	
	John Stevenson, storage oil	1	6	0	
	William Kitchen, mason work	3	1	3	
	E. L. Oke, freight oil to Light House	6	10	0	
	William Tapp, blacksmith work	4	6	10	
	S. Carnel	1	1	8	
					50 0 9
	Rutherford Brothers, repairs	6	8	5	
	E. Knight, coopering oil, £2 5 1. L. Whiting, carpenter, £5 5 2	7	10	3	
					13 18 8
					£349 19 6
	Brought forward				

Board of Works.

DETAILED STATEMENT.—Continued.

	To amount brought forward		£349 19 6
Dec. 7—	E. L. Oke, for painting Light House, diet of carpenters during time of repairs, and conveying materials for repairing to Light House	£28 0 9	
	E. L. Oke, passage workmen from St. John's to Harbor Grace	1 1 8	
	W. T. Parsons, repairing burners	0 10 10	
	Robert Oke, travelling expenses to and from Harbor Grace and St. John's during time of repairs	8 17 8	
			38 10 11
31—	E. L. Oke, quarter salary, keeper	26 5 0	
	Joseph Neal, assistant ditto	17 10 0	
	Bowring Brothers, room paper, locks, putty, serge, &c., &c.	6 1 11	
	F. Blake, carpenter, repairs per contract	39 0 0	
	J. J. Dearin, oil, paint, &c., &c.	6 5 2	
	Robert Peace, boiler	0 15 8	
			95 17 9
			£484 8 2

Board of Works, 31st December.

E. HANRAHAN,

Chairman,

JOHN STUART,

Acting Secretary, B. W.

Examined,

JAMES TOBIN,

Financial Secretary.

Board of Works.

*DETAILED STATEMENT of Expenditure by the Board of Works on account of the
BEACON at HARBOR GRACE, for the year ending 31st December, 1857.*

April 15—	To G. Brown, keeper, quarter salary 31st Mar.	£7 11 8	
	George Wolfrey, smith work	3 0 8	
	Harbor Grace Gas Company, gas for quarter	12 2 8	
	George Brown, sundry disbursements	5 4 0	
			27 19 0
June 30—	George Brown, quarter salary....	7 11 8	
	D. Weir, soap	0 19 6	
	Bowring Brothers, sundries.....	2 17 11	
	Harbor Grace Gas Company, Gas for quarter	10 16 8	
	Baine, Johnston & Co., cloths, &c.	4 10 1	
			26 15 10
Oct. 24—	George Brown, keeper, salary 30th Sept.	7 11 8	
	Ditto, sundry disbursements..	4 9 2	
			12 0 10
Dec. 10—	Trenear & McKenzie, for paints and putty	1 13 9	
31—	George Brown, keeper, quarter salary	7 11 8	
	Bowring Brothers, towelling, &c.,	2 6 1	
	Harbor Grace Gas Company, gas for quarter	10 16 8	
	Ditto gas 31st Dec.	10 16 8	
	George Brown, amount of account, 1856....	5 3 11	
			36 15 0
			£105 4 5

Board of Works, 31st December.

E. HANRAHAN,

Chairman,

JOHN STUART;

Acting Secretary, B. W.

Examined,

JAMES TOBIN,

Financial Secretary.

Board of Works.

*DETAILED STATEMENT of Expenditure by the Board of Works on account of the
LIGHT HOUSE at DODDING HEAD, for the year ending
31st December, 1857.*

Oct.	17—	To diet of Robert Sparrow while receiving instructions at Cape Spear.....		£1 6 0
	17—	Martin Sparrow, in advance of salary as Keeper		17 6 8
Nov.	17—	397 galls. pale seal oil, at £51 cy.		68 11 4
Dec.	7—	Richard Marshall, for coals.....	£11 5 4	
		Richard Walsh, for ditto	13 0 0	
				24 5 4
	31—	Martin Sparrow, balance salary as keeper to date	14 0 0	
		Bowring Brothers, stove	4 15 4	
		John Maher, iron circle	15 10 6	
		Robert Peace, for a stove	2 18 6	
				37 4 4
				£148 13 8

Board of Works, 31st December, 1857.

E. HANRAHAN,

Chairman.

JOHN STUART,

Acting Secretary, B. W.

Examined,

JAMES TOBIN,

Financial Secretary.

Board of Works.

*DETAILED STATEMENT of Expenditure by the Board of Works on account of the
LIGHT HOUSE at CAPE PINE, for the year ending the 31st December, 1857.*

April 18—	To H. Hearder, keeper, quarter salary 31st			
	March	£23	15	0
	S. Austin, assistant ditto	17	6	8
	H. Hearder, yearly fuel	28	0	0
				£69 1 8
June 30—	H. Hearder, keeper, quarter salary	23	15	0
	S. Austin, ditto	17	6	8
	Ditto, annual fuel	13	0	0
	F. Dowsley, oil £7 15 4. P. & T. Hearn, whitening £7 0 4	14	15	8
				68 17 4
Aug. 19—	J. J. Graham, stationery	0	11	11
	L. O'Brien & Co., cordage	6	1	4
	Clift, Wood & Co., plank	4	5	6
				10 6 10
	500 gallons pale seal oil, £51 currency			86 6 6
Oct. 17—	W. Hally, freight.. ..	0	8	8
	Robert Coombs, contract making road from landing place	12	2	8
	Robert Coombs, 44 days' carpenter work	7	12	6
				20 3 10
	H. Hearder, diet carpenters while employed repairing			11 13 4
24—	H. Hearder, keeper, quarter salary 30th			
	September	23	15	0
	S. Austin, ditto	17	10	0
	John Waddleton, freight	1	14	8
	S. Carnell	14	6	0
				57 5 8
Nov. 17—	James Waddleton, freight lumber			1 14 8
Dec. 7—	Brown & Bryden room paper...	1	3	10
	W. T. Parsons, repairing lamps	0	8	8
				1 12 6
Dec. 31—	H. Hearder, keeper, quarter salary	25	0	0
	S. Austin, assistant ditto	17	10	0
	Bowring Brothers, cloths, &c... ..	2	2	5
	J. Devereux, freight	17	6	8
	Robert Peace, burners	0	14	3
				62 13 4
				£390 7 7

Board of Works, 31st December, 1857.

E. HANRAHAN, *Chairman.*

JOHN STUART, *Acting Secretary, B. W.*

Examined,

JAMES TOBIN, *Financial Secretary.*

Board of Works.

DETAILED STATEMENT of Expenditure by the Board of Works on account of LIGHT HOUSE on CAPE RACE, for the Year ending 31st December, 1857.

April	18—	To John Hally, freight oil, February	£60	0	0	
		William Hally, keeper, quarter salary 31st				
		March	25	0	0	
		George Hunt, assistant ditto....	17	10	0	
		F. Dowsley, oil, &c.	1	18	4	
		Bowring Brothers, brace and bits	0	17	4	
		Robert Coombs, carpenter work	1	19	0	
		John Erien, labour	8	0	8	
		John Hally, freight	6	1	4	
						316 6 8
May	28—	A. Oke, 59 posts for railing.....				4 14 0
June	3—	William Hally, diet men fixing chimnies, grates, and stering oil				11 0 7
	13—	Premium insurance on oil				3 17 1
	30—	W. Hally, keeper, quarter salary	25	0	0	
		Ditto, yearly fuel....	28	0	0	
		George Hunt, assistant, ditto...	13	0	0	
		Ditto, assistant, quarter salary	17	10	0	
		W. LeMessurier, coal bags.....	5	8	4	
		D. Weir, for soap....	2	19	0	
		Bowring Brothers, sundries.....	10	10	1	
		John Maher, iron for rail	11	14	0	
		P. Jordan and Sons, clothing for shipwreck- ed crews	18	11	0	
						132 6 2
		600 gallons pale seal oil at £51 currency ..				103 11 10
Oct.	17—	John Hally, freight	4	6	8	
		Robert Coombs, carpenter work	4	6	8	
		J. & W. Boyd, board	1	6	0	
						9 19 4
	24—	William Hally, keepr, quarter salary 30th				
		September	25	0	0	
		George Hunt, assistant, ditto ...	17	10	0	
		William Hally, boarding workmen	4	1	5	
		M. Hartery, labour	1	19	0	
		W. O'Grady, 1st instalment contract for Dwelling House and Covered Way	129	0	0	
						177 10 5
		Brought forward.....				£559 12 6

Board of Works.

DETAILED STATEMENT.—Continued.

	To amount brought forward		£559 12 6
Nov. 7—	W. O'Grady, 2nd instalment contract for building Covered Way and Dwelling House		129 0 0
17—	M. Doyle, freight materials for building Dwelling House and Covered Way		66 13 4
	W. Hally, freight molasses and oil	£2 12 0	
	J. Waddleton, freight of materials for Dwelling House and Covered Way	8 19 4	
		11 2 8	11 11 4
Dec. 31—	Robert Peace, for stoves	4 11 10	
	William Hally, landing materials for Dwelling House and Covered Way	25 0 0	
	W. Hally, keeper, quarter salary	17 10 0	
	George Hunt, assistant, ditto	0 3 1	
	Bowring Brothers.... ..	2 12 7	
	O'Dwyer & Co., oil cloth	54 6 5	
	J. Devereux, freight oil, &c.....	5 4 0	
	March & Knight, coals	50 0 0	
	Hunters & Co., freight of materials for Dwelling House and Covered Way	170 10 7	
			£957 7 9

Board of Works, 31st December, 1857.

E. HANRAHAN,

Chairman.

JOHN STUART,

Acting Secretary, B. W.

Examined,

JAMES TOBIN,

Financial Secretary.

Board of Works.

*DETAILED STATEMENT of Expenditure by the Board of Works on account of the
OFFER WADILAM LIGHT HOUSE, for the year ending
31st December, 1857.*

Sept.	21—	To 151 galls. pale seal oil, at £51 cy.		£26 1 4
Oct.	7—	L. O'Brien & Co., blocks	£1 8 10	
		Brooking & Son, rope	0 11 3	
		J. & W. Boyd, board	2 3 9	
		J. Sheppard, boarding Thomas Hennessey and E. Reddy, while receiving instructions	5 14 5	
		W. Coady, freight Light House apparatus and supplies.....	156 13 4	
				166 11 7
Oct.	24—	Thomas Hennessey, keeper, quarter salary	25 0 0	
		Thomas Reddy, salary	8 15 0	
		G. F. Bown, for coals	21 9 0	
		T. McGrath, grindstone	0 4 9	
		John Maher, iron work	2 12 3	
		Hounsell & Co., freight	3 9 2	
		Thomas Reddy, for a boat	4 6 8	
		G. Vincent, freight	1 14 8	
		M. Nowlan, provisions	3 12 2	
		J. Hutchings, covering blocks....	3 15 1	
		S. Carnell, wheelbarrows	3 0 8	
				77 19 5
Nov.	24—	Bowring Brothers, insurance of Light House apparatus at Seldom-come-by		6 18 8
Dec.	10—	W. T. Parsons, for a clock.....		1 19 0
	31—	T. Hennessey, keeper, quarter salary.....	25 0 0	
		E. Reddy, ditto	17 10 0	
		Bowring Brothers, tools, &c.,	29 4 5	
		R. O'Dwyer, mattress, &c.	4 15 4	
		John Maher, smithwork	8 15 6	
		Hunters & Co., yellow metal ...	2 6 3	
		Isaac Dean, boat hire	4 6 8	
		Whiteford, barometer	3 7 2	
		Brought forward.....	£95 5 4	£279 10 0

Board of Works.

DETAILED STATEMENT.—Continued.

	To amount brought forward			£95	5	4		£270	10	0	
Dec. 31--	Robert Peace, plumber .....	.....		24	8	1				
	T. McGrath, iron work .....	.....		0	6	3				
	J. J. Dearin, spirits of turpentine .....	.....		1	2	1				
	Job Brothers, cordage .....	.....		6	16	6				
	P. O'Sullivan, one pair shears... ..	.....		5	12	8				
									133	10	11
									£413	0	11

Board of Works, 31st December.

E. HANRAHAN,

Chairman,

JOHN STUART,

Acting Secretary, B. W.

Examined,

JAMES TOBIN,

Financial Secretary.

Board of Works.

*DETAILED STATEMENT of Expenditure by the Board of Works on account of the
LIGHT HOUSE at CAPE SPEAR, for the year ending the 31st December, 1857.*

April 18—	To James Cantwell, keeper, quarter salary 31st March	£23 15 0	
	D. Cantwell, assistant ditto.....	7 10 0	
	James Cantwell, room paper ..	3 3 11	
			£34 8 11
June 3—	James Cantwell, annual allowance for fuel...	23 15 0	28 0 0
30—	James Cantwell, keeper, quarter salary	7 10 0	
	D. Cantwell, assistant ditto.....	1 12 6	
	D. Weir, soap	8 1 10	
	Bowring Brothers, sundries.....	3 12 4	
	Ditto, ditto	0 16 5	
	John Maher, blacksmith	2 16 8	
	Baine, Johnston & Co., oil cloths		48 4 9
Aug. 19—		6 1 4	
		0 8 8	
			6 10 0
Oct. 24—	350 gallons pale seal oil at £51 currency ..		69 8 6
	James Cantwell, quarter salary 30th Sept.	23 15 0	
	D. Cantwell, ditto	7 10 0	
	W. Lakeman, making road to Light House	15 9 4	
	S. Carnell, wheelbarrow	1 1 8	
			47 16 0
Dec. 10—	W. T. Parsons, cleaning machinery		13 0 0
31—	James Cantwell, quarter salary	25 0 0	
	D. Cantwell, ditto	17 10 0	
	Bowring Brothers, rope	4 6 0	
	James Cantwell, painting Light House.....	10 8 0	
	N. Stabb, Insurance on keeper's life	5 12 10	
	Robert Peace, funnelling	10 3 2	
			73 0 0
			£311 8 2

Board of Works, 31st December, 1857.

E. HANRAHAN,
Chairman.

JOHN STUART,
Acting Secretary, B. W.

Examined,
JAMES TOBIN,
Financial Secretary.

Board of Works.

*DETAILED STATEMENT of Expenditure by the Board of Works on account of the
LIGHT HOUSE at CAPE BONAVIDA, for the year ending
31st December, 1857.*

April 18—	To J. White, keeper, quarter salary 31st March	£23 15 0	
	Brown and Bryden, room paper	3 11 3	
	Thomas and Co., iron and lead	2 8 10	
	S. Carnell, wheelbarrow	2 1 2	
	J. White, freight	4 19 8	
			£36 16 4
June 30—	J. White, keeper, quarter salary	23 15 0	
	N. White, assistant, ditto, 31st March	7 10 0	
	Ditto, ditto, 30th June	7 10 0	
	J. White, annual fuel allowance	28 0 0	
	Felix Dowsley, oil... ..	2 5 11	
	P. & T. Hearn, brushes	0 11 8	
			69 12 7
Aug. 19—	Joseph Joy, freight	6 1 4	
	A. Strathie, carpenter work	8 15 0	
			14 16 4
	705 galls. pale seal oil, at £51 cy. per ton....		121 14 5
Oct. 17—	J. & W. Boyd, for plank		2 4 5
	J. & R. Kent, for soap and candles		4 0 4
24—	J. White, keeper, quarter salary 30th Sept.	23 15 0	
	N. White, assistant, ditto	7 10 0	
	J. White, cartage.... ..	4 8 3	
			35 13 3
Nov. 17—	J. White, making road to the Light House		19 10 0
Dec. 31—	P. Hogan, candles	3 5 0	
	J. White, keeper, quarter salary	25 0 0	
	N. White, assistant, ditto	17 10 0	
	Bowring Brothers, glass, &c.,	2 0 9	
	R. O'Dwyer, oil cloth, &c.	2 12 7	
	N. Stabb, Insurance on keeper's life'	7 12 9	
			58 1 1
			£362 8 9

Board of Works, 31st December, 1857.

E. HANRAHAN, *Chairman.*

JOHN STUART, *Acting Secretary, B. W.*

Examined,

JAMES TOBIN, *Financial Secretary.*

Board of Works.

*DETAILED STATEMENT of Expenditure by the Board of Works on account of the
LIGHT HOUSE at FORT AMHERST, for the Year ending 31st December, 1857.*

April	18—	To J. Sheppard, keeper, quarter salary 31st March	£17	6	8	
June	30—	Ditto, ditto ditto	17	6	8	
		D. Weir, for soap.	1	9	3	
		Bowring Brothers, glass cloths	6	10	2	
		Baine, Johnston & Co., chamois, &c.	2	1	2	
		L. Maccassey, for coals	1	8	2	
						£46 2 1
July	24—	150 gallons pale seal oil, £51 ..				25 17 10
Oct.	23—	Charles Daley, in part contract for building cellar	17	6	8	
		Peter Woods, freight and carriage oil to Light House	4	15	4	
						22 2 0
	24—	John Sheppard, quarter salary to 30th Sept. G. F. Bown, for coals	17	6	8	
			10	10	2	
						27 16 10
Nov.	23—	Charles Daley, part contract for building cellar				8 13 4
		W. T. Parsons, repairing burners	0	10	10	
		Charles Daley, part contract building cellar	17	6	8	
		Ditto, balance contract ditto	5	5	3	
		Ditto, mason work	4	6	8	
						27 9 5
Dec.	31—	John Sheppard, quarter salary	20	0	0	
		Austin Sheppard, assistant ditto	6	10	0	
		J. J. Dearin, sponges	0	13	0	
		Bowring Brothers, nails, locks, &c.	2	14	8	
		J. J. Dearin, oil, &c.	2	3	9	
		N. Stabb, insurance keeper's life	2	17	2	
		C. Daley, mason work	1	3	7	
		R. Peace, plumber's work	2	18	11	
						40 1 1
						£198 2 7

Board of Works, 31st December.

E. HANRAHAN,
Chairman,

JOHN STUART,
Acting Secretary, B. W.

Examined,
JAMES TOBIN,
Financial Secretary.

Board of Works.

*DETAILED STATEMENT of Expenditure by the Board of Works on account of the
GENERAL LIGHT HOUSES, for the year ending the 31st December, 1857.*

Jan.	9—	To Cartage, 3s. 5d. ; freight, 3s. 10d. ; tape, 4s. 4d.	£0 11 7	
		Marine Insurance Company, for premium	2 16 4	
		St. John's Marine Insurance Company, ditto	0 14 8	
				£4 2 7
	16—	W. Hally, board and lodging		2 6 0
	31—	Mullings, brokerage		0 13 0
March	21—	Telegraph Company, messages		5 16 2
April	18—	Robert Oke, Inspector, quarter salary 31st		
		March	32 10 0	
		Ditto, travelling expenses	2 12 0	
		Cartage	0 13 0	
				35 15 0
		Rendell & Co., cement	0 15 2	
		Bowring Brothers, freight	1 16 10	
				2 12 0
	22—	R. Oke, travelling expenses to Burin and		
		Bacalieu		15 0 0
	28—	Cartage		0 2 7
		Insurance on Goods per <i>Circassian</i>		4 15 4
May	1—	Freight goods to Catalina		5 4 0
	5—	R. Oke, on account travelling expenses to		
		Burin		8 9 10
June	1—	Telegraph Company, Messages		2 1 8
	9—	R. Oke, travelling expenses to Green Island		
		and Offer Wadham		8 13 4
	10—	Molloy, trimming oil		0 15 7
	23—	Bowring Brothers, freight per <i>Circassian</i> ..		1 9 7
		W. Power, for tools		1 14 2
	30—	J. & W. Boyd, for boxes	0 4 9	
		Cartage, 9s. 6d. ; freight from Halifax, 4s. 4d.	0 13 10	
				0 18 7
		R. Oke, Inspector, quarter salary	32 10 0	
		Bowring Brothers	3 1 10	
		R. J. Parsons, advertising	4 10 1	
		Henry Winton, ditto	1 13 2	
		Joseph Woods, ditto	7 7 4	
		Baine, Johnston & Co.,	9 4 0	
				52 6 5
July	11—	Cartage, 18s. 7d. ; boat hire to Placentia,		
		86s. 8d.		5 5 3
		Brought forward		£164 1 10

Board of Works.

DETAILED STATEMENT.—Continued.

		£	s	d	£	s	d
	To amount brought forward				164	1	10
July	25— Cartage	£0	3	0			
	Insurance on oil	0	14	1			
	Kavanagh, boat hire	0	17	4			
						1	14
						0	1
	30— Cartage						
	Boating oil from South Side	1	1	8			
	Cartage	0	10	4			
	Freight from Halifax	0	10	10			
						2	2
						10	
Aug.	16— J. W. McCoubrey, advertising	7	10	2			
	Aide & Sons, instruments	21	3	9			
	Molin & Sons, potash, chamois, &c.,	13	0	1			
						42	3
						0	
	22— Cartage, 26s., and compass, 7s. 9d.					1	13
	27— Boat hire to Bacalicu	2	7	8			
	Premium on Goods to Offer Wadham	1	10	4			
	Boat hire to Cape Spear	1	12	6			
						5	10
						6	
	31— J. T. Burton, advertising					3	17
	Advertising, Harbor Grace					0	10
	Sept. 14— Telegraph Company, Messages					1	12
	28— Cartage					0	17
Oct.	3— Passage to Fort Amherst	1	0	8			
	Cartage	0	4	4			
						1	5
						0	4
	17— Freight box from Halifax					32	10
	R. Oke, quarter salary to 30th Sept.					0	0
	H. Winton, Advertising	0	14	5			
	Cartage	0	4	4			
						0	18
						9	
	24— T. McConnon, stationery	3	1	8			
	Joseph Woods, advertising	4	14	7			
	Brooking Son & Co., insurance	8	16	10			
						16	13
						1	
	28— Mullings, brokerage	0	15	2			
	Cartage	0	19	6			
						1	14
						8	
Nov.	9— James Saint, for plank	0	7	6			
	Trimming Oil	2	4	5			
	Cartage	0	15	7		3	7
	14— Labor, removing oil					0	13
	16— J. C. Withers, advertising					7	5
	23— Cartage, 4s. 4d. ; freight, 17s. 4d.	1	1	8			
	Advertising	4	11	0			
	Freight, per <i>Devon</i>	0	13	4		6	6
						0	
						£295	4
						5	
	Brought forward.....						

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DETAILED STATEMENT.—Continued.

	To amount brought forward		£295	4	5
Dec. 12—	Paid Mr. Oke's passage to Fort Amherst ...		0	6	6
16—	Ditto Cartage		0	6	6
18—	Editor <i>Express</i> , advertising.....		8	3	9
19—	Makoney, cartage....		0	6	6
24—	Premium on Policy Insurance on R. Oke's life for 12 months' to 20th December.....		2	5	9
31—	Robert Oke, inspector, quarter salary	£32	10	0	
	T. McConnon, stationery		1	5	11
	John O'Mara, sweet oil		2	17	2
	<i>Newfoundlander</i> , advertising.....		10	15	0
	J. & J. Whitford		4	6	2
	J. J. Graham, stationery		2	6	0
	Insurance on Goods to Burin... ..		54	0	3
			1	1	8
			£361	15	4

Board of Works, 31st December, 1857.

E. HANRAHAN,

Chairman,

JOHN STUART,

Acting Secretary, B. W.

Examined,

JAMES TOBIN,

Financial Secretary.

Board of Works.

STATEMENT of Expenditure by the Board of Works on account of the ROAD to the LIGHT HOUSE at DODDING HEAD, for the year ending 31st December, 1857.

June	9—To	P. Croak, on account of wages	£0 18 2	
		John Dunn, ditto	2 12 0	
			3 10 2	
July	30—	C. Benning, powder		5 11 7
Sept.	8—	Paid passages labourers to and from Burin....		22 10 8
	14—	John Lannan, balance wages....	14 16 7	
		Michael Kelly, ditto	6 4 2	
		Edward Walsh, ditto	8 1 4	
			29 2 1	
	16—	Thomas Rielley, proviosious advanced laborers	51 14 1	
		James Hickman, compensation for land.....	2 12 0	
		John Rielley, inspector	25 0 11	
			79 7 0	
		John Rielley, for rinds and grindstone	0 19 6	
	26—	William Morrissey, balance wages	3 15 5	
		James Coffin, ditto	7 19 5	
		Thomas Foley, ditto	8 3 0	
			20 17 4	
Oct.	5—	John Rielley, balance of laborers' wages, powder	77 14 4	
		R. Fitzpatrick, balance	6 3 1	
			83 17 5	
	10—	J. McLennan, balance	7 6 11	
		S. Millar, ditto	8 4 3	
		E. Joyce, ditto	7 6 11	
			22 18 1	
Dec.	7—	John Dunn, passage from Burin		1 14 8
	18—	Clement Benning....		4 12 11
				£274 1 11

Board of Works, 31st December, 1857.

E. HANRAHAN,

Chairman.

JOHN STUART,

Acting Secretary, B. W.

Examined,

JAMES TOBIN,

Financial Secretary.

Board of Works.

*DETAILED STATEMENT of Expenditure by the Board of Works on account of the
ST. JOHN'S STREETS and DRAINS, for the year ending the
31st December, 1857.*

Jan.	9—	To John Colbert and others, labor	£1 11 2	
		Michael Kough, ditto	3 2 4	
		Edward Tobin, ditto	6 19 6	
		Ditto ditto	3 0 8	
		Kough and Walsh, ditto	1 6 0	
		Ditto ditto	1 6 0	
		Colbert and Murray, ditto	1 14 8	
		Edward Tobin, ditto	2 3 4	
		Kough and others, ditto	1 6 0	
				22 9 8
	11—	John Higgins and others, ditto	1 16 4	
		Michael Walsh, ditto	1 13 2	
		Edward Tobin, ditto	1 14 0	
		Patrick Hydo, ditto	0 6 6	
		J. Manning, for stone	0 10 4	
		Kough and Walsh, labor	1 11 0	
		Edward Tobin, ditto	1 16 4	
		John Higgins, ditto	0 11 8	
				9 19 4
	31—	Kough, ditto	1 11 2	
		Higgins, ditto	1 4 5	
		Ditto ditto	1 2 11	
		Edward Tobin, ditto	4 10 0	
		Kough, ditto	1 11 2	
		Andrew Freeny, ditto	0 13 0	
		Laborers, breaking stones	7 17 0	
				18 9 8
Feb.	3—	G. Kavanagh, labor	0 13 0	
		T. Martin and others, labor	1 1 2	
		Edward Tobin, ditto	3 7 7	
		Kough and Walsh, ditto	1 11 2	
		J. Gleeson, for nails	4 18 6	
		Laborers, breaking stones	16 18 0	
		Kough and others, for labor ...	1 11 2	
		Edward Tobin, for ditto	4 17 6	
		Laborers, breaking stones	17 9 0	
				52 7 1
		Brought forward		£103 5 9

Board of Works.

DETAILED STATEMENT.—Continued.

	To amount brought forward	£103 5 9
Feb. 21—	John Colbert and others, labor	£3 12 9
	Edward Tobin, for labor	6 15 2
	Kough and Walsh, ditto	2 12 0
	Gleeson, for nails	0 1 1
	Carbury, for labor	1 14 8
	Laborers, breaking stones	19 4 11
	D. Byrne, for labor	4 15 4
		38 15 11
28—	Kough and Walsh, ditto	1 11 2
	Laborers, breaking stones	18 2 11
	Colbert and others, labor	0 12 1
	Laborers	4 13 7
	Kough and Walsh	1 11 2
	Labor, breaking stones	21 18 11
	Hydo and others, labor	1 17 8
		50 7 6
March 21—	Delaney and others, ditto	4 19 8
	Colbert and others, ditto	3 12 9
	Laborers, breaking stones	23 4 1
	Ditto, ditto	3 18 0
	Kough and others, labor	1 6 0
	John Higgins, ditto	0 13 0
	Laborers, breaking stones	17 6 9
	Kough, for labor	1 6 9
	Colbert and others, ditto	4 15 4
	Laborers, breaking stones	20 0 4
		£1 1 11
April 1—	J. McLaughlin, for removing wreck of Brig <i>Hebe</i> from River Head	43 6 8
	J. Higgins, for labor	1 0 9
	P. Bulger, ditto	1 10 0
	Delaney, ditto	2 1 7
	Ditto, ditto	2 1 7
	Ditto, ditto	2 1 7
		52 2 2
11—	Kough and Walsh, ditto	1 11 2
	Richard Moore, for stone	0 6 0
	Colbert and others, for labor	18 6 7
	Higgins, labor	7 4 8
	Ditto	1 0 9
		£28 9 2
	Brought forward,	£325 13 3

Board of Works.

DETAILED STATEMENT.—Continued.

	To amount brought forward		£28 9 2		£325 13 3
April 11—	Kough and Walsh, labor		1 11 2		
	Colbert and others, ditto		8 12 10		
	Laborers, breaking stones		18 0 1		
	Higgins, for labor.... ..		1 0 9		
	Warren Brothers, for plank		10 3 1		
					67 17 1
18—	Posts and longers... ..		4 16 2		
	Laborers, breaking stones		10 7 1		
	Ditto, near Meeting House.....		3 2 4		
					18 5 7
28—	Higgins, labor		0 10 4		
	Laborers, breaking stones		9 10 2		
	Kough and Walsh, cleaning drains		3 2 4		
	P. Graham, labor		0 10 4		
					13 13 2
May 1—	Labor, Water Street, Chain Rock Road, and making drain, King's Road.... ..				36 10 1
	P. Graham, 5 days' labor				1 1 8
	Laborers, King's Road, Long Pond Bridge, Water Street, and Bell's Shute		25 15 4		
	Kough and Walsh, cleaning drains		3 2 4		
					28 17 8
15—	Labor, Water Street, King's Road, and Duckworth Street				25 18 6
	Kough and Walsh, cleaning drains		1 10 2		
	Paid for 25 loads stone for drains		2 16 10		
	J. Maher, iron work		8 9 1		
					12 16 1
22—	Kough and Walsh, cleaning drains		2 1 7		
	Eagan and Irvine, for stone for ditto		2 7 5		
	Labor, Water Street, King's Road, and Monk's Town		30 12 9		
					35 1 9
25—	T. Hallern, for gunpowder.....		3 5 0		
	N. Rorke, for sticks		1 6 0		
					4 11 0
30—	Labor, Water Street				31 6 5
	Stapleton, paving drains				2 12 0
					33 18 5
	Brought forward				£604 13 3

Board of Works.

DETAILED STATEMENT.—Continued.

		To amount brought forward		£604 13 3
June	6—	B. Irvine, stones and flags for drains	£1 16 4	
	10—	Ditto, ditto ditto	1 10 10	
	13—	Labor, Water Street	5 4 10	
	20—	W. Power, for nails	0 7 0	
		B. Irvine, stone for drains	2 5 6	
		Labor, Water Street	8 4 2	
		Ditto, ditto	1 6 10	20 15 6
	20—	Labour, Water Street	12 10 5	
		John Maher, gratings for bridge	1 13 6	
		Ditto, ditto Tarrahan's Town.....	1 19 3	
		Ditto, ditto Duckworth Street ..	0 2 10	
		Ditto, ditto Water Street	1 12 0	
	30—	For sticks for drains	1 4 3	
		J. & W. Boyd, plank for drains and bridges	17 9 7	
		W. Haley, labor	0 6 6	36 18 4
July	11—	Labor, Water Street	14 7 8	
		P. Brazil, for sticks	0 10 11	
		B. Irvine, for sand	0 5 2	
			10 18 7	15 3 9
	25—	O'Brien & Co., for nails	8 13 9	
		Clift, Wood & Co., for plank ..	0 17 4	
		S. Knight, for fusees		20 9 8
Aug.	19—	Labor, Water Street	4 11 5	
	27—	Ditto, Military Road	9 11 9	
	29—	Ditto, Water Street	11 10 1	
Sept.	4—	Ditto, ditto	13 17 4	
	8—	Ditto, ditto	19 7 4	
			22 15 0	58 17 11
	15—	Ditto, ditto	11 10 11	
	19—	Ditto, ditto	28 6 1	62 12 0
		Ditto, ditto	0 10 10	
	26—	Longers and posts for Theatre Hill	5 1 7	
		Labor, ditto	22 19 2	
		Ditto, Water Street		28 11 6
Oct.	3—	Flags for Gower Street	0 8 8	
		Labor, Water Street	15 6 1	
		J. Maher, for gratings	4 13 2	
		Ditto iron work	6 3 0	
	10—	Labor, Water Street, £12 16s. 1d., and £7 11s. 8d.....	19 17 9	
			46 8 8	
		Brought forward.....		£894 10 7

Board of Works.

DETAILED STATEMENT.—Continued.

	To amount brought forward	£894 10 7
Oct. 14—	Compensation for ground at Cook's Town	£4 6 8
	Labor, Cook's Town	2 19 4
	Ditto, Water-street	4 14 10
	Sticks for Cook's Town	1 8 2
24—	Labor, Cook's Town	6 18 3
	Nash, for stones	0 19 3
Nov. 4—	Labor, Cook's Town	4 19 2
		26 5 8
7—	Ditto ditto	3 7 2
14—	Ditto ditto	2 5 6
26—	Plank for sewers	0 11 11
	Ditto ditto	2 13 3
	Dabor, Water-street	11 18 1
		20 15 11
Dec. 10—	Ditto, ditto	9 19 9
	Proportion of labor at Allen's premises	5 1 4
	Samuel Knight, for fusees	0 7 5
	John Maher, repairing stone hammers	21 12 3
	Ditto, ditto ditto	7 12 4
		44 13 2
31—	J. Kavanagh, for plank	1 16 8
	Clift Wood & Co., lumber	2 12 5
	Labor, Cook's Town	2 2 10
	John Maher, iron gratings... ..	3 14 3
	Ditto, ditto	1 7 5
		11 13 6
	Bennett & Co., for plank	1 17 11
	Balance on hand	0 3 3
		£1000 0 0

Board of Works, 31st December, 1857.

E. HANRAHAN,
Chairman.

JOHN STUART,

Acting Secretary, B. W.

Examined,

JAMES TOBIN,

Financial Secretary.

Board of Works.

*DETAILED STATEMENT of Expenditure by the Board of Works on account of the
General Repair of ROADS, for the year ending the 31st December, 1857.*

April	18—	To D. Walsh, 3rd instalment contract, Topsail Road	£10 2 2	
		John Murphy, 2nd instalment, Petty Harbor Road	6 18 8	
			£17 0 10	
	28—	James Toole and others, labor, lot No. 1, Petty Harbor Road		4 16 7
May	1—	Removing rock, Smith's Hill		1 3 10
	5—	William Vicars, proportion contract, Torbay Road		17 6 8
	22—	James Whellan, proportion contract, Portugal Cove Road... ..		8 13 4
	25—	James Edwards in full for contract, 1856, Portugal Cove Road	16 0 0	
		James Edwards, advance on account of, for 1857	9 0 0	
		James Heally, on account contract, Petty Harbor Road	11 5 4	
		Nicholas Rorke, on account of contract, Portugal Cove Road	10 8 0	
			46 13 4	
June	5—	D. Walsh, instalment contract Topsail Road		15 3 4
	6—	Walsh and Kelly, in part of contract Torbay Road		17 6 8
	9—	W. Vicars on account of contract Torbay Road		26 0 0
	10—	P. Kennedy, in full for contract Topsail Road		17 6 8
	26—	John Murphy, in part contract Petty Harbor Road		12 2 8
	30—	Labor, repairing Bridges Topsail Road, and South Side of St. John's.....		10 12 6
		Brought forward.....		£194 6 5

Board of Works.

DETAILED STATEMENT.—Continued.

	To amount brought forward			£194	6	5
June	30—	Telegraph Company, for sticks		1	6	0
July	11—	J. Dunn, re-building Bridge, Topsail	£1	14	8	
		Clift, Wood & Co., deals for bridges	5	10	7	
		Heally & Toole, on account contract, Petty Harbor Road	8	13	4	
		Heally, contract Maddox Cove	1	14	8	
		James Toole, contract Petty Harbor to Goulds	3	9	4	21 11 7
		Labor, Rennie's Mill Road	10	8	0	
		D. Walsh, part contract Topsail Road	6	18	8	17 6 8
	22—	M. Wall, labor, Petty Harbor Road	0	17	4	
	31—	Labor, Long Pond Bridge	11	18	10	12 16 3
Aug.	14—	Labor, Long Pond Road	10	2	7	
		Tucker, repairing bridge, Broad Cove	3	9	4	13 11 11
	19—	James Whellan, part contract, Portugal Cove Road	21	13	4	
		D. Walsh, last instalment on contract No. 2, Topsail Road	15	8	4	
		D. Walsh, instalment on contract No. 1, Topsail Road	17	6	8	
		Labor, road from Bally Haley	9	0	1	
		W. Bidgood, labor, Petty Harbor	2	12	0	65 15 5
	21—	Labor, Bally Haley Road	10	6	11	
		Ditto, Fresh water ditto	14	17	3	25 4 2
	27—	Ditto, at Bridges, Signal Hill				2 6 9
	31—	Walsh and Kelly, balance contract on Torbay Road	5	4	0	
		W. Vicars, in full for contract Torbay Road	10	8	0	
		Labor, Topsail Road	6	6	9	21 18 9
		M. Murphy, Bonavista	5	4	0	
		E. Dea, ditto	1	14	8	
						6 18 8
Sept.	10—	John Murphy, in full for annual contract Petty Harbor Road				26 0 0
	15—	Labor, Freshwater Road	12	8	11	
		Ditto, Topsail Road	7	17	7	
						20 6 6
	19—	Ditto, ditto	7	10	6	
		D. Walsh, contract Topsail Road	34	13	4	
		Labor, bridges, Freshwater Road	0	15	2	
						42 19 0
		Brought forward				£472 8 0

Board of Works.

DETAILED STATEMENT.—Continued.

	To amount brought forward		£172 8 0
Sept. 25—	James Toole, repairs Petty Harbor Road...	£1 10 4	
	D. Walsh, balance contract Topsail Road...	4 6 8	
	Labor, Topsail Road	9 10 7	
	Ditto, near Waterford Bridge...	6 13 0	
			22 0 7
28—	Mahony, cartage		
	Guswel, in part contract Petty Harbor Road	13 0 0	
	Power, repairing bridge at Belle Isle	0 8 8	
Oct. 1—	T. Mills, repairing Road, Petty Harbor	1 14 8	
	John Murphy, repairing Bridge ditto	0 17 4	
	N. Roach, repairing Middle Cove Bridge ...	2 12 0	
			18 12 8
3—	Labor, Topsail Road	10 3 8	
	Ditto, junction Petty Harbor and Bay Bulls Roads	14 4 8	
			24 8 4
6—	J. Edwards, 15 tons stone for Queen's Bridge	2 12 0	
	J. Whellan, balance contract on Portugal Cove Road	21 19 5	
	J. Heally, balance contract on Petty Harbor Road	26 0 0	
			50 11 5
10—	T. Connell, labor, Torbay Road	0 13 0	
	Clift, Wood & Co., lumber	6 1 0	
	James Edwards, balance contract Portugal Cove Road	18 4 0	
	Clift, Wood & Co., lumber for Bridge at Broad Cove	1 7 1	
	J. & W. Boyd, plank for Bridge at Freshwa- ter....	0 10 5	
			26 15 6
	Brought forward		£614 16 6

Board of Works.

*DETAILED STATEMENT of Expenditure by the Board of Works on account of CON-
TINGENT EXPENSES under the Road Acts, 19 Vic., Cap. 3, and 20th
Vic., Cap. 5, for the year ending the 31st December, 1857.*

Jan.	8—To	T. Byrne, quarter salary to 31st Dec., 1856	£40 0 0	
		J. Delaney, ditto	20 0 0	
		Edward Tobin, ditto	20 0 0	
			£80 0 0	
April	16—	Executors late E. Tobin, ditto, 31st March	20 0 0	
		Thomas Byrne, ditto	40 0 0	
		John Delaney, ditto	30 0 0	
			90 0 0	
	28—	J. Delaney, expenses to Portugal Cove.....	0 8 8	
May	1—	T. Byrne, travelling expenses to, and from Salmon Cove bridge, 1856 ...	8 0 4	
			8 9 0	
		Car hire to ditto ..	1 14 8	
		J. Delaney, expenses to Belle Isle	0 17 4	
			2 12 0	
June	30—	T. Byrne, quarter salary to date	40 0 0	
		John Delaney, ditto	30 0 0	
		John Maher, ditto	20 0 0	
		Ditto, arrears salary	6 13 4	
			96 13 4	
July	30—	T. Byrne, travelling expenses between St. John's, Holyrood, and Port-de-Grave.....	5 3 1	
Aug.	14—	Car hire for Chairman, Acting Secretary, and Mr. Byrne to Holyrood, Harbor Main, and Placentia	10 8 0	
			15 11 1	
Sept.	30—	T. Byrne, quarter salary to date	40 0 0	
		John Maher, ditto	20 0 0	
		John Delaney ditto	30 0 0	
			90 0 0	
		John Rielley, Inspector, Placentia	24 11 10	
		T. Byrne, travelling expenses	10 19 8	
		Car hire to Holyrood	3 0 8	
Oct.	28—	T. Byrne, travelling expenses....	7 8 2	
			46 0 4	
		John Long, Superintendent Belle Isle wharf	20 0 0	
		Car hire, per James Long	2 3 4	
		Acting Secretary, Car hire to Holyrood	0 17 4	
			23 0 8	
			£452 6 5	
		Brought forward.....		

Board of Works.

DETAILED STATEMENT.—Continued.

	To amount brought forward .....	.....		£452 6 5,
Nov. 28—	T. Byrne, travelling expenses ....	.....	£11 16 7	
Dec. 12—	W. Hennessey, Superintendent .....	.....	45 4 0	
			34 13 4	57 0 7
	John Dwyer, ditto .....	.....	34 13 4	
	Michael McCarthy, ditto .....	.....	44 8 8	
			79 2 0	
17—	J. Delaney, travelling expenses .....	.....		8 13 4
18—	Expenses Chairman, Acting Secretary, and Mr. Byrne, to and from St. John's, Holy- rood, Harbor Maine, Salmonier, and Colinet .....	.....	6 18 2	
	Acting Secretary's expenses to Holyrood, Harbor Maine, and Salmonier .....	.....	5 4 0	
	Chairman's expenses to and from Trinity and Bonavista ....	.....	8 13 4	
	Acting Secretary's expenses to and from Holyrood and Harbor Maine .....	.....	1 12 6	
	Acting Secretary's expenses to and from Harbor Grace, overland, and horse hire for 8 days' .....	.....	8 0 0	
			30 8 0	
23—	John Delaney, expenses to and from Placen- tia, Colinet, and St. Mary's ....	.....		8 13 4
31—	T. Byrne, quarter salary to date .....	.....	40 0 0	
	John Maher, ditto .....	.....	20 0 0	
			60 0 0	
	Balance on hand,....	.....		0 9 5
				£696 13 1

Board of Works, 31st December, 1857.

E. HANRAHAN,

Chairman.

JOHN STUART,

Acting Secretary, B. W.

Examined,

JAMES TOBIN,

Financial Secretary,

Board of Works.

*DETAILED STATEMENT of Expenditure by the Board of Works
on account of the ROAD through HOLYROOD, and the ROAD from
HOLYROOD to SALMONIER, under Road Act 20 Vic., Cap. 5,
for the year ending 31st December, 1857.*

April	15—	To Contingent Account, 10 per cent. on grant		£60	0	0
June	11—	M. Nowlan, for provisions for laborers	£71 4 7			
July	30—	J. J. Dearin, mosquito wash	1 12 6			
		John Maher, iron tools	2 16 6			
		W. Power, for saws	1 12 6			
		Ditto, for axes, nails, &c.	12 0 2			
		Ditto,	0 1 11			
		Paid for corn	1 11 2			
Sept.	19—	W. Holden, for provisions	4 19 8			
	26—	W. Blake, for tinware	1 12 8			
		John Murphy, for iron work	1 11 10			
		P. Strapp, repairing tools	0 7 9			
		T. McGrath, for wheelbarrow... ..	1 8 4			
		J. Byrne, provisions, and posts for bridge...	3 13 3			
		Ditto, for provisions	5 10 7			
		N. Wall, for land... ..	2 12 0			
				112	10	5
Dec.	31—	P. Canning, tinsmith	2 16 6			
		W. Shelly, for wheelbarrow.....	0 17 4			
		James Bennett.....			3	13 10
		Amount paid laborer's wages....			1	3 10
					401	3 8
				£578	11	9

Board of Works, 31st December, 1857.

E. HANRAHAN,

Chairman.

JOHN STUART,

Acting Secretary, B. W.

Examined,

JAMES TOBIN,

Financial Secretary.

Board of Works.

*DETAILED STATEMENT of Expenditure by the Board of Works on account of the
ROAD from HOLYROOD to NEW PERLICAN, under the Road Act, 20th Vic.,
Cap. 5, for the year ending the 31st December, 1857.*

April	15—	To Contingent account, 10 per cent. on grant			£250 0 0
June	10—	Michael Nowlan, for provisions for laborers	£75	3 10	
		Ditto, ditto	7	16 0	
		T. McGrath, wheelbarrows.....	2	3 4	
		John Power, for sledges	10	7 6	
		P. Duggan, for provisions	142	16 3	
					238 6 11
	27—	John Maher, picks and sledges	2	4 9	
		J. McCarthy, Carbonear, on account of laborers employed between Mosquito Valley and Perlican.....	35	0 0	
July	25—	Ditto, ditto	50	0 0	
		L. O'Brien & Co., gunpowder	4	5 1	
		John Maher, sledges	2	16 4	
		Samuel Knight, for fusees	3	9 4	
		Michael Nowlan, provisions	12	5 3	
Aug.	14—	C. Fury, freight provisions, and storage.....	7	2 1	
					117 2 10
		John Maher, for picks	14	8 0	
	19—	Paid freight provisions	0	11 3	
		M. Nowlan, provisions for laborers	46	0 8	
		J. Power, for saws....	3	15 0	
		Ditto, for shovels....	0	10 7	
		Ditto, for nails.....	4	19 8	
		Clift Wood & Co., Lumber for N. Gut.....	8	16 7	
		Paid for sticks, and freight for ditto	2	14 2	
		L. O'Brien & Co., gunpowder..	2	12 0	
		J. McCarthy, Carbonear, on account of labor from Mosquito Valley towards Perlican	91	11 8	
					175 10 7
Sept.	17—	Bulley Mitchell & Co., lumber	2	11 3	
		W. Power, nails	2	3 4	
		T. Keefe, longers....	2	4 2	
					6 18 9
		Brought forward.....			£788 8 1

Board of Works.

DETAILED STATEMENT.—Continued.

	To amount brought forward		£788 8 1
Sept. 19—	J. McCarthy, on account of labor from Mosquito Valley towards New Perlican	£17 6 8	
	W. Holden, for provisions	6 14 4	
	J. Mason, for sticks	0 6 0	
	T. Gleeson, for cartage	1 11 2	
	W. Blake, tinware	4 7 11	
			30 6 1
Oct. 17—	J. W. Leaman, for provisions	12 18 8	
	T. Guy, smithwork	1 15 1	
	J. W. Leaman, sundry supplies	0 13 4	
	Paid for sticks for Northern Gut Bridge ...	1 14 8	
	Paid Butler, pickets for ditto	3 0 8	
	Ditto, blacksmith's account	11 2 5	
Dec. 17—	A. Drysdale, repairing bridges near Harbor Grace	27 17 8	
			59 2 6
	Paid Labor at Salmon Cove bridge and marsh		167 0 9
	J. McCarthy, on account of labor from Mosquito Valley to New Perlican		81 7 8
	John Brick, pork for laborers	1 14 8	
	Charles Butler, iron work	3 5 0	
	John Murphy, iron work	2 18 4	
	W. Tubrid, for sticks	1 6 0	
	Hancoe, for ditto....	2 3 0	
	T. Strapp, repairing tools	2 19 0	
			14 6 0
31—	J. McCarthy's order on account of labor on road from Mosquito Valley to Perlican ...		24 16 0
	John Maher, blacksmith	1 15 9	
	J & W. Boyd, lumber for Northern Gut bridge	12 1 11	
			13 17 8
	Paid Laborers on road during the season		1318 18 0
	Balance		0 6 1
			£2498 8 10

Board of Works, 31st December, 1857.

E. HANRAHAN,

Chairman,

JOHN STUART,

Acting Secretary, B. W.

Examined,

JAMES TOBIN,

Financial Secretary.

Board of Works.

*DETAILED STATEMENT of Expenditure by the Board of Works on account of
the ROAD from COLINET to PLACENTIA, for the year ending
31st December, 1857, under the Road Act, 20 Viz., Cap. 5.*

April	21—	To Contingent Account, 10 per cent. on grant		£50 0 0
	22—	John Rielley, short charge, 1856	£6 1 4	
May	5—	J. McLennan, for labor	0 17 4	
		James Gleeson, for picks	9 7 11	
		James Sheehan, tinware	1 6 3	
June	1—	John Rielley, balance 1856	9 12 2	
	9—	C. F. Bennett & Co., for oats....	2 18 0	
	29—	F. L. Bradshaw. advances to laborers	2 17 11	
		F. R. Sweetman, ditto	6 8 6	
		M. Hartigan	0 10 10	
		J. Rielley, for rinds and skiff hire	2 16 4	
		T. Rielley, for provisions for laborers	91 16 3	
Dec.	16—	Samuel Knight, for fusees	0 11 6	
		Paid laborers, balances	135 4 4	
		Balance on hand....	312 17 3	
			1 1 1	
			£499 2 8	

Board of Works, 31st December, 1857:

E. HANRAHAN,

Chairman.

JOHN STUART,

Acting Secretary, B. W.

Examined,

JAMES TOBIN,

Financial Secretary,

Board of Works.

*DETAILED STATEMENT of Expenditure by the Board of Works on account of the
North East Arm of FLACENTIA ROADS, under the Act 20 Vic., Cap. 5,
for the year ending 31st December, 1857.*

April	21—	To Contingent Account, 10 per cent. on grant		£3 0 0
Oct.	5—	John Blanche, for labor	£2 12 0	
		James Mullally, ditto	17 6 8	
Dec.	31—	Charles Chant, ditto	6 1 4	
				26 0 0
				£29 0 0

Board of Works, 31st December, 1857.

E. HANRAHAN,
Chairman.

JOHN STUART,
Acting Secretary, B. W.

Examined,
JAMES TOBIN,
Financial Secretary.

*DETAILED STATEMENT of Expenditure by the Board of Works on account of the ROAD
from SALMONIER to COLINET, under the Road Act 20 Vic., Cap. 5,
for the year ending 31st December, 1857.*

April	21—	To Contingent Account, 10 per cent. on grant		£7 0 0
Sept.	18—	W. Morrissey, for labor	£7 6 9	
Nov.	11—	E. Quigley, ditto	34 13 4	
	25—	W. Morrissey, horse hire	3 0 8	
Dec.	23—	John Hurley, for labor	1 11 2	
				46 11 11
		P. Burke, ditto	2 9 11	
		Balance	17 18 2	
				£74 0 0

Board of Works, 31st December, 1857.

E. HANRAHAN,
Chairman.

JOHN STUART,
Acting Secretary, B. W.

Examined,
JAMES TOBIN,
Financial Secretary.

Board of Works.

*STATEMENT of Expenditure by the Board of Works on account of the BLACK DUCK
GULLY ROAD, and ROCKY RIVER BRIDGE, under the Road Act, 12th
Vic., Cap. 5, for the year ending the 31st December, 1857.*

April	15—	To Contingent account, 10 per cent. on grant		£23 0 0
Nov.	4—	Paid laborers	£31 4 2	
	11—	Paid P. McCormack for provisions	39 17 4	
		Paid laborers	6 0 8	
	14—	Ditto	6 10 8	
	25—	Ditto	19 6 2	
Dec.	15—	Ditto	5 4 0	
	17—	Ditto, and provisions	37 1 1	
	23—	Ditto	5 17 1	
	31—	Paid Gleeson for picks	4 17 6	
		Paid laborers	11 10 4	
		Ditto	3 14 2	
		Paid for Labor and materials for Rocky River Bridge	33 16 9	
		Balance on hand ...	2 0 1	
				207 0 0
				£230 0 0

Board of Works, 31st December, 1857.

E. HANRAHAN,

Chairman,

JOHN STUART,

Acting Secretary, B. W.

Examined,

JAMES TOBIN,

Financial Secretary.

*STATEMENT of Expenditure by the Board of Works on account of the LITTLE PLACEN-
TIA ROADS, under the Act, 20th Vic., Cap. 5, for the year ending 31st December, 1857.*

April	15—	To Contingent Account		£5 0 0
	18—	D. Ryan, labor, roads Red Island	30 0 0	
Oct.	17—	P. Nowlan, order for wages of laborers	43 6 8	
				£78 6 8

Board of Works, 31st December, 1857.

E. HANRAHAN, *Chairman.*

JOHN STUART, *Acting Secretary, B. W.*

Examined,

JAMES TOBIN, *Financial Secretary.*

Board of Works.

*STATEMENT of Expenditure by the Board of Works on account of the WESTERN SHORE
ROADS, under Road Act, 20th Vic., Cap. 5, for the year ending 31st December, 1857.*

April	15—	To Contingent account, 10 per cent. on grant		£14 0 0
May	23—	James Walsh, for labor	£17 13 8	
		P. Brown, for labor, Sound Island	10 0 0	
				27 13 8
				£41 13 8

Board of Works, 31st December, 1857.

E. HANRAHAN, *Chairman.*

JOHN STUART,

Acting Secretary. B. W.

Examined,

JAMES TOBIN,
Financial Secretary.

*STATEMENT of Expenditure by the Board of Works on account of the POINT LA HAYES ROAD,
under the Act 20th Vic., Cap. 5, for the year ending 31st December, 1857.*

May.	25—	To Contingent account, 10 per cent. on grant		£8 18 7

Board of Works, 31st December, 1857.

E. HANRAHAN,

Chairman,

JOHN STUART,

Acting Secretary, B. W.

Examined,

JAMES TOBIN,
Financial Secretary.

Board of Works.

*DETAILED STATEMENT of Expenditure by the Board of Works for the District of
HARBOR MAINE, £72 15 7, under the Road Act, 19 Vic.; and £178
under Act 20 Vic., for the year ending 31st December, 1857,*

May	24—	To Contingent Account, 10 per cent. on grant		£17 16 0
		Labor, Salmon Cove Bridge		72 15 7
	25—	Thomas Keefe, longers, ditto....	£6 9 4	
		John Brick, ditto ..	1 10 4	
		William Fury, contract, ditto ...	5 4 0	
		Labor, Salmon Cove	1 6 0	
			14 9 8	
Oct.	5—	W. Williams, building Bridge at Manuel's Gut	4 19 8	
	17—	W. Cole, contract	2 10 8	
		Costello, ditto,	13 5 2	
		E. Walsh ditto, Cat's Cove ...	2 1 7	
		R. Hearn, ditto, Colliers	3 0 8	
		W. Gahanny, ditto, Kelligrews	4 6 8	
		E. Nugent, ditto, ditto	3 6 9	
		J. Hearn, ditto, Colliers Road....	3 16 3	
		John Murphy, ditto, ditto	3 2 2	
		Thomas Cole, ditto, ditto	3 12 10	
	14—	J. McGrath, ditto, ditto	0 5 2	
		James Gough, ditto, Harbor Maine	4 6 8	
	25—	Fewar and others, ditto, Colliers road	12 10 0	
		R. Ryan, ditto, ditto	1 1 5	
		P. Whelan, ditto, ditto	27 8 2	
		J. Penny and others, ditto, ditto	1 15 11	
			91 9 9	
Dec.	15—	J. Drohan and others, ditto, Horse Cove to Turk's Gut	6 10 0	
		J. Costello, ditto, bridges	3 11 11	
		Ditto, ditto	2 9 5	
		Thomas Francis, ditto	3 0 8	
		Gorman, contract Harbor Main	2 0 2	
		Ditto, ditto	2 11 8	
		W. and J. Penny, ditto	6 1 4	
		James Fahey, ditto, Chapels Cove	5 4 0	
		E. Gorman, contract, Harbor Main	0 12 1	
		P. Mallowney, ditto, near Holyrood	4 2 4	
			36 3 7	
			£232 14 7	
		Brought forward.....		

Board of Works.

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT of Expenditure by the Board of Works on account of the District of St. JOHN'S, West—viz., £284 10s. 0d. under the Act 19th Vic., Cap. 3 ; and £582 8s. 0d., under Act 20th Vic., Cap. 5, for the year ending the 31st December, 1857.

To Contingent account, 10 per cent. on grant		£84 12 7
Paid labor, South Side	£4 19 10	
Ditto, Job's Bridge. repairs	22 4 8	
Ditto, safety wall, near Gas Works	32 1 4	
Ditto, Petty Harbor Road	35 13 1	
Ditto, Drealan's Well Road.....	33 7 5	
Ditto, Petty Harbor, South Side	1 8 2	
Ditto, Lazy Bank... ..	79 11 5	
Ditto, Petty Harbor	28 12 0	
Ditto, Thomas' Street	3 17 1	
Ditto, Goulds to Petty Harbor Road	16 10 3	
Ditto, Flower Hill Firebreak	54 17 10	
Ditto, for posts and longers	3 5 0	
Ditto, labor, Black Marsh	15 17 2	
Ditto, for stone for drains	3 6 8	
Ditto, labor, Gas Works Firebreak	179 9 5	
Ditto, ditto at Freshwater	2 8 5	
Ditto, ditto at Maddox Cove	2 14 0	
Ditto, ditto on Topsail Road... ..	76 4 11	
Ditto, ditto on Bay Bull's Road	8 9 10	
Ditto, for crowbars	2 7 4	
Ditto, for nails..... ..	0 10 10	
Ditto, labor, Cockpit Road.....	6 3 11	
Ditto, Dunscombe's Bridge.....	3 10 6	
Ditto, plank for bridges and drains	4 11 10	
Boyd & McDougall, for repairing Warren's Cove	50 0 0	
Thomas Butler, compensation for land at South Side	86 13 4	
Paid labor repairing road at Bennett's Mill	2 7 10	
Ditto for hay	0 8 8	
	761 12 9	
Balance on hand.... ..	0 1 1	
	£846 6 5	

Board of Works, 31st December, 1857.

E. HANRAHAN,
Chairman.

JOHN STUART,
Acting Secretary, B. W.

Examined,
JAMES TOBIN,
Financial Secretary.

Board of Works.

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT of Expenditure by the Board of Works on account of the District of St. JOHN'S, East—viz., £350 12s. 0d., under Road Act, 19 Vic., Cap. 3 ; and £582 8s. 0d., under Act 20 Vic., Cap. 5, for the year ending 31st December, 1857.

To Contingent Account, 10 per cent. on grant		£93 5 11
Paid labor, King's Bridge Road	£86 2 5	
Paid for posts and longers	3 5 0	
Ditto, labor, Pouche Cove Bridge	26 13 0	
Ditto, Long's Hill	7 19 1	
Ditto, Torbay to Middle Cove	4 2 6	
Ditto, Broad Cove	10 16 6	
Ditto, Queen's Bridge ...	4 4 6	
Ditto, Chain Rock	5 0 0	
Ditto, Portugal Cove Bridge	4 6 8	
Ditto, Flat Rock to Pouche Cove ...	147 2 4	
Ditto, Torbay Road	7 2 1	
Ditto, Cochrane Street ..	163 14 2	
Ditto, Long Pond Road....	13 1 1	
Ditto, Pouche Cove Road	6 10 0	
Ditto, Indian Meal Road at Torbay..	70 14 10	
Ditto, Torbay Bridge ...	4 11 0	
Ditto, Portugal Cove to Topsail	45 8 3	
Ditto, Middle Cove Bridge	14 6 0	
Ditto, Logy Bay Road....	21 13 4	
Ditto, Beachy Cove	26 17 4	
Ditto, Belle Isle Wharf	166 6 3	
Paid stone for drains	4 6 8	
	844 3 0	
Balance.....	2 9 6	
	£939 18 5	

Board of Works, 31st December, 1857.

E. HANRAHAN,

Chairman,

JOHN STUART,

Acting Secretary, B W.

Examined,

JAMES TOBIN,

Financial Secretary,

Board of Works.

*DETAILED STATEMENT of Expenditure by the Board of Works on account of the
ROAD from TOAD'S COVE to TREPASSEY, for the year
ending 31st December, 1857.*

May	28—	To Ordnance Department, for tents	£13	10	4	
		James Gleeson, for picks, shovels, &c.	11	8	4	
June	9—	John Maher, for picks	18	19	5	
		T. McGrath, for wheelbarrows	7	7	4	
		Clift, Wood & Co., for oats.....	2	17	2	
		S. Knight, for fuses	1	3	1	
		W. Power, for pick axes	2	17	7	
	20—	Ditto, ditto and belts	4	14	0	
		P. Duggan, for provisions for labourers.....	254	5	5	
		M. Nowlan, for ditto	13	5	10	
		John Maher, for pick axes.....	2	12	0	
	29—	Capt. Harris, freight provisions to Toad's Cove	1	1	8	
July	24—	M. Molloy, for coal barrels	0	13	0	
	25—	L. O'Brien & Co., for tools.....	3	8	9	
	30—	John Maher, for picks, &c.	8	10	1	
Aug.	14—	F. Geary, for freight	0	17	4	
	19—	P. Cleary, for sticks for bridges	1	19	0	
	21—	Nowlan, for oats and corn	2	8	3	
		W. Power, for frying pans	0	11	11	
	27—	Keenan, for a cart	2	3	4	
		Fleming, for harness	1	14	8	
		Molloy, for coal hogsheads	0	17	4	
Sept.	4—	H. Gathercole, for freight of provisions.....	1	10	6	
		M. Nowlan, for provisions	9	8	0	
				51	1	8
Oct.	6—	M. Nowlan, for provisions	33	16	0	
	8—	John Maher, for iron and sledges	1	12	8	
	10—	C. F. Bennett & Co., for nails	1	17	5	
	22—	Carnell, for iron tools	2	10	8	
	28—	Winser, for freight and storage	12	2	9	
				51	19	6
		Brought forward.....	£420	3	10	

Board of Works.

DETAILED STATEMENT.—Continued.

	To amount brought forward .....	.....		£120 3 10
Nov. 14—	P. Duggan, for provisions for laborers	£110 19 1		
	John Driscoll, storage	1 14 8		
	9 tons balk	15 12 0		
	M. Cashin, provisions for laborers	12 5 6		
	M. Nowlan, for ditto	45 16 8		
	John Blackler, for hay	1 1 8		
		.....		187 9 7
28—	James Johnstone, iron work	2 5 1		
Dec. 15—	P. Duggan, for 1 bag bread	1 6 0		
	S. Knight, for fusees	1 11 9		
17—	J. Delaney, travelling expenses while super- intending work	43 6 8		
	Paid for fusees.....	0 4 11		
		.....		48 14 5
24—	John Maher, for iron tools	6 9 8		
26—	S. Knight, for fusees	3 4 3		
31—	J. Delaney, quarter salary as Road Surveyor	30 0 0		
	Short charge on Voucher No.29	0 9 0		
		.....		40 2 11
	Amount paid laborers .....	.....		1294 11 1
				£1091 1 10

Board of Works, 31st December, 1857.

E. HANRAHAN,

Chairman.

JOHN STUART,

Acting Secretary, B. W.

Examined,

JAMES TOBIN,

Financial Secretary.

Board of Works.

FINANCIAL SECRETARY'S STATEMENT of Expenditure by Outstanding Road Boards, under Act 19th Vic., Cap. 3, for the year ending the 31st December, 1857.

DISTRICT OF HARBOR GRACE,—

On Bay Roberts Main Road, Road from French's Hill to Crano's Road, Road on North Side, and other necessary Roads and Bridges	£20 5 1	
In and about, to and from, Spaniards Bay	11 8 8	
Brigus Road to North Side Coleys Point, and from Bareneed Road to South side of said Point.....	9 9 1	
Island Cove and Bishop's Cove, in opening and repairing Crane's Road.... ..	8 19 8	
	£50 2 6	

DISTRICT OF BAY DE VERDS,—

Freshwater, Clown's Cove, Blow-me-down, Flat Rocks, Salmon Cove, Penny's Cove to Sport Cove Bridge	1 14 8	
Sport Cove Bridge to Small Point, and thence to join Main road near Wesleyan Chapel	24 10 3	
From Ochre Pit Cove, to and about Northern Bay to Grates Cove	283 15 8	
	310 0 7	

DISTRICT OF BRIGUS AND PORT-DE-GRAVE,—

From River Head of Brigus, towards Frog Marsh, from River Head to Three Island Pond, and for repair of other roads and bridges not specified	170 7 10	
For repairs of Northern Gut Bridge	34 12 0	
	204 19 10	

DISTRICT OF CARBONEAR,—

Making and repairing Main Road from David Connor's, opening and making new road commencing at London Bridge, and making drain from Scully's House near Chapel Yard.... ..	124 15 11	
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DISTRICT OF TRINITY,—

Fox Harbor to Heart's Ease	4 3 10	
Fox Harbor to Gooseberry Cove	6 12 2	
Ireland's Eye, to Black Duck Cove.... ..	8 18 6	

Board of Works.

DETAILED STATEMENT.—Continued.

DISTRICT OF TRINITY,—Continued.

Trinity towards British Harbor	5	13	4
Trinity round North West Arm, to meet King's Cove road	5	7	6
Branch road from English Harbor to Catalina main road	1	14	8
Little Catalina to Great Catalina	6	5	11
Bird Island Cove to Bonavista	22	10	8
In Bird Island Cove.....	7	3	10
Bird Island Cove to Catalina	17	19	9
Ragged Harbor	8	19	11
Catalina.....	18	12	5
Grates Cove to Bay de Verds	6	0	4
Ditto to Old Perlican ...	10	14	0
Old Perlican to Bay de Verds	10	11	7
Ditto to Island Cove or Caplin Cove	61	18	8
Lance Cove to Seal Cove	1	2	1
Seal Cove to Hant's Harbor	11	5	4
New Perlican Bridge, North and South Side	6	5	11
Heart's Content to Heart's Delight...	11	13	10
Heart's Delight to New Harbor	2	7	8
New Harbor	18	0	0
Trinity to Catalina	33	1	4
Trinity to King's Cove ...	42	1	11
Catalina to Bonavista ...	5	4	5
New Harbor to Spaniards Bay	22	10	0
Contingencies	87	5	6

444 5 1

DISTRICT OF BONAVIDA,—

Salvage, for Bridge at Salt Lake, Salvage and Barren Harbor	8	12	10
Flat Islands....	14	15	4
Amherst and Newman's Cove	16	0	8
Towards Plate Cove.....	4	15	4
Broad Cove from King's Cove	7	7	4
Ditto to Keels	0	17	10
Sundry roads	0	17	4
Red Cliff to Open Hall....	1	15	0
Open Hall to Plate Cove	13	16	10
Plate Cove to Indian Arm	17	12	10
Indian Arm to Big Arm Brook	11	5	4
Keels to Tickle Cove.....	8	1	2
Bonavista and King's Cove to Beachy Cove	32	7	8

Board of Works.

DETAILED STATEMENT.—Continued.

DISTRICT OF BONA VISTA,—Continued.

Bird Island Cove			£20	13	9
Brown's Lane			3	16	11
Mifflin's to Church Road			1	1	8
Ditto to Harbor Pond ...			2	12	0
Road to Long Beach, repairs			6	14	8
Road Lance Cove Bank			4	17	11
Road from Brown's Lane			2	8	6
Sundry roads			9	10	6
Trinity to King's Cove			54	10	9
Keels to Tickle Cove.....			8	9	1
Bonavista to Catalina			2	3	4
Contingencies			52	3	10
Salvage from Saft Lake Bridge			26	0	0
			£333 8 5.		

DISTRICT OF TWILLINGATE AND FOGO,—

Twillingate to North Side			29	18	4
Ditto South Side			23	0	2
Main Line, Twillingate....			31	9	11
Tizzard's Harbor			8	10	0
Moreton's Harbor			12	19	8
Ditto to Tizzard's			13	9	11
Black Island			11	4	0
Exploits Burnt Island ...			11	10	0
Fortune Harbor			15	0	0
Ditto to Waldron's Cove			5	0	0
Western Road to Moreton's Harbor....			4	10	0
Herring Neck			19	10	0
Little Bay Islands			17	10	0
Hall's Bay to Pond			15	0	0
Tilton Harbor			25	0	0
Joe Bat's Arm			18	0	0
Bard Islands			18	0	0
Muddy Hole			19	19	9
Fogo to Seldom-come-by			90	0	0
Contingencies			47	10	6
			437 2 3.		

DISTRICT OF FORTUNE BAY,—

Round Jersey Harbor ...			£40	10	0
Harbor Briton to Connaiger					
Crat's Cove to English Harbor.			35	19	5
Garnish to Burin			15	12	0
Contingencies			13	10	0
			105 11 5.		

Board of Works.

DETAILED STATEMENT.—Continued.

DISTRICT OF BURGEO AND LAPOILLE,—

Road from LaPoile South West	70	0	0	
Road at Channel	30	0	0	
				100 0 0

DISTRICT OF BURIN,—

Grand Bank to Fortune..	56	0	0	
Lawn	5	8	2	
Spoon Cove to Mud Cove	5	4	0	
Burin to Ship Cove	2	12	9	
Court House to Morris's	3	18	0	
Vaustone's to Morris's Point	4	15	4	
Dicks Bridge	10	8	0	
Ditto to Court House ...	1	14	8	
Ditto to Pathend	25	1	8	
Butler's Farm to Barron's	10	8	0	
Ditto to Path End	2	12	5	
Mortier to Fox Cove	6	5	10	
Fox Cove to Tites Cove	8	1	10	
Spanish Room to Mooring Cove	0	12	10	
Ditto to Rock Harbor ...	9	7	8	
Great Burin	2	12	0	
Pathend to Salmonier.....	70	1	4	
Burin to Garnish	55	0	8	
Lawn to St. Lawrence ...	18	17	9	
Contingencies	17	4	4	
				316 6 1

DISTRICT OF FERRYLAND,—

Goulds Bridge to Bay Bull's Bridge....	34	18	11	
Bay Bull's Bridge to LaManche	130	0	0	
Bridge LaManche to Trepassey	62	5	7	
North Side Winless Bay to Main Road	25	0	0	
River Head to Aquaforte	9	8	6	
				261 18 0
District of Placentia				3 9 4
				264 14 5

31st December, 1857.

Examined,
JAMES TOBIN,
Financial Secretary.

Board of Works.

*CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT of Expenditure under Road Act, 19 Vic., Cap. 3, for
the year ending 31st December, 1857.*

Dr.

To Expenditure per Financial Secretary	.....	£2691 14 5
Expenditure by Board of Works	694 4 5
Balance unexpended	619 10 10
		£4005 9 8

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By balance grant unexpended, 31st December, 1856...	£3215 5 1
Orders in Council for	790 4 7
		£4005 9 8

Board of Works, 31st December, 1857.

E. HANRAHAN,

Chairman.

JOHN STUART,

Acting Secretary, B. W.

Examined,

JAMES TOBIN,

Financial Secretary.

Board of Works.

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT of Expenditure by the Board of Works under Road Act, 20th Vic., Cap. 5, for the year ending the 31st December, 1857.

LOCALITY.	GRANT.	Total Expenditure.
MAIN LINES,—		
Holyrood to Perlican	£2500 0 0	£2498 8 10
Through Holyrood, and from Holyrood to Salmonier	600 0 0	578 11 9
Colinet to Placentia	500 0 0	499 2 8
Salmonier to Colinet	70 0 0	74 0 0
North East Arm, Placentia... ..	30 0 0	29 0 0
Black Duck Gully	230 0 0	230 0 0
Contingent account		80 6 0
DISTRICT GRANTS,—		
St. John's, West	582 8 0	582 8 0
St. John's, East	582 8 0	582 8 0
Point LaHayes	49 6 0	8 18 7
Little Placentia Roads	80 0 0	78 6 8
District of Harbor Main.....	178 0 0	203 4 4
Western Shore Roads	140 0 0	41 13 8
	£5542 2 0	£5486 2 6

Board of Works, 31st December, 1857.

E. HANRAHAN,

Chairman.

JOHN STUART,

Acting Secretary, B. W.

Examined,

JAMES TOBIN,

Financial Secretary.

Financial Secretary's

*CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT of Expenditure by the various Outport Road Board
under the Road Act 20 Vic., Cap. 5, for the year ending 31st December, 1857.*

LOCALITY.	GRANT.	Expenditure District appropri- ation.	Total Expenditure.
MAIN LINES OF ROAD,—			
Trinity to Bonavista.....	£900 0 0		£885 10 2
King's Cove to Trinity...	250 0 0		156 11 3
Ditto to Newman's Cove	175 0 0		102 2 6
North Side Conception Bay	100 0 0		60 15 6
Burin to Garnish	250 0 0		152 7 11
New Harbor to Spaniard's Bay	40 0 0		36 0 0
Heart's Content to North Harbor ..	50 0 0		45 0 0
New Perlican to Hant's Harbor	50 0 0		43 4 8
Hant's Harbor to Caplin Cove	15 0 0		13 10 0
Ditto to Grates Cove	20 0 0		
DISTRICT OF TWILLINGATE AND FOGO,—			
	675 0 0		
Twillingate, North Side		£15 10 0	
Ditto, South Side		9 0 0	
Herring Neck and Change Islands...		7 19 3	
Tizzard's Harbor		1 10 0	
Moreton's Harbor		2 0 0	
Ditto to Tizzard's Harbor		1 10 0	
Black Island		1 10 0	
Exploit's Burnt Island		25 0 0	
Fortune Harbor		20 0 0	
Ditto to Waldron's Cove		10 0 0	
Moreton's Harbor to Western Head...		0 0 0	
Herring Neck		0 0 0	
Leading Ticks		0 0 0	
Ward's Harbor to Centinels Arm.....		0 0 0	
Little Bay Islands		0 0 0	
Three Arms to Jacquet Arm		0 0 0	
Nipper's Harbor		0 0 0	
Hall's Bay.... ..		20 0 0	
Shoe Cove			
Brought forward.....	£2525 0 0	£113 19 3	£1495 2 0

Financial Secretary's
CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT.—Continued.

LOCALITY.	GRANT.	Expenditure.			Total Expenditure.
		District appropri- ation.			
Amount brought forward	£2525 0 0	£113	19	3	£1495 2 0
Burying Place		0	0	0	
Round Harbor		0	0	0	
Fogo Harbor		89	19	9	
Tilton Harbor		24	19	3	
Joe Bat's Arm		0	0	0	
Change Islands		0	0	0	
Seldom-come-by		0	0	0	
Muddy Hole to Central Harbor.....		0	0	0	
Central Harbor to Greenspond.....		0	0	0	
Burnt Islands		0	0	0	
					228 18 3
DISTRICT OF DONAVISTA,—	334 3 0				
Bonavista to Newman's Cove		20	17	3	
R. C. Chapel to Verges		5	7	0	
Lower Street to Saints and Canailé		9	6	10	
Walthams Bridge		4	10	0	
Mifflin's to Church Road		0	0	0	
Guy's Forge to Randals		2	1	0	
Grover Street to Lance Cove		0	0	0	
Windlass to Cape Shore		6	8	0	
Bonavista Roads		21	0	10	
Greenspond Roads		61	14	10	
Newels and Ship Island		22	10	0	
Fair Island		0	0	0	
Gooseberry Island		6	15	3	
Swans Island		0	0	0	
Fool's Island		6	15	0	
Pinchers's Island		0	0	0	
Cape Freels		4	10	0	
Salvageto Barren Harbor		2	12	0	
Fiat Islands		6	1	4	
Keels to Tickle Cove		0	0	0	
King's Cove		4	2	4	
					190 11 5
Brought forward	£2859 3 0				£1914 11 8

Financial Secretary's
CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT.—Continued.

LOCALITY.	GRANT.	Expenditure.	Total Expenditure.
		District appropriation.	
Amount brought forward	£2859 3 0		£1914 11 8
DISTRICT OF FERRYLAND,—	211 14 0		
Bay Bull's, North Side, to Main Line		£0 0 0	
Toad's Cove to ditto		40 0 0	
Witless Bay to ditto		10 0 0	
Fermeuse to Aquaforte		37 5 9	
Admiral's Cove to Brigus		0 0 0	
Cape Broyle, South Side		0 0 0	
		-----	87 5 9
DISTRICT OF BURGEO AND LAPOILE,—	105 16 0		
Burgeo to Tory Town....		49 19 10	
LaPoile to South West		0 0 0	
Channel to Port au Basque		20 16 0	
		-----	70 15 10
DISTRICT OF FORTUNE BAY,—	130 0 0		
Coomb's Cove to English Harbor ...		} 0 0 0	
St. Jacques to ditto			
Round Jersey Harbor... ..			
At Fox Cove			
DISTRICT OF BAY DE VERDS,—	251 10 0		
Main Road from Freshwater to Ochre Pit		73 12 8	
Freshwater to Forest Pond		19 10 0	
Ochre Pit to Grates		46 19 0	
		-----	140 1 8
DISTRICT OF HARBOR GRACE,—	368 18 0		
Harbor Grace to River Head and Bears Cove		161 19 9	
Brought forward.....	£3927 1 0	£161 19 9	£2212 14 11

Financial Secretary's
CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT.—Continued.

LOCALITY.	GRANT.	Expenditure.		Total Expenditure.
		District appropri- ation.		
Brought forward	£3927 1 0	£161 19 9		£2212 14 11
Bay Roberts Main Road		51 6 0		
Coley's Point Roads		22 10 0		
Spaniard's Bay		27 0 0		
Island Cove to Bishop's Cove		46 14 3		
Bryant's Cove		22 10 0		382 0 0
DISTRICT CARBONEAR,—	235 0 0			208 19 8
DISTRICT BRIGUS AND PORT-DE- GRAVE,—	262 8 0			
Brigus Long Bridge.		15 0 0		
River Head to Frogmarsh		15 0 0		
Road to Battery		15 0 0		
Church to River Head		10 0 0		
Hearn's to ditto		5 0 0		
Road to Gulleys		5 0 0		
Road to Woods		5 0 0		
Brigus to Bull Cove		10 0 0		
English Town to Woods		5 0 0		
Various Roads		15 0 0		
Through Cupids		15 0 0		
Main Line to Woods to Placentia Line		15 0 0		
South Side Cupids to North Side to Caplin and Salmon Cove		15 0 0		
Road in Salmon Cove....		10 0 0		
South Gut to the Woods		8 18 4		
Roads about Port-de-Grave		94 2 11		258 1 3
DISTRICT TRINITY,—	406 19 0			
Bird Island Cove		0 0 0		
Great to Little Catalina		20 0 0		
English Harbor to Trinity		29 15 10		
Trinity to British Harbor		49 19 11		
Brought forward.....	£4831 8 0	£99 15 9		£3011 15 10

Financial Secretary's

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT.—Continued.

LOCALITY.	GRANT.	Expenditure.		Total Expenditure.
		District appropriation		
Amount brought forward	£1831 8 0	£99 15 9		£3011 15 10
Heart's Content		20 0 0		
Scilly Cove		10 0 0		
New Perlican to Gull Pond		6 8 6		
Seal Cove		19 19 11		
Indiant Point to Hant's Harbor.....		14 19 11		
Old Perlican to ditto		24 9 5		
Hant's Harbor to Main Line				
Old Perlican Roads and Bridges.....		12 3 8		
Ditto to Grate's Cove....		31 4 10		
Grate's Cove to Bay-de-Verds		29 0 0		
Old Perlican to Bay de Verds		17 7 3		285 9 3
DISTRICT BURIN,—	201 10 0			
Grand Bank to Fortune		19 8 10		
Lamaline				
St. Lawrence				
Lawn				
District Bridge to Pathend				
Shuts House to Ship Cove				
Ship Cove to Court House				
Bull Cove to Port-au-Bras		0 0 0		
Morton to Beaubois.....				
Beaubois Harbor				
Spanish Room to Rock Harbor				
Ditto Mooring Cove.....				
Fox Cove to Tide Cove				
Namoris ...				19 8 10
	£5032 18 0			£3316 13 11

31st December, 1857.

Examined,
 JAMES TOBIN,
Financial Secretary.

Financial Secretary's

*CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT of Expenditure under Road Act 20 Vic., Cap. 5,
for the year ending 31st December, 1857.*

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DR.

To Expenditure by Board of Works	£5186 2 6
Ditto by Outport Boards...	3316 13 11
Balance unexpended .....	.....	.....	1772 3 7
			£10,575 0 0

£10,575 0 0

Examined,

JAMES TOBIN,

Financial Secretary.

Financial Secretary's

*CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT of Expenditure under Road Act 20 Vic., Cap. 5,
for the year ending 31st December, 1857.*

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By amount of grant	£10575 0 0
		£10575 0 0

E. HANRAHAN,

Chairman, B. W.

JOHN STUART,

Acting Secretary, B. W.

Postal Returns.

DR. THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT IN ACCOUNT CURRENT WITH THE

1857.

March 31—To this amount on account of unpaid, delivered, and pre-paid despatched correspondence on Public Business for the			
Custom House.....		£7	17 6
Financial Secretary's Office		0	15 6
Commissioners of Poor		1	10 9
Colonial Secretary's Office		4	16 9
Surveyor General's Office		1	19 5
Attorney General's Office		0	9 2
Board of Works		2	13 9
Court House		0	16 9
Balance due by Greenspond Office 31st Dec.	£0	3	0
Ditto ditto 31st Mar.		1	16 9
			<u>1 19 9</u>
Balance due by Trepassey Office this quarter		0	3 6
Balance due by Burgeo Office, 31st Dec.....	0	2	0
Ditto ditto 31st March...	0	6	7
			<u>0 10 7</u>
Cash paid the Receiver General		160	4 9
			<u>£183 18 2</u>

Post Office Department, St. John's, Nfld.,
31st December, 1867. }

M. SHEA,
Chief Clerk.

Postal Returns.

GENERAL POST OFFICE FOR THE QUARTER ENDED 31st MARCH, 1857. CR.

1857.

March 31—By postages collected at the General Post Office on despatched, paid, and received unpaid Letters during this quarter				£38	4	0
Harbor Grace Post Office ditto				20	0	0
Carbonear ditto ditto				9	19	5
Brigus ditto ditto				11	5	9
Trinity ditto, quarter ended 31st Dec., '57	£4	1	4			
this quarter.....		6	16 9	10	18	1
last quarter		1	3 2			
Bonavista this quarter		2	3 4	3	6	6
last quarter		0	3 0			
Greenspond this quarter		1	16 9	1	19	9
last quarter		0	2 6			
Fogo this quarter		1	0 0	1	2	6
last quarter		0	5 3			
Twillingate this quarter		1	10 9	1	16	0
last quarter		0	2 6			
Bay Bulls this quarter		0	2 6	0	5	0
last quarter		0	13 6			
Ferryland this quarter		0	17 9	1	11	3
last quarter		0	4 6			
Trepassey this quarter		0	3 6	0	8	0
last quarter				0	3	3
St. Mary's ditto						0 16 0
Placentia last quarter		1	14 9			
this quarter		2	2 4	3	17	1
Burin last quarter		1	13 0			
this quarter		1	7 4	3	0	4
Harbor Briton last quarter		0	2 9			
this quarter		0	10 7	0	13	4
Burgeo last quarter						
this quarter						
				£109	6	3

Postages collected on the received and despatched correspondence between this office and the United Kingdom, this quarter, at an exchange of 20 per cent.

		£50	5	6½	60	6	7½
Halifax Office, N. S., ditto,		0	0	10½	0	1	0½
St. John, N. B., ditto,		6	5	5½	7	10	6½
Quebec, ditto,		1	14	2½	2	1	0½
Montreal, ditto,		3	17	3	4	12	8
							<u>74 11 11</u>
							<u>£183 18 2</u>

W. L. SOLOMON,
Post Master General.

Postal Returns.

Dr. LOCAL GOVERNMENT IN ACCOUNT CURRENT WITH THE

1857.

June 30—To this amount on account of unpaid, delivered, and pre-paid despatched correspondence on Public Business, sent to and from Government House, during this quarter	21	5	0
Custom House ditto	10	19	2
Financial Secretary's Office ditto	0	3	6
Commissioners of Poor ditto	2	8	1
Colonial Secretary's Office ditto	5	14	11
Attorney General's Office ditto	0	2	9
Board of Works ditto	1	12	5
Court House ditto	2	2	6
Trinity Post Office, balance due this quarter	2	3	7
Burgeo Ditto ditto	1	5	1
Cash paid the Receiver General	0	8	10
Greenspond Post Office, balance due this quarter ...	0	7	10
Surveyor General's Office	1	14	2
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	£233	7	10

M. SHEA,
Chief Clerk.

Post Office Department, St. John's, Nfld.,
31st December, 1857. }

Postal Returns.

GENERAL POST OFFICE, FOR THE QUARTER ENDED 30TH JUNE, 1857. Cr.

1857.

June 30—By Postage collected at the General Post Office, St. John's, on despatched paid and received unpaid Letters during this quarter	£63	8	3
Harbor Grace Post Office, collected there	22	0	7
Carbonear ditto, ditto	8	14	7
Brigus ditto, ditto	13	0	9
Trinity ditto, ditto	2	3	7
Bonavista ditto, ditto	1	12	6
Greenspond, 31st December quarter..	£0	3	0
31st March ditto ...	1	16	9
This quarter	0	7	10
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	2	7	7
Fogo, ditto	1	4	0
Twillingate, ditto	0	14	6
Bay Bulls, ditto	0	3	0
Ferryland, ditto	0	16	9
Trepassey, 31st March quarter	0	3	6
This quarter ...	0	7	6
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	0	11	0
St. Mary's, ditto	0	4	9
Placentia, ditto	1	5	3
Burin, ditto	1	18	0
Harbor Briton, ditto	1	18	0
Burgeo, ditto	1	5	1
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	£123	8	2

Postage collected on the received and despatched correspondence between this office and the United Kingdom, this quarter, at an exchange of 20 per cent.,

Halifax, N. S., Office, ditto	£72	16	6	87	7	9
Sydney, C. B., ditto	1	1	1	1	5	3
St. John, N. B., ditto	0	8	9½	0	10	6½
Quebec, ditto	8	5	9½	9	18	11½
Monreal, ditto	2	8	3	2	17	11
	6	12	9	7	19	3
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	109	19	8			
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	£233	7	10			

W. L. SOLOMON,
Post Master General.

Postal Returns.

DR. LOCAL GOVERNMENT IN ACCOUNT CURRENT WITH THE

1857.

Dec. 31—To this amount on account of pre-paid and unpaid correspondence to and from Government House on Public Business ...	£3 6 1
Custom House ditto	9 12 6
Financial Secretary's Office ditto	0 2 0
Commissioners of Poor ditto	2 1 9
Balance due by this Office this quarter	2 13 13
Ditto ditto ditto	0 18 3
Ditto ditto ditto	1 6 4
Ditto ditto ditto	0 4 9
Ditto ditto ditto	0 6 6
Ditto ditto ditto	0 3 8
 Ditto ditto ditto	 0 1 9
 Ditto ditto ditto	 3 1 8
Ditto ditto ditto	2 9 8
Ditto ditto ditto	2 13 10
This amount on account of prepaid and unpaid correspondence to and from the Colonial Secretary's Office	46 15 9
Attorney General's Office	0 8 6
Board of Works ditto	4 12 5
Court House ditto	2 7 0
Cash paid Receiver General	174 19 10
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	£258 5 1

M. SHEA,
Chief Clerk.

Post Office Department, St. John's, Nfld., }
31st December, 1857.

Postal Returns.

GENERAL POST OFFICE, FOR THE QUARTER ENDED 31st DECEMBER, 1857. CR.

1857.

Dec. 31—By Postages collected at the General Post Office on despatched paid and received unpaid Letters, during this quarter	£70 11 11
Harbor Grace Post Office, collected there	22 0 0
Carbonar ditto, ditto	9 16 11
Brigus ditto, ditto	12 16 5
Trinity ditto, ditto	2 13 3
Bonavista ditto, ditto	0 18 3
Greenspond ditto, ditto	1 16 4
Fogo, ditto, ditto	0 4 9
Twillingate, ditto, ditto	0 6 6
Bay Bulls ditto, ditto	0 3 8
Ferryland ditto, ditto	0 13 6
Trepassey ditto, ditto	0 1 9
St. Mary's ditto, ditto	0 2 6
Placentia ditto, ditto	1 6 9
Burin ditto, ditto	3 1 8
Harbor Briton ditto, ditto	2 9 3
Burgeo, ditto, ditto	2 13 10
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	£131 7 3
Postages collected on the despatched and received paid and unpaid correspondence between this office and the United Kingdom, this quarter, at an exchange of 20 per cent.,	£79 1 6 94 17 9
Halifax, N. S., Office, ditto	1 15 3 $\frac{1}{4}$ 2 2 4
Sydney, C. B., ditto	0 11 4 $\frac{1}{2}$ 0 13 8
St. John, N. B., ditto	4 19 0 5 18 10
Quebec, ditto	2 13 8 3 4 5
Montreal, ditto	5 9 6 6 11 5
This amount, balance of Stamp account herewith	11 4 6 13 9 5
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	£258 5 1

W. L. SOLOMON,
Post Master General.

Abstract of Stamp Account, taken from the Books of the General Post Office, from 1st January, 1857, to 22nd January, 1858.

Postal Returns.

DATE WHEN RECEIVED.	DENOMINATION OF STAMP.							STERLING VALUE.	DISCOUNT.	NET VALUE.
	1	2	2½	4	5	6	6½				8
January 1—	1200		1600	600	1600	500	200	1200	700	£144 9 7
February 15—		300		600		1000				35 12 6
April 7—	1440						200			10 16 11
June 24—			560	600		600				29 5 10
October 14—		300	800	600		600				34 0 10
Jan. 23—	2610	600	2900	2400	1600	2700	400	1200	700	£267 13 4
Sold to this date	2079	170	2720	2145	80	2592	203	170	200	160 8 6½
Remaining in Stamp box	561	430	210	255	1520	108	197	1021	500	£107 4 9½

M. SHEA, *Chief Clerk*
 W. L. SOLOMON, *Post Master General.*

Post Office Department, St. John's, Nfld.,
 31st December, 1857.

Postal Returns.

*GENERAL POST OFFICE in Account Current (for Postage Stamps) with the
Local Government.*

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1858.

Jan.	22—	To net amount of Stamps sold, per foregoing Abstract, from the 1st January to date.....	£152 8 2
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Jan.	8—	By Postage Stamps sent to England, &c., in mail of this date....	£1 14 9
Feb.	5—	Ditto ditto ditto	7 6 11
March	6—	Ditto ditto ditto	5 12 6
April	1—	Ditto ditto ditto	5 9 8
	15—	Ditto ditto ditto	4 17 9
May	29—	Ditto ditto ditto	5 4 9
	13—	Ditto ditto ditto	5 15 11
June	27—	Ditto ditto ditto	5 14 9
	10—	Ditto ditto ditto	6 6 5½
July	25—	Ditto ditto ditte	5 6 6½
	8—	Ditto ditto ditto	5 12 10
August	21—	Ditto ditto ditto	5 14 11
	6—	Ditto ditto ditto	6 5 7
Sept.	19—	Ditto ditto ditto	3 13 10
	3—	Ditto ditto ditto	6 16 9
Oct.	16—	Ditto ditto ditto	7 2 0½
	30—	Ditto ditto ditto	5 1 0
Nov.	14—	Ditto ditto ditto	4 8 7
	28—	Ditto ditto ditto	5 12 5½
Dec.	11—	Ditto ditto ditto	5 10 3½
	26—	Ditto ditto ditto	5 7 11½
Jan.	9—	Ditto ditto ditto	6 5 8½
	23—	Ditto ditto ditto	4 6 0
Jan.	7—	Ditto ditto ditto	5 9 3
	22—	Ditto ditto ditto	7 6 5½
Balance brought to credit Local Government in returns for December quarter, 1857			11 4 6

£152 8 2

M. SHEA,
Chief Clerk.
W. L. SOLOMON,
Post Master General.

Post Office Department, St. John's, Nfld., }
31st December, 1857.

Postal Returns.

TABLE showing the expenses of the POST OFFICE DEPARTMENT, for the year ended 31st December, 1857, with Net Receipts, as per annexed Quarterly Accounts.

1857.					
Jan.	8—	Paid <i>Gazette</i> printing....	.....	.....	£10 9 7
Mar.	11—	Per Warrant No. 26	.....	.....	18 6 11
	23—	Thomas Berkitt ..	.....	.....	2 3 4
April	1—	Quarter's salary for Officers ...	.....	.....	224 17 7
		Ditto Couriers, &c.	.....	.....	317 2 6
May	1—	John Freeman ...	.....	.....	6 10 0
	6—	James Walsh .....	.....	.....	2 12 0
					£612 1 11
June	6—	Bain, Johnston & Co.,	.....	.....	0 4 4
	30—	John Kelly .....	.....	.....	30 0 0
		Telegraph Office....	.....	.....	0 15 2
July	1—	Quarter's salary for Officers ...	.....	.....	236 1 8
		Ditto Couriers ...	.....	.....	309 12 6
	18—	Per Warrant No. 135	.....	.....	18 19 9
		Robert John Parsons	.....	.....	20 16 0
	28—	Daniel Sullivan ..	.....	.....	5 0 0
					615 9 5
		Lawrence Maccassey	.....	.....	4 11 0
Aug.	28—	John Day .....	.....	.....	15 0 0
Sept.	21—	John Fleming .....	.....	.....	3 7 2
	30—	Quarter's salary for Officers ...	.....	.....	228 15 0
		Ditto Couriers ..	.....	.....	309 12 6
Oct.	16—	George Bridle .....	.....	.....	15 0 0
					576 5 8
		Joseph Woods ....	.....	.....	2 14 2
Dec.	31—	Quarter's salary for Officers.....	.....	.....	227 15 0
		Ditto Couriers ...	.....	.....	311 11 0
		Thomas McConnon	.....	.....	2 12 0
		John Kavanagh ...	.....	.....	5 0 0
		W. H. Ellis .....	.....	.....	5 0 0
					584 12 2
					£2388 9 2

M. SHEA,

Chief Clerk.

JAMES TOBIN,

Financial Secretary.

Examined,

Post Office Department, St. John's, Nfld., }
 31st December, 1857. }

Postal Returns.

TABLE showing the Expenses of the POST OFFICE DEPARTMENT for the year ended 31st December, 1857, with Net Receipts, as per annexed Quarterly Accounts.

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1857.

Dec.	31—	To amount of Annual Expenditure of the Post Office Department	£2388 9 2
					£2388 9 2

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1857.

March	31—	By amount collected during this quarter	£183 18 2
June	30—	Ditto	233 7 10
Sept.	30—	Ditto	.....	.....	251 3 2
Dec.	31—	Ditto	.....	.....	258 5 1
					£926 14 3

M. SHUA,

Chief Clerk.

W. L. SOLOMON,

Post Master General.

Post Office Department, St. John's, Nfld., }
31st December, 1857.

T A B L E

Showing the net amount of Revenue collected from the Imperial, Provincial, and Local Offices, as under, agreeably to accounts annexed.

DATE OF QUARTERS ENDED 1857.	London.	Halifax.	Sydney	St. John, N. B.	Quebec.	Montreal.	Imperial totals.	St. John's.	Harbor Grace.	Carbonear	Brigus.	Trinity	Bonavista.	Greenspond	Fogo.	Twillingate.	Bay Bulls	Ferryland.	Trepassey.	St. Mary's.	Placentia.	Burin.	Harbor Briton.	Burgeo.	Stamps.	Colonial Totals.	Imperial and Colonial combined.
31st March	£ 60 6 7½	£ 0 1 0½	£	£ 7 10 6½	£ 2 11 0½	£ 4 12 8	£ 74 11 11	£ 38 4 0	£ 20 0 0	£ 9 19 5	£ 11 5 9	£ 10 18 1	£ 3 6 6	£ 1 19 9	£ 1 2 6	£ 1 16 0	£ 0 5 0	£ 1 11 3	£ 0 8 0	£ 0 3 3	£ 0 16 0	£ 3 17 1	£ 3 0 4	£ 0 13 4	£	£ 109 6 3	£ 183 18 2
30th June	£ 87 7 9	£ 1 5 3	£ 0 10 6½	£ 9 18 11½	£ 2 17 11	£ 7 19 3	£ 109 19 8	£ 63 8 3	£ 22 0 7	£ 8 14 7	£ 13 0 9	£ 2 3 7	£ 1 12 6	£ 2 7 7	£ 1 4 0	£ 0 14 6	£ 0 3 0	£ 0 16 9	£ 0 11 0	£ 0 4 9	£ 1 5 3	£ 1 18 0	£ 1 18 0	£ 1 5 1	£	£ 123 8 2	£ 233 7 10
30th September	£ 112 16 11	£ 1 14 6¼	£ 1 3 8	£ 8 7 8½	£ 3 19 9	£ 9 4 3	£ 137 6 10	£ 49 15 11	£ 22 5 4	£ 10 5 6	£ 12 5 7	£ 7 8 10	£ 1 3 6	£ 0 14 10	£ 0 19 9	£ 0 15 3	£ 0 2 4	£ 1 0 9	£ 0 9 3	£ 0 7 0	£ 1 10 9	£ 0 18 8	£ 1 12 3	£ 2 0 10	£	£ 113 16 4	£ 251 3 2
31st December	£ 94 17 9	£ 2 2 40	£ 13 8	£ 5 18 10	£ 3 4 5	£ 6 11 5	£ 113 8 5	£ 70 11 11	£ 22 0 0	£ 9 16 11	£ 12 16 5	£ 2 13 3	£ 0 18 3	£ 1 6 4	£ 6 4 9	£ 0 6 6	£ 0 3 8	£ 0 13 6	£ 0 1 9	£ 0 2 6	£ 1 6 9	£ 3 1 8	£ 2 9 3	£ 2 13 10	£ 13 9 5	£ 144 16 8	£ 258 5 1
	£ 355 9 0½	£ 5 3 2	£ 2 7 10½	£ 31 16 0½	£ 12 3 1½	£ 28 7 7	£ 435 6 10	£ 222 0 1	£ 86 5 11	£ 38 16 5	£ 49 8 6	£ 23 3 9	£ 7 0 9	£ 6 8 6	£ 3 11 0	£ 3 12 3	£ 0 14 0	£ 4 2 3	£ 1 10 0	£ 0 17 6	£ 4 18 9	£ 9 15 5	£ 8 19 10	£ 6 13 1	£ 13 9 5	£ 491 7 5	£ 926 14 3

M. SHEA,
Chief Clerk

W. L. SOLOMON,
Post Master General.

Post Office Department, St. John's, Nfld.,
31st December, 1857.

E. HANRAHAN,
Surveyor General.

Crown Lands.

*SURVEYOR GENERAL'S Return of Monies expended under CROWN LANDS' ACT, for
the year ending 31st December, 1857.*

Jan.	30—	To James N. Jeamon, Deputy Surveyor	£20	18	9
		H. Treaner	0	8	8
		David Whelan	0	13	0
March	14—	Edward M. Delaney, Clerk in the Surveyor General's Office ..	20	0	0
April	1—	Sundries	22	10	0
	4—	John Higgins	0	13	0
	6—	Sundries	13	3	0
May	1—	John English, Deputy Surveyor..	11	17	6
	8—	Samuel Shaw	3	16	0
		Annual allowance paid to Mrs. Westcott, up to 1858	31	4	0
June	30—	Edward M. Delaney, Clerk in the Surveyor General's Office ..	12	10	0
		John Hanrahan, Deputy Surveyor	12	10	0
July	1—	Sundry salaries, per P. Keough and Chairman Sundries	22	10	0
		.....	25	17	0
August	13—	Alexander O'Donovan, Deputy Surveyor.....	7	10	0
Sept.	30—	Sundry salaries, per P. Keough and Chairman	22	10	0
Oct.	20—	John Hanrahan, Deputy Surveyor	15	0	0
Nov.	14—	Thomas Mockler.....	3	2	6
		Edward M. Delaney, Clerk in the Surveyor General's Office ..	12	10	0
	28—	Michael Kelly, Deputy Surveyor	3	2	6
Dec.	12—	James N. Leamon, ditto	10	9	4
	30—	Alexander O'Donovan, ditto	3	15	0
		John Hanrahan, ditto	13	15	0
	31—	Sundry salaries, P. Keough	12	10	0
		Edward M. Delaney, Clerk in the Surveyor General's Office ..	12	10	0
		John C. Withers.....	20	13	10
			£335 10 1		

8th February, 1858.

Examined,

JAMES TOBIN,

Financial Secretary.

E. HANRAHAN,

Surveyor General.

Circuit Courts.

FINANCIAL SECRETARY'S OFFICE

Jan.	9—Sundry expenses, Harbor Grace.....	.....	£17	13	6
May	1—Acting Judge Emerson, expenses, Harbor Grace		14	0	0
June	26—Frederick Row, Northern Court .....	.....	5	17	0
Aug.	13—Acting Assistant Judge Hayward.....	.....	60	0	0
	George Simms, and } their expenses on South-	}	40	0	0
	John Stephenson, } ern Circuit Court		40	0	0
	Acting Assistant Judge Emerson ....	.....	43	6	8
	Garland C. Gaden, Sheriff, } their expenses for	}	15	0	0
	and } table-money,				
	John Stark, Clerk, } Northern Circuit	}	15	0	0
Oct.	8—William Knight, hire of Brigantine <i>Pursuit</i> for use			177	0	0
	of Northern Circuit Court (19 days) .....	.....	26	0	0
	20—George Simms, Clerk Southern Circuit Court ..	.....	23	0	0
	John Stephenson, Sheriff ditto .....	.....	16	2	6
	Patrick Burke, Bailiff Southern Circuit Court,				
	travelling expenses on Circuit .....	.....	39	0	0
	20—Acting Assistant Judge Hayward, travelling ex-				
	penses on Southern Circuit .....	.....	10	8	0
Dec.	1—Frederick Row, Constable, Northern Circuit Court				

£545 7 8

December 31, 1857.

JAMES TOBIN,

Financial Secretary.

Civil and Criminal Prosecutions.

FINANCIAL SECRETARY'S OFFICE.

Jan.	0—John R. Jeans, Sheriff's Bailiff, quarter salary, ending 31st December, 1856	£12 10 0
	Robert R. W. Lilly, taking depositions on two inquests, Thomas Summers and David Reahcy	8 8 0
	30—Thomas Putler	1 0 4
March	19—Timothy Mitchell, Police Constables executing Pauper Warrants	38 15 0
April	21—John V. Nugent, Expenses of term... ..	10 0 0
May	1—Robert Grant, Constable, Trinity	0 3 0
	6—Thomas Butler	0 12 0
	8—Richard Sullivan	0 6 0
	16—John Bealey and Frederick Rowe	2 16 4
	22—John V. Nugent, Sheriff	10 0 0
	28—Thomas Mails, constable	2 13 6
June	4—John Hayward, Harbor Grace	15 15 6
	6—Patrick Burke	21 14 0
	12—F. B. T. Carter, Power vs. Mitchell	17 1 0
	30—Sundry expenses, Northern Circuit... ..	6 6 0
	Johnston Burrows	2 5 0
July	10—Mathew Rielley	1 11 0
	18—Thomas Butler	1 2 0
August	5—Charles Calpin	1 12 6
	Chairman of Board of Works	0 17 4
	18—John Stephenson, Southern Circuit	10 0 0
	Garland C. Gaden, Northern Circuit	20 0 0
Oct.	8—Walter Ryan	0 8 8
	30—John V. Nugent, Sheriff	10 0 0
Nov.	14—Joseph Ryan, expenses in absence of R. J. Pinsent	8 17 8
	Expenses Judicial enquiry at Twillingate	158 13 4
	20—Edward Doyle	2 17 2
	23—Messrs. Newman & Co., passages of prisoners.....	20 0 0
	George Hogsett, Expenses Northern Circuit.....	50 1 9
	28—Archibald Emerson, Crown Officer, N. C. Court	16 12 5
Dec.	9—Messrs. Rutherford Brothers	1 2 6
	19—Patrick Hogan	1 0 9
	26—Patrick Lewis	5 3 5
Dec.	30—John V. Nugent, Sheriff	15 13 2
	31—The Post Master General, expenses of costs and verdict	28 6 1
		£504 5 0

December 31, 1857.

JAMES TOBIN,
Financial Secretary.

Coroners.

FINANCIAL SECRETARY'S OFFICE.

Jan.	14—Joseph Shea, St. John's ..	.....	.....	£29	18	5
	30—John Stark, Harbor Grace	.....	.....	3	4	8
March	10—William Hooper, Burin...	.....	.....	1	18	0
	30—John Stephenson, Ferryland	.....	.....	4	2	0
April	11—John Curtis, Black Head Bay	.....	.....	2	3	0
	Ditto ditto	.....	.....	2	6	9
	John Stark, Harbor Grace	.....	.....	19	6	4
	14—Benjamin, Sweetland, Trinity	... ..	.....	2	3	8
	Joseph Shea, St. John's	.....	.....	19	16	4
May	16—William Stirling, junr. ....	.....	.....	3	15	0
	29—Thomas E. Gaden, Harbor Briton ...	.....	.....	4	3	0
June	19—George Skelton .....	.....	.....	1	18	0
July	10—Joseph Shea, St. John's	.....	.....	40	12	0
	18—Benjamin Sweetland, Trinity	.....	.....	2	4	8
	John Stark, Harbor Grace	.....	.....	7	7	2
Aug.	28—John Lawrence, Bonavista	.....	.....	1	18	0
Sept.	30—William Hooper, Burin ...	.....	.....	3	16	0
Oct.	6—James Murphy, St. Mary's	.....	.....	2	15	4
	16—Joseph Shea, St. John's	.....	.....	22	5	8
	John Curtis, Black Head Bay	.....	.....	7	2	3
Nov.	28—William Hooper, Burin....	1	18	0
Dec.	30—John Laurence, Bonavista	3	16	0
	31—John Curtis, Black Head Bay	4	19	6
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				£193 9 10		
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December 31st, 1857.

JAMES TOBIN,

Financial Secretary.

Unforeseen Contingencies.

FINANCIAL SECRETARY'S OFFICE.

Jan.	30—John Nurse, gratuity, Court House fire	£5	0	0
Feb.	4—J. & W. Stewart, freight Books from Quebec ...	1	2	8
	9—Robert R. W. Lilly	3	0	0
	Messrs. Hanrahan, Delaney, and Kent, jr., each £2, copying correspondence on fisheries	6	0	0
	19—James Mayo and Sons, loss of boats	10	0	0
Mar.	10—James J. Rogerson, verdict and costs pulling down Dr. Dearin's House	32	0	6
April	6—John Connors, office rent, assayer weights, &c....	5	0	0
May	1—Clement Benning, in connection with his appoint- ment as Acting Financial Secretary	16	10	0
	8—Clement Benning, order in Council....	3	10	0
	John Long, plan public wharf	20	0	0
	21—Thos. Murphy (half-way house)	6	1	4
	Walter Shelly, repairs on ditto	21	13	4
July	1—J. Whiteford, reconnoitering glass (Secretary's Office)	3	16	3
Aug.	22—Chairman Board Works, public wharf	40	0	0
	R. J. Pinsent, brig <i>Baccalieu</i> , cholera expenses, Harbor Grace	141	14	6
	28—Joseph Shea, expenses to Harbor Grace, &c., (cholera)	6	1	4
Sept.	2—Ambrose Shea, cost of fire works.....	28	15	3
	12—John Gallishev, quarantine expenses	44	8	9
Oct.	6—S. Carson, medical services, quarantine	33	12	0
	20—W. O'Grady, repairs of Bleck House	5	19	3
	30—Sundries (Cable Demonstration).....	3	2	10
Dec.	17—Jane T. Keith (order in Council)	5	0	0
	Trehear & McKenzie (Chart, &c.) Secretary's Office	0	17	4
	19—John Connell (quarantine) Harbor Grace	6	15	0

£450 0 4

December 31, 1857.

JAMES TOBIN,

Financial Secretary.

Printing and Stationery.

FINANCIAL SECRETARY'S OFFICE.

Jan.	8—John C. Withers, sundry accounts..	£61 17 4	
	James Seaton	8 9 1	
		£70 6 5	
	12—William J. Ward	49 6 8	
	14—Dicks and Brace	12 9 7	
Feb.	9—Dicks and Brace	1 16 10	
March	23—Henry Winton	2 14 2	
	Thomas McConnon	10 6 11	
		76 14 2	
	30—John C. Withers	58 4 8	
	George Webber	0 7 7	
April	4—John C. Withers	6 10 8	
	Henry Winton	2 12 5	
	Thomas McConnon	4 3 8	
		72 8 0	
	6—Thomas McConnon	8 16 3	
	11—Robert John Parsons	0 19 8	
	14—George Webber	1 3 11	
	21—E. D. Shea, publishing Despatches, &c.	20 5 0	
		31 4 10	
	F. R. Page	1 14 8	
May	8—John C. Withers	89 3 4	
	16—F. R. Page...	5 17 0	
	28—George Webber	0 15 2	
June	4—K. J. Parsons 17s. 4d., and G. Webber 7s. 7d.	1 4 11	
	6—E. D. Shea, 8 Newspapers to 31st March	7 14 8	
		106 9 9	
	12—Joseph Crowdy, Secretary's Office, Peerage and Haddon's Sketch	2 15 10	
July	1—Bernard Duffy	19 10 8	
	Robert John Parsons	7 6 3	
	Joseph Woods	5 0 4	
	Dicks and Brace	11 14 0	
	Thomas McConnon	20 19 8	
	John C. Withers	82 2 10	
	Henry Winton	2 19 4	
		152 17 11	
	11—James J. Graham	8 15 7	
	24—Robert John Parsons	4 6 8	
	Thomas McConnon	8 7 7	
	Joseph Woods	2 3 11	
	James J. Graham	14 12 5	
		38 6 2	
		£548 7 3	
	Brought forward.....		

Printing and Stationery.

FINANCIAL SECRETARY'S OFFICE.

	To amount brought forward .....	.....	.....	£548 7 3
August 13—	John C. Fuller, computing machines .....	.....	£5 4 0	
	John W. McCoubrey .. .. .	.....	14 18 3	
	Ditto .....	.....	1 16 4	
	John E. Fuller, various offices .....	.....	5 4 0	
18—	Joseph Ryan .....	.....	0 13 0	
Sept. 21—	John T. Burton .....	.....	3 3 0	
			30 18 7	
30—	M. Schmell, steel pens... .. .	.....	2 18 6	
	Sundry accounts, Board of Works ...	.....	23 12 9	
Oct. 7—	Thomas McConnon .....	.....	23 4 5	
	John C. Withers .....	.....	69 14 11	
	Henry Winton .....	.....	4 11 4	
	James J. Graham .....	.....	0 12 8	
	Thomas McConnon .....	.....	0 13 0	
			125 7 7	
Nov. 7—	Robert John Parsons ... .. .	.....	4 16 0	
Dec. 12—	John W. McCoubrey ... .. .	.....	17 9 11	
19—	Joseph Woods .....	.....	6 14 4	
	James J. Graham .....	.....	3 3 11	
			32 4 2	
Dec. 31—	Joseph Woods .....	.....	5 6 2	
	Henry Winton .....	.....	2 18 6	
	James J. Graham .....	.....	9 10 5	
	James Seaton .....	.....	11 1 6	
	Thomas McConnon .....	.....	14 11 7	
	E. D. Shea .....	.....	24 12 5	
	Robert John Parsons ... .. .	.....	4 11 3	
	Joseph Woods .....	.....	10 5 4	
	James Seaton .....	.....	0 15 0	
	Thomas McConnon .....	.....	13 2 8	
	E. D. Shea .....	.....	19 7 4	
	F. R. Page .....	.....	1 19 0	
	Sundries.....	.....	0 10 1	
			118 11 3	
			£855 8 10	

Examined,

JAMES TOBIN,

Financial Secretary

Shipwrecked Crews.

FINANCIAL SECRETARY'S OFFICE.

March	30—Robert Coffin, passages of 9 men from St. Pierre	£7	16	0
	Ditto, 5 men from ditto to St. John's	4	6	8
April	11—The Commissioners of the Poor, St. John's	3	5	0
	14—Union Bank, expenses crew brigantine <i>Experience</i>	16	12	4
	17—Thomas Kirkell, ditto schooner <i>Belle</i>	3	2	4
	Union Bank, extra expenses, crew <i>Experience</i>	4	5	9
May	1—Joseph Shea, for sundry crews	52	12	1
	6—Edgar Stirling	14	6	0
	21—Peter Ward, brigantine <i>Experience</i>	2	1	7
	Commissioners of the Poor, St. John's	21	1	5
	Jeremiah White, brigantine <i>Experience</i>	5	1	2
	28—Brooking, Son and Co., brigantine <i>Jane</i>	7	1	6
June	4—Thomas Badcock, cost of coffins, <i>John</i> and <i>Maria</i>	3	2	5
July	10—Samuel McKay, schooner <i>Ripper</i>	1	10	0
Sept.	2—Daniel Green, <i>Jane</i> , of Brigus	2	6	9
	17—John Gill & Co., diet of 10 men, <i>Jane</i>	8	13	4
Oct.	8—Brooking, Son and Co., sundry crews of boats...	2	1	6
Nov.	7—William Cox and Co., sundry crews of boats wreck- at Cat Harbor, from Labrador.....	11	19	11
	23—Thomas Glen, Receiver General, for advances to crew of Sicilian ship <i>Guala</i>	115	5	4

£286 11 1

December 31st, 1857.

JAMES TOBIN,

Financial Secretary.

Fisheries Delegation.

FINANCIAL SECRETARY'S OFFICE.

1857.			
March	5—John Kent, M.H.A. and F. B. T. Carter, M.H.A. }	Expenses to the Neighboring Provinces. }	£150 0 0
	28—Edward D. Shea, printing	.....	106 11 6
	30—Robert John Parsons, printing	.....	293 7 4
April	1—John Stuart, sundry expenses	.....	29 0 6
May	8—Laurence O'Brien, passages of Delegates per <i>Cir-</i> <i>cassian</i>... ..	.....	30 6 8
	22—John Kent, and F. B. T. Carter	.....	200 0 0
June	19—John Kent, balance of half fees of office during absence ... ..	.....	8 3 0
July	1—R. J. Parsons, publishing Requisition for Public Meeting on Convention	.....	1 19 0
	10—James J. Graham, stationery	.....	4 19 7

£969 7 7

December 31, 1857.

JAMES TOBIN,

Financial Secretary.

Fishery Protection, &c.

FINANCIAL SECRETARY'S OFFICE.

July	11—Thomas McMurdo, medicine chest ....	.....	£5	8	4	
Sept.	2—Thomas R. Crockwell ....	.....	50	0	0	
	12—Michael J. Kelly . . . . .	.....	150	0	0	
	Hire of Guns for Schooner <i>Alice</i>.....	.....	4	0	0	
	William Coady, hire of Schooner <i>Alice</i>	.....	369	13	4	
	17—Caleb Young, service at Belle Isle ...	.....	30	0	0	
	21—Noel Hammer, tents, &c., Belle Isle....	.....	12	16	8	
	30—Henry Knight, (Cape John) . . . . .	.....	86	13	4	
						798 11 8
Oct.	8—William Giles, hire of Schooner <i>Nelson</i>	.....	378	14	8	
	16—Messrs. March & Knight, hire of boat and four					
	hands at Belle Isle ...	.....	50	0	0	
	Hire of Guns for Schooner <i>Nelson</i> ....	.....	4	0	0	
Nov.	7—James L. Prendergast ...	.....	150	0	0	
						582 14 8
						<u>£1291 6 4</u>

December 31st, 1857.

JAMES TOBIN,

Financial Secretary.

STATEMENT

OF EXPENDITURE SANCTIONED BY THE GOVERNOR'S WARRANT FOR THE YEAR ENDING 31st DECEMBER, 1857.

	Balances unexpended, 1856,	Legislative Votes,	Expenditure,	Credit Balances,	Overdrawn Accounts.
	£	£	£	£	£
Civil and Criminal Prosecutions		300 0 0	501 5 0		201 5 0
Crown Lands Act carrying out		300 0 0	335 19 1		35 19 1
Crown Lands Act 7 Victoria, Cap. 1		379 17 10	379 17 10		
Circuit Courts		400 0 0	545 7 8		145 7 8
Coroners		200 0 0	193 9 10	6 10 2	
Court Houses and Gaols, ordinary expenses		200 0 0	148 3 0	51 16 6	
Education Act	37 10 0	8655 0 0	8158 0 0	531 10 0	
Roman Catholic Academy, St. John's		1500 0 0	1500 0 0		
Episcopal Academy, St. John's		1000 0 0	1000 0 0		
General Protestant Academy		600 0 0		600 0 0	
Address House of Assembly, 1855			55 4 0	175 16 5	
Election expenses, 18 Vic., Cap. 3		31 8 8	31 8 8		
Fuel and Light, Colonial Building		250 0 0	173 4 7	76 15 5	
Ditto and Repairs of Custom House		120 0 0	117 6 0	2 14 0	
Ditto Government House		200 0 0	200 0 0		
Ferymen		295 0 0	285 12 6	9 7 6	
Repairs of Court House, St. John's		250 0 0	261 16 11		
Fishery Protection and Herring Improvement		1000 0 0	1291 6 4	70 17 10	
Insurance on Public Buildings		200 0 0	185 15 3	14 4 3	
Expenses Gaols and Court Houses		850 0 0	1059 15 10		209 15 10
Light Houses	2255 0 3	6831 7 0	8526 9 4	1259 17 11	
Legislative Council Contingencies, 1855			15 19 8		11 19 1
Address of the House of Assembly, 1856			50 0 0		
Lunatic Paupers	50 0 0	2000 0 0	2153 18 8		
Repairs Outport Court Houses and Gaols	17 8 4	300 0 0	97 4 11	202 15 1	
Men stationed at Fort Amherst	9 2 6	36 10 0	36 10 0	9 2 6	
Night Watch	100 5 7		84 19 4	15 6 3	
Outport Magistrates and Crier of Court		1850 0 0	1850 0 0		
Outport Clerks of the Peace		420 0 0	420 0 0		
Outport and St. John's Gaolers		360 0 0	360 0 0		
Outport Constables		978 5 0	978 5 0		
Addresses House of Assembly, 1857		1337 13 2	1337 13 2		
Miscellaneous Salaries and Police Clothing		4129 7 7	4129 7 7		
Printing and Stationery		750 0 0	555 8 10		195 8 10
Postage and Incidentals		100 0 0	45 17 5	54 2 7	
Relief of the Poor, repairs of Factory, &c.		7500 0 0	6321 10 8	1178 9 4	
Postal Act		2300 0 0	2388 9 2		
Pumps, Wells, and Sanitary Arrangements	98 11 2	300 0 0	250 0 0	138 2 2	
Gas Light Company	39 11 8	106 0 0	205 11 8		
Shipwrecked Crews		200 0 0	286 11 1		
Saint John's Hospital and Repairs, &c.	89 9 8	2200 0 0	1765 9 2	524 0 5	
Unforseen Contingencies		500 0 0	450 0 0	49 19 8	
Saint John's Streets, &c., 14 Vic., Cap. 2		1000 0 0	1000 0 0		
Roads and Bridges, District Fogo, 16 Vic., Cap. 5	73 12 3	75 0 0	38 0 2	110 12 1	
Ditto ditto Trinity	11 4 11		4 6 8	6 13 3	
Ditto ditto Fortune Bay	77 11 1		27 0 0	50 11 1	
Ditto ditto Burin, 1855	16 1 3		11 5 4	4 15 11	
General repairs Roads and Bridges, 16 Vic.	202 11 7	500 0 0	762 11 7		
Retired Officers' Allowances		1400 0 0	1400 0 0		
Special Salaries		1200 0 0	1200 0 0		
St. John's Re-building Act (Cash) 15 Vic., Cap. 4	300 0 0	25 0 0	25 0 0	500 0 0	
Conception Bay Steam Packet Company	50 0 0	500 0 0	300 0 0	22 12 3	
Legislative Contingencies (Library) 1856		5946 13 5	27 7 9	880 0 0	
Legislative Contingencies, 1857		910 0 0	5946 13 5	150 0 0	
Miscellaneous Votes, 1856	150 0 0	790 4 7	910 0 0	619 10 10	
Road Act, 19 Victoria	3215 5 1	10575 0 0	8802 16 5	1772 3 7	
Road Act, 20 Victoria		2000 0 0	1001 6 0	998 14 0	
Expenses Census Act		50 0 0	50 0 0		
Roads and Bridges, King's Cove (Supply)		300 0 0	218 0 3	86 13 9	
Repairs Colonial Building		1500 0 0	1500 0 0		
New York, Newfoundland, and London, Electric Telegraph Company		3000 0 0	105 11 0	2834 8 6	
New Gaol Erection		10 4 0	10 4 0		
Jury Act, 19 Victoria	220 18 0	330 0 0	478 1 7	72 16 5	
Governor's Responsibility, Post Office and Look-up		2064 11 3	2703 17 6		
Ditto ditto sundry Payments	198 0 0	1500 0 0	163 1 11	34 18 1	
Public Wharf, Carbonear		414 8 1	909 7 7	580 12 5	
Fisheries Delegation, House of Assembly		1332 8 3	413 7 8	1 0 5	
Postage Stamps		3282 19 7	3282 19 7		
Governor's Salary, 18 & 19 Victoria					689 6 3
Salaries of Principal Officers					
Greenland Fishery	500 0 0		500 0 0		
	£9305 9 11	£87826 18 5	£85545 0 2	£18650 18 0	£1083 9 10

Returned to Treasury and accounted by Receiver General

Credit ordered by Governor and Council

Received from Electric Telegraph

Received from Board of Works

£380 0 0

220 18 0

2,000 0 0

64 11 3

JAMES TOBIN,
Financial Secretary.

Governor's Responsibility, Sundry Payments.

FINANCIAL SECRETARY'S OFFICE.

1857.					
May	30—	The Chairman Board of Works, cleansing Town of St. John's	£100	0	0
		Dr. Stirling, services to Poor, Twillingate, in full to 31st March.....	20	13	4
June	6—	Chairman Board of Works, Wharf, Portugal Cove	100	0	0
	27—	Chairman Board of Works, Trepassey Road	500	0	0
July	28—	Chairman Board of Works, cleansing Town St. John's.....	150	0	0
			£870 13 4.		
August	27—	Chairman Board of Works, Trepassey Road	400	0	0
Sept.	21—	Chairman Board of Works, cleansing Town St. John's.....	95	10	3
Nov.	28—	John Shea, Cork, Steam Mission.....	52	0	0
Dec.	9—	Chairman Board of Works, Public Wharf	11	6	11
		Chairman Board of Works, new Circular Road....	82	19	7
		Chairman Board of Works, cleansing Town St. John's	61	18	10
			703 15 7.		
Dec.	26—	Chairman Board Works, Trepassey Road	969	12	2
	31—	Chairman Board of Works, Trepassey Road	121	9	8
		Chairman Board of Works, repairs Market Wharf	13	0	0
		Chairman Board of Works, cleansing Town St. John's	25	6	9
			1129 8 7		
			£2703 17 6		

December 31st, 1857:

JAMES TOBIN,
Financial Secretary.

The following sums were paid to the Receiver General, and appear in Treasury Accounts :

Received from Electric Telegraph Company	£2000	0	0
Received from Board of Works, unexpended on account Portugal Cove Wharf	64	11	3
			£2064 11 3

JAMES TOBIN,
Financial Secretary.

Postages and Incidentals.

FINANCIAL SECRETARY'S OFFICE.

1857.			
April	21—W. L. Solomon, Government Despatches	£8	11 0
July	28—The Electric Telegraph Office, messages	4	17 11
Nov.	20—Thomas H. Brooking & Son, freight books, London	2	2 3
	W. J. Ward, half year's subscription Telegraph		
	News Company	4	6 8
	28—Elias Warren, boat and crew Bay Bulls Arm.....	2	3 4
Dec.	9—Valentine Born, allowance for making fires	5	0 0
			£27 1 2
	17—W. T. Parsons, year's salary, attendance on Town		
	Clock, and giving the time daily for the firing		
	of the Noon Gun	15	0 0
	26—J. A. Whiteford, reconnoitering glass for Secretary's		
	Office.....	3	16 3
			18 16 3
			£45 17 5

December 31, 1857.

JAMES TOBIN,

Financial Secretary.

Poor Relief.

FINANCIAL SECRETARY'S OFFICE.

Feb. 11—Thomas Hayes and others, Burin,	£7	3	0	
March 10—Repairs of Factory, John Freeman, order in Council	107	1	1	
23—James Comerford, Burin,	1	19	0	
30—Repairs of Factory, John Freeman	9	18	7	
Dec. 17—Henry Findlater, M. D., attendance on Poor, Twil- ingate and Fogo	3	19	0	
				<u>£130 0 8</u>

Amount Expended by Commissioners of the Poor,
as per returns

6191 10 0

£6321 10 8

December 31st, 1857.

JAMES TOBIN,

Financial Secretary.

Poor Relief.

DISTRICT OF BONAVIDA.

1857.				
Jan.	16—	Poor of Bonavista, Mr. W. Sweetland	.....	£25 0 0
March	6—	Poor of Salvage, per Mr. Thurnam ...	.....	4 0 0
	19—	Poor, Tickle Cove, David Condon ....	.....	4 5 0
April	16—	William Wheeler, Keels	.....	1 0 0
	18—	Edward Mackey, Bonavista	.....	5 0 0
	27—	Robert Grant, for a coffin for Eliza Ivany	.....	0 12 0
May	8—	James Martin, King's Cove	.....	5 0 0
	13—	John Burrige, Bonavista	.....	1 10 0
	14—	John Burge, ditto	.....	2 0 0
	20—	James Hiscock, Flat Islands	.....	3 0 0
	21—	William Maxwell, Bonavista	.....	3 0 0
		Richard Brennan, Indian Arm	.....	1 5 0
		Widow Lane, Tickle Cove	.....	3 0 0
		John White, Bonavista	.....	2 0 0
		Jonas Guard, ditto	.....	3 0 0
		John Lush, ditto	.....	3 0 0
		Widow Hapgood, ditto	.....	3 0 0
		Widow Whalley, Keels	.....	3 0 0
		Orphans, Yetman, ditto	.....	4 0 0
	28—	Poor of King's Cove, Rev. Mr Scanlan	.....	8 0 0
		William Wheeler, Keels	.....	2 0 0
		Orphans, Beddis, ditto	.....	2 0 0
		Widow Fitzgerald, Broad Cove	.....	1 10 0
		Jane Mathews, ditto	.....	1 10 0
June	2—	Hannah Hobbs, Keels	.....	1 0 0
	10—	Widow Quinton, Open Hall	.....	1 13 0
July	16—	Samuel Kellaway, Greenspond	.....	2 0 0
	17—	Poor of Bonavista, W. Sweetland, Esq.	.....	54 9 2
	31—	Alexander Strathie, for two coffins ...	.....	1 4 0
Aug.	27—	Timothy Daley, Gooseberry Island....	.....	2 0 0
Sept.	9—	Thomas Burrige, Bonavista	.....	2 0 0
	25—	James Hiscock, Flat Islands	.....	3 0 0
Oct.	2—	Poor of King's Cove, Rev. Mr. Scanlan	.....	20 0 0
	6—	Widow Hobbs, Keels ...	.....	1 0 0
		Widow Fitzgerald, ditto	.....	1 10 0
		Widow Mathews, Broad Cove	.....	1 10 0
		Orphans, Beddis	.....	2 0 0
		William Wheeler, Keels	.....	3 0 0
		Orphans, Yetman	.....	2 0 0
	10—	James Godfrey, Long Island	.....	2 10 0
		Thomas Burge, Bonavista	.....	2 0 0
	20—	Widow Whalley, Keels....	.....	3 0 0
		Widow Quinton, ditto....	.....	2 10 0
	21—	Thomas Burge, Bonavista	.....	2 0 0

Poor Relief.

DISTRICT OF BONAVIDA.—*Continued.*

1857.						
Nov.	6—	Poor of Greenspond, Rev. J. Morton	.....	£14	0	0
	11—	James Martin, King's Cove	.....	7	0	0
	13—	Robert Gartlett, Open Hall	.....	3	0	0
		Widow Lane, ditto	.....	3	0	0
		Widow Quinton, ditto....	.....	3	0	0
		Thomas Bowes, Tickle Cove	....	4	0	0
		Richard Brennan, Indian Arm	.....	3	0	0
		Joseph Horrabin, Goose Bay	.....	3	0	0
		William Maxwell, Little Harbor	.....	4	0	0
		Widow Quinton, Salvage	.....	2	10	0
		Widow Smith, Cottle Island	.....	2	0	0
		Roger Lane, Fair Island	.....	3	0	0
		John Lane, ditto	.....	3	0	0
		Sarah Way, ditto	.....	2	0	0
		Widow Coal, Newman's Cove	.....	2	0	0
		William Wiseman, ditto	.....	2	0	0
		Richard Powell, Salvage,	.....	2	0	0
		Widow Collins, Salvage....	.....	2	0	0
	26—	Poor of Bonavista, per W. Sweetland, Esq.	.....	40	0	0
Dec.	16—	John Henry, Bonavista....	.....	1	0	0
		Widow John Abbott, ditto	.....	1	5	0
		Widow S. Abbott, ditto	.....	1	5	0
		Widow Hapgood, ditto	.....	1	5	0
		William Goodland, ditto	.....	0	16	0
				£311 19 8		

JOSEPH SHEA,

Commissioner of Poor.

Poor Relief.

DISTRICT OF TWILLINGATE.

1857.				
Jan.	14—	Paid Job Brothers, for Twillingate Poor	.....	£4 2 6
April	29—	Poor of Change Islands....	.....	5 0 0
May	8—	Poor of Exploits	.....	5 0 0
	14—	Poor of Twillingate and Fogo, Mr. Peyton	.....	40 0 0
	23—	George Jones, Exploits, Mr. Ellis.....	.....	2 0 0
		William Bussey, Muddy Hole, ditto....	.....	3 0 0
	26—	George Jones, Exploits, blankets.....	.....	1 8 0
		Bridget Beddie, Fortune Harbor.....	.....	3 0 0
June		Michael Kinsella, ditto ...	.....	2 0 0
June	22—	Abraham Branche, Fogo	.....	0 7 6
July	27—	William Crunch, Shoe Cove	.....	2 0 0
		Stephen Rose, Twillingate	.....	2 2 0
		John Crunch, ditto	.....	0 10 0
Sept.	11—	E. Williams, Round Harbor	.....	3 0 0
		John Ryan, Fortune Harbor	.....	3 0 0
		James King, Round Harbor	.....	3 0 0
	14—	Bridget Beddie, Fortune Harbor.....	.....	3 0 0
Oct.	1—	Exploits Burnt Island Poor, W. H. Ellis, Esq.	.....	16 0 0
		John Burne, Twillingate, sick lodgings	.....	3 13 6
		Charles Hoskin, Green Bay	.....	3 0 0
		John Marshall, ditto	.....	3 0 0
		Passage of three shipwrecked men from Cape Freels to Harbor Main	.....	1 10 0
	2—	Michael Kinsella, Fortune Harbor ...	.....	3 0 0
		William Squires, Little Tickle	.....	3 0 0
	7—	Thomas Waterman, Fogo	.....	3 0 0
		James Warwick, ditto	.....	3 0 0
		James Sarjent, ditto	.....	3 0 0
		Sarah Randell, ditto	.....	3 0 0
		Amy Browne, Joe Bat's Arm	.....	3 0 0
		Eliza Hopkins, ditto	.....	2 0 0
		Mary Browne, ditto	.....	2 0 0
		Maurice Call, Bard Island	.....	3 0 0
		Eliza Primmer, ditto	.....	3 0 0
		John Call, ditto	.....	3 0 0
		Orphans, Gamble, Lion's Den	.....	6 0 0
		Orphans, Green, ditto	.....	3 0 0
		Widow Foresight, Tilton Harbor.....	.....	2 10 0
		John Reardon, ditto	.....	2 0 0
		Widow Dwyer, ditto	.....	1 10 0
		Thomas Picket, ditto	.....	1 10 0
		Widow Troubridge, ditto	.....	2 10 0
	24—	William Cramp, Shoe Cove	.....	2 0 0
		John Bussey, Green Bay	.....	3 5 0

Poor Relief.

DISTRICT OF TWILLINGATE.—*Continued.*

1857.					
Oct.	24—	John Warden, Green Bay	.....	.....	£3 5 0
		Thomas Hicks, ditto	.....	.....	3 5 0
		Three Gillinghams, Gander Bay	.....	.....	6 0 0
		James Hotter, ditto	.....	.....	2 0 0
		Charles Bink, ditto	.....	.....	2 0 0
		James Flinn, ditto	.....	.....	2 0 0
		William Shepherd, ditto	.....	.....	2 0 0
		Joseph Gall, ditto	.....	.....	2 0 0
		William Conway, ditto	.....	.....	2 0 0
		William Overley, ditto	.....	.....	2 0 0
		William Bishop, ditto	.....	.....	2 0 0
		Widow Walbean, Change Islands ..	.....	.....	2 0 0
		Widow Walbean, jr. ditto	.....	.....	2 0 0
		John Drew, ditto	.....	.....	3 0 0
		John King, ditto	.....	.....	3 0 0
		Robert Taylor, ditto	.....	.....	3 0 0
		William Pickford, ditto	.....	.....	2 0 0
		Widows Edwards, Gillingham, Hinds, and Drow ; John Green, William Bartlett, and Richard Tay- lor, Change Islands ...	.....	.....	9 0 0
		Reuben Adams, Twillingate	.....	.....	3 0 0
		John Milley, Exploits	.....	.....	1 5 0
		William Ball, ditto ...	.....	.....	1 5 0
		John Meaney, ditto ..	.....	.....	1 5 0
		Thomas Kelley, Fortune Harbor	.....	.....	2 10 0
Nov.	23—	Dorcas Society, Twillingate	.....	.....	10 0 0
		Poor, Morton's Harbor	.....	.....	9 0 0
		Poor, Twillingate, Herring Neck, and Tizzard's Harbor ....	.....	.....	51 0 0
Dec.	10—	John Bussey, Twillingate, a truss, McMurdo's	.....	.....	0 12 6
					£300 8 0

JOSEPH SHEA,

Commissioner of Poor,

Poor Relief.

DISTRICT OF TRINITY.

1857.			
Jan.	15—Cash paid Poor of Heart's Content, Mr. M. Howley .....	.....	£10 0 0
	20—E. Sawyer, Heart's Content .....	.....	3 10 0
	24—James Snelgrove, Grates Cove .....	.....	0 15 0
	30—Poor of New Harbor, Dr. Winter ..	.....	25 0 0
Feb.	9—Poor, Silly Cove, Mr. March .....	.....	20 0 0
	Widow Budden, Heart's Content ...	.....	3 0 0
	14—Eliza Burnett, Trinity ...	.....	2 12 0
	21—James Snelgrove, Grates Cove .....	.....	0 15 0
March	5—William Forward, Green's Harbor, 3 months due 1st March, at 1s. a day .....	.....	4 10 0
	7—Widow Hobb's, Bird Island .....	.....	1 5 0
	21—James Snelgrove, Grates Cove .....	.....	0 15 0
April	7—Richard Forward, Perlican .....	.....	1 10 0
	22—James Snelgrove, Grates Cove .....	.....	0 15 0
	27—Eliza Burnette, Trinity .....	.....	2 12 0
May	8—James Snelgrove, Grates Cove .....	.....	1 10 0
	11—Catherine Hopkins, Old Perlican... ..	.....	1 0 0
	13—Poor of Trinity, per Brooking & Son .....	.....	23 2 2
	Ditto, ditto per Mr. Sweetland..	.....	12 17 10
	Ellen and John Snook, New Perlican .....	.....	3 0 0
	15—James Quinty, Scilly Cove .....	.....	6 0 0
	18—Elizabeth Sawyer, Heart's Content ...	.....	2 10 0
	19—Patience Jones, Grates Cove .....	.....	0 10 0
	Joanna Grant, Catalina....	.....	2 5 0
	22—C. Olford, Bird Island ...	.....	1 10 0
	John Gallagher, Perlican .....	.....	1 10 0
	26—William Wood, Heart's Content .....	.....	3 0 0
	Ditto, 1 pair blankets .....	.....	0 14 0
	John Cummins, Ragged Harbor .....	.....	1 5 0
	Rachel Jackson, Shoal Bay .....	.....	2 0 0
June	22—Mary Grant, Catalina ...	.....	2 4 10
July	15—Eliza Burnett, Trinity ...	.....	2 12 0
	17—J. Bugden, New Perlican .....	.....	4 0 0
	Widow George, Dildo Cove .....	.....	2 10 0
	23—Brooking and Son, for a coffin for J. Piercey.....	.....	0 12 0
Sept.	7—Widow Miller, British Harbor .....	.....	2 0 0
	11—Poor of Hants Harbor, Rev. Mr. Fox .....	.....	5 0 0
	12—George Olford, Bird Island ....	.....	1 10 0
	28—William Sandford, Old Perlican .....	.....	1 10 0
Oct.	2—Joanna Grant, Catalina .....	.....	3 0 0

Poor Relief.

DISTRICT OF TRINITY.—Continued.

1857.				
Oct.	5—Widows Hobbs and Tucker, Bird Island	.....	£4	0 0
	7—C. Jackson, Shoal Bay....	.....	2	0 0
	10—William Wood, Heart's Content ...	.....	4	0 0
	14—Eliza Burnett, Trinity ....	.....	2	12 0
	15—Eliza Barber, Ship Cove	.....	2	10 0
	16—Telegrams respecting fever at Heart's Content....		0	12 10
	20—William Forward, Green's Harbor, to 1st Oct... ..		10	14 0
	23—Bridget Atkins, Grates Cove	.....	2	0 0
	J. Hopkins, Perlican.....	.....	2	0 0
	John Cummins, Ragged Harbor.....	.....	2	0 0
	30—John Hollett and wife, New Harbor..	.....	1	13 0
	31—J. Gallegly, Heart's Content	.....	2	0 0
	Widow Mara, ditto	.....	2	0 0
	Jasper Hiscock, ditto	.....	3	0 0
	Thomas Pippy, Turk's Cove	.....	3	0 0
	Richard Loward, ditto	.....	1	0 0
Nov.	3—Israel Hill, Bird Island ...	.....	2	0 0
	5—Widow Snook, New Perlican	.....	3	0 0
	6—Zebidee King, Scilly Cove	.....	2	0 0
	7—Isabella George, Heart's Content.....	.....	2	10 0
	17—Rev. Mr. Fox, Hants Harbor, for Poor	.....	2	11 6
	21—Mary Seward, New Perlican	.....	2	10 0
Nov.	21—Catherine Seward, New Perlican	.....	2	10 0
	Widow McNamara, ditto	.....	2	0 0
	Widow Snook	.....	3	0 0
	26—Dr. Levisconte, Trinity, attendance on poor	.....	11	1 0
	28—Nathaniel Piercy, Catalina	.....	1	10 0
Dec.	8—Poor of Old Perlican, per Mr. Rankin	.....	30	0 0
	10—Poor of Trinity, per Brooking & Son	.....	21	17 7
	28—Barnabus Mills, New Perlican	.....	4	12 5
	31—Poor of Old Bonaventure, Mr. March	.....	6	16 0
	Poor of Smith Sound, ditto	.....	5	2 0

£312 14 2

JOSEPH SHEA,

Commissioner of Poor.

Poor Relief.

DISTRICT OF BURIN.

1857.			
Jan.	7--Cash paid Mary Fudge, Burin	£6	0 0
	17--Ditto Margaret Crew, Lamaline, F. Carter, Esq..	4	4 6
	23--Poor of Burin, per P. Morris, Esq....	25	0 0
March	30--Ditto, ditto C. Benning, Esq.	3	11 6
May	8--Ditto, ditto P. Morris, Esq....	25	0 0
	Patrick Row, Burin	6	0 0
August	8--Willtam Burfett, freight 20 bls. meal in 1855.....	1	10 0
Sept.	19--Noseworthy family, per Hon. J. Rogerson	10	0 0
Oct.	17--John Lobden, Burin.....	3	0 0
	Joseph Coady, freight of 70 brls. Meal and Potatoes, 1856	4	7 6
Nov.	6--Ann Ryan, St. Lawrence	2	0 0
	9--James Walsh, ditto	1	10 0
	Poor of Grand Bank, per J. Rogerson, Esq.....	10	0 0
	10--Widow Fitzgerald, St. Lawrence	2	10 0
	11--Burin Poor, per Mr. Hooper	50	0 0
	Jeremiah McKen, Burin	3	0 0
	Pierce Russell, ditto	3	0 0
			£160 13 6

JOSEPH SHEA,

Commissioner of Poor.

Poor Relief.

DISTRICT OF CARBONEAR.

1857.					
Jan.	12—	Paid Samuel Rumson, for distributing Meal	£10	0	0
	16—	Poor of New Harbor, per Mr. Ryan	100	0	0
		John Moors, Freshwater	3	0	0
April	8—	Poor of Carbonear, Mr. Ryan	80	0	0
	18—	Ditto, ditto	80	0	0
May	2—	K. Furlong, Carbonear	2	0	0
	3—	Dr. Thompson, Carbonear, attendance on Poor....	10	0	0
	8—	Poor of Carbonear, per Mr. Ryan, ...	50	0	0
	13—	Dr. Birnie, Carbonear, attendance on poor	2	2	0
	29—	James Gulley, per Mr. Bemister	5	0	0
June	4—	Poor, per Mr. Ryan	100	0	0
Aug.	17—	Dr. O'Shaughnessy, attendance on poor	10	0	0
Sept.	14—	Poor, per Mr. Ryan	100	0	0
Nov.	17—	F. Goss, Carbonear	2	0	0
	24—	P. Jordan, for clothing, per Mr. Ryan	2	15	0
Dec.	4	—Alice McCarthyCrocker's Cove	4	0	0
	16—	Poor, per Mr. Ryan	30	0	0
					£590 17 0

JOSEPH SHEA,

Commissioner of Poor.

Poor Relief.

DISTRICT OF HARBOR GRACE.

1857.		
Jan.	15—Paid John Connell, for distributing meal	£10 0 0
	Poor, per Mr. Pinsent	120 0 0
	30—J. Parsons, Bay Roberts,	4 0 0
Feb.	18—Widow Shelmodine, Harbor Grace... ..	3 0 0
	Widow Davis, ditto	3 0 0
March	4—Poor, per Mr. Pinsent	20 0 0
	Widow Dawley, Harbor Grace	3 0 0
	11—Mary McCarthy, ditto	2 0 0
	20—Moriarty, orphans, ditto	5 0 0
April	18—Poor, per Mr. Pinsent	170 0 0
	21—James Mercer, Bay Roberts	3 0 0
	Widow Lane, ditto	5 0 0
	27—Thomas Foley, Harbor Grace	5 0 0
June	3—Nicholas Kelligrew, Bay Roberts	3 0 0
July	17—Widow Shelmodine, Harbor Grace	3 0 0
	Poor, per Mr. Pinsent,	158 10 9
Aug.	6—William Bishop, Bay Roberts	2 0 0
Sept.	12—Telegraph message	0 1 7
	17—Mrs. Molloy, for clothing for poor	3 0 0
	21—Mr. Robert Walsh, for meat for sick	2 5 0
Oct.	15—Poor, per Mr. Pinsent	140 3 4
	19—J. Parsons, Bay Roberts	2 0 0
Nov.	17—Rev. Bertram Jones, for poor	7 0 0
Dec.	16—Widow Shelmodine, Harbor Grace	3 0 0
	David Sullivan, ditto	4 0 9
	Widow Kelligrew, Bay Roberts	3 0 0
		£685 0 8

JOSEPH SHEA,

Commissioner of Poor.

Poor Relief.

DISTRICT OF PLACENTIA.

1857.		
Jan.	19—Poor of Placentia, Rev. E. Condon	£12 0 0
Feb.	9—Widow Gardener, Merasheen	6 0 0
	Richard Cooney, Little Placentia ..	2 0 0
	James Brian, ditto	2 10 0
	11—James Fowler, Oderin	2 0 0
March	5—Thomas Brown, Sound Island	2 0 0
	14—Poor of Great and Little Placentia, Mr. Kelly	30 0 0
	16—Widow Maney, Salmonier	2 0 0
	23—E. Corcoran, St. Mary's...	1 1 7
April	6—William Cashin, Great Placentia	2 0 0
	16—Widow Connors, St. Mary's	1 10 0
May	2—Sarah Evoy, ditto	1 10 0
	11—Bridget Barry, Little Placentia	3 0 0
	Eliza Cullen, ditto	3 0 0
	13—Poor of St. Mary's, Father Ryan	15 0 0
	16—Catherine Cahill, Trepassey	1 10 0
June	10—Moses Kelly, Great Placentia	4 0 0
	Mary Foley, ditto	4 0 0
July	2—Poor of Trepassey, Father O'Neil.....	6 0 0
	7—Poor, Great Placentia, Dr. Bradshaw	5 0 0
Aug.	11—Widow Collins, Great Placentia	6 0 0
	William Power, Salmonier	0 15 0
	19—Widows Webber and Norman, Red Island	1 10 0
	22—Michael Mooney, Placentia	0 15 0
Sept.	18—Richard Ledwick, ditto	3 0 0
	Maria Chick, Oderin	6 0 0
Oct.	1—David Griffith, Little Placentia	4 0 0
	5—Poor of St. Mary's, Rev. J. Ryan	5 0 0
	8—William Eddy, Sound Island	2 10 0
	10—James Hill, Little Placentia	3 0 0
	20—Bridget Barry, ditto	3 0 0
	Robert Ledwick, Placentia	3 0 0
	Ellen Clance, ditto	1 10 0
	Joanna Ledwell, ditto	2 0 0
	Maria Sandford, ditto	1 10 0
	24—Margaret McGrath, Branche	3 0 0
	26—Ellen St. Croix, Placentia	4 0 0
	Thomas White, St. Mary's	2 0 0
	31—Thomas Cooney, Little Placentia ...	2 0 0
Nov.	2—William Curtis, Trepassey	1 10 0
	3—Elizabeth Cullen, Little Placentia	4 0 0
	9—Michael Mullooney, Great Placentia....	5 0 0
	10—William Power, Salmonier	2 0 0
	Catherine Cahill, Trepassey.	1 10 0

Poor Relief.

DISTRICT OF PLACENTIA.—*Continued.*

1857.			
Nov.	13—Widow McGrath, Placentia .....	.....	£3 0 0
	16—A. Hamilton, Isle Valen .....	.....	3 0 0
	William Peevey, ditto ....	.....	3 0 0
	William Frampton, Ragged Islands .....	.....	3 0 0
	17—Brown and Bryden, for E. Corcoran, St. Mary's....	.....	0 8 3
	26—Widows Norman and Webber, Red Island .....	.....	5 0 0
	Thomas Best, Scund Island .....	.....	2 10 0
Dec.	9—Poor of St. Mary's, Rev. J. Ryan.....	.....	25 0 0
	Poor of Oliver's Cove, Rev. James Walsh .....	.....	20 0 0
	Poor of Great Placentia, Dr. Bradshaw .....	.....	15 0 0
	10—Margaret McGrath, Branche .....	.....	3 18 0
			£258 7 10

JOSEPH SHEA,
Commissioner of Poor.

DISTRICT OF FORTUNE BAY.

1857.			
Oct.	19—Charlotte Grady, Garnish .....	.....	£2 0 0

JOSEPH SHEA,
Commissioner of Poor.

DISTRICT OF BURGEO AND LAPOILE:

1857.			
June	15—Passage of John Lodge (of LaPoile) to England....	.....	£5 0 0

JOSEPH SHEA,
Commissioner of Poor.

Poor Relief.

DISTRICT OF HARBOR MAIN.

1857.

Jan.	31--Cash paid Ann Scott, Upper Gullies	.....	£0	10	0
March	5--Sarah Cable, Fox Trap....	.....	0	5	0
	Eliza Butler, ditto .....	.....	0	5	0
	Grace Bishop, ditto .....	.....	0	15	0
	Ditto .....	.....	0	5	0
	6--Ann Scott, Upper Gullies	.....	0	10	0
	7--Eliza Greely, Fox Trap..	.....	0	10	0
	9--Mary Ann Miller, Topsail	.....	0	5	0
	19--John Greely, Fox Trap...	.....	0	5	0
	Jane Patten, ditto .....	.....	0	5	0
	21--James Deady, Harbor Main	.....	1	10	0
	24--Grace Cable, Fox Trap	.....	0	10	0
	William Greely, ditto ..	.....	0	10	0
	26--John Butler, ditto ...	.....	0	10	0
	28--John Cleary, ditto ....	.....	0	5	0
	30--John Delaney, ditto ....	.....	0	5	0
	Elias Delaney, ditto ....	.....	0	2	6
	Amy Allen, ditto ...	.....	2	0	0
April	1--John Walters, Lance Cove	.....	0	10	0
	2--Harriet Andrews, Fox Trap	.....	0	3	0
	Mary Ann Butler, ditto	.....	0	3	0
	Charles Butler, ditto	.....	0	3	0
	Sarah Cable, ditto	.....	0	5	0
	4--Ann Atkins, ditto	.....	0	5	0
	Patrick Casey, ditto	.....	0	2	6
	Widow Dowden, ditto	.....	0	5	0
	Eliza Petton, ditto	.....	0	5	0
	7--Patience Petton, ditto	.....	0	2	6
	Michael and Eliza Fagan, ditto	.....	0	10	0
	8--John Kennedy, Middle Bight	.....	0	5	0
	Ann Scott, Upper Gullies	.....	0	10	0
	9--George Daw, Long Pond,	.....	0	5	0
	11--John Greely, Fox Trap	.....	0	5	0
	15--James Clooney, ditto.....	.....	0	5	0
	17--William Greely, ditto.....	.....	0	5	0
	Grace Cable, ditto .....	.....	0	5	0
	20--Mary Ann Miller, ditto...	.....	0	5	0
	22--John Noon, Topsail .....	.....	2	0	0
	Thomas Burne, ditto.....	.....	0	6	0
	Sarah Cable, Fox Trap....	.....	0	5	0
	Eliza Butler, ditto.....	.....	0	5	0
	John Butler, ditto.....	.....	0	10	0
	Grace Cable, ditto.....	.....	0	10	0
	23--Patience Henesey, Kelligrews	.....	0	5	0

Poor Relief.

DISTRICT OF HARBOR MAIN.—*Continued.*

1857.					
April	23—Ann Williams, Manuels	.....	.....	£0	5 0
	24—Sarah Butler, Fox Trap	.....	.....	0	3 0
	29—Poor of Marbor Main, per Mr. Byrne	.....	.....	7	0 0
May	5—William Petton, Northern Bight.....	.....	.....	0	5 0
	Eliza Petton, ditto	.....	.....	0	10 0
	11—George Daw, ditto	.....	.....	0	2 6
	Amy Allen, Topsail,.....	.....	.....	0	10 0
	12—John Butler, Eliza Butler, and Grace Bishop, Fox Trap, 5s. each	.....	.....	0	15 0
June	2—Widow John Daw, Upper Gullies.....	.....	.....	1	0 0
	5—Widow Petton, Middle Bight	.....	.....	0	5 0
	Patience Petton, ditto	.....	.....	0	2 6
	Michael and Eliza Fagan, ditto	.....	.....	0	10 0
July	8—Patience King, Kelligrews	.....	.....	0	10 0
	Mary Daw, Lower Gullies	.....	.....	0	10 0
	11—Michael Fagan and wife, Middle Bight	.....	.....	0	10 0
	William Petton, Middle Bight	.....	.....	0	2 6
	20—George Daw, Long Pond	.....	.....	0	10 0
Aug.	1—Mary Brian, Topsail ....	.....	.....	0	5 0
	4—George Atkins, Long Pond	.....	.....	0	10 0
	Mary Daw, Lower Gullies	.....	.....	0	5 0
	10—Thomas Aid, ditto	.....	.....	3	0 0
	13—Grace Bishop, Upper Gullies	.....	.....	0	5 0
	18—George Daw, Long Pond	.....	.....	0	10 0
	28—John Greely, Fox Trap	.....	.....	0	10 0
Sept.	1—Mary Brian, Topsail	.....	.....	0	5 0
	2—Eliza Cable, Fox Trap ....	.....	.....	0	10 0
	3—Mary Daw, Lower Gullies	.....	.....	0	2 6
	4—Susan King, Kelligrews	.....	.....	0	10 0
	21—Margaret Cantwell, Cat's Cove	.....	.....	3	0 0
	26—George Daw, Long Pond	.....	.....	0	10 0
	28—Amy Allen, Topsail .....	.....	.....	2	10 0
Oct.	2—Mary Brian, ditto	.....	.....	0	5 0
	3—Sarah Butler, Fox Trap	.....	.....	0	3 0
	Patience King, ditto.....	.....	.....	0	10 0
	5—Mary Daw, Lower Gullies	.....	.....	0	5 0
	19—Mr. Maundeville, for poor of Harbor Main	.....	.....	3	11 6
	Rev. Mr. Walsh, for ditto	.....	.....	2	0 0
	27—Michael Fagan and wife, Middle Bight	.....	.....	0	10 0
	28—George Daw, Long Pond	.....	.....	0	10 0
Nov.	3—Eliza Cable, Fox Trap ....	.....	.....	0	10 0
	4—Patience King ditto .....	.....	.....	0	10 0
	Mary Daw, Gullies .....	.....	.....	0	5 0
	6—John Noon, Topsail .....	.....	.....	2	0 0

Poor Relief.

DISTRICT OF HARBOR MAIN.—Continued.

1857.

Nov.	21—Mary Ann Butler, Middle Bight .....	.....	£0	10	0
	24—Patrick Connoran, Harbor Maine ....	....	3	0	0
	30—Mary Brian, Topsail.....	.....	0	5	0
	Amy Allen, ditto .....	.....	1	0	0
Dec.	4—Patience King, Kelligrews .....	.....	0	10	0
	Poor of Harbor Main, Rev. K. Walsh .....	.....	10	0	0
	5—John Delaney, Fox Trap .....	.....	0	10	0
	William Greely, ditto ..	.....	0	10	0
	14—George Daw, Long Pond	0	10	0
	19—Mary Hagan, Holyrood....	1	10	0
	22—Elizabeth Cable, Fox Trap	0	10	0
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			£74	5	0

JOSEPH SHEA,

Commissioner of Poor.

Poor Relief.

DISTRICT OF BAY-DE-VERDS.

1857.			
Feb.	18—Widow Brian, Bay-de-Verds	.....	£1 0 0
	21—Widow Butt, Broad Cove	.....	2 0 0
	Henry Wheeler, Bradley's Cove	.....	2 0 0
	24—Thomas Peppy, Blackhead	.....	3 0 0
March	28—Richard Cosh, Ochre Pit Cove	.....	2 0 0
April	7—Widow Butt, Widow Piercey, Western Bay ; and J. Whelan, Bradley's Cove, per Mr. Rogerson...	.....	7 0 0
	25—James Hogan, Northern Bay	.....	2 0 0
	30—Poor of Island Cove, Mr Rankin	.....	10 0 0
May	3—John Brady, Bay-de-Verds	.....	3 0 0
	19—Hannah Jacobs, ditto	.....	3 0 0
	27—Mary Cullen, Low Point	.....	1 0 0
	Henry Whelan, Bradley's Cove	.....	1 10 0
	29—Widow Puddister, Northern Bay	.....	2 0 0
June	2—John Whelan, Bradley's Cove	.....	1 10 0
	3—Mary Hearn, Low Point	.....	1 0 0
	19—Mr. Rogerson, for supplies to Bay-de-Verds	.....	25 11 8
	Rev. Mr. Duffy, for Poor Northern Bay	.....	15 0 0
	Dr. Wright, Northern Bay, for medical services...	.....	5 5 0
July	10—Thomas Legros, Broad Cove	.....	1 0 0
	29—Poor of Mulley's Cove, Mr. Rogerson	.....	5 0 0
Aug.	26—Patrick Power, Low Point	.....	1 7 0
	13—Philip Rose and John King, Broad Cove	.....	1 10 0
Oct.	5—John Moors, Broad Cove	.....	2 10 0
	12—Martha English, Job's Cove	.....	3 0 0
	15—John Russell, Bay-de-Verds	.....	3 0 0
	Mary Patton, ditto	.....	2 0 0
	Robert Barter, ditto	.....	2 0 0
	23—John Brady, ditto	.....	2 0 0
	Widow Doyle, ditto	.....	2 0 0
	Widow Flinn, ditto	.....	1 10 0
	Widow Power, Low Point	.....	3 0 0
	Widow Brian, Bay-de-Verds	.....	1 0 0
	James Dunn, Low Point	.....	1 10 0
Nov.	5—Mary Hearn, ditto	.....	1 0 0
	6—Mary Cullen, ditto	.....	1 0 0
	7—Joseph Harding, Western Bay	.....	17 10 0
	30—John Reid and William Lewley, Island Cove, Rev. Mr. Peach	.....	5 0 0
Dec.	4—Ditto, ditto additional, per ditto	.....	3 0 0
	10—O'Brien & Co., for yarn for poor of Bay-de-Verds, per Rev. O. Rouse. . . .	.....	4 10 0
	14—Telegraph Message to send Dr. Dow to fever cases, Blackhead	.....	0 2 6

£152 6 2

Poor Relief.

STRICT OF FERRYLAND.

1857.				
Jan.	3—	Cash paid Rev. Mr. Cleary, for poor of Bay Bulls	£20	0 0
Feb.	28—	Richard Butler, Bay Bulls, blind.....	1	10 0
		E. Murphy, Ferryland, per E. D. Shea	2	0 0
		Widow Kane, ditto, ditto	1	12 0
March	5—	Widow Wade, Caplin Bay, ditto	2	0 0
	7—	J. H. Warren, 4 barrels oatmeal for Renewes	6	0 0
	30—	P. Jordan. clothing for James Dwyer, Fermeuse....	1	0 0
April	1—	Eliza Hartwell, Bay Bulls	0	5 0
	6—	David Power, Caplin Bay	2	0 0
	7—	Bridget Ruth, Bay Bulls, Clothing,....	0	16 2
	11—	Widow Kinsella, Ferryland	2	0 0
	22—	Poor of Bay Bulls, per Father Cleary	20	0 0
May	6—	Mary Sheehan, Fermeuse	1	0 0
		Jane Power, ditto	1	10 0
	7—	Maurice Whelan, Ferryland	1	10 0
	14—	David Power, Caplin Bay	0	10 0
	16—	William Ryan, Renewes	1	10 0
	18—	Widow McCarthy, ditto	0	12 0
		Widow Ryan, Caplin Bay	1	10 0
		Widow Whelan, Cape Broyle	3	4 0
	23—	Widow Brian, Ferryland	1	0 0
	30—	Widow Walsh, Fermeuse	1	10 0
June	2—	Richard Furlong and wife, Renewes....	1	10 0
		Richard Butler, Bay Bulls	1	10 0
	8—	David Power, Caplin Bay	0	10 0
	13—	Widow Mackey, Ferryland	3	0 0
		Widow Brian, ditto	3	0 0
Aug.	9—	Rose Vale, Bay Bulls ..	0	10 0
	12—	Poor of Bay Bulls, per Father Cleary	10	0 0
Sept.	4—	Richard Butler, Bay Bulls	1	10 0
		Rose Vale, Bay Bulls ..	0	10 0
	8—	Ann Kinsella, Ferryland	1	0 0
Sept.	11—	Widow Ryan, Caplin Bay	1	10 0
	23—	David Power, Ferryland	1	10 0
Oct.	1—	Maurice Whelan, ditto	1	10 0
	3—	Rose Vale, Bay Bulls	0	10 0
	5—	Esther Whelan, Cape Broyle	3	0 0
		Widow Cain, Caplin Bay	1	12 0
	8—	Patrick Sheehan, ditto	2	0 0
	30—	Richard Butler, Bay Bulls	1	0 0
	31—	Widow Kinsella, Ferryland	1	0 0
Nov.	2—	Widow Brian, Aquaforte	1	10 0
		Widow Fowler, Renewes	2	0 0
	9—	Widow Dinn, ditto	2	0 0

Poor Relief.

DISTRICT OF FERRYLAND.—*Continued.*

1857.					
Nov.	9—	Anastatia Walsh, Rcnews	.....	.....	£2 0 0
		Jane Power, ditto	.....	.....	1 10 0
		John Evans, Ferryland	.....	.....	8 0 0
		Terrence Brian, Renews	.....	.....	0 2 6
	11—	Elizabeth Walsh, Fermeuse	.....	.....	1 10 0
	12—	Poor of Fermeuse and Renews, Father Murphy....	.....	.....	10 0 0
		Edward Murphy, Ferryland	.....	.....	3 0 0
	16—	Rose Vale, Bay Bulls ...	.....	.....	0 10 0
	17—	Julia Ryan, Caplin Bay	.....	.....	1 10 0
	24—	Widow Paul, Ferryland	.....	.....	2 10 0
	25—	Jane Brian, Ferryland ...	.....	.....	2 0 0
		Michael Walsh, Brigus South	.....	.....	3 0 0
	28—	Maurice Whelan, Ferryland	.....	.....	1 10 0
Dec.	1—	Poor of Fermeuse, Per Bev. J. Murphy	.....	.....	5 0 0
	3—	Poor of Witless Bay, Rev. Mr. Cleary	.....	.....	5 0 0
	8—	Widow Wade, Caplin Bay	.....	.....	1 10 0
		Margaret Lahey, Cape Broyle	.....	.....	2 0 0
		Patrick Whelan and wife, ditto	.....	.....	2 0 0
		Widow Walsh, Fermeuse	.....	.....	2 0 0
	11—	David Power, Caplin Bay	.....	.....	1 10 0
	21—	Widow Catherine Jordan, Ferryland	.....	.....	3 0 0
					£174 3 8

JOSEPH SHEA,

Commissioner of Poor.

Expenditure for Relief of the Poor, during the year ended 31st December, 1857.

DISTRICT.	On what account.	January.	February.	March.	April.	May.	June.	July.	August.	September.	October.	November.	December.	Total.
		£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
St. John's	Casual Poor	101 8 8	116 7 8	152 7 6	135 2 2	122 6 7	99 0 8	82 6 8	78 8 11	71 5 6	82 5 6	76 19 1	108 6 4	1229 15 3
	Permanent Poor	126 5 11	125 5 11	123 8 5	119 18 5	117 10 11	111 0 3	111 3 5	113 18 5	113 18 5	113 18 5	114 14 5	113 18 3	1405 1 2
	...Poor in sheds...	44 12 4	39 9 7	62 3 5	51 8 11	44 1 0	44 5 11	29 10 9	32 1 6	29 8 0	45 18 10	38 2 8	67 5 4	528 8 3
	...Orphanages ...			71 2 6			65 2 9			63 0 0			65 0 0	264 5 3
	... Salaries ...			100 19 2			100 19 2			100 19 3			100 19 3	403 16 10
	...Contingencies...												49 14 9	49 14 9
Harbor Grace		134 0 0	6 0 0	30 0 0	183 0 0		3 0 0	161 10 9	2 0 0	5 6 7	143 3 4	7 0 0	10 0 0	685 0 8
Carbonear		113 0 0			160 0 0	69 2 0	100 0 0		10 0 0	100 0 0		4 15 0	34 0 0	590 17 0
Briga		27 0 0	15 0 0	16 11 2	58 1 3	9 10 0	10 14 6	27 0 0	5 0 6	5 1 9	27 13 6	10 15 10	23 0 0	235 8 0
Donavista		25 0 0		8 5 0	6 12 0	51 15 0	2 13 6	57 13 2	2 0 0	5 0 0	43 0 0	104 10 0	5 11 0	311 10 8
Tvillingate		4 2 6			5 0 0	56 8 0	0 7 6	4 12 0		12 0 0	147 3 6	70 0 0	0 12 6	300 6 0
Turra		35 4 6		3 11 6		31 0 0			1 10 0	10 0 0	7 7 6	72 0 0		160 13 6
Ferryland		20 0 0	5 2 0	9 0 0	25 1 2	13 16 0	9 10 0		10 10 0	6 0 0	10 12 0	42 12 6	22 0 0	174 3 8
Bay-de-Verde			8 0 0	2 0 0	19 0 0	10 10 0	48 6 8	6 0 0	2 17 0		23 10 0	24 10 0	7 12 6	152 6 2
St. Mary's and Placentia		12 0 0	12 10 0	35 1 7	3 10 0	21 0 6	8 0 0	11 0 0	9 0 0	9 0 0	26 10 0	33 18 3	63 18 0	258 7 10
Harbor Maine		0 10 0		8 17 6	16 8 0	2 2 6	1 17 6	2 2 6	5 5 0	7 7 6	7 14 6	8 0 0	14 0 0	74 5 0
Trinity		39 5 0	26 7 0	6 10 0	4 17 0	62 14 0	2 4 10	9 14 0		10 0 0	48 1 10	34 12 6	68 8 0	312 14 2
Fortune Bay											2 0 0			2 0 0
Burgeo							5 0 0							5 0 0

Currency £7144 3 2

Sterling £6191 10 0

JOSEPH SHEA,

Commissioner of Poor.

Examined,

JAMES TOBIN,

Financial Secretary.

Poor Relief.

DISTRICT OF BRIGUS.

1857.				
Jan.	15—	Cash paid, per Mr. Cozens, for Poor of Brigus ...	£20	0 0
		Widow Butler, Clarke's Cove	2	0 0
		Widow Robbins, Colliers	3	0 0
	26—	William Ryan, ditto	2	0 0
Feb.	9—	Poor of Brigus, per Mr. Cozens	15	0 0
March	10—	James Ryan, Colliers	1	10 0
	24—	Telegram to Brigus	0	1 2
	26—	Poor, per Mr. Cozens ...	15	0 0
April	1—	Ditto, ditto	26	10 0
	7—	Poor of Port-de-Grave, R. Brown, Esq.	15	0 0
	8—	Telegram to Brigus	0	1 3
	14—	Dr. Molloy, attendance on Poor	10	0 0
	18—	Poor of Brigus, R. Brown, Esq.	5	0 0
	21—	John Mercer, Bay Roberts		
		Widow Cave, ditto		
	30—	Widow Petton, Port-de-Grave	1	10 0
May	8—	Thomas Butler, Brigus... ..	5	0 0
	22—	William Ryan, Colliers... ..	3	0 0
	28—	Thomas St. John, freight of 30 bls. meal to Brigus in 1856	1	10 0
June	27—	Mr. Mandeville, for supplies to Poor	10	14 6
July	3—	Poor, per Father O'Keefe	6	0 0
	10—	Poor, per Mr. Cozens ...	18	0 0
	16—	Sarah Taylor, Port de-Grave	2	0 0
	28—	Solomon Roberts, Brigus	1	0 0
August	8—	Poor, per Mr. Cozens ...	5	0 0
Sept.	22—	Mary Costello, Brigus	2	0 6
		Kate Costigan, ditto.....	3	1 3
Oct.	17—	Poor, per Mr. Cozens	18	0 0
	19—	Mr. Mandeville, for supplies to Poor	9	13 6
Nov.	5—	Poor, per Mr. Brown ...	9	5 10
	7—	Mary Petton, Port-de-Grave	1	10 0
Dec.	5—	Edward Greeley, ditto	2	10 0
	22—	Widow Ryan, Colliers	3	0 0
	29—	Henry Tucker, Port-de-Grave	2	10 0
	31—	Poor of Port-de-Grave, R. Brown, Esq.	15	0 0
			£235 8 0	

JOSEPH SHEA,

Commissioner of Poor

Fisheries.

REPORT of J. L. PRENDERGAST, Esq., on the Protection of the Fisheries, &c., on the Coast of Labrador and the French Shore.

[COPY.]

ST. JOHN'S,

October 5, 1857.

SIR,—

I have the honor to report, for the information of His Excellency the Governor, that immediately on the receipt of the Instructions delivered to me, dated the 20th of May last, I proceeded to act in accordance with the trust reposed in me.

In visiting the several Harbors and Coves, I called at every house and ascertained from the inmates the desired information: also, at every French Establishment, making my first call on the *Capitaine Prud'homme*, acquainted him that the vessel was on the Government Service, for the protection of the Fisheries against encroachments, as well as to ascertain the number of permanent settlers on the Coast.

During my visit, I obtained much information relative to the fishery generally, and having seen some French official papers, I made extracts for the information of His Excellency the Governor.

By a decree relative to the Cod Fishery in the Island of Newfoundland, bearing date 2nd March, 1852, the Minister of Marine convoked the owners of vessels who practice the Cod Fishery on the Coast of Newfoundland, to assemble and meet together at St. Servan, on the 5th January, 1857, where M. M. De Le Bon, Commissioner of Marine of the first class, Chevalier of the Legion of Honor, Chief of the service of Marine within the under *arrondissement* of St. Servan, and Mazeres, *Capitaine de Vaisseau*, Officer of the Legion of Honor, Commandant of the Naval Division of Newfoundland, delegated by the Minister, came into one of the Chambers of the *Arsenal Marine a' St. Servan*, where the *Armateurs des Navires*, who practice the Cod Fishery at Newfoundland, were assembled in virtue of the Convocations which had been transmitted by the Maritime Authority.

M. le Chef du Service de la Marine opened the Assembly, and said that the decree of the 2nd March, 1852, and the orders of *M. l'Amiral Ministre de la Marine*, called him to preside in the Assembly of *Armateurs*, who expedite vessels to the Cod Fishery, stating that *M. le Capitaine de Vaisseau, Mazeres*, Commanding the Division of Newfoundland, has been sent to St. Servan by the Minister to sit in the Assembly, as Member of the *Bureau*, to concur with him in the judicial direction of the debates, and requested the Assembly to proceed by ballot to elect other Members *du Bureau*, two for Granville, two for St. Malo, and two for St. Briene. The Delegates having taken places as Members of the *Bureau*, the President invited the Assembly to elect three *Arbitres*, to give their opinion upon the penalties pronounced in conformity to the Articles of the decree of the 2nd March, 1852.

Fisheries.

The President laid upon the table several Despatches, which the Minister desired to be communicated to the Assembly, and invited them to examine the several questions therein, particularly the preparation of fish after the English method.

The President, after having exposed all which had been prescribed to him for discussion, said he would open each question in order, for the deliberations of the Assembly. The President of the Chamber of Commerce of St. Malo, said that he believed he ought, before any discussion, require *M. le President* upon an affair of the highest importance. He wished to speak of the negotiations with England, relative to the Fisheries of Newfoundland. In the month of January, 1852, *M. le Ministre* charged the Commissioner called to represent the French Government in that negotiation, to concert with the Chambers of Commerce of Granville, St. Malo, and St. Briene, on the subject of fixing propositions to make to England. The Commissioner, this day President of our Assembly, communicated to the Chamber of Commerce, the basis upon which he proposed to set the negotiations, and he obtained in that regard the unanimous assent of the Chambers.

Since that period no communication has been made to them touching the negotiation with England, and it appeared to him indispensable to demand of the President in his double capacity of Chief of the Service at St. Servan, and of *Commissaire* of the French Government, to acquaint the Assembly of a Treaty which was pending to regulate our rights of fishery at Newfoundland.

M. le President said, that he had been charged in 1852 to take advice of several Chambers of Commerce, in order to determine the basis of a negotiation to open with England, relative to the exercise of the rights of Fishery at Newfoundland; after having fulfilled that mission, I sent to the *Commissaire* of Great Britain the propositions adopted by the French Government, serving as basis of a proposed Treaty; unfortunately that *Commissaire* was not furnished with powers necessary to resolve upon with me. In consequence, he returned to London in July, 1852, in order to consult his Government; since then our Conferences remained suspended.

Presuming that an inquiry may be made upon that serious affair, I have taken orders on that subject from the Minister of Marine; by Despatch of 23rd December last, *M. L'Admiral Hamelin* has authorized me to inform the Assembly that a negotiation having for the object to regulate *new rights* respective of the subjects of Britain and of our Nation as to the Fisheries at Newfoundland, was pending at this moment between the cabinets of France and England; but that the department of Marine could not divulge anything respecting the projected arrangements without endangering its success.

An *Armateur* said, "the Assembly could not hope less than that the basis concerted in 1852, between the *Commissaire* of the French Government and the Chambers of Commerce, would be taken into consideration in the new Treaty."

The President said, "I cannot reply to that question, seeing that I remain completely a stranger to the negotiations pending at present; but I have no doubt that in the high solicitude for the interests of the Cod Fishery, the Government has taken all the precautions proper to promote them."

Fisheries.

An *Armateur* stated to the Assembly that there existed at *l'Isle Rouge*, an habitation *concedée a titre définitif* to the *Compagnie General Maritime*, that which established a derogation *a la loi commune*, therefore contrary to the general interests of *Armateurs*, and demanded solely that the Assembly decide that the attention and solicitude of *M. le Ministre de la Marine* be called upon to the anomalous situation made to the *Compagnie concessionnaires de l'isle Rouge*, and insist upon the danger of concessions of that kind.

The President said, "the place of *l'Isle Rouge* is comprised amongst the reserved harbors to the little schooners of St. Pierre and Miquelon. If the Government has considered it ought to concede this place to the *Compagnie General Maritime*, it is probably in order to prevent the invasion of the *Isle Rouge* by the English population, who occupy already the Bay St. George, and the adjacent coast; I do not think that the Assembly has to deliberate on that question."

M. Le Commandant Mazeres said, "the establishment of the *Isle Rouge* is the best on the Coast of Newfoundland, and it will be a very great pity to suppress it."

The President read some considerations presented by *M. le Commandant* of the Division of Newfoundland, and by *M. Le Lieutenant de Vaisseau, Commandant La Fauvette*, on the preparation of fish after the English method, and exposed to the Assembly the advantages that offered the mode of preparation used by the English, he insisted upon the necessity of improving our products of fish; in order, if in future time the Government decide to abolish *les primes* that industry may content itself in struggling with success against *la concurrence etranger*.

The President read to the Assembly the report of *M. le Commandant de la division de Terre Neuve*, touching *les Saumoniers*. Also, a special report from *M. le Lieutenant de Vaisseau, Capitaine de la Fauvette*, after which he called the attention of the Assembly to the subjects treated in the documents he had communicated to them, showing that our industry is menaced by complete ruin; and exhorted them to revive the Salmon Fishery, and remove it from the English, into whose hands, save with one exception, they are at present all fallen.

An *Armateur* said, "that the *Saumoniers* have been usurped by the English, because in the season the *batiments* of the station were not there to protect the French Fishery, and the result was that the English tended *des barrages*, which rendered our Fishery completely unproductive, and nothing remains for us but to abandon them."

M. le Commandant Mazeres said, "you would be nearer the truth in saying that the *détenteurs des saumoniers*, first treated with the English, who engaged to fish these establishments, by means of one-half the products; ere long, the English ceased entirely to give to the French the half, and they have finished by giving them nothing at all; thus has that Fishery passed into the hands of the English."

The President said, "you have not thought it a duty to adopt the means proposed by *M. le Commandant de la division de Terre Neuve*, to prevent the ruin of our *Saumoniers*; perhaps you would not willingly, nevertheless, renounce completely that industry."

An *Armateur* said, "that he had heretofore exercised it with some success, and declared that the *défaut* of a sufficient protection on the part of the *croiseurs Francois*, has been the

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principal cause of the ruin of our Salmon Fishery ; you are not without knowing in effect that the products *d'une pareille pêche* cannot be admitted into France without *le droit de douane*, I will add that the importation of these products suffered by the terms of the Decree of 29th December. 1851, by depriving of the rights of premium the ship which should have effected the transport."

The President having laid upon the *Bureau* the report conscientiously drawn by *M. le Commandant de la division de Terra Nueve*, indicating in what situation, state, and condition he found each place *de pêche*, thought that they may have had sufficiently consulted these able documents, proceeded to the subscription for each ship by *M. M. les Armateurs*, to a declaration conformable to the Decree of the 2nd March, 1852.

The *Bureau* verified each of these Declarations ; the lists of vessels of the first serie having been established, this list comprehended eighty-two vessels. The President deposited in an Urn, in presence of the *Armateurs*, eighty-two Bulletins, containing the names of *Armateurs*, and those of the ships inscribed, he proceeded immediately to draw, according to the prescription of the Decree ; after which, in the same form and in the same manner as for the first serie, which presented twenty-six *Navires* of the second serie, and nine for the third.

The President of the Chamber of Commerce of St. Malo, said,—“ You know, as well as I, the progressive encroachments of the English in the *Havres de notre arrondissement de pêche à Terre Neuve*, and appreciate the serious danger of this agglomeration of population always increasing, which can tend to nothing less than evincing to us in time, to come sooner or later, the portions already so restricted, of the Shores of Newfoundland, where the Treaties accord to us *un droit de pêche exclusif*.”

“ I think that it is urgent to call the solicitude of *S. Ex. le Ministre de la Marine*, upon this dangerous situation, and to pray him to take measures necessary to put a *terme* to the invasion which menaces us, approaching to complete dispossession.

An *Armateur* called the attention to the number of *Armateurs*, and demanded that, “ for facilitating their correspondence with their Captains, the Government should establish a Postal Service, between the Coast of Newfoundland and Halifax, St. John's, or St. Pierre, and desire that the service *des despatches* be made once each month.”

Despatch addressed to the Chief of the Service of Marine, of the under *arrondissement* of St. Servan, by the Minister of Marine and of the Colonies :

SIR,—

I have examined the *proces verbal* of the deliberations and operations of the General Assembly of *Armateurs*, assembled at St. Servan the 5th January last, under your Presidency, for the *tirage general* of places of Fishery on the Coast of Newfoundland, certain propositions of the Assembly, modifying the Decree of the 2nd March, 1852, have fixed my attention in a particular manner ; but, considering that none of them are of such importance, that their adjournment could be a hindrance to the success of our operations in these *parages*, I have thought it a duty, finally to abstain from submitting to the Emperor proposals having for their object some alteration in the tenor of the Decree *precite*, in regard to the new Treaty concerning the exercise of the rights of Fishery of France at Newfoundland—a Treaty which

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has been signed at London the 14th January last, and which will receive early publicity. Will you convey this Resolution to the knowledge of the *Armateurs* of St. Malo, Granville, and St. Briene, by the intervention of M. M. the Presidents of the Chamber of Commerce of these ports. You will add, as soon as the treaty is put in force, I shall examine what are the modifications that the Decree of the 2nd March, 1852, may comport with, and that may be made to call to light interests for effecting these modifications.

I have remarked the care with which the Assembly General of the *Armateurs* has been conducted, I express to you here my satisfaction.

You have intimated to me the utility of the *Armateurs* of St. Malo, Granville, and St. Briene ; considering the conscientious work of *M. Le Capitaine de Vaisseau Mazeres, Commandant de la Division Navale de Terre Neuve*, upon the situation of the places of Fishery at Newfoundland, I authorise you to have a copy of that work sent to each of the *Commissaires de l'inscription Maritime* of these divers ports, who will communicate it to those interested.

I send you to that effect the Document which is here added, which I request you to return. Will you be pleased to furnish me, when it shall be printed, according to usage, five copies *du proces verbal* of the proceedings of the Assembly, and of the table of *repartition des places*.

The Decree of the 2nd March, 1852, comprises forty-eight Articles, amongst which, that the harbors and places with the *grèves*, which belong to the coasts of the Island of Newfoundland, do not continue to be of the choice of the first person who arrives, nor of the first occupant.

The particulars shall be made known according to a topographic plan of the Coasts of Newfoundland, as follows :—

Names of Harbors.

Number and Names of places comprised in each Harbor.

Number of Batteaus that each place may contain.

The Nomenclature of places will be divided in the following manner, in three established Series.

First Serie, 15 Batteaus and above.

Second Serie, 10 to 15 Batteaus, exclusively.

Third Serie, 9 Batteaus, and above.

Every five years the *Armateurs* of the different ports of France, who propose to send vessels to the Cod Fishery upon the coast of Newfoundland, shall make to the *chef de service la marine a St. Servan*, a declaration of the number of vessels they will arm for the Fishery, with the tonnage and number of men, and the class of the vessels in these Series, that is to say :

First Serie, 158 Tons, and over 50 men at least.

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Second Serie, 100 to 158 exclusively, 30 men.

Third Serie, under 100 Tons, 20 men, and 25 if to use a Seine.

Bulletins will be prepared, bearing the name of the Vessel and the Serie, and put in an Urn, from whence they will be successively drawn in presence of all the *Armateurs*.

As fast as the Bulletin shall be drawn, the *Armateur du Navire* indicated by the Bulletin chooses a place in the Serie to which the Vessel belongs.

The second and third Series are proceeded with in the same manner and form as the first Series, afterwards to draw for Vessels fishing on the Banks for places to dry fish on the coast.

Each *Armateur* will conserve, during five years, the enjoyment of the Harbor and place which shall be assigned to him.

No Vessel can go fishing upon the coasts of the Island of Newfoundland, if there is not delivered to the *Armateur* a *Bulletin de mise en possession* for the place of which he is *Concessionnaire*, or a *Bulletin d' autorisation de pêche dans les baies communes*.

Every *Armateur* who shall not, within the year, *du tirage général des places*, send his Vessel, will lose his rights to the enjoyment of that place, and be otherwise subject to one of the penalties following :

4000 fr. for the *navires* of the 1st serie.

3000 fr. for the *navires* of the 2nd serie.

2000 fr. for the *navires* of the 3rd serie.

1000 fr. for the *navires*, who obtained concession of a place on the coast, for drying fish.

The *amende*, or penalty, shall be pronounced by the *Chef du Service de la Marine à St. Sereen* ; when the parties believe they ought to call for that decision, the affair will be submitted to the examination of three *Arbitres*, designated by the *Armateurs* in General Assembly ; if their decision is not conformable to that of the *Chef du Service*, le *Ministre de la Marine* will decree definitively, after having taken communication *du Chef du Service*, and of the *Arbitres*.

Every *Armateur*, to whom shall be conceded a place, shall be held to occupy the first year of *tirage*, by the ship conceded to, or another of the same serie, at least ; if the ship is sold, the purchaser will be held to the same obligations under the responsibility of the vendor.

During the four years following that of the *tirage general*, there will be made each year, the 5th January, *un tirage partiel*, of vacant places, in the manner prescribed for the *tirage general*.

The oldest Captain shall perform the functions of *Prud'homme* in all the harbors, and in all the *Baies communes* ; but the Captain *au long cours*, shall have always priority over the *Maitres au Cabotage*.

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The Captain, *Prud'homme*, is specially charged to maintain discipline, police, and good order, in the Harbors and in the *Baies communes*, to assure to each Captain the enjoyment of the Harbor, the *grève* or *anchorage*, and roads; to receive the complaints of *Capitaines Pecheurs*, and to decide, whenever he is competent to judge of them, after having examined the facts, and acquired proof as far as possible.

He presides at all meetings of Captains, which may take place in the Harbors, and in the *Baies communes*, and terminates, as *Prud'homme arbitre*, and without charge, the contests that may arise between the Captains; he cannot exact any retribution nor emolument of the *Capitaines Pecheurs*, he will weigh minutely the decisions that he makes, and state the proof of the fact, *par des proces verbaux*, of all the contraventions of the decree committed pending the duration of the fishery, and sign these *proces verbaux*, and cause them to be signed by the officers, and the *maitre d'equipage*, and on his return he shall transmit the said *proces verbaux* and decisions, to the *Commissaire de l'inscription maritime*, in the port from whence he parted; besides, he shall send to the said *Commissaire* a detailed report upon the Navigation, and upon all that may concern the improvement of the Fishery.

If the Captain *Prud'homme* is himself interested, or if he is absent, the affair shall be brought and submitted to the judgment of the *Prud'homme* of the neighbouring port.

The Captain *Prud'homme* is bound to send to the *Commandant des batiments de la station*, when they make inspection of harbors, specifying the state and condition of each place in particular; if it is or not occupied as the rule prescribes, and if all things there are legally observed.

All crimes or outrages, contrary to discipline; all contraventions to established rules in that which concerns the *regime* of the Fishery, and the mode of occupation of places, will be by him denounced to the *Commandants des dits batiments*, whose mission is to repress them, and to maintaining everywhere good order and the observance of the Decree.

If one commits a crime, which in France is under the jurisdiction *des tribunaux*, the Captain *Prud'homme* fulfils the functions of *judge de paix*, he forms the first instruction and watches to prevent his escape, and commit him to the *Commandant de la Station*, with the documents stating the proofs and verifying the facts of the crime.

The *Navires pecheurs* cannot obtain their papers before the 1st March for the Banks and for the West Coast, and before the 1st April for the East Coast of Newfoundland.

All Captains of *Navires*, who shall set sail and make route before these dates, will be subject to a penalty of a thousand francs, for which the *Armateur* will be wholly responsible.

No Captain can establish his *Navire* to fish or dry it in a harbor, other than that which shall have been assigned by *bulletine de mise en possession*, under a penalty of five hundred francs.

It is forbidden to all Captains, under a penalty of five hundred francs, to cast ballast into the harbors, or break or transport stages, or other articles remaining on the shore.

The Captains are obliged to procure for the *Commandant des batiments en station*, upon

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the coast of Newfoundland, details that these officers demand of them upon the working of the Fishery, upon the police observed by the fishermen, upon the number and state of their *navires*, their *batteaux* and their *equipages*.

All *Navires* destined to the Cod Fishery, whose equipage shall be forty men or more, shall have on board a surgeon.

It is formally interdicted to embark spirituous liquors *a bord des batiments*. The administration *de la marine*, will concert with those *des douanne* the measures to take for preventing the embarkation of spirituous liquors.

A penalty of five hundred francs will be incurred by all *Armateurs* who shall make sale of spirituous liquors for their own account, to the *Equipages de ses navires*.

The revenue of the penalties or *amendes*, shall be put in the chest of the *invalides de la Marine*.

The following list shows the names of harbors on the East Coast of Newfoundland, from Cape John to Cape Norman ; the number of fishing places comprised in each ; the number of the said places at present occupied ; the number of vessels from 150 to 300 tons ; the number of *batteaux* ; the number of cod seines ; and the number of men employed.

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Names of Harbors.	No of Places as- signed for Stages.	No. of Places oc- cupied.	No. of Vessels, 150 to 300 Tons.	No of Batteaux.	No. of Seines.	No. of Men.
La Soie	6	6	6	70	11	388
La Petit Coup de Huche..	3					
La Grant Coup de Huche..	2					
Pasquet	5	2	2	26	4	136
L'Isle a Bois	1					
La Baie des Pins	2	1	1	12	2	69
La Baie Vert	2	1	1	12	2	69
La Fleur de Lis	6	6	6	62	11	340
Les Grands Vaches	1					
Les Petits Vaches	1					
Orange	2					
Fourchè	2					
Sans Fond	3	1	1	12	2	70
Le Degrat du Cheval	1	1	1	12	2	66
Raincé	1	1	1	12	2	60
Les Canaries	6	3	3	36	6	182
Les Aiguillettes	4					
Boutitou	2	2	2	25	4	125
La Couche	9	4	4	32	8	244
Cap Rouge	13	13	13	82	22	708
Anse du Pilier	1	1	1	Banker		
Belle Isle South	2					
Anse aux Millions	1					
Le Croc	5	4	4	39	8	267
Isles des St. Juliens	2	1		9		26
Grand St. Juliens	3	2	2	26	4	145
Petits St. Juliens	2					
Les Grands Oies	3	1	1	10	2	74
Les Grands Ilettes	2					
Les Petits Ilettes	4	2	2	15	4	132
Le Havre du Four	2					
Isle de Fishot	8	7	7	60	12	430
Les Petits Oies	6	4	4	34	8	256
Trois Montagnes	3	3	3	20	4	139
L'Anse a la Soupe	1					
La Cremaillère	6	3	3	33	6	185
Baie St. Antoine	7	4	4	22	6	179
Grand Brehats	3	3	3	22	6	182
L'Anse Vert	1	1	1	from	Ferrolle	
Petits Brahats	1					
Isle Granchain	1					
Baie St. Lunarie	6	1	1	13	3	90
Les Criquets and Cap Banc	12	3	3	20	6	195
Baie du Nord	3	1	1	8	2	68
Quirpon	18	14	14	108	21	735
Baie aux Mauves	3	3	3	25	5	183
Anse a Midee	1	1	1	10	2	69
Baie du Sacre	2					
Cap d' Oignon	1	1	1	10	2	68
Havre de Cook	3	1	1	6	1	37
Baie de Haha	1					

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The above list shows that there are—

51 Harbors.

186 Places assigned for Fishery.

102 Places which are occupied

101 Vessels.

883 Batteaux.

178 Cod Seines.

5917 Men.

Two French vessels were shipwrecked on the Coast last Spring, one of which was attended with loss of life; two places intended to be occupied by them were vacant. I observed great order, sobriety, industry, and perseverance, prevailing in the French Establishments, in the prosecution of the Fishery, and therefore could not but deplore the prevailing practice of insisting on the continuous labor of the men, from the day of arrival to the day of departure, without even one day's rest, which, irrespective of other considerations, tends to demoralise and destroy their constitutions. I repeatedly asked why it is that the French Government does not step in between the avaricious Merchants, and put a check to the merchandize they make of so excellent a people.

There are two Catholic Chapels erected, one at La Scie, and another at La Couche, by the French Captains; and a French Catholic Clergyman resides at Cape Rouge, visiting the several harbors on the Coast.

Early in July several cargoes of fish were prepared and shipped for France; two vessels were taking fish in drums for Brazil. I examined the fish cured after the English method for that market, and I must say that I have never seen better cured fish. I saw another lot cured expressly for the West Indies; and a vessel was then preparing to take a cargo of French cured for the East Indies.

The Fishery on parts of the Coast was abundant, on other parts very indifferent; the best estimate I could make of the whole catch from Cape John to Cape Norman, may be about 265,000 quintals.

Complaints were made at Sans Fond, that a vessel belonging to Twillingate came in there on returning from the Ice, and entered upon a French stage and totally destroyed it.

At St. Lunaire, a schooner belonging to Harbor Grace put in there last fall, and entered upon a French room, and carried away therefrom a quantity of nails, oars, and several other valuable articles.

At *Baie du Nord*, a brig belonging to Spaniard's Bay, or its neighbourhood, returned from the Ice, manned three boats and went to *Criquet*, entered upon a French stage, and carried

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away the greater part thereof. Some crews belonging to Twillingate came to *Criquet* last fall on a Winter Sealing voyage, took possession of a French dwelling, remained therein until Spring, and left it in a very offensive, dirty state; strewed along the beach opposite upwards of one hundred Seal carcasses, which, after some time being exposed to the sun, became an insufferable nuisance. At Quirpon, three large boats put in there on their way to the Labrador, supposed to belong to Green Bay or its neighbourhood, and went on board a French vessel the night before leaving, and cut and carried away a quantity of rope, blocks, and several other articles.

I informed the parties severally complaining, that to proceed against them, it would be necessary that a complaint be made on oath before me or other Magistrates, of the facts, which they declined, in consequence of the occupiers of the place last year having removed to other Harbors, and not within reach to advise with. I gave each a proclamation, and directed how they may act in future.

The French Captains, prior to their leaving the shore, appoint one or more of the English settlers *Guardiens* of their habitations, stages, and other articles of property which they leave on the Coast.

To ascertain correctly the number of the population residing on the Coast between Cape John and Quirpon, inclusive, I visited the following places, of some of which I give both the French and English names:

La Scie.
 Petit Coup de Hache, or Brents Cove.
 Grand Coup de Hache, or Harbor Round.
 Pasquet.
 Isle a Bois or Wood Island.
 Des Pins, or Mings.
 Pot d'Etain, or Coachman's Cove.
 Fleur de Lis.
 Lobster Harbor.
 Seal Cove.
 Bide Cove.
 Fox Cove.
 Bear Cove.
 Western Arm.
 Wiseman's Cove.
 Western Cove.
 Purbeck Cove.
 Pomley Cove.
 Otter Cove.
 Chouse Brook.
 River Head.
 Gold Cove.
 Sops Island.
 Jackson's Arm.
 Concy Arm.
 Grand Vaches, or Grandfathers Cove.

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Petites Vaches, or Little Harbor deep.
 Orange, or Big Harbor Deep.
 Sans Fond, or Hooping Harbor.
 Degrat du Cheval, or Cat Cove.
 Raincé, or Little Canada.
 Aiguillettes, or Engless.
 Boutition, or Hillyard's Harbor.
 Couche.
 Cap Rouge, or Crouse.
 Anse du Pilier.
 Croc or Croque.
 Anse aux Millions.
 Iles des St. Juliens.
 Grand St. Juliens.
 Petits St. Juliens.
 Grandes Oies, Granswar.
 Grand Ilotter, } or Criquet.
 Petites Ilottes, }
 Havre de Four.
 Isle de Fish ot, or Fishroad Island.
 Petites Oies, or Goose Cove.
 Trois Montagnes.
 L'Anse a la Loup.
 Canaillere.
 Saint Antoine.
 Grand Brehats, or Great Braha.
 L'Anse Vert, or Green Cove.
 Petites Brehats, or Little Braha.
 Saint Lunaire, or St. Leonards.
 Criquets.
 Baie du Nord, or Fortune.
 Kirpon, or Quirpon.

White Bay is large and extensive, being, at its entrance from Cape Partridge to Cat Head, about five leagues wide, and running up South Westerly about fifteen leagues; it is well studded with timber, susceptible of agricultural improvement, and offers many advantages to settlers; at present there are thirty-two families, numbering two hundred and thirty-one, of whom two hundred and three are members of the Church of England, and twenty-eight Catholics. The French do not occupy any part of the Bay, nor does it appear that they ever have marked out any harbor or place for fishery purposes, except West Arm for the Salmon Fishery, which they do not use.

On the Coast from Cape John to Cape Partridge there are sixteen families, numbering one hundred and ten, all of whom are Catholics, except four of the Church of England; from Cat Head to Quirpon inclusive, there are one hundred and two families, numbering six hundred and seventy-eight, of whom two hundred and ninety-five are members of the Church of England, three hundred and ten are Catholic, and seventy-three are members of the Wesleyan Church.

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The settlers are generally supplied by traders from St. John's, who visit them in spring and fall, and barter for their products of seals, fish, and oil, taking in return for their consumption the articles which paid the required duties into the Treasury, and yet they are without the means of affording to the adult or to the children either a moral or a religious instruction. White Bay has not been visited by a Clergyman of any denomination, of which they complain grievously.

The French Shore, as it is called, is not much more favored; some few of the most populous parts may receive an occasional visit of a Clergyman, yet it remains nearly as destitute as their neighbours in White Bay of those advantages with which the capital of the Island is so highly favored. Where the blame or responsibility rests in permitting so long neglected such a state of things, it is not for them or for me to venture an opinion; they love to hope, however, that the Governor and the Legislature will take their situation in that particular into favorable consideration, and accord to them that measure of education of which they stand so much in need.

The Harbors in which are owned the decked craft, are opening a direct trade with St. John's.

The census I have taken with much care and particularity; considering it may be of more importance than the mere numbering of the people, seeing that the recognition of the principles of equitable compensation is set forth in the 11th and 12th articles of the Convention between Her Majesty and the Emperor of the French, in the event of the liability of the settlers being removed off the coast. The census alluded to shows, from Cape John to Quirpon inclusive—

- 1019 total population; of which,—
- 564 are males, and
- 445 are females.
- 358 men and boys engaged as fishermen.
- 502 are of the Church of England.
- 444 are Catholics, and
- 73 are of the Wesleyan Church.
- 22 decked vessels, from 20 to 50 tons, and upwards.
- 9998 qtls. cod fish.
- 177 tierces salmon.
- 816 barrels of herring and mackerel.
- 26 tons cod oil.
- 6441 seals, 40 of which is the average to make a tun of oil.
- 1047 seal nets.
- 24 cod and caplin seines.
- 235 herring and mackerel nets and seines.
- 779 salmon nets.
- 326 boats, from 3 to 10 qtls.
- 1277 barrels potatoes.
- 103 cows, bulls, and calves.
- 230 swine and goats.

When near St. Barbes, or Horse Islands, and Bell and Groais Islands, the wind and sea being unfavorable, I could not visit them; my limited time would not permit delay, and I obtained from persons acquainted with the residents the following particulars:

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St. Barbes, or Horse Islands.

- 1 Settler
- 9 Total; of whom are—
- 5 Males
- 4 Females
- 4 Fishermen
- 9 Church of England
- 1 Deeked Craft
- 130 Qtls. of Fish
- 14 Tierces of Salmon
- 30 Barrels of Herring
- $\frac{1}{2}$ Ton of Cod Oil
- 100 Seals, making $2\frac{1}{2}$ Tuns Oil
- 20 Seal Nets
- 4 Herring Nets
- 5 Boats.

Bell and Groais Islands.

Messrs. Stabb, Row & Holmwood have an Establishment there, and another person, which shows the population to be—

- 2 Families
- 16 Total; of which
- 13 are Males, and
- 3 Females
- 12 Fishermen
- 15 Church of England
- 1 Catholic
- 56 Qtls. of Fish
- 475 Old Seals
- 90 Seal Nets
- 2 Cod and Caplin Seines
- 1 Mackerel Seine and 1 Herring Net
- 8 Boats
- 4 Cows
- 49 Barrels of Potatoes
- 2 Seal Frames.

Having been requested to obtain such opinions and information as may be in my reach, whilst traversing the coast, on the subject of perfecting the Lighting the East Coast of the Island, and having visited Tilton Harbor, Fogo, Herring Neck, Twillingate, Fortune Harbor, and Change Islands, it afforded me an opportunity of conversing on that subject; and it is the opinion of the most experienced that, as there is a Light on the Offer Wadhams, that it is now indispensably necessary to place a Harbor Light on the Burnt Point of Seldom-Come-By, being the nearest port of refuge; and that in running for that port in the night, Wild Bight may be easily taken for it by a stranger, as it is merely a point that separates both. If a Light shall be placed there, it may be said that will be sufficient for the coast, unless it may be thought a matter worthy of consideration to place a Light, either on the Stinking Islands or Cape Freels; in such case it would then be absolutely necessary to place a Light at the entrance of Greenspond.

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The next place where a Light may be advantageously placed, between the Wadham Islands and Bell Isle North, (on which the Canadian Government has erected a Light-house) is Bell Isle South, or the Southernmost Groais Island, seeing that it forms a great void. I conversed on that subject with several intelligent and experienced French Captains, who considered it necessary for the perfecting the Lighting the East Coast, that it might be an advantage to them in the Spring when they approach the coast, but they considered it of greater importance to the small schooners, which pass in great numbers to and from the Labrador, as well as to the number of shipping engaged in the Sealing voyage. I recommended that they would call the attention of their *Armateurs* to the subject, and unite in applying to their Government to erect the Building, and I presumed to say that our Government would defray the entire expense of supporting it, considering its great advantages to those who use, in going to and returning from the North, what is called the inside run.

The Canadian Government sent the Steamer Napoleon to ascertain where other Lights may be beneficially placed by their Government, either on the coast of Labrador, or within the Straits. I understood that Members of the Executive Council, and Members of the Canadian Parliament, were on board, and that they decided to recommend that a Light be placed on the Double Island of Cape Charles, on the coast of Labrador, and two other Lights within the Straits; it is more than probable that one will be placed on Cape Norman.

Whilst speaking with French Captains, they remarked—rather complainingly—that a great number of small schooners put into their harbors on their going and on their returning from the Labrador, and observed that in very few instances the names of their vessels and the Port of Registry were printed or otherwise marked on them as the Law directs; they said many gave false names of the masters, and of the places to which they belonged, often causing great suspicion, and in some instances loss, by pilfering their property, as was the case in Quirpon last August. They did not wish to charge the officers, whose duty it might be to require the observance of the law, with any neglect or dereliction of duty on that account, but considered that I ought to bring the matter under the notice of the Government, so that the Act made and provided in such cases may be strictly observed.

I remained in Quirpon a few days waiting a time to proceed to Black Joke Cove, for the purpose of complying with a request to survey and report upon the place where the intended Breakwater may be erected; after making two unsuccessful trials, I was compelled to relinquish any further attempt, in consequence of the prevailing boisterous weather, and it being rather late in the season. I made it however, during my cruise, the subject of conversation with those who were acquainted, and heretofore resorted the place, as well as competent to give an opinion; and all, with one or two solitary exceptions, were decidedly of opinion that a Breakwater could be erected there, and of the necessity of such an undertaking, by the Government. So satisfied of this was Mr. Lammergan, of Carrol's Cove, who fished there many years, and in the heaviest weather, that he said he would engage to build it for the sum named, and engage its security for three years, and remain without the amount until the termination of that period. All say, when a Breakwater shall be erected, the place will be worth thousands to the country, as the fish appears there in abundance immediately after it forsakes the Labrador and French Shore, and is easily taken with the jigger.

Whilst on the Labrador coast I visited Battle Harbor, Matthew's Cove, Antles Cove, Cape Charles, Niger Sound, Hanley Harbor, and Chateaux, and proceeded up the Straits, calling at Red Bay, Carrol's Cove, East Modeste, and Pin Ware, or Black Bay. I pro-

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gressed slowly in consequence of the heavy adverse winds, I may say gales; as I could not get with the vessel above East Modeste, the season advancing, and seeing that I could not do anything satisfactorily in the way of my duty, I determined to move homewards.

Shortly after I anchored in Red Bay, Lieutenant Mead, R. N., H. M. Cutter Netley, and Mr. M. H. Perley, British Commissioner for the North American Fisheries, under the Reciprocity Treaty with the United States, left their cards on board during my absence on shore; early the following morning they called again, acquainting me that the Cutter belonged to the Commodore of the station. Mr. Perley requested me to give him such information as I may possess, touching the duties I was engaged in, stating that my instructions were transmitted by the Governor of Newfoundland to Halifax, which I presumed were to the Commodore, and that he was in possession of them. I replied that I did not feel myself authorised to give any information without first obtaining permission from the Governor; after some conversation, the Lieutenant of the Commodore's Ship being present, and appeared as if identified with Mr. Perley, I was rather in doubt of what best to do, and at last consented to allow Mr. Perley to make such copies and extracts as he might desire, of all the information I possessed; he appeared much pleased, and I felt no less so, as I thought that we had but one object in view, the general good.

I respectfully beg leave to suggest as my opinion, that for the effective protection of the Fisheries at Belle Isle, and within the Straits of Belle Isle, it is desirable that, independent of a cruising vessel, a boat and at least three men be stationed at Black Joke Cove, and at East Modeste; and the officer of the latter place to cruise from Red Bay to Forteau, and take an account of the names of vessels, their place of Registry and tonnage, together with the Masters' names, and the quantity of fish taken by all such as may resort there.

I perceived the French Surveying Schooner at Hare Bay, continuing its labors in Surveying the Coast and Harbors. I have seen two of the Charts, neatly executed by *M. G. Cloué, Lieutenant de Vaisseau, Commandant la Goulette la Fauvette.*

In concluding, I respectfully crave the kind indulgence of His Excellency the Governor, as I apprehend I have lengthened this letter of Report beyond the ordinary limits.

I have, &c.,

(Signed)

JAMES L. PRENDERGAST.

The Hon John Kent,
Colonial Secretary, &c., &c.

POSTSCRIPT.

I have considered it proper to add, as Postscript, for the information of His Excellency the Governor, the Names of Harbors, and the Number of Places assigned therein to the *Armateurs*, conformable to the Decree of the 2nd March, 1852, so that His Excellency may be placed in possession of the whole management, from Cape John to Cape Ray.

On the West Coast, that is, from Cape Norman to Cape Ray only, are reserved places, assigned a *l'exploitation de la pêche.*

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FROM CAPE NORMAN TO CAPE RAY.

Names of Harbors.	Places as- signed.	Remarks.
Anse aux Fleurs	1	This Harbor is assigned <i>a l' exploitation commune de la peche.</i>
Point de l' Ancre	1	
Baie St. Barbe	2	These Harbors are assigned <i>a l' exploitation commune de la peche.</i>
Vieux Ferole	3	
Anse de Nauvaux Ferole }		
Baie St. Marguerite }		
Isle St. Jean	5	These Harbors are assigned <i>a l' exploitation commune de la peche.</i>
Isle des Sauvages	2	
Anse de Barbau	2	
Port aux Choix	4	
Ingam a Choix	2	
Havre des Roches.....	2	
Bonne Baie }		
Baie des Isles }		
Anse a Boics	2	
Petit Havre, or Petit Port .....			The greve of this Harbor is divided in six parts, and is assigned one to each place, pour le chouage des batteaux.
Port a Port	1	This Harbor is assigned <i>a l' exploitation commune de la peche.</i>
Isle Rouge	1	This Harbor continues to be reserved for the Schooners of the Isles of St. Pierre and Miquelon.
Saint George		
Cod Roy	3	

I have not visited any of the Harbors on the West Coast, and am not in a position to afford any particulars relative to the number of places occupied, or of the number of Vessels resorting there to fish. I was informed, when in the Straits, that it is generally the Vessels that resort the Coast from Red Bay to Forteau, which are authorised to fish in the *Baies communes.*

(Signed)

JAMES L. PRENDERGAST,

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REPORT of M. J. KELLY, Esq., on the Protection of the Fisheries, taking the Census, &c., at the Labrador and Straits of Belle Isle, during the summer of 1857.

Sailed from St. John's on the 21th of May, 1857, and having touched at Burin, St. Pierre, and Burgeo, arrived at Cape Ray on the 7th June and anchored at Codroy Island on

MONDAY, June 8th.

Went on shore to superintend the taking of the Census, which we procured on this and the following day.

The French have a large fishing establishment here, the catch of cod fish by the residents is about 100 qtls. per man. They take very little salmon in consequence of the French monopolizing the best places for their nets, but in no other way I am informed do they interfere with the fishing of the inhabitants. The land about this place and between it and Great Codroy is level and good, and requiring very little labor in the clearing of it for farming purposes, exhibiting the least difficulty in that way of any land I have seen in this country, yet, the inhabitants confine their agricultural labors to the keeping of a few head of cattle. I am told that the population of this place has increased very much these few years back. The present population is 192, of whom 130 belong to the Church of England and 62 Catholics.

WEDNESDAY, June 10th.

Having procured a pilot, as the entrance into Great Codroy River is very intricate, we left this morning for that place.

THURSDAY, June 11th.

Went up the River in the boat for the purpose of procuring the census. This River is nearly three-quarters of a mile wide, but the navigable channel is not more than two or three hundred yards in width, which winds in a zigzag course from one bank to the other for the distance that we went up, about eight miles. This increases so much the apparent distance that has to be travelled in going up or coming down the river, that it prevents the settlers up there from embarking in the codfishery in connection with their farms. A few persons have left the river for this reason and settled on the sea coast. There are some good farms up the river, and the land appears, for the distance we went up, to be a very eligible place for farming purposes. The largest farm on the river belongs to a Mr. Ryan. He has 26 head of cattle, 40 sheep, raises 400 barrels of potatoes besides other crops, cuts 40 tons of hay, and his farm is a perfect model of neatness. In fact the neatness and order observed in this farm, as well as the out-offices connected with it, were such as would not disgrace the most agricultural country in the world. The population of this settlement is 230, of whom 223 are Catholics, and 7 Protestants. There is a Roman Catholic Chapel here, and the Clergyman at St. George's Bay officiates here occasionally. The catch of codfish is very small, being not more than 40 qtls. per man;—of salmon and seals, 10 barrels of the former, and 100 of the latter, are the entire catch of the settlement. They raise, however, on an average, per family, of agricultural produce, 70 barrels potatoes, 9 barrels of grain, 10 barrels turnips, and possess 6 head of cattle, and 10 sheep and pigs.

The number of families being 35.

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FRIDAY, June 12th.

The distance from here to Little Codroy River is about 6 miles. I went in the boat there this morning, expecting to be back in time for the tide, to leave for St. George's Bay; but it came on to blow so strong when we arrived there that we were compelled to leave the boat and return by land. All the residents up the River had come down to prosecute the fishery during the summer, which is better here than in Great Codroy, being 60 qtls. per man;—of salmon and seals, 200 of the latter, and 8 barrels of the former, are taken in the settlement. The persons who farm most here are Scotch people who have settled here lately. They raise in the settlement 800 barrels of potatoes, 50 barrels of turnips, and they possess 70 head of cattle and 60 sheep. The population is 100, of whom 75 are Catholics, and 34 Protestants.

SATURDAY, June 13th.

The weather being moderate, the men went to bring the boat back.

MONDAY, June 15th.

Having procured a pilot, we left this afternoon for St. George's Bay, arrived there on

TUESDAY, June 16th.

Went on shore and gave Mr. Savage his instructions as to the taking of the census at the Barrisways. He starts in the morning.

From TUESDAY, June 16th, to FRIDAY, 19th

Engaged in procuring the census at Sandy Point and the opposite side of the Harbor, Main Gut, Indian Head, and Port au Port.

SATURDAY, June 20th.

Mr. Savage returned to-day and delivered the census returns of the Barrisways.

MONDAY, June 22nd.

Had the copies of the census made out and delivered to the Rev. Father Belanger and Mr. Forrest.

The principal fishery in this Bay is the herring—the usual catch of which, some years ago, was from 20,000 to 30,000 barrels. It has, however, decreased very much these few years back, and this year it is estimated to be not more than 12,000 or 14,000 barrels. The cause of this decrease has been attributed to the very improper practice adopted by the schooner masters who come here for herring, of throwing the offal of the herring overboard on the fishing ground.

The result of which has been, that not only has the herring deserted their usual haunts, and this year have been taken where they have never been known to frequent before, but the quantity

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tity has also lessened to the amount above stated. The planters and residents seem to be well aware of the injury done their fishery by this practice, and a few years back entered into a mutual agreement to prevent it; but the want of rigid supervising power to enforce the regulations, has resulted in its present open violation.

There is very little cod fish caught here; the cod fish come with the herring and leave about the same time;—and as the people give all their attention to the herring fishery, as being the more lucrative, very little is taken, for what is caught after the herring leaves is very trifling.

The same reason is given for the small amount of tillage at Sandy Point and its vicinity—namely, their whole attention being required at the herring fishery during the spring to the exclusion of any other employment.

Although this would be a reasonable excuse for the absence of any extensive farming on the part of those people whose main support undoubtedly is the herring fishery, it can scarcely account for the entire absence of anything like tillage, even to the extent of a potato garden among a portion of the inhabitants; and these, the very parties needing such aid most, being, as I am informed, compelled annually to solicit the assistance of their wealthier neighbours, to enable them to get through the winter. At the Barrisways, I understand, there are some good farms. The population of St. George's Bay, including Port au Port, is 1049, of whom 631 are Catholics, 402 Church of England, 13 Wesleyans, and 3 of the Free Kirk Church. There are here one Catholic Chapel and a resident Clergyman, and one Protestant Church, a Clergyman for which is expected to arrive shortly. I have heard since that he arrived.

TUESDAY, June 23rd.

Left this morning with a fair breeze for Bay of Islands.

WEDNESDAY, June 24th.

Made the land this morning; but in consequence of the wind failing, it was evening when we got into Lark Harbor.—There are no permanent residents in this Harbor. Some five or six families from the entrance of the River Humber come here during the summer for the purpose of fishing—the catch of which here is very small, being about 30 qtls. per man. But this year they say they will fall far short of even that. The Caplin had left when we arrived, although it was but a fortnight there. There are ten French brigs and seven schooners from St. Pierre in the Bay. They arrive here from the middle of April to the 1st of May. At the time of our arrival they did not average, according to report, more than seven or eight hundred quintals of fish per vessel; the number of hands being from 45 to 60, about 15 qtls. per man; they left for the North shortly after our arrival.

THURSDAY, June 25th.

Left the vessel this morning in the boat to go up the River Humber;—the distance from where the vessel is at Lark Harbor to the entrance of the Arm is about 12 miles, and from that to where the fresh water commences, 15 miles. There are about half-a-dozen families living up the Arm; their chief support consists in the Herring and Salmon fisheries; the

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latter of which has decreased very much, the catch at present being very small to what it once was. The inhabitants who appear to be very poor, have been supplied these few years past by Halifax traders with herring nets on the halves. Their average catch is about 40 barrels per man—only half of which of course is theirs. The catch of Salmon in the whole Bay is 130 barrels.

The ground at both sides of the Arm rises very abruptly from the water and reaches a considerable height. It is well wooded down to the water's edge; but the wood is small, and apparently unfit for any purpose except firewood. There are a few Coves where the ground is level and fit for farming purposes, but of limited extent. These are occupied—but with the exception of these spots, I do not consider the land at either side of this Arm as an eligible site for farming purposes. The difficulty of access from the water, as well as the hilly nature of the land, are two serious drawbacks, while the small growth of the timber does not promise much for the richness of the soil. But along the banks of the fresh water to the lake, I understand the case is different; there the timber grows to an immense size, and of course the ground is proportionably rich. It was night when we arrived at the top of the Arm;—we remained there that night, and next morning attempted to go up the River, but the current was so strong that even with four oars we could make no progress. We returned and reached our vessel same evening. Both days were fine with no wind, so that we were compelled to row all the way, a distance of nearly sixty miles.

The population of the Bay of the Islands and Trout River is 156, of whom 131 are of the Church of England, and 25 Catholics.

SATURDAY, June 27th.

The wind ahead, and continued so until

TUESDAY, June 30th.

Left Lark Harbor this morning with a light air of wind, and got clear of the land by dark.

WEDNESDAY, July 1st.

Wind still light, made Bonne Bay this evening. Went on Shore to procure the census. The catch of Codfish here is very small, about 20 qtls. per man, and about 40 barrels of Herring per man. About 30 barrels of Salmon taken in the settlements. They raise 400 barrels of potatoes or 40 barrels per family. No other crops are cultivated, and they have no cattle, although the ground in the neighborhood is singularly favorable for agricultural purposes, being a perfect level for about 3 miles inland, and of a rich mould and free from rocks.

The population is 77, all of whom belong to the Church of England.

THURSDAY, July 2nd.

The wind freshened after leaving Bonne Bay;—arrived at Cow Head this morning.

The catch of fish is a little better than at Bonne Bay, being 30 qtls. of Codfish and 40 barrels of Herring per man. One man has Seal Nets and takes about 30 Seals. They

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raise something short of 30 barrels of potatoes and 3 barrels of turnips per family. They have no cattle.

From Bonne Bay to this Harbor, and for some distance to the north of it, the ground presents the same level character as described at Bonne Bay.

Sailed for Port au Choix, and arrived there this evening.

The population of Cow Head is 55, of whom 48 are of the Church of England, and 7 Catholics.

FRIDAY, July 3rd.

Between Cow Head and Port au Choix is Portland Creek, in which the catch of fish is nearly the same as at Cow Head. They raised about 15 barrels of potatoes per family; they have six head of cattle with settlement. The population is 27, all of whom are of the Church of England.

The inhabitants at Port au Choix catch very little Codfish, and that little is caught before the French arrive and after they leave.

Their catch is 20 qtls. of Codfish and 20 barrels of Herring per man; their chief support is the Seal Fishery, of which they take about 100 per man. This port is said to be the best on the Western French Shore to prosecute the Seal Fishery from. They raise no agricultural produce here, and have no cattle.

At this port a French Man-of-War Steamer was wrecked on a sunken rock in going into the Harbor, they were breaking her up when we arrived. A French vessel left this port with dry fish for Marseilles a few days before we arrived.

The population is 37, of whom 36 are Catholics and 1 Protestant.

The number of inhabitants from here to Ferrole is 46, of whom 44 are of the Church of England, and 2 Catholics. Their catch of fish is 50 qtls. of Codfish, 30 barrels of Herrings, and 40 Seals per man.

SATURDAY, July 4th.

Left Port au Choix this morning and arrived at Ferrole about noon. The catch of fish here is about the same as at Port au Choix, and the same remark applies as to the time of catching it. The catch of Seals is 50 per man. There is no agricultural produce of any description raised here, and I may as well add, that from Port au Choix to Quirpon, there is no cultivation, except a few garden vegetables.

Left for St. Barbes in the evening; arrived there that night.

The population of the two Ferroles and as far as St. Barbes is 74, of whom 49 are of the Church of England, and 25 Catholics.

MONDAY, July 6th.

It blew a strong breeze all day from the Westward.

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TUESDAY, July 7th.

Went in the Boat to Anchor Point this morning; they catch no Codfish here, they take about 30 barrels of Herring, and 50 qtls. per man.

The population is 30, of whom 28 are of the Church of England, and 2 Catholics.

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The wind ahead.

FRIDAY, July 10.

Left this morning St. Barbes, and arrived at French Island Harbor same afternoon. The catch of Codfish is 50 qtls., of Herring 20 barrels, and of Seals 40 per man.

The population is 70, of whom 31 are Catholics, 25 Church of England, and 14 Wesleyans.

SATURDAY, July 11.

Procured the Census as far as Cape Norman, amount being 74, of whom 62 are Church of England, and 12 Catholics.

Their catch of fish is nearly same as French Island Harbor; of Seals they take 80 per man.

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The wind ahead and blowing very strong. A French fishing boat was upset outside the Harbor on Monday, and the two men in her drowned.

WEDNESDAY, July 15th.

As it is difficult to get out of this Harbor, with a fair wind going north, we left this morning for the Labrador Coast and made Lance a Loup.

THURSDAY, July 16th.

Went on Shore to Messrs. Row & Co's. premises, saw Mr. Crockwell, who states that there have been no encroachments by the French up to this date. I understand they seldom come before the latter part of this month.

Walked as far as the Light House at Cape Shallop, which is a very fine stone building, cased outside with brick, consisting of tower and dwelling house. The Tower is about 100 feet high, with a powerful fixed light on top, said to be visible about 30 miles. The entire building as well as the machinery of the Light, are of the most solid and durable materials. It was lit for a couple of nights to test it, but will not be lighted permanently until the latter part of the summer, when the Light on Belle Isle Island is expected to be completed and lighted at the same time.

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FRIDAY, July 17th.

The wind ahead, the fish has been very plenty the two last days. The Fishery has been a fair average up to this in this Bay,

SATURDAY, July 18th.

Sailed this morning for Quirpon, and arrived there this evening.

MONDAY, July 20th.

Procured the Census from Cape Norman to Quirpon, including the latter place, which amounts to 111, of whom 103 are of the Church of England, and 8 Catholics.

Their catch of Codfish is 25 Qtls., and of Seals 50 per man.

There is a Manufactory erected here by the French for converting the fish offal into guano, but it has not been worked these last two years.

The entire population from Cape Ray to Quirpon, including the latter place, is 2337, of whom 1168 are of the Church of England, 1139 Catholics, 27 Wesleyans, and 3 of the Free Kirk Church.

Church of England	..	..	..	..	1168
Catholics	..	..	..	..	1139
Wesleyans	..	..	..	..	27
Free Kirk	..	..	..	..	3

This closes my duty of superintending the taking the Census.

The inhabitants from Bonne Bay North complain of the French taking the exclusive possession of the River Salmon Fishery as well as every other site favorable for that fishery.

In every harbor that we went into from Codroy to French Island Harbor, we were told that the French had stated, that if they were prevented from fishing on the Labrador coast, they would turn all the English inhabitants off the French Shore next year. I told the people not to be in the least uneasy on that point, as the French had no territorial claims in this Island. As far as I could judge, their fishery along this coast was a poor one this summer, although I have heard since I left, that it was reported by themselves to be a prosperous one; but this I would be inclined to doubt. It is possible that there may be a motive for exaggerating their catch of fish, as well as in the threat above stated, preparatory to a renewed effort for those privileges they are so anxious to grasp. There were 2 Men-of-War Steamers, 1 Frigate and 2 smaller Crafts, employed by the French protecting their Fishery on the Western Coast this summer.

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THURSDAY, July 23rd.

Left this morning for Belle Isle Island; as the wind was light it was 3 o'clock a. m. when we reached it. Went on shore to inspect the Cove where the breakwater is required. The Cove is a narrow one of about 200 yards in length, very well protected from the sea, except at the end where the breakwater is necessary the length of which will be 30 yards. I think it is quite practicable to erect a breakwater that will resist the back flow of water, as it is called, which will make this a safe Harbor for small crafts during the summer, or fishing months of the year. There were two craft in the Cove, one being Mr. March's.

The Fish was very abundant, the punts being able to load twice a-day with the jiggers. The officer reports no encroachment of the French up to this date. Sailed for the Labrador and anchored in the Caribon Run, as the wind blew out Cape Charles Harbor.

SATURDAY, July 25th.

Went in the boat to Battle Harbor; called on Messrs. Slades' Agent, Mr. Bendal.

The fishery here has been very good up to this.—No encroachment of the French.

MONDAY, July 27th.

Went in the boat to Cape Charles Harbor, the English Man-of-War *Atalanta* came there at the same time. Went on board but missed seeing the Captain, as he had just gone on shore. The first Lieutenant informed me that the Captain intended sailing for St. John's in the morning. Returned on board the *Alice* to write some letters for St. John's.

TUESDAY, July 28th.

Sent my letters on board the Man-of-War, and got under way on the boats return. The wind came a-head and foggy as we got clear of Cape Charles.

WEDNESDAY, July 29th

Sailed this morning for Belle Isle Island. Stood in to open the Cove, and saw the same two crafts as in former visit. Sailed down the Island and returned to the Labrador Coast—made Henley Harbor.

THURSDAY, July 30th.

Went in the boat to Chateau. The Fishery here as well as at Henley Harbor is very good up to this date.

FRIDAY, July 31st.

No wind to leave. Some herring were taken here to-day.

SATURDAY, August 1st.

Sailed for Red Bay this morning.

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MONDAY, August 3rd.

Went in the boat to Carroll's Cove, the herring being abundant. Some large hauls were made both here and at Red Bay. At the latter place some Mackerel were taken with the Herring. No encroachment of the French here.

TUESDAY, August 4th.

Sailed for West St. Modeste.

WEDNESDAY, August 5th.

Went in the boat to Pinware and East St. Modeste. In the former place a French Vessel from St. Pierre was fishing. I ordered her off; the Captain promised to leave the first fair wind. I understood Mr. Crockwell had written to him a short time before I arrivcd, ordering him to leave.

The Herring very plenty to-day. The Cod Fishery is not so good here.

FRIDAY, August 7th.

The French Vessel left Pinware early this morning for the Newfoundland Shore.

At these three harbors, the two St. Modestes and Pinware, are the places most subject to the visitations of the French. I remained here until the 20th, visiting Pinware, East St. Modeste, and Lance-a-Loup in the boat occasionally.

WEDNESDAY, August 19th.

Having heard that a small craft from St. Pierre was in East St. Modeste, I went there in the boat and ordered her off. The Captain promised to leave in the morning.

THURSDAY, August 20th.

The French craft left East St. Modeste this morning, and crossed over to the Newfoundland shore. We got under way intending to go to Forteau, but the wind headed us when we got out, and as the tide was against us we were all day beating down to Lance-a-Loup. We saw the *Atalanta* tacking off and on the Newfoundland shore.

Mr. Crockwell reports no encroachments of the French since my last visit.

SATURDAY, August 22nd.

Attempted to get under way for Forteau, but the anchor was foul of the mooring chain, and we lost time before we could get clear.

A Steamer from Quebec came in here yesterday evening, having on board several gentlemen from that city, their business being, as I was informed, to mark sites for additional Light Houses along the Coast.

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SUNDAY, August 23rd.

As the time was favorable we went to Forteau.

A Sloop of War, the *Netley*, from Halifax, is here, having on board Mr. Perley, British Commissioner for the North American Fisheries under the Reciprocity Treaty with the United States. He told me that he was at Cod Roy, and followed the same route as we did, but did not visit as many places, to Quirpon. I gave him, at his request, the number of inhabitants from Cape Ray to Quirpon, their catch of fish, together with their craft and fishing gear, &c. He intends going down the Straits as far as Red Bay or Henley Harbor; and after again visiting the Western French Shore, returns to Halifax to proceed to the States for the purpose of meeting the United States Commissioner.

TUESDAY, August 25th.

Left Forteau this morning and got as far as Carroll's Cove in the evening, but the wind failing, we were brought back as far as West St. Modeste by the tide during night. The wind freshened in the morning, and on

WEDNESDAY, August 24th,

We got as far as Henley Harbor.

We enquired for Mr. Prendergast, but got no account of him.

Sailed for St. John's, and arrived there on the first of September.

(Signed,)

M. J. KELLY,

Acting Superintendent of the Fisheries.

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REPORT of Mr. HENRY KNIGHT on the Protection of the Fisheries at Cape John, 1857.

Arrived at Shoe Cove on Tuesday, 12th day of May, on the 13th sent boat's Crew to Mansfield's Bite, to erect camps for the summer; everything prepared on the 28th May, took charge of the Cape, some fish on the ground; 2nd June, two sail of French ships arrived at Lassie; on the 3rd June two seine boats came to the Cape, and hauled a small quantity of fish.

5th,—Rowed to limit, French boats not uncovered—at 6 a. m., two seines commenced work, hauled no fish for the day.

6th,—At 4 a. m. left the Camp for the Cape; spoke seine master, he told me four vessels had arrived at Lassie—hauled about 20 qtls. fish for the day.

7th.—At 3 a. m. left for the limit, found 3 seine boats and 9 batteaux at the limit; ; hauled no fish for the day.

8th,—At 3 a. m. rowed to limit; Frenchmen not uncovered; at 6 a. m. Frenchmen commenced hauling, at 1 p. m. 7 seine boats came from Lassie and commenced work, took but little fish for the day.

9th,—At 3 a. m. rowed to limit, found 10 seine boats and 15 batteaux at the South Bill of the Cape, hauled about ten thousand fish for the day, at sunset away for the night.

10th,—3 a. m. went to Cape, at 4 o'clock Frenchmen commenced hauling— hauled about 15,000 fish this day.

11th,—At 2 a. m. left the camp for limit, at sunrise Frenchmen commencing hauling, took very little fish for the day, at sunset stowed away for the night.

12th,—At 4 a. m. rowed to Cape, strong wind from S. E. Frenchmen all north of the Cape, at 2 p. m. forced to leave the Cape for Mansfields Cove in consequence of heavy sea.

13th,—At 3 a. m. rowed to Cape Jaw, no Frenchmen until 8 a. m.—took no fish for the day; sea very high.

14th,—At 4 a. m. went to limit, found 30 French boats at the South Bill, hauled this day about 20,000 fish, at sunset stowed away for the night.

15th,—At 3 a. m. left camp for limit, found French uncovered, enquired of me if any caplin in Mansfields Cove? said none had yet landed—took this day about 17,000 fish for ninety men at the Cape; great number of strangers in the boats, appeared very anxious to get on English ground.

16th,—At 3 a. m. left our camp for limit, found Frenchmen at South Bill, took this day about 10,000 fish for 10 seines, at dark stowed away for the night.

17th,—4 a. m. went to Cape, Frenchmen commenced work, one boat hauled 20 qtls., took in all for the day about 30 qtls.

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18th. At 4 a.m. went to Cape, at 6 a.m. Frenchmen commenced hauling, did very little for the day, enquiring about the Caplin at Shoe Cove.

19th. At 3 a.m. went to limit; at 4 a.m. Frenchmen began work; fish very scarce; took this day about 25 quintals from the Cape.

20th. At 3 a.m. went to Cape, found 45 French Boats at the South Bill of the Cape; fish very scarce; hauled to-day about 30,000 fish; spoke Seine Master; told me they had seen some Caplin in deep water; at dark put up for the night.

21st. At 3 a.m. rowed round Mansfield's Bight; saw some caplin, but not landed; Frenchmen hauled to-day about 50,000 fish.

22nd. At 4 a.m. left the Camp; spoke Shoe Cove Boat; told us they had taken some caplin at Beaver Cove; Frenchmen very anxious to-day to get into Mansfield's Bight; forced to threaten them, some of the strangers very bold; hauled some quantity of fish to-day.

23rd. At 3 a.m. left for limit; at 4 a.m. Frenchmen commenced hauling; spoke Frenchmen; told us there was no caplin as yet at Lascie; strong wind, N.E., very little fish taken.

24th. Rowed to Cape; Frenchmen not at work in consequence of a heavy sea; at 10 a.m. Frenchmen came to Mansfield's Cove for shelter; had some trouble to prevent them from hauling as the water was smooth on our side of Cape; at 4 p.m. the Frenchmen covered their boats for the night.

25th. At 3 a.m. rowed to Cape in company with 45 French Boats, hauled for the day about 30 quintals fish; sea very high.

26th. At 3 a.m. left Mansfield's Cove for the limit, Frenchmen uncovered; several boats hauled this morning from one to three Batteaux load of fish; at 8 a.m. Frenchmen left the limit and went north of the Cape; at 3 p.m. 8 seines returned; told me they hauled a little fish at Northern Bill; at 9 p.m. went to Camp, some quantity of caplin landed.

27th. Wind blowing hard from E.N.E., heavy sea; Frenchmen remained at anchor all day.

28. At 4 a.m. rowed to Cape; saw no Frenchmen until 2 p.m.; sea very high; wind S.E.; hauled no fish to-day.

29th. No Frenchmen at the limit all day.

30th. At 2 a.m. rowed to Cape; saw no Frenchmen until 8 a.m., when 6 seine boats came to limit; asked them where they were; told me their Captains sent for them to go to Conydehynch; took this day, at the Cape, about 18,000 fish; at dark stowed away for the night.

1st. July. At 2 a.m. went to the Cape; at sunrise Frenchmen began work; hauled some fish; very anxious to get on English ground; forced to threaten them to cut their seines; caplin plenty on the English ground.

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2nd. At 3 a.m. rowed to the limit; found 9 seines at the South Bill with 30 Batteaux; hauled this day about 8,000 fish; at dark stowed away for the night.

3rd. At 2 a. m. rowed from Mansfield's Cove to Cape; at sunrise Frenchmen began to haul; took this day for 180 men at Cape, 30,000 fish; at 9 p. m. covered for the night.

4th. At 2 a. m. rowed to Cape, at sunrise Frenchmen began work, fish very scarce; at 8 a. m., four French Captains came to Limit in jolly boat, asked me if their men gave me much trouble; told them no, unless the trouble of watching them very close; told me their men would take no English fish if they could help it; rowed to my camp with me, told me their catch was very small compared with this time last summer; said their average for vessel was about 600 quintals; after some more conversation, and a glass of brandy, left for Lassie.

5th. At sunrise left for Limit, Frenchmen began to shoot; took to-day for 10 seines 15000 fish; at dark stowed away for the night.

6th. At 2 a. m. went to Cape, Frenchmen began work; hauled to-day about 25,000 fish; at dark covered up for the night.

7th. At 2 a. m. rowed to Limit, found 11 seine boats and 33 batteaux at the South Bill; at 3 a. m. commenced to haul, took but very little for the day; at sunset stowed away for the night.

8th. At 2 a. m. rowed to Cape, found the French not uncovered, at sunrise began to work; hauled to-day at the Limit for eight seines, 30,000 fish; several boats hauled in Middle Bill Cove from 20 to 30 quintals each; at sunset stowed away for the night.

9th. At 2 a. m. went to Cape, 2 30 a. m. French began to shoot; took 24,000 fish from the Limit to-day for 10 seines; at 9 p. m. went and moored in Mansfield's Cove.

10th. At 3 a. m. rowed to Cape; French uncovered; 4 seines shoot at the Limit and took 16,000 fish; at 8 a. m. left the Limit for Middle Bill Cove; at 3 p. m. returned; told me there was very little fish north of the Cape; at 7 p. m. told me they had hauled to-day 20,000 fish for 10 seines; at dark rowed to Mansfield's Cove.

11th. At 2 p. m. rowed to the Limit; Frenchmen asleep; at 3 a. m. began to haul; took at the Cape to-day for 9 seines 27,000 fish; at dark made fast to stern of a French seine boat and lay down for the night.

12th. At daylight Frenchmen began work; hauled no fish at the Limit to-day; at 6 p. m. spoke seine master; told me he had hauled 18,000 fish at the Cape Cono; told me there was 33,000 hauled for 10 boats; strong wind E. N. E.; at 6 p. m. Frenchmen left the Cape and ran to Mansfield's Cove for shelter; hauled my boat up on the beach.

13th. At 3 a. m. launched boat and went to Cape in company with 50 French boats; at 8 a. m. left Cape again for Mansfield's Cove, forced to haul up, sea very high; Frenchmen all moored off my camp.

14th. At 4 a. m. launched boat, rowed to the Cape in company with the Frenchmen; at 8 a. m. sea making very high, forced to haul up again; Frenchmen left the Cape for the North Side; wind S. S. E., heavy rain.

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15th. At 3 a. m. rowed to the Cape, found seven seine boats at anchor ; at 6 a. m. one boat shot, hauled no fish ; at 8 a. m., two boats shot, hauled no fish ; left Limit for Cape Cove ; at 2 p. m., ten seine boats returned to the Limit ; stormy wind N. E. ; at 5 p. m., 28 boats with 114 men came into Mansfield's Cove for shelter ; hauled this day for 160 men at the Cape but 50 fish ; remained in Mansfield's Cove all night.

16th. French still at anchor in Mansfield's Cove ; asked the seine masters what fish they hauled since the caplin came, told me

114	Mille fish,
100	"
90	"
84	"
80	"
75	"
60	"
68	"
72	"
45	"

Total—equal to 5253 qtls.

One seine master asked me if I could oblige him with a trifle of salt, he had 300 fish spoiling, and the Batteaux could not get to Lasscie ; remained at anchor all day.

17th. Frenchmen still at anchor in Mansfield's Cove, wind E.N.E. with much sea ; at 8 a. m. 3 boats left and went to Shoe Cove ; at 5 p. m. 6 seines and 12 batteaux left for Shoe Cove, sea still making, 7 boats remained in Mansfield's Cove all night ; hauled my boat up under the cliff.

18th. Wind N.E. heavy sea, 7 remaining, left for Shoe Cove at 6 a. m., remained at Shoe Cove all day and night.

19. Wind S. W. ; at 6 a. m. 28 boats came from Shoe Cove and passed round the Cape ; sea too much to haul ; at 2 p. m. launched our boat and rowed to Cape ; no Frenchmen in sight ; at 4 p. m. returned to Mansfield's Cove and hauled up our boat for the night ; at 5 p. m. walked across to Cape to see where Frenchmen were to, distance $1\frac{1}{2}$ miles, found the Frenchmen all anchored at Cape Cove ; returned to my camp at 6 p. m. ; high water, sea abating, launched our boat, rowed to limit and remained all night.

20. At sunrise several French boats came from Middle Bill Cove ; told me for the last seven days the 10 seines at the Cape put to Lasscie but 500 fish ; fish still very scarce on the French bound ; at 2 p. m. one seine boat rowed from the South Bill to limit and asked liberty to jig a few fish for soup ; told him he may do so but no more, after which he made an attempt to haul ; told him if he put his seine on English ground he would have it cut. Frenchman : So you would cut ? Told him he had better not try it ; said he would, and commenced to shoot out his seine to the westward of the limit ; when the seine was about half out the guard-boat rowed to the head of the seine and told him if he persisted in shooting that we must certainly cut it ; accordingly he shot all the seine out of his boat, and the guard-crew cut the seine ; when it was cut, he hauled it on board again and left our ground for his own. Spoke another Seine Master about sun-set, who told me he had ad-

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vised his comrade not to go on English ground ; the trespasser said he would, and would not have his seine cut ; Seine Master told me he deserved all that was done to him, and more.

21st. At sunrise rowed to the Cape, French boats at anchor in Cape Cove : at 8 a. m. several boats came to the limit and hauled, but took little or no fish for the day ; at dark stowed away.

22nd. Wind S. W., stormy breeze, went to Cape at 2 a.m., at sunrise five seines shot close to the limit, took 100 fish ; left the limit for Cape Cove at 4 p. m., several boats returned to the limit, shot seines but took no fish ; at sunset stowed away for the night.

23rd. At 2 p. m. rowed to the limit ; at sunrise Frenchmen uncovered and began to haul ; six boats took 10,000 fish ; at noon French boats all uncovered ; at the point of the Cape until 6 p. m., began hauling, took 7000 fish ; at dark stowed away for the night ; guard-boat made fast to stern of French seine-boat, and men laid down for the night.

24th. At sunrise Frenchmen began to work ; fish very scarce ; took from the limit this day 9,000 fish for 10 seines ; one seine master informed me he had but 3,000 fish for eight days ; at sunset stowed away for the night ; guard-boat remained at the limit all night.

25th. At 4 a.m. 5 seines shot at the limit and took 3,000 fish ; several boats shot through the day and took very little fish ; said they hauled about 8,000 for the day ; fish plenty on the English ground ; to-day at 6 p.m. strong wind N.E., French boats all came into Mansfield's Cove for shelter.

26th. At daybreak blowing gale from N.E. ; two boats left for Shoe Cove ; at 6 a.m. 3 more left, sea making high ; at 9 a.m., seeing the rest of the French boats preparing to leave Mansfield's Cove, hauled up the guard-boat and took passage in a French seine boat for Shoe Cove, fearing they may haul on their way to Shoe Cove, distance 5 miles from my camp ; remained in Shoe Cove next day ; spoke to French Captains that came over land to Shoe Cove, told me their several catches for each room, as follows :

One	—	280,000	Fish
"		210,000	"
"		170,600	"
"		195,000	"
"		120,000	"
"		62,000	"

told me the catch was about one-half what it was last summer ; at 4 p.m. left for Lascie.

27th. Frenchmen all left Shoe Cove ; got to Mansfield's Bight at 4 p.m. ; sea tremendous ; remained in the Cove all night ; wind moderating.

28th. At 5 a.m. launched the guard-boat and rowed to the Cape in company with Frenchmen ; no caplin to be seen at the Cape ; sea very high ; spoke a French batteau from Lascie ; told me one of their boats was swamped in Cape Cove on the preceding day, men saved ; remained at the limit all day ; no fish hauled.

29th. At 4 a.m. rowed to the Cape ; 27 boats at the limit ; no caplin to be seen ; took this day at the Cape about 10 quintals.

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30th.—At 4 a. m. went to the Cape ; Frenchmen at anchor, hauled this day at the limit 40 quintals for nine seines, at dark rowed to Mansfields Cove for the night.

31st.—At 4 a. m. rowed to the Cape ; Frenchmen hauled this morning before sunrise, (which is not the practice with the French), about 20 quintals taken. I would also remark here that the French seines at Cape John are 22 fathoms to 25 in length, by 30 fathoms deep; these immense seines are shot out, and if no fish enclosed, are boated and prepared again for hauling in 25 minutes, took this day 50 quintals at the Cape.

1st August—Frenchmen began work before sunrise, but hauled no fish, no caplin to be seen at the Cape ; at 2 p.m. French boat arrived from Lassic to the limit, to ask me if I would allow him to send 3 or 4 men to Bay of Notre Dame to cut a bowsprit for their brig, told them I had no authority in such case ; after a little conversation he left again for Lassic.

2nd.—Frenchmen busy all day, but hauled no fish.

3rd.—Frenchmen began work at daylight, fish very scarce, asked guard if there were any Caplin in Shoe Cove, told them no ; at 2 p.m. man-of-war boat with one officer came from Lassic to enquire about the affair of cutting their seine, showed him the place where the French boat was at that time, and told under what circumstance it was cut ; he said if they dealt with the English boats under such circumstances, they would have plenty to do ; told him it was none of my business ; he said he would make his complaint at St. John's ; told him he was quite at liberty, that I had the evidence of his own men as to the Seine Master's character : at 4 p.m. he left me again for Lassic.

4th.—At sunrise rowed to the Cape, several boats moored close to the limit. one of them spoke to the guard boat, asked liberty to go into Mansfield's Bight, and he would haul fish on the halves for the Shoe Cove people ; told him that would never do.

5th.—At daylight rowed to the Cape ; at 4 a.m. Frenchmen began work, took but very little fish ; at noon seven seines started North of the Cape ; at 5 p.m. returned, told me there was no fish at Lassic, took this day at the limit 7000 fish for ten seines ; at dark put up their tents for the night.

6th.—Strong breeze North East ; at day light found all the French boats that fished at the Cape, sheltered in Mansfield's Bight ; at 6 a.m. forced to haul up the guard boat, sea making.

7th.—Sea very high, at 6 a.m. wind E.N.E., Frenchmen left for Shoe Cove, guard boat remained hauled up.

8th.—At 8 a.m. French boats came from Shoe Cove and passed round the Cape ; sea very high.

9th.—Launched at daylight and rowed to the Cape, saw no Frenchmen until 8 a.m., spoke batteaux men, told me all the seine, would be landed that day.

10th.—At 4 a.m. rowed to the Cape, saw but 3 or 4 batteaux fishing at the Middle Bill, with hook and line.

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11th.—At 4 a.m. rowed to the Cape, saw 3 batteaux laying out Bultows ; spoke one, told me all the seines were on shore, left the Cape for Mansfield's Cove.

12th.—Took down our Camp and started for Shoe Cove.

HENRY KNIGHT,
Protecting Officer Cape John.

12th August, 1857.

*REPORT of Mr. CALEB YOUNG on the Protection of the Fisheries at and
around Belle Isle, 1857.*

[COPY.]

July 2nd.—Left Old Perlican, wind W.N.W. ; moderate breeze. At 11 got some fish for dinner ; passed Catalina at 12 ; three boats well fished ; one boat knocked down 40 dozen hagdowns with a pole. At 1 p.m. passed Bird Islands, the fishermen busily employed in catching fish. At 5 wind S.W., passed Bonavista Cape ; the boats well fished ; the birds very plenty ; the whales sending up their smoke in all directions.

3.—Landed on the Funk Island, two boats there. Before us one of them took 800 dozen of eggs, the other 4 barrels—I took 22 dozen.

4.—Strong breeze W. by N. Nothing attracted my attention save the Hagdown, which seems to sit brooding on the stormy sea.

5.—Morning pleasant, wind S. by W., passed Fogo Head. At 7 a.m. two vessels left the said Harbor, course N.

6.—Strong breeze N.W., passed Cape John ; plenty of Frenchmen there employed in fishing.

7.—Passed the Horse Islands, wind N.W., at 12 veered N.E.

8.—Moderate, foggy ; shaped our course for Cats Cove. At 9 a.m. dropped anchor, French Captain on board ; he informed me that he had taken 5,500 quintals of fish in that place.

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- 9.—Wind S.E., dropped anchor in St. Juliens ; fish very plenty.
- 10.—Wind N.E., pleasant breeze.
- 11.—Moderate breeze, dropped anchor in Quirpon ; the French preparing for Belle Isle, I warned them of the evil of trespassing on English ground.
- 12.—Warped in the Harbor ; went on shore.
- 13.—Blew very heavy from the N.W., clear sky.
- 14.—Landed on Belle Isle. After a very troublesome time down, never in my life did I suffer so much with wet and cold ; my berth was as wet almost ever since I left as if it had been dipped in water.
- 15.—Morning pleasant, wind S. At 2 p.m. a heavy squall from N.E., three sail in sight, West.
- 16.—Morning pleasant, at 6 a.m. a brig in sight N.E., course N.
- 17.—Very pleasant.
- 18.—Moderate breeze from the N.E., one boat in sight. course N.
- 19.—Foggy.
- 20.—Very cold, wind N. by E., blew very fresh.
- 21.—A. m., wind S. by E., with some showers ; p. m., veered to the N. E., blew very fresh, 1 boat in sight, course S. W.
- 22.—Moderate, cloudy, wind E. by N. ; our men on the look out, no craft in sight ; noon calm, very pleasant.
- 23.—Morning pleasant, wind W. ; at 12 calm ; at three p. m. boarded Captain Coady, they came on shore with me ; the French paid us a visit from Cape Norman. I went on board and ordered them off ; I told them they were not allowed to fish there—they ask permission to sleep here this night, I give them permission.
- 24.—Wind W. by N., blew very heavy, clear sky.
- 25.—Wind blew very strong from the West ; I thought it almost impossible to save my tent from blowing over the cliff. Those daring Frenchmen, after being warned by me, in Quirpon, of the evil of trespassing on English ground, still persist in coming to Belle Isle ; they seem to me like birds hovering over some richly baited snare, but dare not touch. Three Baiteaux came here this evening from Quirpon to know, I suppose, whether English Government had a protection there or not. They caught a few fish in Lark Harbor to eat ; I was tempted to take them away from them. When I was in Quirpon I sent my men

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to get one fish to eat, and was denied it. It shows us what the French would do if they had the liberty of fishing where they please. Two Batteau sent by Captain Sernel, one D. D. C. Geffra.

26—Wind strong, breeze W. N. W., very foggy. Another Batteaux came here this evening; I have plenty to do, you may be sure, to keep them off.

27—Wind West, strong breeze: p. m., squall N. E., thunder and lightning: a boat with larked sails passed here this morning.

28—Moderate breeze, N. N. E.; Frenchmen ordered off; at 12 o'clock wind S. by E., heavy rain; at 6 p. m. foggy, a Brig in sight, bearing north, standing to the South West, the fish very plenty. I believe, had the French liberty to fish, they would have taken what they pleased. I can take the caplin alive, and fish with them off the Point. You would laugh were you to see me catching them, pair and pair, until I had a pond crowded with fish. I say that it looked very pretty to a fisherman; O! how eagerly would our Southern men wall them in!

29—Wind N. by E., fish in abundance around the shores. Two o'clock p. m. Captain Coady paid the Island another visit; fresh breeze; a schooner bearing N. E., course S. by W.; 6, pleasant.

30—Very pleasant, moderate breeze West; went to Lark Harbor, one craft passing down on the Labrador: the fish swarming on the shores—at two o'clock one sail bearing West, course North East.

31—Mr. Slaiter, from Trinity came here to fish, wind West; out making some soundings. At 12 o'clock another boat from Trinity dropped anchor, hearing a breakwater was to be built, and not finding it so, he left for the Labrador—plenty fish.

August 1—Pleasant, calm, two vessels in sight bearing North by West, bound up the Straits. On the look-out; one boat stretched into the Island, tacked, course North by East.

2—Pleasant breeze, wind West; 12 o'clock, calm; 2, on the look-out, nothing in sight; at 3 two men from the Light-house.

3—Morning pleasant, wind South by West; Birds in abundance; one sail East North East, course South; at 10 a. m. one vessel, course North; at 12 a. m. one Steamer passing up the Straits.

4—Morning calm and pleasant, birds very plenty; fish in swarms; one sail standing off the Labrador; at 1 p. m. out on soundings; at 1 wind South by West; at 6 found some mineral.

5—Morning foggy, with showers; one boat East, distant two miles, course North; one boat North West, course North East,—at 12 o'clock at Bath Cove, made some soundings, gathered some specimens of stone; at 2 p. m. two boats from Holyrood came here to fish.

6—Wind South, heavy rain, at 6 p. m. cleared up, wind East South East; no craft in Lark Harbor.

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7. Wind E. rain ; Mr. Birt left this morning with a boat ; 200 or 300 quintals of fish caught in 15 days with jiggers. Our men cruising on the Island in search of minerals. gathering some good specimens. At 12 o'clock hard breeze N. E. ; 6 p. m. one vessel distant one mile, course N. ; 7, a heavy sea, all hands employed in mooring their boats. All hands crying out for a Breakwater.

8. I left for the Light House, wind N. E., foggy with some rain ; surveyed Batto Cove ; marked some few Ponds off ; caught some trout ; saw some geese. Mr. Botto received me very kindly ; dinner ended, went to rest. At 6 viewed the tower and wharf ; men and horses hard at work ; 7, supper ; 8, the fiddler tuned his fiddle ; 9, ball opened in the Light House ; at 11 went to bed.

9. Wind S., some rain ; at 10 o'clock, a. m. left for home ; heavy rain ; curlew very plenty ; large flocks of geese. At 3 reached home, well drenched with rain. At 5 one vessel in sight, course N., at 6 wind W. by N.

10. Morning pleasant, wind N. W., men on the look-out ; nothing in sight. At 12 o'clock wind W., strong breeze ; fish plenty.

11. Morning cloudy, wind W., moderate breeze. At 12 o'clock 2 boats left for the Labrador ; one sail E., course N. ; at 5 p. m. Peter Besse came here to fish. As he had been in Cape Quirpon eighteen years, and had married Mr. Pin's daughter, thought he had a right to fish at Belle Isle. He brought four other Frenchmen with him, one for himself and three for the Captain. I gave him liberty to fish and the man, but not the others. If the Government were to neglect this Island the French would have it. At 7 o'clock brig in sight, S. E., distance about 3 miles ; 10 at night 3 signal guns fired, I had nothing to answer them but a fowling piece. Heavy rain, foggy.

12. Wind S. E., with some rain ; breakfast at 8, Brig Man-of-War passed close to the Cove, showed colours, bore away. Ran up round the Island, fresh breeze, thick fog ; 6 p. m. wind E. N. E. heavy sea, all hands preparing for the storm,

13. A heavy breeze from the N., anchor broke, 2 chains parted. The boat struck several times on the point, taking away the rudder. I carried two anchors ahead and pulled her off, the small boat upset, seamen in the sea, got them on shore. Thank God no life is lost. What men could be spared were employed in landing the provisions. It often brought tears to my eyes to see those poor creatures employed in saving their boats. At 12 o'clock wind moderate, heavy sea on ; at 6 p. m. all hands on shore. Some with their arms almost pulled out of joint, and some with the skin torn from their hands. All well drenched with sea. The French with our men huddled so thick in my shanty that I was obliged to go to bed. I often wished that our Government would get up a place of shelter for distressed seamen. I must say that our Fishermen are worthy of those benefits.

14. Wind N. W. ; pleasant. The men employed in repairing damages. At 12 o'clock wind S., very warm ; at 3 p. m. wind W.

15. Morning foggy, wind N. W. ; at 8 a. m. 5 vessels N. E. At 10 1 schooner passed very close to the cove, course N. At 12 o'clock a large brig within call, course N. W. At 2 o'clock p. m. pleasant, At 4 one sail W. N. W., course N.

16. Morning calm and pleasant. I ordered the French off ; they promptly obeyed

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- orders ; they told me they would not come any more this summer, but they would have the island and the Labrador themselves next summer ! At 12 o'clock the boat left for Cape Charles for some wood and to repair damages ; 6 p. m. wind N. E. strong breeze ; 2 boats N., course N. E.
17. Morning cloudy with showers. At 10 a. m. 4 vessels in sight, one E. N. E., distant 2 miles, course N. E. ; one N. by E., course S. W. ; one N. by W., course N. E. ; one N. W., course N. E. ; at 4 p. m. pleasant ; caught some fish ; shot some birds ; at 6 wind S.
18. Morning rainy, wind W., a brig in sight, coming down the Straits, distant two miles, course E. by S. ; at 8 a. m. up the island in boat, well drenched with rain ; at 12 wind N. E., fresh breeze. At 6 p. m. a boat N. W., course S.
19. Morning foggy, calm ; at 9 a. m. a sail N. by E. ; at 12 cleared up, a brig S. by E. course W. ; at 2 p. m. wind S., pleasant ; out in boat. Nothing in Lark Harbor.
20. Morning pleasant, wind W. ; at 10 a. m. 2 boats W., course N. E. ; at 2 p. m. a vessel came from the Labrador, passed close by, took in topgallant sails—fresh breeze. Boat from the Labrador ; at 5, heavy squalls from N. W. with showers.
21. Morning pleasant, wind W. S. W., 5 vessels passed down the Straits, 6 boats crossed the Straits for Newfoundland.
22. Morning foggy, wind N. W. ; at 12 wind W., pleasant. A Steamer passed up the Straits.
23. Morning pleasant, wind N. N. W., at 10 a. m. one sail E., course N., two boats S., course N., at 6, dark and cloudy.
24. Morning rainy, wind S. by E., at 2 p. m. very foggy, the mother fish swarming around the Island bloated with spawn. I believe were this harbour made safe for boats to moor, there would be more fish taken than in any one of our Southern Bays. From the first of June until the last of September, each man can take from two to four quintals per day with jiggers. At 6 very heavy, stormy sea.
25. Left at 5 o'clock, a. m. ; standing from the Island saw a Steamer pass down the Island and went back again, At 1 passed Quirpon ; the French preparing to leave Newfoundland.
26. Morning pleasant, passed the Horse Islands, the wind N. N. W., the black fish very plenty, playing around us. At 10 a. m. calm, five boats in sight, fresh breeze from the West ; passed Cape John.
27. Twillingate in sight ; at 5 p. m. dropped anchor in Seldom-Come-By. A heavy thunder storm, wind N. with showers.
28. Weighed anchor, morning pleasant : wind E. N. E. At 6 a. m. fresh breeze went back to Seldom-Come-By again ; at 5 p. m. calm.
29. Morning pleasant, wind S. W., at 6 weighed anchor. At 12 Light House in sight, at 1 dropped anchor in Cat Harbor.

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30. Morning foggy, wind S. strong breeze.

31. Morning pleasant ; weighed anchor, wind N. E. ; at 10 fresh breeze ; at 1 Bonavista Cape in sight ; at 7 passed Catalina Light.

September 1. Wind S. E., moderate breeze.

2. Morning pleasant ; dropped anchor in Perlican.

3. Weighed anchor with the wind W., at 10 a. m. wind S., went back again.

4. Strong breeze from N. E., could not beat round the Grates Point.

5. Heavy sea ; wind W. So I must end my voyage in Old Perlican, as the Boat hire is out.

I will say that I left St. John's on the 20th June.

Signed,

CALEB YOUNG.

*REPORT of THOMAS R. CROCKWELL, ESQ., on the Protection of the Fisheries, from
Point York to Blanc Sablon.*

[COPY.]

Labrador, Lance a Loup, 24th August, 1857.

SIR,—

I have the honor to acquaint you, for the information of His Excellency the Governor of Newfoundland, that I have strictly carried out those Instructions, bearing date Secretary's Office, 22nd May, 1857, with which you were pleased to intrust me, relative to the preventing encroachments of French Fishermen on the Coast of Labrador, from York Point to Blanc Sablons ; and on that line of Coast no Cod Fish has this season been taken by any French Fishermen, excepting by one crew in a small vessel from St. Peter's, which succeeded in taking a few quintals on the 3rd August, in Black Bay. In accordance with my Instructions I warned them to leave the English Fishing Ground.

The said vessel shortly after left the Coast. Mr. Kelly arrived before the French vessel left, and will, I believe, confirm the fact of this being all or nearly all the fish taken by French Fishermen on the Coast this season.

I beg most respectfully to remark, that, from conversations I have had with several

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French Fishermen, this spring, I believe it to be the opinion of all of them engaged in the Newfoundland Fisheries, that they have by Treaty a right of Fishing on the Labrador Shore, in Straits of Belle Isle, to commence the ensuing season of 1858; and on my referring to the 20th Article of Convention between Her Majesty and the Emperor of the French, signed in London, 14th January, 1857, the same having reference to the sanction of the Provincial Legislature of Newfoundland, they expressed a strong opinion of the impossibility that such sanction was necessary, and, in confirmation of this opinion, they asserted that preparations had already been commenced by several French Merchants engaged in the Newfoundland Fisheries, for extending those Fisheries by prosecuting them on the Labrador Shore, and in this neighborhood in particular, during the ensuing season.

I may not be considered irrelevant, or irreverent, in expressing an opinion, that should it not be publicly announced or Gazetted by the Emperor of the French, that the Convention of January 14th, 1857, is null and void, we shall have an immense influx of French Fishermen on this Coast the ensuing season; and unless strong preventive measures be employed, the most serious collisions between the Newfoundland and French Fishermen may be expected.

I have communicated with Captain Pasley, of H. M. Brig of War "Atalanta," also with Mr. Kelly, in Brigantine "Alice,"

I have not seen Mr. Prendergast.

The Cod Fishery may be considered as finished on this Coast for the present season.

I have, &c.,

(Signed)

THOS. R. CROCKWELL.

The Hon John Kent,
Colonial Secretary, &c., &c.

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*DESPATCH from Secretary of State for the Colonies, relative to the proposed admission of
Hanseatic Goods, duty free, into Newfoundland.*

[Copy.]

No. 24.

Downing Street,
30th May, 1857. }

Sir,—

Having communicated to the Lords of the Committee of Privy Council for Trade a copy of the Despatch No. 51, with enclosures, addressed to me by Mr. Darling, on the subject of the admission of Hanseatic Goods, duty free, into Newfoundland, I have received from their Lordships a letter, an extract from which I think it will be convenient that I should supply you with, in order that you may submit it to the members of your Executive Council.

I shall be glad to be informed of the result of the reconsideration of this subject by the Council.

I have the honor to be, Sir,

Your most obedient, humble servant,

[Signed,]

H. LABOUCHERE.

The Officer Administering the
Government of Newfoundland.
&c., &c., &c.

Extract of Letter from Sir JAMES EMERSON TENNENT, to H. MERIVALE, Esq.

(Copy.)

Office of Committee of Privy Council for Trade,
Whitehall, 7th March, 1857. }

“I am directed by my Lords to express their opinion that the arguments adduced by the Colonial Authorities in reference to the retention of the present tariff, are far from satisfactory or conclusive in support of the result they have intimated.”

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The Legislature of Newfoundland, it is suggested, were favorably inclined to the abandonment of the duties in question, in the case of the United States in consideration of "reciprocal advantages obtained for the Colony; the States being large consumers of fish and oil; whereas no such trade exists, or is likely to be called into existence by the remissions sought in favor of Hamburg."

Indirectly, however, there are advantages in the trade carried on through the medium of the Hanse Towns, and although their value in appreciable amount may be inferior to that sensibly derived from the intercourse with the United States, the injury consequent on their loss might go far to counterbalance the ostensible benefits obtained by the recent Treaty arrangement.

South America, as well as North, consumes the products of the Newfoundland Fisheries, which are carried to Brazil in vessels from Hamburg, and these, as stated by the Minister of the Hanse Towns, load with Brazilian produce to Europe, an operation which they can perform to advantage, in consequence of being enabled, in the first instance, to fill at Hamburg with provisions for Newfoundland. And in the event of their being driven out of the latter trade by the unequal competition of the United States, it is probable that in the interruption of their carrying trade to Brazil, the Colonial interest might eventually suffer.

The Governor of Newfoundland is of opinion that Hamburg will not yield in the struggle, notwithstanding the superior facilities possessed by the United States, in the surrender of import duties on their produce, and, he instances the article of butter, and agricultural produce generally, the value of which has risen in the Colony, under the operation of the Reciprocity Treaty, and as "butter from Hamburg, although inferior in quality to American, is still suited for consumption in Newfoundland, and can be sold, duty paid, at a lower rate than American Butter, duty free," it is likely, in his opinion, to hold its place in the Colonial market.

The rise in the price of butter has not, however, been a consequence of the Treaty of 1854, inasmuch as it had doubled in value within three years before the Treaty came into operation.

It was	6d.	per lb.	in 1851.
Ditto	9d.	ditto	1852.
Ditto	10d.	ditto	1853.
And	1s.	ditto	1854.

Wheaten Flour within the same period rose from 27s. 6d. per barrel to 45s.; bread from 2d. to 3½d. per lb.; Cheese from 6d. to 1s. 3d., and rice from 28s. to 35s. per cwt. This is the natural operation of increased trade amongst a population little given to agricultural pursuits, and almost exclusively devoted to shipping and fisheries.

It must be the manifest interest of a people so circumstanced, to encourage the freest competition in the supply of the first necessaries of life; and, it is obvious that in the instance of butter, whilst the combined operation of an increasing demand, with a supply limited by monopoly, has led to an increase of price; were the discriminating duty abandoned, a fall would be instantly effected in the cost of American butter, the superior article, to the extent at least of the tax now levied on the inferior, when entered from Hamburg.

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The same reasoning will apply to other articles ; and it is for the Colonists to consider whether the charges thus voluntarily self-imposed upon articles of daily consumption, may not be more than an equivalent for the "reciprocal advantages" from the United States on which they calculated in the recent arrangement.

COPY of Letter from Mr. LABOUCHERE, relative to the admission of Hanseatic Goods, duty free, into Newfoundland, 23rd June, 1857.

[COPY.]

No. 32.

*Downing Street,
23rd June, 1857.* }

SIR,—

With reference to my Despatch No. 21 of the 30th ultimo, on the subject of the admission of Hanseatic Goods duty free into Newfoundland, I transmit the Copy of a Letter with its enclosure, which the Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs has caused to be addressed to this Department ; and I have to request you to furnish me with an early Report of the decision of the Council, with respect to the abolition or reduction of the duties in question.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient

Humble servant,

(Signed,)

H. LABOUCHERE.

To the Officer administering
The Government of Newfoundland.

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[COPY.]

Foreign Office,
June 16th, 1857. }

SIR,—

I am directed by the Earl of Clarendon to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 8th instant, relative to the application of the Hanseatic Minister at this Court, for a diminution of the duties levied in Newfoundland on the trade of Hamburg; and I am now directed to transmit to you, for the information of Mr. Secretary Labouchere, a copy of a further note from Mr. Rücker, stating that representations continue to be made on the subject to the Senate of Hamburg by Merchants of that city.

I am, &c.,

(Signed,)

E. HAMMOND.

HERMAN MERIVALE, Esquire,
&c., &c., &c.

[COPY.]

55, Eaton Square,
June 12th, 1857. }

MY LORD,—

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of the note of the 11th instant, by which Your Lordship has had the goodness to inform me with reference to my applications of the 28th January, 1856, and 6th January, 1857, respecting the differential duties levied on the trade of Hamburg with Newfoundland, that Her Majesty's Secretary of State for the Colonies is still in communication with the Government of that Colony, in order to obtain the repeal of the duties in question. I am the more gratefully obliged to Your Lordship for thus continuing to advert favorably to my previous request, as the subject has again been repeatedly brought to the attention of the Senate of Hamburg by the Merchants of that city, complaining of the disadvantages under which their trade in Newfoundland is placed, in consequence of the higher duties still levied there on their produce.

I have, &c.,

(Signed,)

A. RUCKER.

Lord CLARENDON, K.G.,
&c., &c., &c.

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COPY of Letter from Right Hon. HENRY LABOUCHERE, enclosing remarks made by the Lords of the Committee for Trade, upon two Acts of the Newfoundland Legislature, for "granting to Her Majesty certain Duties on Goods, &c., &c., &c." 16th July, 1857.

[COPY.]

No. 2.

*Downing Street,
16th July, 1857.*

SIR,—

Her Majesty's Government have had under their consideration an Act passed by the Legislature of Newfoundland, "to continue the Act for granting to Her Majesty certain Duties on Goods, Wares, and Merchandise, imported into this Colony and its Dependencies," and I have to communicate to you the remarks which have been made upon it by the Lords of the Committee for Trade.

2.—You will observe that the objections entertained to this class of provisions are of a grave character; but, as Her Majesty's Government are aware of the difficulty of reconciling an exact observance of sound principle in this respect with the necessity of raising a local revenue, and as no question has hitherto been raised on the apprehended Treaty difficulties, they are unwilling to interfere for the present with the financial Legislation of Newfoundland: trusting that the Colonial Legislature will recognize in common with themselves, the importance of these principles, and the necessity of adapting its measures to them as soon and as efficaciously as this can be done.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient

Humble servant,

(Signed,)

H. LABOUCHERE,

Governor

Sir A. BANNERMAN,

&c., &c., &c.

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*Office of Committee of Privy Council for Trade, }
Whitehall, 18th June, 1857. }*

SIR,—

The Lords of the Committee of Privy Council for Trade, have had under their consideration the Act passed by the Legislature of Newfoundland on the 17th March last, which accompanied the letter to you, of the 23rd May last, from the Colonial Department, entitled "An Act to continue the Act for granting to Her Majesty certain duties on Goods, Wares, and Merchandize imported into this Colony and its dependencies."

My Lords direct me to transmit to you the accompanying copies of Minutes of the President of this Board, one of which relates to the Newfoundland Act, No. 175, of the year 1855, the other to the Newfoundland Act No. 194, of 1856, which is continued by the Act now under consideration, and in laying these papers before the Lords Commissioners of the Treasury, I am to request that you will state to their Lordships that my Lords are unable to recommend that this Act should receive Her Majesty's confirmation.

I have, &c.,

(Signed,)

JAMES BOOTLE.

To the Secretary of the Treasury,
&c., &c. &c.

Newfoundland Act No. 175, for granting to Her Majesty certain duties on Goods, Wares, and Merchandize, imported into this Colony and its Dependencies.

With reference to Lord Panmure's minute of the 5th November last, relating to the above-named Act, I have to observe that the Act contains a clause providing for the admission of certain products of the United States, free of duty, pursuant to the Treaty with those States, when in force.

The objectionable character of this Treaty, in so far as it sanctions the principle of differential duties, was pointed out in the letter above referred to. I wish to call Mr. Labouchere's attention to the consideration that the exemptions created by this Act in favor of America, may possibly give rise to difficulties under existing commercial treaties, by virtue of which

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other countries might think themselves entitled to claim (under the *most favored nations* clause) a like exemption for their produce and manufactures. which, as the act is now framed, it would not be in the power of the Governor, by proclamation to give.

In so far as the Act has for its object to give effect to the above Treaty, no objection can be made to its being allowed. The Act, however, goes further, and (by clause 4) authorizes the Governor by proclamation, (when the Treaty is declared in force) to exempt from duty certain articles the produce or manufacture of the British North American Provinces and the Island of Prince Edward, when directly imported; and, by the following clause, (5) a like exemption is extended to certain other articles, the produce or manufacture of the Provinces of Nova Scotia, New Brunswick, and Prince Edward Island.

This further extension of the principle of differential duties has, perhaps, been supposed to be rendered expedient by the operation of the Treaty, but I cannot abstain from calling attention to the objectionable character of such legislation. The Act is to be in force for one year only, from July last, and I therefore do not think it necessary to recommend that it should be disallowed by Her Majesty; but on the occasion of any renewed legislation on the subject, I think it is well deserving of consideration whether it should receive the sanction of the Crown, except on the condition that the exemption from duty conceded to the produce of the United States be equally extended to similar produce from all other countries.

[Signed,]

STANLEY OF ALDERLEY.

Board of Trade,
Whitchall,

2nd February, 1856.

Newfoundland Act No. 104. An Act for granting to Her Majesty certain Duties on Goods Wares, and Merchandise, imported into this Colony and its Dependencies.

With reference to Mr. Labouchere's Minute of 30th August last, I have to observe that the provisions of this Act are in substance open to the same objections as those taken in my Minute of the 2nd February last, to the Newfoundland Act No. 175, of last year, and I think

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that the course to be taken in referenée to this Act, should be that which I recommended in that Minute with regard to the Act No. 175.

(Signed,)

STANLEY OF ALDERLEY.

Board of Trade, Whitehall, }
16th October, 1856. }

*COPY of Vice Admiral Sir H. STEWART'S Despatch relative to the Desertion
of Seamen from H. M. Ships whilst employed on the Coasts of
Newfoundland, 24th September, 1857.*

[COPY.]

"Indus," at Halifax, }
24th September, 1857. }

SIR,—

By H. M. Ship *Atalanta*, which arrived this day, I have had the honor to receive Your Excellency's Despatch, dated the 16th instant, and am pleased to learn your satisfaction with the manner in which the duties entrusted to Commander Pasley, have been carried out.

I take this opportunity to refer to the great temptations and inducements which appear to exist at Newfoundland for men to desert, no fewer than Sixteen having deserted from the *Atalanta* during her service on that Coast in the comparatively short period of three months; and I shall feel obliged by Your Excellency bringing this subject under the consideration of the Colonial Government, with a view to the adoption of some Legislative measures that may tend to check this growing evil.

The ordinary rewards which the Commanders of H. M. Ships are empowered to offer for the apprehension of Deserters, seem to be an insufficient inducement to lead to their discovery, and I am of opinion that so long as the crimping houses and system are continued with impunity, nothing that Her Majesty's officers can do will be effectual.

The great desideratum appears to me to be the adoption, by the Provincial Legislature, of the Imperial Law, (commonly called Cardwell's Act,) which replaced the Navigation Laws, and for the insertion in any Act which may be passed, of a clause, authorizing payment to

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the complainant or informers, of at least one-half of any penalty which may be incurred by persons who shall assist or persuade seamen to desert, or improperly absent themselves from their duty, or shall knowingly conceal, employ, or continue to employ any person belonging to Her Majesty's Navy, who shall be a deserter or improperly absent from his duty.

I am, Sir,

Your Excellency's most obedient humble servant,

Signed,

HOUSTON STEWART,

Vice-Admiral, and Commander-in-Chief.

To His Excellency
Sir Alexander Bannerman, &c. &c., &c.

Confidential Despatch from the Hon. SECRETARY OF STATE to GOVERNOR DARLING.

(Copy.)

DOWNING STREET, }
26th March, 1857. }

[Confidential.]

SIR,—In connexion with my Despatch of this day's date answering your's on the subject of the reception of the Fishery Convention by the Legislature of Newfoundland, I have to convey to you the full approval of Her Majesty's Government of your own conduct in reference to the measure which they entrusted to your charge.

I have marked this Despatch "Confidential," but you are at liberty to make such use of it as you may yourself deem expedient.

I have, &c., &c., &c.,

Signed,

H. LABOUCHERE.

Governor Darling, &c., &c., &c.

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honoured upon the occasion of relinquishing the Government, and of the Replies which I made to the several Bodies from whom they proceeded.

3. The Addresses are signed by the Bishop of Newfoundland, and the two Roman Catholic Bishops, the heads of all the Religious Bodies, and other Ministers of Religion, the whole Legislative Council, and a large majority of the House of Assembly, by the Presidents of the Commercial Societies of St. John's and Harbor Grace, the Merchants of those places, with very few exceptions, and about Twelve Hundred other householders.

In my replies I have been anxious to take the opportunity of placing the course taken by Her Majesty's Government, and my own conduct in relation to the Fisheries Convention in their proper light, and to put an end to certain calumnious reports which had obtained circulation, and though credited by very few, were yet supported by more than one member of the community of reputed respectability. One of these reports is, that I received the office of Governor of Jamaica as a reward for having written my Despatch, No. 66 of last year, which it is alleged, suited the views of Her Majesty's Government in respect to French Fishery Rights under existing Treaties.

I have, &c., &c., &c.

Signed,

C. H. DARLING:

The Right Honorable
H. Labouchere, M. P.
&c., &c. &c.

Despatch from GOVERNOR DARLING to the Secretary of State.

Copy.

GOVERNMENT-HOUSE,
St. John's, Nfld.,
24th April, 1857.

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SIR,—A Pamphlet having been recently published, which, although evidently designated to vindicate the local Administration from party and political charges which have been advanced against them in reference to the late Fisheries Convention, demonstrates so clearly the grounds upon which Her Majesty's Government were justified in expecting that many of the Provisions of that "Convention" would find acceptance with the Legislature of Newfoundland, that I take the liberty of transmitting three copies of it herewith.

I have, &c., &c.,

Signed,

C. H. DARLING.

To the Right Honorable
H. Labouchere, M. P., &c., &c.

Enclosures :—Three copies of a Pamphlet entitled " a Review of the Documents in relation to the Fishery Convention, showing the true source of the Concessions to the French, &c., &c., &c.

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Opinion of the Law Officers of the Crown on the subject of the Rights of Foreign Fishermen in Newfoundland, transmitted to the House of Assembly with Message of 13th February, 1858, in reply to the Address of the Assembly.

[COPY.]

DOCTORS' COMMONS,
8th October, 1855. }

We were honored by your Lordship's commands signified in Mr. Hammond's letter of August 31st, &c., &c.

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We were also honored by Mr. Hammond's letter of the 6th of October, &c., &c., &c.

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In obedience to your Lordship's commands, we have taken these papers into consideration, and have the honor to report,—That by the Reciprocity Treaty, American citizens are admitted to the benefit of certain Fisheries carried on in British waters in common with Her Majesty's subjects.

It follows as a necessary consequence that such American citizens are bound to observe the existing laws and regulations established for the conduct of such Fisheries, by which British subjects are bound; this is necessarily implied in the very words of the Article of the Treaty, but independently of all agreements it would follow on general principles that American Fishermen pursuing their occupation within British Territory would be bound to observe the local laws and regulations in like manner as all Foreigners are bound to observe the municipal laws of the country in which they are resident.

There is, indeed, no express stipulation in the Reciprocity Treaty which binds American citizens to observe the British regulations; but the obligation to do so did not require a stipulation, it attaches on American citizens so soon as they claim the benefit of the Treaty.

Proper steps should be taken by the British local authorities for giving the greatest publicity to their Fishery Regulations.

(Signed)

J. W. HARDING,

A. E. COCKBURN.

RICHARD BETHELL.

To the Right Honourable
The Earl of Clarendon, K. G.
&c., &c. &c.

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*DESPATCH from the Right Hon. Secretary of State to Governor BANNERMAN, in relation
to Governors' Oaths.*

Separate.

*Downing Street,
4th August, 1857.* }

SIR,—

I have to acknowledge your "Separate" Despatch of the 1st ult., respecting the oaths administered to you on your assumption of the Government, by the Chief Justice of Newfoundland.

2.—There can be no doubt that the course which you adopted in accordance with your Instructions, was the correct one.

3.—At the same time I have to inform you that shortly before I received your Despatch, I had already been in correspondence with the Law Advisers of the Crown on the subject of these oaths; the Attorney General, having certified to me that it rests with the Crown to determine what oaths shall be taken, Her Majesty's Government are prepared, on the next occasion of Instructions being issued to the Governor of a Colony about to assume his office, to substitute the single oath of Allegiance for those now administered to him.

You may, therefore, consider that the present oaths are substantially abrogated, as far as regards Governors of Colonies.

I have, &c.,

(Signed,)

H. LABOUCHERE,

Governor BANNERMAN,
Newfoundland.

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COPY of Circular Despatch of Secretary of State, enclosing Judgment in the case of appeal (before the Judicial Committee of the Privy Council in the case of Fenton and Fraser vs. Hampton,) from the Supreme Court of Tasmania.

(COPY.)

Circular.

*Downing Street,
5th March, 1858.* }

SIR,—

As the annexed Judgment of their Lordships of the Judicial Committee of the Privy Council on the appeal of Fenton and Fraser *v.* Hampton, from the Supreme Court of Tasmania, relates to a point of general importance in Colonial Jurisprudence, whether immediately affecting the Colony under your Government or not; I transmit copy of it for your information.

I have, &c.,

(Signed,)

STANLEY.

Governor

Sir A. BANNERMAN;
&c., &c., &c.
Newfoundland.

Judgment of the Lords of the Judicial Committee of the Privy Council on the appeal of Fenton and Fraser v. Hampton, from the Supreme Court of Tasmania; delivered February 17, 1858.

PRESENT :

Lord Justice Knight Bruce,
Chancellor of the Duchy of Cornwall.
Lord Chief Baron of the Exchequer.
Lord Justice Turner.

This is an appeal from a judgment of the Supreme Court of Van Diemen's Land, given in favor of the respondent (the plaintiff below,) who had brought an action against the appel-

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lants, Michael Fenton (the Speaker) and James Fraser (the Serjeant at Arms,) of the Legislative Council of Van Diemen's Land.

The Colony is a part of Her Majesty's dominions, by occupation, and not by conquest.

The authority of the Legislative Council is derived from the British Parliament, under the 10th & 14th Vic, Cap 59. The Council consists of thirty-three Members, one-third of whom are nominated by the Crown, the other two-thirds are elected by the inhabitants.

The Council, no doubt, possess a Legislative authority, they may make Laws or Ordinances, which (on receiving the sanction required by Law) become binding within the Colony. In this sense they possess supreme legislative power.

The action brought by the respondent in the Supreme Court arose out of the following circumstances :

During a session of the Legislative Council in the year 1855, the Council appointed (in accordance with their rules and orders) a committee of their own body, to inquire into certain alleged abuses in the Convict Department, and the Council resolved that the Committee should have leave to send for persons in order to prosecute the inquiry. The respondent, John Stephen Hampton, was deemed a material and necessary witness in the prosecution of the inquiries. Thomas George Gregson, (who had been duly elected Chairman of the Select Committee,) issued a summons to the respondent to appear personally before the Select Committee at a certain time and place to be examined as a witness on the subject of the inquiry. The summons was duly served. The respondent (it must be assumed for the present purpose) wilfully, and without reasonable excuse, refused and neglected to appear, and in consequence the Select Committee was obstructed (as far as this was an obstruction) in the inquiries, and the Council was prevented from obtaining their report ; thereupon the Legislative Council, being informed of these circumstances, resolved that the respondent be desired to attend at their bar, at the Council's House at Hobart Town, on a day and hour named.

The respondent was duly served with a summons to attend, but would not obey it, and wilfully and contemptuously, and without reasonable excuse, disregarded the summons and order, and refused to attend. The Council then resolved that the respondent was guilty of contempt in disobeying the resolution of the Council and the summons of the Speaker ; and they further resolved that the Speaker should issue his warrant for the apprehension of the respondent, to be held in the custody of the Serjeant-at-Arms during the pleasure of the Council.

In compliance with that resolution, the Speaker did issue his warrant, and the Serjeant-at-Arms executed it, and took the respondent into custody ; and this is the trespass complained of in the Court below.

The defence to the action was founded on the circumstances above stated, which were respectively pleaded by the Speaker and the Serjeant-at-Arms, in due form, each of them professing to justify his interference by the authority of the Council to make the resolutions and to enforce them, by issuing the Speaker's warrant, and apprehending the respondent.

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The plaintiff below demurred generally to these pleas, and the Supreme Court (probably acting on the authority of the case of *Kielly v. Carson*, decided in this Court in 1842, 4 Moore, p. 631.) gave judgment for the plaintiff, holding that the facts set forth in the pleas of justification did not constitute a defence at law.

The question was argued before the Committee at considerable length, and many points were raised and discussed, upon which we think it unnecessary to form any opinion in order to decide the present question. The principal point is, undoubtedly, of great importance, involving, as it does, on the one hand, the constitutional rights and authority of the legislative bodies in various parts of Her Majesty's Colonial territories; and, on the other, the right to personal liberty (unless deprived of it by law) which Her Majesty's Subjects take with them, as part of their birthright, to every portion of Her dominions. The subject is not new to this Court; it has been discussed before on more than one occasion. In the case of *Beaumont v. Barrett*, from Jamaica, (1st Moore, p. 50, A.D., 1836), it was decided that an Assembly possessed of supreme legislative authority had the power of punishing contempts; that the power was inherent in such an Assembly and incident to its legislative functions; and, according to the judgment in that case, every Colonial Assembly or Council possessed the same authority to punish for contempts which the House of Commons has exercised in this kingdom for a long series of years.

But in the year 1842, the same question (in substance) came before this Committee on an appeal from Newfoundland, and was twice argued; the second time before the Lord Chancellor, two noble members of the Committee who had formerly held the great seal, the three Chiefs of the Common Law Courts in Westminster Hall, two out of the four members of the Court who were present at the decision of the case of *Beaumont* against *Barrett*—the Vice-Chancellor and Dr. Lushington; and, on that occasion (page 84, of 4th Moore) their Lordships were of opinion "that the House of Assembly did not possess the power of arrest, with a view to adjudication, on a complaint of contempt committed out of doors." They held that the power of the House of Commons in England was part of the "lex et consuetudo Parliamenti;" and the existence of that power in the Commons of Great Britain did not warrant the ascribing it to every Supreme Legislative Council or Assembly in the Colonies. We think we are bound by the decision of the case of *Kielly v. Carson*, the greater authority of which as compared with *Beaumont v. Barrett*, it is quite unnecessary, to enlarge upon. An attempt was made to distinguish the present case from those cited; the authority of the Legislative bodies in those cases being derived from the Crown; whereas, the Legislative Council of Van Diemen's Land derives its legislative authority from a statute of the Imperial Parliament. We think there is no foundation for this distinction, and that if the Legislative Council of Van Diemen's Land cannot claim the power they have exercised on the occasion before us, as inherently belonging to the supreme legislative authority which they do possess, they cannot claim it under the statute as part of the common law of England, including the "lex et consuetudo Parliamenti," transferred to the Colony by the 9th Geo. IV, Cap. 83, Sec. 24. The "lex et consuetudo Parliamenti" apply exclusively to the Lords and Commons of this country, and do not apply to the Supreme Legislature of a Colony by the introduction of the common law there.

It was argued, however, that as the Legislative Council had the power to make the inquiry out of which these proceedings arose, as inherently belonging to their supreme legislative authority, the Supreme Court had no authority to examine into the validity of the warrant;

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but we are of opinion that it sufficiently appeared by the pleas that this was an arrest with a view to punish for an act alleged to be a contempt, but committed away from the House of the Assembly. Their Lordships, therefore, are of opinion that it was not justified by the pleas, and that the judgment below ought to be affirmed, with costs, and we shall advise Her Majesty accordingly.

Despatch dated 12th March, transmitting Report of DR. PERCY, the Metallurgist of the Museum of Practical Geology, on the Specimen of Ore from Placentia Bay.

No. 14.

DOWNING STREET,
12th March, 1858. }

SIR,—With reference to your Despatch, No. 3, of the 2nd January last, I transmit for your information a copy of the Report of Dr. Percy, the Metallurgist of the Museum of Practical Geology, on the specimen of Ore from Placentia Bay.

I have, &c., &c., &c.

Signed,

STANLEY.

Governor

Sir Alexander Bannerman,
&c., &c., &c.

[Copy.]

*Metallurgical Laboratory,
Museum of Practical Geology,
March 9th, 1858.*

SIR,—In compliance with your request, I have to report that the specimen of Ore from Placentia Bay has been examined, and found to be Galena or Lead Ore, containing 80 per cent. of Lead by dry assay, and 1 oz. 16 dwts. of Silver per ton of Lead.

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The present price of good Lead Ore is about £17 or £18 per ton. The proportion of Silver is too small to be of any value.

I need hardly remind you that the specimen in question is *only a specimen and not a sample.*

I have, &c.,

Signed,

JOHN PERCY.

Sir R. Murchison,
&c., &c., &c.

Copy of Despatch from His Excellency SIR A. BANNERMAN to the Right Honorable H. LABOUCHERE, relative to the privileges and immunities granted to the New York and Newfoundland Telegraph Company, and requesting advice for his future guidance.

[COPY.]

No. 81.

GOVERNMENT-HOUSE,
St. John's, Nfld.,
24th October, 1857.

Telegraphic.

SIR,—I regret to have to trouble you so often on matters connected with this Colony, but the subject to which I have now to call your attention is one which I consider to be of such vital importance to the people of Newfoundland that I feel confident I shall be excused.

2. The question to which I allude relates to the immunities and privileges given to the New York and Newfoundland Telegraph Company, and I hope I am justified in asking advice for my future guidance, when I refer to Sir G. Grey's Despatch of the 22nd March, 1855, to Governor Hamilton, on the subject of Telegraphic Companies, in which he states "I do not address you with reference to any particular scheme which may be likely to be brought before you, not having information of any such, but merely by way of *general caution*. I need hardly add, that any assistance in the way of advice as to such schemes will be readily given by the proper department here whenever applied for."

3. It is much to be regretted that advice was not sought for before such large tracts of land were ceded by the Colonial Legislature without, apparently, provision being made

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for those necessary guarantees which in all similar cases are granted, viz., some security for an uninterrupted continuance, in as far as was possible, of the advantages of Telegraphic communication, for which alone such large privileges and immunities were conceded. *Little* regard seems also to have been paid to the consequences which may follow from the extensive powers given to the Telegraph Company to make their *own* selection of any localities for securing fifty square miles of *ungranted lands*, in blocks, not less than three square miles, with power to *alien and dispose of such lands or any part of them*, and when the Submarine Cable shall be laid across the Atlantic, an additional grant of 50 square miles is to be given to the Company.

4. When the Legislature meets in the ensuing year this important question will occupy its attention, and, in all probability, it will give rise to protracted discussions which are seldom productive of any practical result. I am desirous, therefore, to ascertain whether any future legislation may not remedy past errors of omission or commission without any breach of faith on the part of the Government of Newfoundland. With these views, I forward along with this all the Acts and documents which bear on the Telegraph question, accompanied by a short statement, pointing out those portions of them to which I would particularly direct the attention of the Colonial Department; hoping I shall receive, if possible, *before* the Legislature meets in February, such information for my guidance as cannot fail to be most useful to me,

I have the honour to be, Sir,

Your most obedient humble servant,

Signed,

A. BANNERMAN,

Governor.

To the Right Honorable
H. Labouchere, M. P., &c., &c.

Copy.

Statement on the part of the Governor of Newfoundland, relative to Grants of Land, with other immunities and privileges granted to the Telegraph Company by the Colonial

Legislature, accompanied by eight Colonial Acts, and two

Documents, marked Nos. 1 and 2. Vide also,

Governor's Despatch No 81, of this date,

24th October, 1857.

No. 1.

The existing Colonial Act for regulating the disposal of Crown Lands, by Section 1st enacts,—That from and after its passing no grant shall be made to any person not being a natural born subject of Her Majesty, &c., &c.,

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Section 20 enacts that Aliens may be Stockholders and Officers of the Company.

The Governor is desirous to know if this last Enactment may be construed as repealing the existing Law, and begs to direct particular attention to the 10th Section of the same Act, and wishes to be informed whether, by the power which seems to be vested in the Company, they *may* dispose of the *whole* of the lands which are, or may be, granted to them, to *American Citizens, French Subjects, &c.* and thus secure to the purchasers *a permanent settlement in Newfoundland on such Lands, and in such localities as the Company may select?* An answer to this question will be of great importance.

I would further ask particular attention be directed to the 10th Section of the 17th Vict., which provides that grants of unoccupied lands shall be issued by the *Governor of the Colony* to the Company, they *signifying to him in writing the lands which they desire to have granted.*

On a recent occasion the Governor was requested to affix his signature to several grants and refused, until he was better informed, and requested that the Document No. 2 should be laid before him, by which it appears that in compliance with the Act, various lots of land were applied for, and it will appear by the same document that eight of these applications are now withdrawn, contrary, as the Governor thinks, to the stipulations contained in the Act; he is therefore desirous to know if future applications are made to him how he is to act, due regard being paid to the provisions contained in the 10th Section, 17th Vict., cap. 2.

By the 11th Section of the same Act compensation is awarded to the Company for Roads *when completed.*

By the 16th Section, the colony becomes security for the Interest on Bonds to be issued by the Company, amounting to £50,000 for 20 years; these Bonds, the Governor understands, were all issued six months before he reached the colony, and are now in circulation.

The 19th Section provides the mode for enforcing payment of interest, if required, and this mode is, that the Government of Newfoundland may seize upon several hundred miles of Wires and Posts, which may not be worth as many hundred shillings.

The Governor is desirous to know if any future legislation can remedy what he thinks has been a great oversight.

The Road with Floating Bridges and Ferries contemplated by the Acts, will never be executed in the way which would benefit the public.

The other Acts which accompany this statement merely show that, previous to 1854, care seems to have been taken that no grants were conceded to the Telegraph Company, but on such conditions as appear to have been legitimate and proper.

In conclusion, it appears to the Governor, that the Government of Newfoundland, in regard to the transmission of information relative to the Public Service, have not sufficient powers by the provisions of the Acts as they now exist, and there appear to be no clauses which compel the Company to promulgate to the public political and other news on favored terms.

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The Governor has very briefly stated his views on the Telegraph Acts which are now in existence, and will be most happy to receive any information for his guidance with a view to future legislation, which the Colonial Department may be pleased to furnish him with.

(Signed,)

A. BANNERMAN,

Governor.

*RETURN from Surveyor General of applications for grants of Land on behalf
of Telegraph Company, up to 11th September, 1857, ordered
by Governor 4th September, 1857.*

*Surveyor General's Office,
9th September, 1857. }*

SIR,—

I have the honor to forward to you for the information of His Excellency the Governor, (agreeably with His Excellency's desire, as expressed in Council) a return shewing the number of applications made on behalf of the Telegraph Company for Land, by whom, and when such applications were made, the quantity in square miles, and where situate.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

EDMUND HANRAHAN.

The Hon. JOHN KENT,
Colonial Secretary,

&c., &c., &c.

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STATEMENT shewing the number of applications for LAND on behalf of the New York, New-
where situate, and the quantity applied for

Date of application.	Number and Description of Lot.	Where Situate.
October 9, 1854.	Lot No. 1, A	*On the South Side of the Humber River
12,	2, A	*On the North Side of the Humber River
	1, B	*On the South Shore of East Bay of Port au Port
	1, C	On the North Side of Great Cod Roy River
	1, D	*On the North Side of Crabs River, Georges Bay
26,	1, E	*On the South Side of Bay Despair River, where it enters said Bay
Jan. 20, 1857.	1, F	*On the East side of Grandy's Brook
	2, F	*On the West side of Grandy's Brook
	3, F	*All the Island Flats in Grandy's Brook, namely, from Seal Cove upwards
March	1, G	At Southern Harbor, in Placentia Bay, containing the lead mine
May	1, H	On the North, and adjoining the lead mine lying between the two Bays of Placentia and Trinity
	2, H	On the South and adjoining the lead mine before mentioned
		On the South Side of the entrance of the South West Arm of Rantom, in Trinity Bay.
		From Coopers Head in Placentia Bay to Bay Bulls Arm, in Trinity Bay, including Bull Island
		Grand Pond, North of the Coal Brook
		On the Main Brook of Grand Pond, North of the latter
		On the right hand Bank of the Humber River, Southern extremity of Deer Pond
		Indian River, in Hail's Bay, with the Island on the East Side of the entrance of Indian Arm
		Total.....

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foundland, and London Telegraph Company, by whom, and when the applications were made, up to this date, September 11th, 1857.

Quantity in each Lot.	Name of applicant.	Remarks.
Square miles.		
7 $\frac{1}{2}$	Chandler White, Esq.	All the applications marked thus [*] are considered by Professor Shepherd to be withdrawn.
7 $\frac{3}{4}$	Ditto	
3 $\frac{1}{4}$	Ditto	
3	Ditto	
1	Ditto	
3	Ditto	
3	Ambrose Shea, Esq.	
3	Ditto	
3	Ditto	
3	Professor Shepherd	
3	Ditto	
3	Ditto	
3	Ditto	
6	Ditto	
3	Ditto	
3	Ditto	
3	Ditto	
6	Ditto	
67 $\frac{1}{4}$	applied for	
31 $\frac{1}{4}$	with drawn	
36		

EDMUND HANRAHAN.

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*COPY of Mr. LABOUCHERE'S Despatch No. 34, of 17th December, 1857, to Sir A. BANNERMAN,
relative to Telegraphic Legislation.*

(COPY.)

*Downing Street,
17th December, 1857. }*

SIR,—

I have to acknowledge the receipt of your Despatch No. 81, of 24th October, 1857, submitting to me certain questions respecting the rights conceded by enactments of the Newfoundland Legislature to the New York and Newfoundland Electric Telegraph Company.

Your first doubt, I understand to be, whether the Company can dispose of the lands granted to it under the 17th Vic., Cap. 2, to aliens.

You refer me to the Local Act 17th Victoria, Cap. 1, "to make provisions for the disposal of Crown Lands," which provides that no grant of any of the said lands shall be made to an alien

It would seem at first sight as if this provision excluded grants by the Company to aliens. But it would obviously be necessary before the Law Advisers could answer your question, that they should know what are the existing laws of Newfoundland respecting the acquisition of land (private, not crown land) by aliens; and that they should have such other information respecting the meaning of this 10th Section (which is by no means clear without the aid of local knowledge or experience) as your own professional advisers could furnish.

Your second question, if I understand it rightly, is whether the Company after "applying" for reservations of land under the Local Act 17th Vic., Cap. 2, Sec. 10, and before grant issued, can withdraw their application. In this instance also, from the information before me, I should judge that the Company, having made such a selection, was bound by their choice, and could not afterwards withdraw it. But as it appears that the period specified by the Act for their reservations (namely, up to the completion of the Telegraph, or for three years from the passing of the Act) has expired, it would be necessary that I should have more complete information before I can ask the Law Advisers whether such withdrawal was legal or not.

You will perceive that with every disposition to afford you the assistance of legal advice, I cannot do so in matters of any difficulty, unless on cases for opinion distinctly stated, and drawn up with the help of persons having professional knowledge. If I were to ask for an opinion on imperfect materials, the answer would be liable to mislead instead of aiding you.

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Respecting the further question, what course had better be pursued by the Legislature under existing circumstances, I am in communication with the Lords of the Committee of Privy Council for Trade, and will shortly communicate the results to you so far as this can be done while the legal questions remain unanswered.*

I have the honor, &c., &c., &c.

(Signed)

H. LABOUCHERE.

* *Vide* Despatch No. 4, 22nd January, 1858, from the Secretary of State, enclosing letter from the Committee of Privy Council for Trade, dated "Whitehall, 11th January, 1858," which have already been presented to the House of Assembly, and ordered to be printed by the House.

Despatch from the Secretary of State with reference to the New York, Newfoundland, and London Telegraph Company.

[RECEIVED FEBRUARY 17th, 1858.]

No. 4.

DOWNING STREET,)
22nd January, 1858.)

SIR, — With reference to the last paragraph of my Despatch, No. 34, of the 17th of December last, I transmit for your information and guidance a copy of a letter addressed to this Department, by desire of the Lords of the Committee of Privy Council for Trade, containing their Lordships' views on the line of policy which it would be advisable for the Newfoundland Government to adopt respecting the existing Legislation of the Island as regards the New York and Newfoundland Telegraph Company.

I have the honour to be, Sir,

Your most obedient humble servant,

H. LABOUCHERE,

Governor Sir Alexander Bannerman,
 &c., &c., &c.
Newfoundland.

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[Copy.]

*Office of Committee of Privy Council for Trade.
Whitehall, 11th January, 1858.*

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SIR,—I am directed by the Lords of the Committee of Privy Council for Trade, to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 18th ultimo, transmitting copy of a Despatch (No. 81) from the Governor of Newfoundland, raising certain questions, partly legal and partly of policy, respecting the existing Legislation of the Island, as to the New York, Newfoundland, and London Telegraph Company, together with a copy of the answer which Mr. Labouchere has returned as to the legal points, and requesting my Lords to advise Mr. Labouchere upon the question, what policy had better now be pursued by the Colonial Legislature.

In reply, my Lords direct me to observe, that having already on many former occasions expressed their opinion that the granting to Telegraph Companies of the exclusive right to lay wires in any of Her Majesty's Colonies is most injurious to Imperial interests, my Lords are unable to do more on the present occasion than to suggest that no opportunity should be lost that may present itself to the Colonial Government of putting an end to the monopoly of laying Telegraphic Wires in Newfoundland and its Dependencies, which has been granted to the New York, Newfoundland, and London Telegraph Company, a monopoly which appears to my Lords not less injurious to the interests of the colony than it is to those of this country.

My Lords would also suggest that, in all acts authorising the laying of Telegraphic Wires in Her Majesty's Colonial possessions, security should, so far as practicable, be taken for the construction, within a limited time, of the authorised lines, and for their constant maintenance in good working order; and if the Colonial Government have still power to make stipulations in the present case, the New York, Newfoundland, and London Company should be required to give security for this purpose, or it should be stipulated that in the event of the Company failing to construct, or where constructed, to maintain the line, all the exclusive privileges and powers of the Company in respect of that line should cease.

My Lords would further suggest that it is deserving of consideration whether it would not be expedient that in all acts conferring upon Telegraph Companies the power of laying down Telegraph Wires in Her Majesty's Colonies, provisions should be inserted for securing to the Government the right of taking temporary possession of the line in cases of public emergency, and for securing to the Government and the public the use of the wires of the Company upon terms similar to those which have been imposed on Telegraph Companies in this country by the acts or charters by which those Companies are incorporated. A copy of one of the Acts, [14 & 15 Vic., cap. 135,] in which the usual clauses for this purpose are contained, is sent herewith.

I have, &c.,

Signed,

JAMES BOOTH.

H. Merivale, Esq.,
&c., &c., &c.

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CAP. CXXXV.

An Act for Incorporating the European and American Electric Printing Telegraph Company, and to enable them to work certain Letters Patent.

[7th August, 1851.]

Whereas by Letters Patent under the Great Seal of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, bearing date at Westminster the Thirteenth Day of November in the Ninth year of the Reign of Her present Majesty, and in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and forty-five, Her said Majesty did grant unto Jacob Brett, his Executors, Administrators, and Assigns, Her especial License, full Power, sole Privilege, and authority of making, using, exercising, and vending, within England, Wales, and the Township of Berwick-upon-Tweed, and in the Islands of Guernsey, Jersey, Alderney, Sark, and Man, and in all Her Majesty's Colonies and Plantations abroad, the Invention of Improvements in printing communications made by Electric Telegraphs, during the term of Fourteen years thence next ensuing, a Specification of which said Invention was duly enrolled in Chancery: And whereas by other Letters Patent under the Great Seal of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, bearing date at Westminster on the Eight Day of February in the Eleventh Year of the Reign of Her present Majesty, and in the Year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and forty-eight, Her said Majesty did grant unto the said Jacob Brett, his Executors, Administrators, and Assigns, Her special Licence, full Power, sole Privilege, and authority of making, using, exercising, and vending, within England, Wales, and the Township of Berwick-upon-Tweed, and the Islands of Guernsey, Jersey, Alderney, Sark, and Man, and in Her Majesty's Colonies and Plantations abroad (save and except Her Provinces of Canada, Nova Scotia, and New Brunswick, also the Island of Prince Edward, in North America), the Invention of Improvements in Electric Printing and other Telegraphs, during the Term of Fourteen Years from thence next ensuing, and a Specification of which said Invention has been duly enrolled in Chancery: And whereas by certain other Letters Patent under the Seal kept and used in Scotland instead of the Great Seal formerly used there, and sealed at Edinburgh on the Twenty-seventh day of August in the Ninth Year of the Reign of Her said Majesty, and in the Year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and forty-five, Her Majesty did grant unto the said Jacob Brett, his Executors, Administrators, and Assigns, Her special License, full Power, sole Privilege, and Authority of making, using, exercising, and vending the said Invention of Improvements in Printing Communications made by Electric Telegraphs in Scotland, during the Term of Fourteen Years, a Specification of which said Letters Patent was duly registered on the Twenty-seventh day of December one thousand eight hundred and forty-five: And whereas other Letters Patent are now pending and in progress intended to be under the Great Seal of Ireland, whereby it is intended to grant to the said Jacob Brett, his Executors, Administrators, and Assigns, special License, full Power, sole Privilege, and Authority of making, using, exercising, and vending the said Invention of Improvements in Electric Printing and other Telegraphs, during the Term of Fourteen Years from thence next ensuing: And whereas in the said Letters Patent or some of them are contained conditions or provisos against the said Letters Patent respectively, or the Privileges, Benefits, and Advantages thereby respectively granted, becoming vested in or in trust for more than the Number of Twelve Persons, or their Representatives, at any one time, as Partners dividing or entitled to divide the Benefits or Profits obtained by reason of the same Letters Patent respectively: And whereas it would be of public Advantage if the said Inventions were brought into general use, and

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that object would be promoted if the said Patent Privileges were permitted to be vested in a Company consisting of more than Twelve Persons, with proper Powers and Provisions; but the same cannot be effected without the Authority of Parliament: May it therefore please Your Majesty that it may be enacted; and be it 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, as follows; that is to say:

I. That the several Acts of Parliament following, (that is to say,) "The Companies Clauses Consolidation Act, 1845," and "The Lands Clauses Consolidation Act, 1845," shall be incorporated with and form part of this Act: Provided always, that nothing in this Act or the said incorporated Acts shall authorise the Company to purchase or take any Lands without the consent of the Owners and Occupiers thereof.

II. That "The Companies Clauses Consolidation (Scotland) Act, 1845," and "The Lands Clauses Consolidation (Scotland) Act, 1845," shall, so far as respects the Property, Rights, Remedies, Liabilities, Affairs, Acts, and Proceedings of the Company in Scotland, be incorporated with and form part of this Act: Provided, that nothing in this Act or the said two last-mentioned Acts contained shall authorise the Company to purchase or take any Lands in Scotland without the consent of the Owners and Occupiers thereof.

III. That in citing this Act in other Acts of Parliament, and in legal and other proceedings and instruments, it shall be sufficient to use the expression "The European and American Electric Printing Telegraph Company's Act, 1851."

IV. That Sir James Carmichael, Baronet, Jacob Brett, and John Watkins Brett, and all Persons and Corporations who have already subscribed or shall hereafter subscribe to the undertaking, and their Executors, Administrators, Successors, and Assigns respectively, shall be united into a Company for the Purposes of the Undertaking, according to the Provisions of the said Acts and of this Act, and for working the several Inventions in this Act comprised or mentioned, and for other the purposes herein and in the said Acts contained; and for the purposes aforesaid the same Company shall be incorporated by the name of "The European and American Electric Printing Telegraph Company," and by that name shall be a Body Corporate, with perpetual succession, and shall have power to purchase and hold Lands for the purposes of the undertaking, within the restrictions herein and in the said Acts contained.

V. That nothing herein or in the said incorporated Acts contained shall in anywise restrict the liability of any of the Shareholders of the Company under any Judgment, Decree, or Order for Payment of Money, or other proceeding which shall be had or obtained against the Company in any Action, Suit, or Proceeding prosecuted by or against the Company in any Court of Law or Equity, but every such Shareholder shall continue liable for or in respect of all such Monies, and every such Judgment, Decree, Order, and Proceeding, in the same manner as he would have been if the Company had not been incorporated by this Act.

VI. That every Judgment and every Decree or Order which shall be at any time obtained against the Company in any Action, Suit, or other Proceeding prosecuted by or against the Company in any Court of Law or Equity shall and may take effect and be enforced, and Execution or Diligence thereon be issued, not only against the Property and Effects of the Company, but also, if due diligence shall have been used to obtain satis-

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faction of such Judgment, Decree, or Order by Execution or Diligence against the Property and Effects of the Company, then against the Person, Property, and Effects of any Shareholder for the time being, or any former Shareholder of the Company, in his natural or individual Capacity, until such Judgment, Decree, or Order shall be fully satisfied: Provided, in the case of Execution against any former Shareholder, that such former Shareholder was a Shareholder of the Company at the time of the entering into or committing the Contract or Tort for or in respect of which such Judgment, Decree, or Order may have been obtained, or become a Shareholder during the time such Contract or Tort was unexecuted or unredressed, or was a Shareholder at the time of the Judgment, Decree, or Order being obtained: Provided also, that in no case shall Execution or Diligence be issued on any such Judgment, Decree, or Order against the Person, Property, or Effects of any such former Shareholder of the Company after the expiration of three years next after the Person sought to be charged shall have ceased to be a Shareholder.

VII.—That every Person against whom or against whose Property or Effects Execution or Diligence upon any Judgment, Decree, or Order obtained as aforesaid shall have been issued as aforesaid, or who shall have paid any Monies on account of the Company, on any Judgment, Decree, or Order obtained or made against the Company, shall be entitled to recover against the Company all Loss, Damages, Costs, and Charges which such Person may have incurred or paid by reason or in consequence of any such Execution or Diligence, either by Action of Debt or Assumpsit for Money paid to the use of the Company, or by any other legal or equitable Action, Suit, or Proceeding applicable or convenient for that Purpose; and also that after due Diligence used to obtain satisfaction thereof against the Property and Effects of the said Company, such Person shall be entitled to Contribution for so much of such Loss, Damages, Costs, and Charges as shall remain unsatisfied from the several other Persons against whom Execution or Diligence upon such Judgment, Decree, or Order obtained against the said Company might also have been issued under the Provision in that behalf aforesaid, and that such Contribution may be recovered from such Persons as aforesaid either by Action of Debt or Assumpsit for Money paid to the use of such Persons, or by any other legal Action, Suit, or Proceeding applicable or convenient for that Purpose.

VIII.—That in the cases provided by this Act for Execution or Diligence on any Judgment, Decree, or Order in any Action or Suit against the Company, to be issued against the Person or against the Property and Effects of any Shareholder or former Shareholder of the Company, or against the Property and Effects of the Company, at the Suit of any Shareholder or former Shareholder, in satisfaction of any Monies, Damages, Costs, and Expenses paid or incurred by him as aforesaid in any Action or Suit against the Company, such Execution or Diligence may be issued by leave of the Court or of a Judge of the Court in which such Judgment, Decree, or Order shall have been obtained, upon Motion, Rule, Summons, or other Form of Application consistent with the Practice of the Court, without any suggestion or scire facias in that behalf; and that it shall be lawful for such Court or Judge to make absolute, or grant or allow, discharge, refuse, or dismiss, any such Motion, Rule, Summons, Petition, or Application, (as the case may be,) and to direct the Costs of the Application to be paid by either Party, or to make such other Order therein as to such Court or Judge shall seem fit; and in such Cases such Forms of Executions, Diligences, or Processes shall be sued out of the Courts of Law and Equity respectively, for giving effect to the Provision in that behalf aforesaid, as the Judges of such Courts respectively shall from time to time think fit to order, and the execution of such Writs shall be enforced in like manner as Writs of Execution are now enforced: Provided, that any order made by a Judge as aforesaid may be discharged or varied by the

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Court, on application made thereto by either party dissatisfied with such Order: Provided also, that no such motion shall be made nor summons granted for the purpose of charging any Shareholder or former Shareholder until Ten days notice thereof shall have been given to the person sought to be charged thereby.

IX.—That a Memorial of the Names and Descriptions of the several Shareholders of the Company, in the form or to the effect for that purpose given or expressed in the Schedule to this Act annexed, shall, within Six Months after the passing of this Act, be verified by the declaration of some Director, Secretary, or Officer for the time being of the Company, made before a Master or Master Extraordinary in Chancery, and, when so verified, enrolled in the High Court of Chancery in England; and that the like Memorial of the name and description of every such Shareholder for the time being of the Company, in such form as aforesaid, shall, in the month of January, One Thousand Eight Hundred Fifty-two, and in the month of January in every succeeding year, or within Twenty-one days thereafter, be verified by such declaration as aforesaid, and also enrolled in the said High Court of Chancery; and when any person shall cease to be a Shareholder, or when any person shall become a Shareholder, a Memorial of his name and description, verified in manner aforesaid, shall or may be forthwith enrolled in manner aforesaid, in the form or to the effect expressed in the said Schedule for that purpose; and if any declaration which shall be so made as aforesaid shall be false or untrue in any material particular, the person wilfully making such false declaration shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor; and the enrolment of every such Memorial shall be sufficient *prima facie* evidence that every person named in such Memorial was at the date thereof such Shareholder as in such Memorial mentioned, or had ceased to be such Shareholder as in such Memorial mentioned.

X.—That, until such Memorial as firstly herein-before mentioned shall have been enrolled in manner aforesaid, no Action or Suit shall be brought or commenced by or on behalf of the Company; and every Shareholder whose name shall be expressed in the Enrolment of the First Memorial, or any annual Memorial to be enrolled in manner aforesaid, shall continue liable to all Judgments, Decrees, and Orders against the Company until the Enrolment of the then next annual Memorial to be enrolled in manner aforesaid, or until a Memorial of his having ceased to be a Shareholder shall have been enrolled in manner aforesaid.

XI.—That if within the period before limited any such Memorial as aforesaid be not enrolled as aforesaid, then, on conviction of any such default, the Company shall be liable to pay a sum not exceeding Twenty Pounds.

XII.—That the Capital of the Company shall consist of Shares of Five Pounds each.

XIII.—And whereas the expense of executing the several Works by this Act authorized, and otherwise carrying out the purposes of the Company, cannot be estimated: Be it therefore enacted, That the Company shall have power to issue such number of Shares, not exceeding in the whole forty thousand Shares, as shall from time to time be found necessary for the purposes of the Company, and that such Shares shall be numbered in arithmetical progression, beginning with Number One.

XIV.—That One Pound *per* Share shall be the greatest Amount of any One Call which the Company may make on the Shareholders, and Three Months at the least shall be the interval between each Call.

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XV.—That the Quorum for every General Meeting of the Company shall be any number of Shareholders holding in the aggregate not less than five hundred Shares in the Undertaking.

XVI.—That the First General Meeting of the Company shall be held within Six Calendar Months from the passing of this Act, and the future General Meetings shall be held in the Month of *February* in each Year, or at such other stated periods as shall be appointed for that purpose by an Order of a General Meeting.

XVII.—That the Number of Shareholders on whose Requisition an Extraordinary Meeting may be required to be convened shall be Fifty or more Shareholders holding in the aggregate not less than five hundred Shares in the Undertaking.

XVIII.—That the Number of Directors shall be Seven, and the Qualification of a Director shall be the Possession in his own Right of five hundred Shares in the Undertaking.

XIX.—That it shall be lawful for the Company from time to time to increase the Number of Directors, provided that the increased Number do not exceed Twelve.

XX.—That it shall be lawful for the Directors, by and with the sanction of a General Meeting, from time to time to declare and pay in the interval between any Two Ordinary Annual General Meetings a Half Year's Dividend out of the Profits of the Company to the Shareholders, but the Directors shall not make any Dividend whereby the Capital of the Company will be reduced.

XXI.—That the said Sir James Carmichael, Baronet, Jacob Brett, and John Watkins Brett shall, until the First General Meeting, be the Directors of the Company, and that Four additional Directors shall be appointed at the First General Meeting.

XXII.—That the Directors appointed by this Act, and the Four additional Directors to be appointed at the First General Meeting, shall continue in Office until the First Ordinary Meeting to be held in the year one thousand eight hundred and fifty-three.

XXIII.—That the Quorum of a Meeting of Directors shall be Three.

XXIV.—That the Number of Directors of which Committee appointed by the Directors shall consist shall not be less than Three, and the Quorum of such Committee shall be Two.

XXV.—That the Quantity of Land to be held by the Company at any one time, (over and above the Land which may be occupied in the Lines of their Wires and Tubes) shall not exceed one hundred Acres.

XXVI.—That the Company may, on all Lands and Hereditaments purchased or taken by them, erect, construct, and maintain Stations, Offices, Buildings, Machinery, Works, and Apparatus, as may be necessary or convenient for carrying on the Business of the Company.

XXVII.—That it shall be lawful for every Patentee and Grantee in each of the said several recited Letters Patent named or referred to, and for his Executors, Administrators, and Assigns, and for every Person in whom such Letters Patent, or the Privileges thereby granted,

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or any Part thereof, now are or shall at any Time hereafter be vested, at any Time to sell, transfer, assign, and dispose of or otherwise assure all his Part, Share, Right, Title, and Interest of, in, or to each of such Letters Patent, and the Privileges thereby given or granted, or any Part thereof, and also the Rights, Profits, and Advantages in or by such Letters Patent or any of them comprised, given, granted, or conferred, or any Part thereof, unto or in trust for the Company.

XXVIII.—That it shall be lawful for any Patentee or Grantee named in any Letters Patent (whether such Letters Patent be foreign or otherwise), at any Time heretofore made or hereafter to be made, granting any Right or Privilege of working, using, exercising, or vending of any Invention, all or any Part of which shall be any Manner of Improvement in or upon or Addition to Electric Printing or other Telegraphs, or the Apparatus thereof, or the giving or transmitting of Signals, sounding Alarums, or regulating the transmitting or applying Electric Currents or other Processes for the Purposes of Telegraphic Communication, and for every Person in whom any such Letters Patent, and the Privileges thereby granted, or any Part thereof, now are or at any Time hereafter shall be vested, at any Time hereafter, or after the making of such Letters Patent respectively, to sell, transfer, assign, and dispose of, or otherwise assure, for and during the Term during which the Letters Patent herein-before recited shall be in force, all his Part, Share, Right, Title, and Interest of, in or to each of such Letters Patent, and the Privileges thereby given or granted or to be given or granted, or any Part thereof, and all or any Part of the Rights, Profits, Benefits, and Advantages in or by such Letters Patent or any of them comprised, given, granted, or conferred, unto or to the Use of or in trust for, or for the Benefit of the Company; and it shall be lawful for the Company to have, hold, use, and exercise any such Letters Patent, and the Privileges thereby given or granted, any any Part, Share, Right, Title, or Interest therein so given or granted, for and during the Term aforesaid.

XXIX.—That every such Sale, Transfer, Assignment, Disposition, and Assurance as aforesaid of any of such Letters Patent as aforesaid, or of all or any part of every or any Right, Power, Privilege, Benefit, or Advantage given or granted by any such Letters Patent, and whether any such Part of any such Privilege shall extend to the whole or any Part of the Countries, Districts, or Places comprised in such Privileges or not, shall be good, valid, and effectual to and for all intents and purposes whatsoever, and shall not render the Letters Patent and Privileges, or any part thereof, or the Parts, Shares, Rights, Titles, and Interests thereby sold, transferred, assigned, or disposed of, or any of them, or any Part thereof respectively, void or voidable in anywise however, or cause such Letters Patent, Privileges, Parts, Shares, Rights, Titles, and Interests, or any of them, or any Part thereof, to cease, determine, or become void or voidable, or be forfeited, repealed, or cancelled in anywise howsoever, although the persons composing the Company shall exceed Twelve in Number, either at the time of the making or execution of any such Sale, Transfer, Assignment, Disposition, or Assurance, or at any time afterwards, any Condition, Proviso, Restriction, or Clause whatsoever in the aforesaid Letters Patent, or any of them expressed or contained to the contrary thereof in anywise howsoever notwithstanding.

XXX.—That after any such Sale, Transfer, Assignment, Disposition, or Assurance as aforesaid of any such Letters Patent, Parts, Shares, Rights, Titles, and Interests as aforesaid, or any of them, or any part thereof, then and in every such Case the Letters Patent, Parts, Shares, Rights, Titles, and Interests so sold, transferred, assigned, disposed of, or otherwise assured, and every part thereof respectively, shall be, and the same are hereby declared to

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be fully, absolutely, and effectually vested in, or sold, transferred, assigned, and disposed of and assured unto or to the Use of or in trust for or for the benefit of the Company, to all intents and purposes whatsoever, and shall or may be exercised and enjoyed by the Company, their Successors and Assigns, without causing any Cesser, Determination, or Forfeitures thereof; and that of every such Letters Patent as aforesaid, the whole or any part of which shall or may be sold, transferred, assigned, disposed of, or assured as aforesaid, or the whole or any part of the Rights, Powers, Privileges, Authorities, Benefits, and Advantages comprised in or given or granted by which shall or may be sold, transferred, assigned, disposed of, or assured as aforesaid, shall thenceforth be construed, taken, and considered, operate, enure, and take effect, as to the whole, or the part or parts thereof which shall have been sold, transferred, assigned, disposed of, or assured as aforesaid, in such and the same manner, to all intents and purposes whatsoever, as if no such Condition, Proviso, Restriction, or Clause as hereinbefore mentioned or referred to, or any Condition, Proviso, or Clause whatsoever for the Cesser, Determination, or Avoidance of such Letters Patent, in case of such Letters Patent, or the Liberties or Privileges thereby respectively granted, becoming vested in or in trust for more than the Number of Twelve Persons, or their Representatives, at any One Time, as Partners dividing or entitled to divide the benefits or profits to be obtained by reason of such Letters Patent respectively, or any other Condition, Proviso, or Clause against or restrictive of the selling, transferring, assigning, or otherwise asuring or disposing of such Letters Patent, Privileges, Benefits, and Advantages, had ever been inserted, expressed, or contained in or by such Letters Patent as aforesaid, or any of them.

XXXI.—That it shall be lawful for every Patentee or Grantee named in each of the said several Letters Patent hereinbefore recited, and every Patentee or Grantee named or to be named in each of the other Letters Patent hereinbefore mentioned, and for the Executors, Administrators, and Assigns of every such Patentee or Grantee, and for every person in whom any of such Letters Patent as aforesaid, or the privileges thereby granted, or any part thereof, now are or at any Time hereafter shall be vested, so far as relates to or respects his and their Right, Title, Part, Share, and Interest in and to such Letters Patent and Privileges, to give or grant unto or to the Use of or in trust for or for the benefit of the Company, any Leave, Licence, Power, or Authority to work, use, exercise, or put in practice the Invention comprised in the Privilege or any Part thereof, although the Persons composing the Company shall exceed Twelve in Number; nor shall any Number (although exceeding Twelve) of similar Gifts or Grants of Leave, Licence, Power, or Authority render the said Letters Patent and Privileges, or any of them, void or voidable in anywise howsoever, or cause the same Letters Patent and Privileges, or any of them, or any part thereof, to cease, determine, or become void or voidable, or be forfeited, repealed, or cancelled in anywise howsoever, any Condition, Proviso, Restriction, or Clause whatsoever in the aforesaid Letters Patent, or any of them expressed or contained to the contrary thereof in anywise howsoever notwithstanding.

XXXII.—Provided always That nothing in this Act contained shall be construed to give greater Force or Validity to the said recited Letters Patent, or any other Letters Patent that may be at any time hereafter purchased by or assigned to the Company under the powers of this Act, than they would legally have possessed if the same had not not been assigned to the Company by virtue of the provisions contained in this Act.

XXXIII.—That in case Her Majesty, Her Heirs, or Successors, shall think fit, with the advice of Her or Their Privy Council, to grant to the Company any Confirmation or Prolonga.

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tion of any Letters Patent or Patent Privilege which shall or may at any time hereafter be assigned unto or become otherwise vested in or in trust for the Company, then and in every such case such Confirmation or Prolongation shall or may be granted to the Company, any Condition, Clause, Matter, or Thing in any such Letters Patent contained to the contrary thereof in anywise notwithstanding.

XXXIV.—That in case the Company shall at any time hereafter, in pursuance of an Act of Parliament passed in the Sixth Year of the Reign of King William the Fourth, intituled “An Act to amend the Law touching Letters Patent for Inventions,” obtain the leave of Her Majesty’s Attorney General or Solicitor General for England or Ireland, or of Her Majesty’s Lord Advocate or Solicitor General for Scotland, to enter with the Clerk of the Patents of England, Scotland, or Ireland respectively any disclaimer of any part of either the Title or Invention mentioned or comprised in any Letters Patent or Patent Privileges of or belonging to the Company, or of any part of the Specification of any such Invention, or to enter with such Clerk a Memorandum of any alteration in any such Title or Specification as aforesaid, then and in every such case such Disclaimer or Memorandum of Alteration shall or may be made under the Seal of the Company, and signed by Two Directors or Officers of the Company, and when so made shall or may, in pursuance of such leave as aforesaid, be entered, filed, and enrolled according to the Provisions of the said Act, and no acknowledgment of any such Disclaimer or Memorandum of Alteration shall be necessary previous to the enrolment thereof.

XXXV.—That after any such Sale, Transfer, or Assignment aforesaid of any such Letters Patent aforesaid unto or to the use of or in trust for the Company, it shall be lawful for the Company from time to time, by any writing under the Seal of the Company and the hands of any Two of the Directors of the Company, to grant any License to any person to use, exercise, or vend the Invention or Inventions comprised in such Letters Patent or any of them, or any part thereof, either generally, or under or subject to such Payments, Conditions, Limitations, or Restrictions, as to the said Company shall seem fit.

XXXVI.—That it shall be lawful for the Company to enter into such Arrangements or Agreements with Foreign Governments, or with Companies or other parties out of *Great Britain*, for working, using, or constructing Electric Printing and other Telegraphs abroad, as shall be mutually agreed on between the parties; provided nevertheless, that it shall not be lawful for the Company to appropriate or expend any Monies of the Company for any of such Purposes without an Order of a General Meeting for that Purpose.

XXXVII.—That it shall be lawful for the Company from time to time to lay down and place under any public Roads, Streets, Highways, and other Thoroughfares, and either along or across such Places, any Wires, Pipes, or Tubes which shall or may be necessary or convenient for the Purposes of any Electric or other Telegraph, or intended Electric or other Telegraph, and from time to time to alter, repair, amend, and reinstate the same, and for such Purposes to break up or open the Pavement or Soil of any such Places, the Company doing as little Damage as may be, and making Compensation for all Damage to be caused thereby to the Parties who shall have sustained such Damage; provided that nothing in this present Provision contained shall extend or apply to any Railway or Canal, or to any of the Works or Conveniences connected with any Railway or Canal, except that, subject to the Provisions of this Act, it shall be lawful for the Company to carry their Wires, Pipes, and Tubes, direct-

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ly (but not otherwise) across any Railway or Canal, but so and in such Manner, and only at such Place and Time as not in anywise to damage or be likely to Damage the Railway or Canal, or any of the Works connected therewith, or at all to interrupt or interfere with the Use thereof, or the Passage and Conveyance of Traffic along the same.

XXXVIII.—That before any Street shall be opened or broken up by the Company, they shall give to the Persons under whose Control or Management such Street may be, or their Clerk or Surveyor, Notice in Writing of their intention to open or break up the same Three Days at least before the Commencement of such Operation.

XXXIX.—That every such Street shall be opened or broken up under the Superintendence of the Persons so having the Control or Management of the same as aforesaid, or their Officer, and according to such Plan as shall be agreed upon between such Persons or their Officer and the Company or their Servants, or in case of any difference respecting such Plan, then according to such Plan as shall be determined by a Justice; and such Justice is hereby required, on the Application of the Company, to determine the Plan according to which such Street shall be opened or broken up; provided that Three Days Notice of the Time and Place at which such Determination is to be made shall be proved to have been served on the Person having the Control or Management of the Street to be proposed to be broken up.

XL.—That when the Pavement or Soil of any Street shall be opened or broken up by the Company, they shall with all convenient speed complete the work on account of which the same shall be broken up, and fill in the Ground, and make good the Pavement or Soil so broken up, and carry away the rubbish occasioned thereby, and shall in the meantime cause the Place where such Pavement or Soil shall be so opened or broken up to be fenced and guarded, and set up and maintain, upon or against the Part of the said Pavement or Soil so broken up or opened, a sufficient Light during every Night during which the Pavement or Soil shall be continued or broken up,

XLI.—That if the Company shall make any delay in completing any such Work, or in filling in the Ground or making good the Pavement or Surface so opened or broken up, or in carrying away the rubbish so occasioned as aforesaid, or in causing to be fenced, guarded, or lighted the Place where such Pavement or Surface shall have been broken up, they shall forfeit a Sum not exceeding Five Pounds for every such Offence, and a further Sum not exceeding Five Pounds for each Day during which such Delay shall continue.

XLII.—That if any such delay as aforesaid shall take place, it shall be lawful for the Persons having the Control or Management of the Street in respect of which such delay shall take place to cause the Matter or thing so delayed to be done, and the expense of doing the same, together with the costs of recovering such expense, to be recovered from the Company by Action or otherwise; and the Money so recovered shall be applied by the Persons having the Control and Management of the Street for the Purposes of the same.

XLIII.—That it shall be lawful for the Company to demand, levy, and receive from all Persons, for conveying Messages and Signals by means of any Electric Telegraphs belonging to the Company, such reasonable Rates or Sums as the Company shall think fit, and such Rates and Sums may be demanded and received before the Transmission of Such Messages

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and Signals: Provided always, that such Rates or Sums shall be charged to all persons equally, shall not be charged, directly or indirectly, in favor of or to the prejudice of any particular person or persons; and such Messages and Signals shall be conveyed and transmitted for all persons, without Preference or in favor of any particular person.

XLIV.—That it shall not be lawful for the Company to construct below High-water Mark at Spring Tides, or on the Seashore, or Bank of any navigable River, any Work, Wires, Pipes, or Tubes, or any Buoy, or erect any Seamark, or alter the same, at any Time or Times, without the previous Consent of the Lord High Admiral of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, or the Commissioners for executing the Office of Lord High Admiral aforesaid for the time being, to be signified in Writing under the Hand of the Secretary of the Admiralty, and then only according to such Plan and under such Restrictions and Regulations as the said Lord High Admiral, or the said Commissioners for executing the Office of Lord High Admiral, may approve of, such Approval being signified as last aforesaid; and if any such Work, Wires, Pipes, or Tubes, or any Buoy or Seamark, shall be commenced or completed, laid down or erected, or altered or extended, contrary to the Provisions of this Act, it shall be lawful for the said Lord High Admiral, or the said Commissioners for executing the Office of Lord High Admiral, to abate and remove the same, and to restore the Site thereof to its former Condition, at the Cost and charge of the Company, and the Amount thereof shall be a Debt due to the Crown, and be recoverable accordingly, with Costs of Suit.

XLV.—That if, after Working Drawings of any of the Works hereby authorized shall have been submitted to the Lord High Admiral of the United Kingdom, or to the Commissioners for executing the Office of Lord High Admiral, it shall be deemed expedient by him or them to order a Local Survey and Examination of such Works, or of the intended Site thereof, the Company shall defray the Costs of such Local Survey and Examination, and the amount thereof shall be a Debt due to Her Majesty from the Company, and if not paid upon Demand, may be recovered as a Debt due to the Crown, with the Costs of Suit, or may be recovered, with Costs, as a Penalty is or may be recoverable from the Company.

XLVI. That if any work to be constructed by the Company in or across any tidal water or navigable river, or if any portion of the work which affects any such water or river or access thereto, shall be abandoned, or suffered to fall into disuse or decay, it shall be lawful for the Lord High Admiral, or the Commissioners for executing the Office of Lord High Admiral, to abate and remove the same, or such part or parts thereof as he or they may at any time or times deem fit and proper, and to restore the site thereof to its former condition, at the cost and charge of the Company, and the amount thereof shall be a debt due from the Company to the Crown, and be recoverable accordingly, with costs of Suit.

XLVII. That, notwithstanding anything hereinbefore contained, no works shall be done under the powers of this Act which shall in any way interfere with any Sewers, Drains, or Watercourses under the control of the Metropolitan Commissioners of Sewers, and no new Sewers, Drains, or Watercourses, or Works of Sewage, shall be made or done under the powers of this Act, without the same shall have been previously approved by the said Metropolitan Commissioners of Sewers, and the same shall be carried out and completed under the direction and control of the said Commissioners and their Officers, and thenceforth remain subject, in all respects, to the Jurisdiction of the said Commission-

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ers; and that nothing in this Act contained shall extend or be deemed or construed to extend to prejudice, diminish, alter, or take away any of the Rights, Powers, or Authorities vested in the said Commissioners of Sewers, but all the Rights, Powers, and Authorities vested in them shall be as good, valid, and effectual as if this Act had not been passed.

XLVIII. That it shall be lawful for the Company to sell, let, demise, or otherwise dispose of every or any Electric or other Telegraph and Part of Electric or other Telegraph of the Company, or any Right to use the same, upon such terms and in such manner as to the said Company shall seem fit.

XLIX. That every Contract or Grant, since the First Day of January, One thousand eight hundred and fifty, entered into or made by or with or to the Proprietors of the said recited Patent Privileges, or any of them, or by, with, or to the Proprietors of any other Patent Privileges authorised to be acquired by the Company, shall be deemed as a Contract or Grant entered into or made by, to, or with the Company; and that every such Contract or Grant shall, after such Patent Privileges shall have been legally vested in the Company, be deemed to be a Contract or Grant within the meaning of the Provisions of this Act, in like manner as if the same had been made after the passing of this Act, and that the Company shall be entitled to all and every of the Benefits of, and arising from, every such Contract or Grant, and shall be subject and liable to all and every of the Engagements thereby entered into and incurred by the said Proprietors or any of them.

L. That in case the Lords of the Committee of Privy Council for Trade, or the Lord High Admiral, or the Commissioners for executing the Office of Lord High Admiral of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland for the time being, shall deem it necessary for Her Majesty's Service that any Electric Printing or other Telegraphs should be constructed in any part of Her Majesty's Dominions, or across any Portion of the Sea, and the Lords of the said Committee, or the said Lord High Admiral, or the said Commissioners, shall, by notice in writing, given to the said Company, require the said Company to grant a Licence or Licences to any Person or Persons named or designated in such Notice for the Construction only, or for the Construction and Use of such Telegraph or Telegraphs, the said Company or their Assigns shall forthwith grant such Licence accordingly, upon Payment, for such Construction, of such Sum, either annual or in gross, as may be agreed on by the Lords of the said Committee, or the said Lord High Admiral, or the said Commissioners, and the said Company, or in case of difference of opinion, as may be fixed by Arbitration as hereinafter is mentioned; and if the said Company shall in any case refuse or neglect to grant such Licence within Twenty-one Days after such Notice, the said Company or their Assigns so refusing or neglecting shall forfeit, for every Day after the said period of Twenty-one Days, until such Licence shall be granted, the Sum of Ten Pounds: Provided always, that the Telegraphs to be from time to time constructed in pursuance of any such Licence shall be used exclusively for the Service of Her Majesty and for no other Purpose.

LI. That on the request of the Lords of the said Committee, the said Company shall lay down, and from time to time keep in good working order, such Lines of Wires proper for Electric Telegraphs, and in such Places (being Places where the said Company are empowered to lay down such Wires) as the Lords of the said Committee shall appoint, for the exclusive Use of Her Majesty, and to be applied to such Purposes, whether for the immediate Service of Her Majesty or otherwise, as Her Majesty shall think fit; and the remuneration to be paid to the said Company for the Use of such Lines, whether in a gross sum or by way of annual Payment, or both, shall be settled by Agreement between

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the Lords of the said Committee and the said Company, or if the Lords of the said Committee and the said Company shall not agree as to the amount of such remuneration, either the same shall be settled by Arbitration in manner hereinafter mentioned, in case both parties shall desire to enter into such Arbitration, or it shall be lawful for the Lords of the said Committee to cause such Lines of Wires, together with all Conveniences for preserving and working the same, as they shall think fit, to be laid down in such Places (being Places where the said Company are hereby empowered to lay down such Wires) as they think fit; and in order thereto the Lords of the said Committee may exercise all such and the like powers for that purpose as are herein given to the said Company, subject nevertheless to the like restrictions and conditions as are hereby imposed on the said Company, and without prejudice to the exercise, by the said Company, of the powers hereby given to them.

LII. And whereas it is expedient that Provision should be made by law for the Conveyance of Intelligence for the Service of Her Majesty by the Electric Telegraphs of the Company, at a reasonable rate of charge to the public: Be it enacted, That every Electric Telegraph already made or in progress, or to be hereafter made within the United Kingdom, and for the time being belonging to or possessed by the Company, their Licencees or Assigns, shall at all reasonable times be open for the transmission of intelligence for Her Majesty's Service; and that the said Company, their Licencees and Assigns, shall receive, take, and convey by every or any of such Electric Telegraphs, all such Signals of Intelligence as shall from time to time be tendered to them, or any Officers, Servants, or Agents, by or on behalf of the Lords of the said Committee, or the said Lord High Admiral or the said Commissioners, or otherwise on or for Her Majesty's Service; and all Messages at any time sent to any Station of the Company for Transmission and Delivery on or for Her Majesty's Service shall have priority over all other Messages whatsoever; and that it shall be imperative on the Company and their Officers and Servants to transmit and deliver such Messages accordingly, and to suspend the Transmission of all or any other Messages from such Station until the said Messages on or for Her Majesty's Service shall first have been transmitted.

LIII. That the Company shall be entitled to such reasonable remuneration for the use of any Electric Telegraph for the Service of Her Majesty as aforesaid, and for the Assistance of the Company in respect thereof, as shall be fixed by Agreement between the Lords of the said Committee, or the said Lord High Admiral or the said Commissioners, and the Company, or in case of difference of opinion between them, then as shall be determined by Arbitration in the manner herein-after provided: Provided nevertheless, that the Services which may be required to be performed by the Company as aforesaid be not suspended, postponed, or deferred by reason of such remuneration not having been then agreed on or determined.

LIV. That in all cases in which the Lords of the said Commissioners, and the Company, shall not be able to agree on the amount of remuneration to be paid to the Company for the use of any Electric Telegraph, and for the services of the Company in respect thereof, the same shall be referred to the award of two persons, one to be named by the Lords of the said Committee, and the other by the Company, if the disagreement be between the said Lords of the said Committee and the said Company, or if such disagreement be between the said Lord High Admiral or the said Commissioners, and the other by the said Company, and if such two persons cannot agree on the amount of such remuneration, then to the umpirage of some third person, to be appointed by such two first-named persons previously to their entering on the inquiry; and the said award or umpirage shall be bind-

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ing and conclusive on the parties in difference, and their respective Successors and Assigns.

L.V. That in every such reference each party in difference shall nominate his or their arbitrator within fourteen days after notice from the other party requiring such nomination, or in default it shall be lawful for the arbitrator appointed by the party giving notice to name the other arbitrator; and such arbitrators shall proceed forthwith in the reference, and make their award therein within twenty-eight days after their appointment, or otherwise the matter shall be left to be determined by the umpire; and if such umpire shall refuse or neglect to proceed, or shall not make his award for the space of twenty-eight days after the matter shall have been referred to him, then a new umpire shall be appointed by the two-first-named arbitrators, who shall in like manner proceed and make his award within twenty-eight days, or in default be superseded; and so *toties quoties*.

L.VI. And whereas emergencies may arise in which it may be expedient for the public service that the entire control over the operations of the Company and the conveyance of signals shall be vested in Her Majesty's Government: Be it enacted, That at all times hereafter, and whenever, in the opinion of one of Her Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State for the time being, such an emergency as aforesaid shall have arisen, it shall be lawful for such Secretary of State, by warrant under his hand, to cause possession to be taken of all the Telegraphs and Telegraphic Apparatus at the various Stations of the Company, their Licencees or Assigns, for the purpose of preventing any Communication being made or Signals given, save such as shall be directed and authorized by any such Principal Secretary of State, and also by further successive warrants to cause possession of the said Telegraphs and Telegraphic Apparatus to be retained from week to week, so long as any such Secretary of State shall deem such possession expedient for the Public Service: Provided always, that for every week during which possession shall be so retained, the Company, their Licencees or Assigns, shall receive and be paid from and by the Lords Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury the same amount of profits as the Company would have made in case they had continued the working of the said Telegraphs, such profits to be computed upon an average of the weekly profits of the Company for three months immediately preceding the issuing of the first of the said warrants.

L.VII. That if any person in the employment of the Company shall wilfully or negligently omit or delay to transmit or deliver any Message or Signal, or shall wilfully or negligently do any matter or thing whereby the transmission or delivery of any Message or Signal shall not take place, or shall be delayed or prevented, or shall wilfully or negligently omit to do or perform any act, matter, or thing by reason whereof any Message or Signal shall not be transmitted or delivered, or shall be delayed in its transmission or delivery, every such person shall for every such offence forfeit a sum of money not exceeding Twenty Pounds, and such money shall be recovered in the manner provided by "The Companies Clauses Consolidation Act, 1845," with respect to the recovery of damages not specially provided for, and of penalties.

L.VIII. That if any person shall wilfully remove, destroy, or damage any Electric Telegraph which shall or may have been lawfully erected, or any Pipes, Tubes, Wires, Standards, Apparatus, or other Part of any such Telegraph, or any Works connected therewith, he shall be guilty of a misdemeanor.

L.IX. That with respect to the Offenders whose names or residences are not known, any Officer, Agent, or Servant of the Company, or any Constable, Police Officer, or Ser-

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vant of any Railway Company, along or near to whose Railway any Electric Telegraph, or any of the apparatus thereof, or any part thereof respectively, shall or may be erected or placed, or any other Constable or Police Officer, and all persons called by any such Officer, Agent, Servant, or Constable as aforesaid, to his assistance, shall or may seize or detain any person who shall or may have broken, injured, or obstructed the working of any Electric Telegraph of or belonging to the Company, or any of the Wires, Standards, Instruments, Apparatus, or any other parts of any such Electric Telegraph, or who shall have committed any other offence against the Provisions of this Act, and whose name or residence shall be unknown to such Officer, Agent, Servant, or Constable, and shall or may convey such offender, with all convenient speed, before some Justice, without any Warrant or Authority other than this Act, and such Justice shall proceed, with all convenient speed, to the hearing and determining of the complaint against any such offender.

LX. That if any person shall carelessly or accidentally break, throw down, damage, destroy, or injure any such Electric Telegraph as aforesaid, or any Wire, Standard, Apparatus, or any other Part of any such Electric Telegraph, or any of the Works connected therewith, and shall not make sufficient satisfaction for the damage thereby done, then it shall be lawful for any Justice to summon before him the person against whom a complaint shall be thereupon preferred; and upon hearing the allegation and proofs on both sides, or on non-appearance of the person complained against, such Justice may award such sum of money to be paid by the Offender or Person complained against, to the Company or person injured, for such Damages as such Justice shall think reasonable; and in case of neglect to pay any sum so awarded within two days afterwards, it shall be lawful for such Justice to cause the same to be raised and levied by Distress and Sale of the Goods and Chattels of the Offender or Person so complained against as aforesaid.

LXI. That, notwithstanding anything in this Act or any of the said herein incorporated Acts contained, the principal place of business of the Company, and its corporate domicile, shall be in that part of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland called England.

LXII. That all Penalties and Damages incurred under the Provisions of this Act may be recovered in the manner provided by the "Companies Clauses Consolidated Act, 1845," with respect to the recovery of damages not specially provided for, and penalties.

LXIII. That in the construction of this Act the expression "General Meeting" shall be construed to mean a General Meeting of the Shareholders of the Company; and the word "prescribed," used in reference to any matter, shall be construed to refer to such matter as the same shall be prescribed or provided for by the Regulations for the time being of the Company; and the sentence in which such word occurs shall be construed as if instead of the word "prescribed" the expression "prescribed for that purpose by the regulations for the time being of the Company" had been used; and that the word "Share" shall mean a Share in the Capital and Joint Stock for the time being of the Company; and that the word "Street" shall include every Highway and other Public Way, not being a Railway: Provided always, that no such expressions, names, or words shall have or bear such meaning or construction when it is otherwise provided by this Act, or in any case in which there shall be anything, whether in the subject matter or context, or otherwise, inconsistent with or repugnant to such meaning or construction as aforesaid.

Despatches.

The SCHEDULE referred to in the foregoing Act.

The European and American Electric Printing Telegraph Company's Act, 1851.

MEMORIAL made the _____ Day of _____ 18
of the Names and Descriptions of the present Shareholders of "The European and
American Electric Printing Telegraph Company."

A. B. _____ of
C. D. _____ of
&c. &c.

I _____ of
the Directors [or Secretary or Officer] of the said Company, do solemnly and sincerely
declare, That the above-written Memorial contains the Names and Descriptions of the
present Shareholders of the said Company, as the same appear in the Books of the said
Company; and I make this solemn Declaration conscientiously believing the same to be
true.

[In the Case of Persons becoming Shareholders.]

The European and American Electric Printing Telegraph Company's Act, 1851.

MEMORIAL made the _____ Day of _____ 18
of the Names and Descriptions [or Name and Description] of Persons [or a Person] who
have [or hath] become Shareholders [or a Shareholder] of "The European and American
Electric Printing Telegraph Company."

E. F. _____ of
G. H. _____ of
&c. &c.

I _____ of
Directors [or Secretary or Officer] of the said Company, do solemnly and sincerely declare,
That the above-written Memorial contains the Names and Descriptions [or name and
Description] of Persons [or a Person] who have [or hath] become Shareholders [or a
Shareholder] of the said Company; and I make this solemn Declaration conscientiously
believing the same to be true.

Despatches.

[In case of Persons ceasing to be Shareholders.]

The European and American Electric Printing Telegraph Company's Act, 1851.

MEMORIAL made the _____ day of _____ 18
of the Name and Description [or Names and Descriptions] of the Person [or Persons] who hath [or have] ceased to be a Shareholder [or Shareholders] of "The European and American Electric Printing Telegraph Company" since the
Day of _____ 18 *[being the Date of the last annual Memorial.]*

I. K.

of

L. M.

of

&c. &c.

I _____ of _____ One of the
Directors [or Secretary or Officer] of the said Company, do solemnly and sincerely declare,
That the above-written Memorial contains the Name and Description [or Names and Descriptions] of the Person [or Persons] as the same appear in the Books of the said Company who hath [or have] ceased to be a Shareholder [or Shareholders] of the said Company since the _____ Day of _____ 18
[the Date of the last annual Memorial] ; and I make this solemn Declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true.

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BOARD OF WORKS,
31st December, 1857. }

SIR,—

The Board of Works have the honor to transmit, for the information of His Excellency the Governor, a statement of Receipts and Expenditure on account of the various services under their control, for the year ended 31st December, 1857.

For information upon the Road Service, the Board would refer to the Reports of the various Inspectors hereto annexed, and at the same time would remark that they are not insensible to the apparently small amount of work performed for the amount expended contrasted with former years. When, however, the high rate of wages is taken into consideration, the Board are of opinion that full value has been received for the amount paid.

The Board observe with satisfaction, that the plan adopted of Macadamizing Water Street has fully succeeded, and although the cost thereof has been considerable, are of opinion that the permanent improvement effected thereby amply warrants the expenditure.

For the state of the Light-houses throughout the Island, the Board beg leave to refer to the Report of the Inspector hereto annexed, and would congratulate the country upon the certainty that the Light-houses erecting on the Offer Wadham, Dodding Head, and Bacalieu, will be in full operation next summer. The Board used every exertion to complete the two former during the present year, but obstacles over which they had no control, prevented this most desirable object being carried out.

In the month of June last, the Board entered into correspondence with Messrs. Husted & Krohl, of New York, on the subject of removing the obstructions at the entrance to the Gut of Quidi Vidi, (a copy of which correspondence is hereto annexed.) The Board, owing to the large sum demanded, did not consider themselves justified in commencing the undertaking, although fully aware of the advantages that would result from this improvement being carried out.

The Board have constructed, during the past season, three new Pumps—one at Marsh Hill, one at the Gas Works Firebreak, and one in the locality of Messrs. Newman & Co's. Premises, all of which were greatly required.

They are, however, of opinion, that until a more ample supply of water is afforded, than can be provided through the medium of pumps, that neither the health, comfort, or cleanliness of the Town can be properly attended to.

An outlay in repairing the Saint John's Hospital has been incurred, which was rendered actually necessary from the decayed state of the building and from imperfect drainage.

The Report of the Physicians is hereto annexed, as also that of the Physician Superintendent of the Lunatic Asylum.

The Board have much satisfaction in bearing testimony to the efficient manner in which both those Institutions are conducted under the direction of the Physicians.

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An amount has been expended in preparing for the erection of the new Gaol upon the ground formerly purchased for the Penitentiary, and the Board trust that the steps taken by them will have the effect of completing the new building within twelve months.

The Board have had their attention called to the state of the different Outport Court-houses and Gaols, the whole of which appear to want repairs in a lesser or greater degree, and would respectfully recommend that an appropriation be made for this purpose.

Respectfully submitted by

E. HANRAHAN,
Chairman,
JOHN STUART,
Acting Secretary.

LIGHT-HOUSE OFFICE,
31st December, 1857.

SIR,—

The Inspector of Light-houses has the honour of laying before you his Annual Report, by which the Board of Works will be informed of the satisfactory condition of the several Light-houses in the Colony, the nature of their requirements for the ensuing year, the probable cost of their separate and total maintenance, together with such suggestions and remarks as the province of his duty and experience would seem to justify.

FORT AMHERST.

1st. Whilst this station, in point of benefit to Navigation, is justly held to be of no secondary importance, it is also no less generally admitted that the Light there exhibited is of a corresponding character, and the dilligence of its Keeper too manifest to render any remark of your Inspector here necessary.

2nd. The inconvenience heretofore experienced from the want of a cellar as a receptacle for oil, and the Keeper's accommodation has been remedied; a cellar in accordance with the plan submitted having been provided,—the cost of which forms the only outlay beyond the usual expenditure of the establishment for the current year, and repairing of the coal shed and fence, and necessary paint work, (in all about £30) will comprise the contingent expenses of the year ensuing.

CAPE SPEAR.

3rd. Late in the season it was discovered that the Brick-work of the Tower, from exposure to the weather, was defective; the repairs will be attended to in due season, the cost of which will not exceed £50.

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4th. Your inspector, in his last annual Report, drew the attention of the Board to the facilities which would accrue in the transit of oil, fuel, stores, &c., to Cape Spear, by the making of a Road from Black Head to join the present Road leading to the Light House, the distance is one mile and a quarter only; the subject is again adverted to as one deserving the favorable consideration of the Board; a bridge, as recommended, has been built in a substantial and satisfactory manner.

5th. From a desire to render this establishment still more useful and complete, the providing of a Fog Signal is in contemplation, and to insure the effectual attainment of so desirable an object, Messrs. D. & T. Stevenson, Civil Engineers, Edinburg, have been requested to furnish their views with an estimate of the cost.

HARBOR GRACE ISLAND.

6th. The repairs to the Tower and Dwelling alluded to in the last Report, as well as the building of a landing place to replace that which was swept away by the sea in May last, have all been effected, and this establishment, for some time to come, may be regarded as being in a most satisfactory condition.

HARBOR GRACE BEACON LIGHT.

7th. The regular supply of Gas for the past year has rendered the use of oil unnecessary, and the advantages contemplated by this erection have been more than fully realised.

CAPE BONA VISTA.

8th. Your Inspector, accompanied by the Secretary of the Board of Works, visited this Light-house in June last, and on a subsequent occasion by the Hon. the Chairman. These gentlemen can testify as to the creditable and satisfactory condition of the dwelling and light apparatus, and the visit will enable them to judge correctly of the order and discipline which pervade every Light-house in the Colony.

9th. The parapet or foot path which surrounds the Tower will require repairs to the amount of about £20.

CAPE FINE.

10th. The Tower and Dwelling will require painting, the cost of which will be about £25. Some necessary improvements for the accommodation of the Keepers have been effected the past season.

11th. The Light is held in high estimation, and by the present quarterly return nothing appears to have been omitted to insure a continuance of its efficient working.

GREEN ISLAND.

12th. The Lantern was completed and the permanent Light put in operation in June last. The Light apparatus at this station is of the same description as that at Fort Amherst, and

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which has given so much satisfaction. Coating the interior of the Light room with Portland cement, and a second coat of paint on the house will be requisite; the cost will be about £15.

OFFER WADHAM ISLAND.

13th. In March last, the necessary orders for the Lantern and Light apparatus were forwarded to Messrs. Stevenson, Engineers, and every step subsequently taken, calculated to insure the speedy completion of the building, with a view that the establishment should be put in operation on the 1st March ensuing.

14th. The apparatus, on reaching Messrs. Stevenson, from Paris, was tested and found to be so defective as to render it altogether useless. The delay consequent on the making of the second instrument (or lens,) prevented its reaching this until the 16th September. A series of strong gales detained your Inspector here until the 28th.

15th. On the evening of the 1st of October, with much difficulty your Inspector effected a landing on the Island, and found the Tower and dwelling completed in a satisfactory manner. The wind veering to the N. E. with a heavy sea, rendered the landing of any of the materials impracticable—from this date up to the 16th of October several ineffectual attempts were made and at considerable risk—the landing of the Keepers, with their luggage, provisions, and fuel, was only accomplished. An incessant high sea, gales of wind, the lateness of the season, with no prospect of a change, pointed out the prudence of storing the materials at Seldom-come-by, and deter the raising of the Lanterns, &c., until the spring. This work will occupy your Inspector's attention the greater part of June, and, after the issue of due notice, will be in operation on the 1st August.

DODDING HEAD.

16th. On the 20th May, at Dodding Head, determined on the site, inspected and approved of the materials intended for the Light House, their removal to the side without a road being first made, appearing next to impossible, its construction was determined upon, and during the progress of the work, the contractors (Messrs. Smith and Campbell) were engaged on the Wadham Islands.

17th. The building on Dodding Head was completed on the 10th December. The Lantern has been received, and by recent advices from Messrs. Stevenson, the Light Apparatus may be expected early in March, and on the opening of the spring the attention of your Inspector will be directed to the full completion of this establishment, which he expects to accomplish in all the month of May.

BACALIEU ISLAND.

18th. In April, and again in June, your Inspector was on this Island, on the latter occasion pointed out to Messrs. Haw and Saunders the site which had been selected for the intended Light-house, for the building of which their tender had been accepted; the death of Mr. Saunders, following immediately on his return, led to the falling through of the contract.

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19th. Notices for Tenders were again issued, and eventually Mr. Neville was the successful competitor, the Island was again visited, the route for a road from the landing to the site determined upon, and which has since been completed by the contractor and at his cost.

20th. The whole of the materials for the building have been provided, approved of, and are in course of preparation ; the building will be proceeded with on the opening of the Spring, and the necessary precaution has been taken to insure its completion in August next.

21st. During the interval between the death of Mr. Saunders, and the subsequent tender of Mr. Neville, it was ascertained that the lantern and apparatus would not be ready for shipment by Messrs. Stevenson, Engineers, before March or April next ; the completion of the building the past season, even if it had been possible, was not therefore desirable.

CAPE RACE LIGHT-HOUSE.

22nd. The new dwelling house so necessary at this station, is in course of completion, and as it is the intention of your Inspector shortly to visit Cape Race, that visit shall form the subject of a separate Report.

23rd. The Board of Works will thus perceive that Dodding Head will first engage the attention of your Inspector, and that then it is his intention to proceed to the Offer Wadham ; the former will be completed and ready to be put in full operation by the 1st of June, and the latter by the 1st August. Bacalieu Light House, by that time, it is confidently expected, will be in a condition to receive the Lantern, and the Light exhibited by the 1st of September next.

Annexed is a Table of the distances between the several Light Houses now in full operation, as well as those contemplated, by which it will be seen that, including the French Light at St. Pierre, the Lights will extend along the Coast to the distance of 353 miles.

After taking the above review, there is a remark or two which forcibly suggests themselves to the mind of the writer, that he cannot as a duty but briefly advert to them before he closes this Report.

The Light on Dodding Head, as well as that on Bacalieu, will be revolving, and of that delicate construction which will require much care and experience on the part of the keepers. With a view, therefore, to insure that satisfactory working of the Dodding Head and Bacalieu Establishments which characterize every other Light House in the colony, and which the fact of not a single complaint touching their character and management so justly entitles them to, your Inspector would venture to impress upon the Board of Works the necessity of not appointing both keeper and assistant to such situations, where neither one or the other has not served in such a capacity at one of the other Light Houses, and acquired a perfect knowledge of the nature of the machinery and duty.

To guard against the dangers consequent on any unforeseen accident to the keeper, the impossibility of applying an immediate remedy at a distant station like Dodding Head, and the duty necessarily devolving upon an inexperienced assistant, your Inspector would respectfully recommend that the assistant keeper at Cape Spear be sent to Dodding Head for the first

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three months of this Light being put in requisition, and his place supplied by the assistant keeper intended for Dodding Head; by this arrangement both keeper and assistant will acquire such a perfect knowledge and experience, which would dissipate every fear with regard to a judicious and satisfactory management.

Respectfully submitted by

ROBERT OKE

Inspector of Light Houses

ESTIMATE, COST of maintaining the several Light Houses in the Colony, for the year 1858.

FORT AMHERST, double Burner—

Keeper's salary £80, Assistant ditto £30	£110	0	0	
Fuel £15, Stores and carriage to the Fort £12....	27	0	0	
Oil £30 16 8, repairs £30, premium Insurance £4	64	16	8	
				£201 16 3

CAPE SPEAR, 7 Burners.

Keeper's salary £100, Assistant Keeper £70	170	0	0	
Fuel £28, stores £12, freight, &c., £6	46	0	0	
350 gallons oil, at 3s. 1d., £53 19 2, repairs £50	103	19	2	
Premium on Insurance... ..	6	0	0	
				325 19 2

HARBOR GRACE ISLAND, 15 Burners,—

Keeper's Salary £105, Assistant ditto £70	£175	0	0	
Fuel £28, Stores £12, Paint, &c., £6	46	0	0	
750 Gallons Oil, at 3s. 1d., £115 12s. 6d., freight, &c., £9	124	12	0	
Premium on Insurance... ..	4	0	0	
				349 12

HARBOR GRACE BEACON, Double Light,—

Keeper's Salary £35, Fuel £10, Gas £50	95	0	0	
Stores and Painting	12	0	0	
				107 0 0

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ESTIMATE, COST of maintaining the several Light-Houses in the Colony, for the year 1858. — Continued.

CAPE BONAVISTA, 16 Burners.		
Keeper's salary £100, Assistant Do. 70 <i>l.</i>	£170	0 0
750 Gallons Oil at 3s 1d. 115 12 6, Freight 10 <i>l.</i>	125	12 6
Repairs 30 <i>l.</i> , Stores 12 <i>l.</i> , Insurance 12 <i>l.</i>	48	0 0
Fuel	28	0 0
	£371	12 6
GREEN ISLAND, Double Burner.		
Keeper's Salary 100 <i>l.</i> , Assistant Ditto 70 <i>l.</i>	170	0 0
Fuel 28 <i>l.</i> , Freight, Insurance, and Stores	50	0 0
200 Gallons Oil at 3s. 1d.	30	16 8
Painting, &c.	10	0 0
	260	16 8
OFFER WADHAM, Double Burner.		
Keeper's Salary 100 <i>l.</i> , Assistant Ditto 70 <i>l.</i>	170	0 0
Fuel 28 <i>l.</i> , Freight, Insurance, Oil, and expenses erecting Lantern, &c.	168	0 0
Assistant's fuel	15	0 0
	353	0 0
DODDING HEAD.		
Keeper's Salary 100 <i>l.</i> , Assistant Ditto 70 <i>l.</i>	170	0 0
Fuel 28 <i>l.</i> , Oil 350 gallons at 3s. 1d. 153 19s. 2d.	81	19 2
Freight, Labour, consequent on erecting the Lantern, &c., Stores and Insurance	100	0 0
	25	0 0
	376	19 2
CAPE PINE, 12 Burners.		
Keeper's Salary 100 <i>l.</i> , Assistant Ditto 70 <i>l.</i>	170	0 0
Fuel to Keeper 28 <i>l.</i> , Ditto Assistant 15 <i>l.</i>	43	0 0
750 Gallons Oil, at 3s. 1d., 115 12s. 6d., Freight 20 <i>l.</i>	135	12 6
Stores 12 <i>l.</i> , Painting 25 <i>l.</i>	37	0 0
	385	12 6
BACALIEU ISLAND.		
Salaries, Fuel, Stores, Freight, Insurance, cost of erecting Lantern and Light Apparatus, &c.		Stg. 376 0 0
Inspector's Salary	160	0 0
Travelling and Incidental Expenses	66	0 0
	226	0 0
	£3334	9 2

ROBERT OKE,

Inspector of Light-houses.

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*Inspector of Light Houses Report on Cape Pine Light House, January, 1858 ; with
Annual Light House Report for 1857.*

NEWFOUNDLAND,
OFFICE BOARD OF WORKS,
30th January, 1858.

SIR,—

In discharge of the duty reposed in me, I have the honor to Report—

1st. That in receiving the sanction of the Hon. the Committee of Privy Council for Trade, to erect a Covered Way and Dwelling House in connexion with the Light Tower on Cape Race, the usual Notice for Tenders was issued, and in due course, Mr. O'Grady's offer, for Four hundred and forty-six pounds ten shillings and nine pence, currency, being the lowest, was accepted; approved materials were promptly provided by the Contractor, and so far as practicable, were prepared and fitted at St. John's.

2nd. The agreement stipulated that the whole of the materials necessary were to be conveyed hence to the intended site at the expense of the Government, but as no insurance could be effected on any craft to anchor on that part of the coast, it was with much difficulty that two small desirable vessels could be procured to land the materials at the most convenient place on the Cape.

3rd. They left St. John's on the 4th November, several attempts were made to land, but from a prevalence of bad and boisterous weather, it was not finally accomplished until the 27th; the expense attending this service, as will appear by the accounts, was One hundred and seventy-nine pounds four shillings and seven pence, currency, exclusive of removing the materials from the landing to the site.

4th. On the 16th and 17th inst. your Inspector visited Cape Race; the new Building was then, with the exception of a few items of no moment, completed in a workmanlike and satisfactory manner; and on the 19th, to the gratification of the Keepers, their hitherto damp and unwholesome residence was abandoned for that of the new Dwelling House, replete with every comfort and convenience.

5th. The character of the Light, for efficient usefulness, has been uninterruptedly sustained—and the zeal and confidence reposed in the Keepers, fully realized.

6th. The double sashes in the Lantern is a source of much trouble as well as an obstruction to the Light in either damp or frosty weather; the removing of the inside sashes will be a matter of necessity.

7th. The Tower, as well as the new Buildings, will require painting during the summer—the stone work which surrounds the Tower, pointed and coated with cement—an embankment at the back of the house, removed—and about 50 yards of an additional protec-

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tive Rail ; an estimate of which, together with a general requisition for the year, shall be prepared on my receiving the necessary return from the keeper.

8th. My late journey to Cape Race has more strongly impressed on me the necessity of the Road which I adverted to in my former Report.

Most respectfully submitted by

ROBERT OKE,

Inspector of Light Houses.

Hon. Edmund Hanrahan,
Chairman Board of Works,
&c., &c., &c.

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TABLE OF THE DISTANCE BETWEEN EACH LIGHT IN THE COLONY.

From St. Peter's Light to—

50	Dodding Head—									
92	42	Cape St. Mary's—								
124	74	32	Cape Pine—							
142	92	50	18	Cape Race—						
197	147	105	78	55	Cape Spear—					
201	151	109	77	59	4	Fort Amherst—				
240	190	148	116	98	43	39	Bacalieu Island—			
267	217	175	143	125	70	66	27	Green Island—		
283	233	191	159	141	86	82	43	16	Cape Bonavista—	
353	303	261	229	211	156	152	113	86	70	Offer Wadhani

From Harbor Grace Beacon Light to

4	Harbor Grace Island—								
36	32	Bacalieu Island—							
63	59	27	Green Island—						
79	75	43	16	Cape Bonavista—					
149	145	113	86	70	Offer Wadhani.				

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SIR,—I beg leave to Report upon the Streets and Roads in St. John's and neighbourhood under my superintendence during the year ending 31st December, 1857 :

Water Street had been macadamized from the Custom House to Messrs. Newman & Co's., the cross drains have been repaired, when required, and the whole streets gravelled. The system of macadamizing has answered my most sanguine expectations in this instance, as notwithstanding constant traffic from the first of May, till the frost set in, it presented a smooth surface and has been almost entirely freed from the accumulation of mud, for which it has hitherto been noted in wet weather.

In Duckworth Street a new drain, 24 perches in length and covered with flags, has been made, the cross-drains have been cleared, a safety wall built near the beach, the safety wall near Mulloy's Hill repaired, and the street in general gravelled and repaired where required.

In Gower Street many of the cross-drains have been cleared and repaired, and considerable progress has been made in that portion of it leading through Tarahan's Town. From the westward of the Queen's bake-house ninety-eight perches have been gravelled and the street levelled by removing the knaps and filling the hollows.

In Prescott Street 60 perches have been gravelled and repaired, and also the cross-drains cleared out.

The Military Road, from the Roman Catholic Cathedral to Cochrane Street, has been thoroughly repaired and gravelled, and a large sewer, covered with flags, has been built to join the main sewer at the middle of the King's Road.

In Cochrane Street a large sewer has been built upon the western side, which joins the barrel-drain through Marsh Hill; this improvement was much required, as from the latter drain having no sufficient outlet, the houses on the south-side of Gower-Street were constantly flooded in wet weather, which evil has now been completely remedied.

Improvements have also been made on Cathedral Street, King's Lane, Tubrid's Town, Chain Rock Road, Apple-tree-well Road, Long's Hill, Neagle's Hill Road, and Barter's Hill.

King's Bridge Road has been partly macadamized and fresh drains made where required, and continues in good order, contrasting most favorably with its former state.

The Roads to the White Hills have been gravelled and put in thorough repair.

Those portions of the Torbay, Portugal Cove, and Petty Harbor Roads, which were under annual contracts for repair, have been well attended to and the contracts completed satisfactorily; the remaining parts have been completed by daily labor, and I can bear testimony to all of these being in good order.

Job's Bridge has been repaired, and the Road on the South-side as far as practicable. The repairs on the South-side are however, only of a temporary nature, and would not now have been commenced had not the dangerous state of the road rendered the outlay actually necessary for the safety of the public.

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A Retaining Wall has been built at the rear of the house belonging to W. Hogan, near the Gas Works firebreak, and considerable progress has been made in the Gas Works firebreak road, and a sewer has been commenced on the Flower Hill firebreak.

The Road to Pouch Cove is now completed, and there is an uninterrupted line of good road of 18 miles from thence to St. John's.

The Road connecting Torbay and Portugal Cove, called the Indian Meal Road, although opened throughout, is at present only finished for one mile and a-half.

The Road from Outer Cove to St. John's, a distance of four and a-half miles, has been thoroughly repaired, and three new bridges built, as also the Branch Road from Middle Cove to Torbay.

On the Road from Portugal Cove to Broad Cove, (which was in a very bad state,) the worst parts have been repaired, and 250 perches gravelled from the latter place towards Twenty-mile Pond.

In Petty Harbor the Road has been extended to Pridham's house on the north-side; the main bridge put in good order, and various repairs made on some small bridges, and on the roads on the south-side of that Harbor.

JOHN MAHER,

Inspector.

Agreeably to the Instructions from the Board of Works, I proceeded in the latter part of April to examine the route from Toad's Cove to Biscay Bay, (Trepassey,) for the purpose of acquainting the Board as to the best means of accomplishing the completion of that road, and having reported accordingly, I at the same time brought under their notice and strongly urged the necessity of having the Bay Bulls Road, which was at that time in such a ruinous state as to be almost impracticable, put in at least a tolerable repair, thereby rendering the communication continuous from St. John's as the work progressed southwardly. The Board having acceded to my suggestion, I commenced the work without delay from the junction of the Petty Harbor Road towards Bay Bulls, and made such repairs on the Road and Bridges as to admit of a safe and easy intercourse over fourteen miles; I wish to call the attention of the Board to the very serious injury caused the road, owing to the dilapidated state of the drains which are at present so completely choked up with loppings of trees and slipping of the embankments, from the frost and other causes, as to be totally useless for the purpose for which they were intended, and during rainy weather many parts of the road are laid under water, more particularly where the road passes our marshes, it is much depressed below the level of the surface on each side from the weight of material upon it, and on that account becomes so saturated as to be impassable for weeks and not unfrequently carrying road and all away; this is a very important road, leading to many populous settlements, with no inconsiderable amount of traffic growing up, and which, as a matter of course, must be always increasing as the communication to the southward extends, and consequently cannot be overlooked.

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A thorough drainage of the road during the ensuing summer is absolutely necessary to secure the intercourse upon it, and will be an ultimate saving to the colony, for if allowed to remain another year in its present state, it will become so injured as to necessitate a very large expenditure. The bridges and cross-drains are nearly all worn away, and many of them will be required to be repaired and re-built this year. The bridges from Bay Bulls to Toad's Cove are scarcely trustworthy, and all much too low for the road, they are of the rudest description, the covering of longers without fastening are always rolling away under horses feet, which renders them very dangerous.

From Toad's Cove to LaManche the road is thoroughly completed. The operation of the work in the neighbourhood, Toad's Cove, (big pond,) was one of no ordinary character, involving a very large expenditure of labor, owing to the very heavy embankments to be made, and the vast amount of rock that had to be excavated (in some parts eight feet in height, and extending for several perches) to enable us to get anything of a fair road; at this point we were obliged to depart from the old line, it being totally impracticable. There was such a want of material in the locality that we were compelled to resort to blasting and quarrying to procure filling. Three bridges have been re-built on this section; from Toad's Cove Ponds to LaManche, two new bridges have been built, and many parts of this section of the road were much of the same character as the last referred to.

LaManche bridge 350 feet long have been stripped, the wharves levelled, and strong pieces placed under each spar, supported by principals, the ends raised so as to render the approaches so easy as may be travelled over at any speed, the bridge has been floored from end to end and railed on each side.

From LaManche to Hell Hill River more than half the road is completed, and the remaining portion so far advanced as to admit of a safe transit for vehicles; I used every means I could to finish between these points, but the work was difficult and the season so far advanced that I was obliged to give it up reluctantly and proceed to Longrun.

At Hell Hill River a good substantial bridge has been built, the road-way over it measuring about forty feet, the wharves are about five feet in height, well ballasted and chocked, and the approaches made good on each end, so that any vehicle can pass over without inconvenience.

Longrun (Cape Broyle,) at this point I was also compelled to abandon the old line from its impracticability. The new line is more direct, more level, and considerably less expensive to make, three new bridges have been erected there, the approaches to bridges filled up, and the communication fairly opened up for intercourse; it is my intention to have this part of the road finished early in the spring.

Between Longrun River and Cape Broyle (South River,) drains have been made which will greatly facilitate the work this year, also a small portion of Cape Broyle Hill drained,

At Cape Broyle River (South) a substantial bridge have been erected, road-way necessary about 40 feet, a very heavy embarkment had to be made on N. E. of the bridge to a distance of about 60 yards, the height of embankment at the abutment of bridge nearly 7 feet high; on the S. W. end of the bridge we had to resort to blasting and quarrying to get the road through, as well as also to provide material for the embarkments, the road has been pretty fairly made

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from the head of the Harbor to this bridge ; a bridge 20 feet long has been built between the River Head and the South River. From the South River bridge to within a mile of Caplin Bay the road is now fairly done, this part of the road leads over the south-side hill of Cape Broyle and Fiddlers Marsh ; the work here too was very heavy and tedious, in fact I may state that on the whole it was as difficult as the work at Toad's Cove ; two new bridges have been built and several cross drains.

From Aquaforte to Renewse all the bad or impassable parts have been drained, and several small sections of road thoroughly finished (*i. e.*) the most difficult parts which I made a point to do through : these parts of the road may be placed under the control of Local Commissioners, who, it is probable, would not have the same means and appliances at their control for carrying it out as the Board of Works. Before closing the Report of this section of the Road under my superintendence, I have to acquaint the Board that I am of opinion, to carry out and complete the parts remaining unfinished, between the points referred to and Aquaforte, a sum of two thousand pounds will be required to finish the Road in conformity with what we have done ; and also beg to draw the attention of the Board to my letter in reference to procuring plank for the road from Chance Cove to Biscay Bay River, in the event of their adopting that route.

ST. MARY'S DISTRICT.

Black Duck Gulley Road towards St. Mary's Road has now been completed with the exception of a few perches under contract, and which will be finished as soon as the weather permits ; the country through which this Road leads is both swampy and rocky, but affording a good deal of facility for road-making, which can be gleaned from the fact that over three miles of a good cart road has been made for less than two hundred pounds ; this road has always been much valued on account of being the outlet from South side of Salmonier to the main Road.

PLACENTIA ROAD.

Salmonier to Colinet,—forty pounds has been expended on this road the summer. The whole of the marshes have had a dressing of gravel several perches, side drains made, and every obstruction that lay on the road removed ; a small sum annually will keep this road in a condition not inferior to any road in the colony. I beg leave once more to draw the attention of the Board to the great interruption to the communication for the want of Bridges over Colinet and Rocky Rivers, more particularly as the Road is drawing so near to completion ; the intercourse resulting therefrom is every day becoming more intolerable as the intercourse increases. I most ardently hope that some effort will be made to secure a sum sufficient to purchase material suitable for these Bridges, so that they may be erected next year, I am of opinion that five hundred pounds would purchase the material. There is twenty-five pounds a-year paid to a Ferryman at Colinet. From Colinet to Placentia,—this Road has been greatly improved the past summer, and is now passable for any vehicle ; from the South-east Arm to Placentia the Road is little better than opened, and the surface for the most part strewed over with large rocks, with the exception of that part near the block-house, which leads over the base of a steep ridge, and is so narrow and side-long as to be exceedingly dangerous in travelling either in a vehicle or on horse-back. It would be most desirable to have this part of the road done this summer,—I am of opinion that it will take five hundred pounds to complete it.

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In submitting this Report to the Board of Works, I beg leave to say in conclusion that I have been unceasingly employed the past year for a period of eight months in the superintendence and management of the foregoing Works, and during that time I travelled over very little less than 4000 miles of road, and if I did not accomplish all that was desirable I should hope it was not from any lack of exertion on my part.

JOHN DELANEY.

A REPORT of the Main Road from Holyrood towards New Perlican.

On or about the 18th of June last the work commenced in the neighbourhood of Holyrood and Harbor Maine with about fifty-five men and five horses. To avoid a steep hill at Grant's Marsh which is between those places, and to make the road useful for wheel vehicles, it was found necessary to open about forty perches of a new line, to raise the hollow at the base of the hill some four or five feet, and to lower the road in several places from one to four feet, partly through solid rocks. At Holyrood and at other places between that and Harbor Maine there were several rocks in the road that had to be lowered and cut through; there are about four and three-fourth miles made and repaired in those neighbourhoods on which there are twenty-seven small new bridges built, and one of about ten feet span, and others repaired. To give an idea of the expense of making and repairing this part of the road, it need only be stated that more than five kegs of powder have been used in blasting rocks; parts of the road at Holyrood still require some gravel.

There is a large traffic on this road, as people of Harbor Maine, Chapel's Cove, and Northern Side of Holyrood; use it at all seasons, in providing firewood, roomstuff, timbers, &c., as well as those who use it as a main line.

From Harbor Maine to Salmon Cove the road has been slightly improved by removing many large stones and stumps that were several inches above the surface of the road, a bridge of about six feet span has been re-built. Drains and other repairs are still required on this part, and near Harbor Maine there are steep hills which it would be desirable to reduce, and to have the hollows at their base raised so as to enable horses to carry a fair load over them.

At Salmon Cove about half a mile of a new road has been made, parts of which, near the bridge, have been raised from five to seven feet, and several rocks removed by powder. This improvement has shortened the road at this place nearly one-half, and avoided a few steep hills.

Parts of the road from Salmon Cove to Turks Gut Ponds have been slightly repaired by removing large stones and stumps from the surface, and filling holes and ruts, and re-building eight bridges and repairing several others. The hills are so high and steep on this part that it was considered a waste of money to do more than repair the bridges, and

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make other slight repairs to keep the road passable, as there has been a new line marked which avoids all those steep hills, and which eventually will have to be made.

At Brigus there is about half a mile put in good repair, and from thence to Bull Cove Branch Road the road is slightly improved by removing stones and stumps from its surface.

At Northern Gut, a new Bridge of about fifty-six feet in length has been erected on five rows of piles, the abutments of which are about six feet high; it is approached on both sides by a causeway of about three hundred and eighty feet in length, and from three to about nine feet high, having a slope or batter on the sides of about six inches to a foot, with rails at both sides which, similar to those on the Bridges, are about fourteen feet apart. A steep but short hill a little to the southward of the bridge has been lowered and made easy of ascent; another steep hill on the road to Port-de-Grave, near the junction of that with the main line, has been also lowered. The part of the road between the Northern Gut and the Branch Road that leads to Bay Roberts was in much need of repair, the worst parts of this have been considerably improved, the other parts are still in want of repairs; there are three small new Bridges built on this part, and one of about eight feet span re-built. Spaniard's Bay Bridge is much decayed and requires to be re-built, the wood-work might be considerably shortened, as material for fitting could be had convenient. The Bridge at Southern Gut is also in a decayed state, and requires attention.

Between River-head and Harbor Grace, parts of the road were coarse, caused by stones projecting above the surface, and several pieces used to be generally wet; the greater part of those stones were broken, and the worst parts of the latter improved by building good small bridges, opening side-drains, and raising the centre of the road. There is still a want of drains to prevent the water running over the road, and other repairs also necessary. North of Harbour Grace there has been about half a mile in detached pieces partially improved by opening and scouring drains, raising the centre, and lowering the sides of the road to allow the water to escape, and prevent it running along its centre.

There is a very considerable traffic on this road, between Harbour Grace and Carbonear, and it would be very desirable to put the road in better repair, particularly to Musquito Valley, it is not only rather coarse, but there is a want of drains; the road might with advantage be lowered at the sides on the hills and knaps, and raised in the centre along the vallies or hollows to prevent the water washing away the gravel that may be used in the repairs. From Harbor Grace to River-head and towards Spaniards Bay, &c., there is also a considerable traffic; parts of this road are coarse, particularly in the neighbourhood of River-head, where it is very rough, drains are required, the stones ought to be broken and covered with gravel, and more rounding given to the centre of the road. When roads are flat or hollow they are not only injured by the water, but the loose stones roll towards the centre and make it rough for wheel vehicles. If roads were properly rounded, they would be much less injured by the water, and the loose stones would roll to the sides and leave the roads comparatively smooth and even. Another mistake in making some roads is, the soil or soft clay is left on the tops of knaps and hills, and when the road is afterwards about to be repaired, the contractor in finding gravel open holes alongside the road on those knaps; instead of this, if the soft material would have been taken from the knaps and used in raising the hollows when making the road the first time, the contractor or road-maker in repairing them afterwards could more easily get better gravel from the tops of those knaps, and with the same labour not only get a better quality of gravel, but at the same time reduce the knaps or hills and bring the road at each repair to a better level.

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The better and more economical way, in my opinion, to manage roads after having been brought into proper form and comparative easy inclinations, would be to let them in annual contracts for four or five or more years ; roads mostly when newly made are cut into ruts on account of carts generally following the same track while the material is soft ; if contractors had them in charge from year to year, they would find it their advantage to fill up the ruts and holes when they would appear, until the greater part of their width would become hard and firm and free from ruts.

It may not be out of place to state here that there are several steep hills on this line of road that could have been easily avoided, particularly between Salmon Cove and Brigus, where a new line has been marked. If this line were made, and the entire road put and kept in proper repair, it would not only increase the traffic and encourage agriculture throughout this district, but greatly facilitate the conveyance of the mail round the Bay. To show the practicability and regularity with which this could be done, I beg leave to submit the following scale :

- 3 hours for preparing the mail after steamer's arrival in St. John's.
- 11 " from St. John's to Carbonear, nearly at the rate of six miles an hour.
- 12 " for those at that place to receive and answer their letters.
- 11 " to return to St. John's,

leaving, after returning to St. John's, 11 hours out of the 48, and enabling the Trade, and those at Carbonear, Harbor Grace, &c., to answer their foreign letters by the same conveyance with those of St. John's.

THOMAS BYRNE.

February, 1858.

A REPORT of the Main Road through Holyrood and thence towards Salmonier.

At Holyrood a decided improvement has been effected ; private property had to be taken for the use of the road, and paid for ; knaps and sidelong parts have been cut from one to nine feet, and hollows raised in proportion. On the five miles of the Salmonier Road, next to Holyrood, there are several improvements made. Simms' Bridge (which was burnt by accidental fire in May last) is on this part of the road, and one of the largest on the line, has been re-built. Harvey's bridge, which is over another branch of the Holyrood river—the longest on the line—is much decayed, a few beams were cracked and bent, these have been raised and supported by shores. Crowdy's Marsh, on the eight mile, which was cut up and nearly impassable for wheel vehicles, has been laid with longers, and these slightly covered ; it would be desirable to have a good coat of gravel put over them. Other smaller improvements have been made on parts of the seventh and

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eight miles. On the 13th mile there has been a considerable improvement made in reducing a couple of steep hills and raising the hollow between them; this improvement is not entirely finished. The greater parts of the uneven knaps and sidelong hills between the latter place and Salmonier have been reduced into comparatively easy inclinations. There are 230 small new bridges, or cross-drains, built on this line. The dry knaps and hills, on which good land is to be found, and which heretofore were the best part of the road, are now becoming very much injured; the young trees on those parts are now so high that they are closing up and narrowing the road, and the sun or wind have not their usual power to dry the road. It would be desirable that the road in those places should be cleared of trees, &c., to its usual width, and the soil or soft clay taken from the knaps and hills and the hollows raised with it, which would reduce the hills, make the road more level, firm, and good. There are about twenty bridges on this line, varying from five to thirty feet in length, the flooring or covering of which is decayed and getting dangerous for cattle, &c.; if about nine feet in width of the centre of those were covered with plank, it would make them safe for another ten years or more, and if the Board could employ parties during the winter to provide material for this purpose, and to provide beams and covering for Harvey's Bridge, above alluded to, it would be a great saving to the public.

The traffic on this line is much increased, particularly next to Holyrood, and will increase in proportion to the improvements made on the road.

It may not be amiss to state here that the road from Holyrood to Topsail, though it is part of the trunk of the main line of roads to the North and Westward has been much neglected, and is now very rough and in bad repair. There are many parts, particularly between Holyrood and Kellygrews, on which nothing has been done, except to clear the road of trees and stumps, and part of the soil from about eight feet in width of its surface. There are several short hills which ought to be reduced and the road made more level. A young growth of trees similar to those alluded to on the Salmonier line is also narrowing parts of this road. Several of the bridges also are similar to those alluded to on the same road. Manuel's Bridge requires a new set of beams and covering, at least over three spans. By putting about ten good piles or shores to the front of each abutment or wharf, they would wear another new set of beams. If the material for the bridges were provided during the winter, there would be a saving for the public of nearly fifty per cent.

THOMAS BYRNE.

January, 1858.

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HOSPITAL REPORT FOR 1856.

Hospital for Mental Diseases,
31st December, 1856. }

At the close of the ninth year of the existence of a separate Institution for the curative treatment of the insane, a short retrospect showing the number of patients who have benefited during this period by admission therein, will serve to shew the extent to which it has been practically useful.

Beginning with the last months of the year 1847, when eleven patients were first transferred from the St. John's Hospital to the Provisional Asylum at Palk's farm, to the end of 1856, it will be seen in the table below, that 229 insane persons have been under treatment during the nine years, of whom 62 now remain in the Institution; the number of dismissals therefore, (including deaths,) as already shewn in my Annual Reports, amounts to 167, or nearly three-fourths of the whole,—a proportion which must be considered as very considerable, in a Hospital for the insane having but one wing open for the reception of patients and with the grounds unenclosed.

TABLE showing the number of Patients admitted in each year, and how many now remain of those Patients.

Date.	No. admitted.	No. now remaining.
1847	11	
1848	18	:
1849	29	:
1850	17	:
1851	19	:
1852	23	:
1853	17	:
1854	12	:
1855	44	11
1856	89	19
	} In the new } Asylum.	
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It is seen above that the number of admissions has considerably increased during the past two years, there were indeed so many as 73 patients under treatment at one time during the past summer. In 1856 there were—

Admissions 39.
Dismissals 30.
Deaths 8.

			1855.	1856.
Greatest number of Inmates in any one month .....	.....	.....	67	73
Total number under treatment the year .....	.....	.....	94	100

The number remaining at the end of 1856, shows no increase in comparison with 1855, but as 8 patients were remitted to the care of their relatives, (not as cured, but to relieve the pressure upon the Institution,) by direction of the government, had they remained, as in more favorable circumstances they would have done, the true number of inmates on the 31st December, would have been 70.

There is then an undoubted increase in the number of insane persons requiring admission into the Institution, without the possibility of extending our accommodations. The inconvenience, difficulty of treatment, and positive danger to all, when 73 were confined within the walls, (of whom there were above 40 men,) cannot be adequately detailed,—now the proper number intended to occupy each wing was 46! so that with both wings completed, the number of patients should be but 92. To say nothing then of the total absence of any classification of the patients, on which I have so frequently dwelt, as the consequence of the confined limits of the present building; how can the health of the patients be maintained with such overcrowded numbers as 73 in the present building? The 8 persons who took away their insane relatives, received a small annual sum for their support, and should the same necessity arise, the same means for lessening our numbers may be resorted to perhaps; but it is to prevent mistakes if not maltreatment in private, that public Institutions are provided, and will the Legislature permit this step backwards, for want of £3500 which would be the expense of erecting the eastern wing and completing the designed building? and at a moment when the character of the Institution has attained that respectability which has ensured the public confidence; and whilst providing satisfactorily for the insane poor, induces the relatives of the insane in affluent circumstances, to seek for them an Asylum in their own land.

During the past year much has been done to promote the comfort of the patients, especially in providing additional iron-bedsteads and an ample stock of bedding. Materials have been provided, and are partly erected, for enclosing an airing ground for the female insane, so much required; a step, it is to be hoped, towards a more extensive enclosure of the grounds around the building to seclude all the inmates, which is a fundamental part of every plan for the erection of an Asylum for the insane. The staff of Assistants has been placed upon a more efficient footing: and in general details, the Institution has been made more complete in its several parts than in any previous year. With such antecedents, therefore, the future becomes more hopeful for the great cause of insanity amongst the poor; and I trust I may not be disappointed in my confident expectations of seeing the eastern wing of the Asylum built during the year 1857, for which also there is a large proportion of bricks on the site; when that wing shall be completed and the grounds properly enclosed, the Newfoundland Hospital for Mental Disease will be second to none, except in size, amongst the numerous noble Institutions of a similar character in the most favored countries.

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The buildings themselves, erected in so permanent a manner, justify, by their excellent condition, their original cost. The Southern walls alone, so exposed to trying weather in our climate, shew a certain amount of dampness, which I recommend to be remedied next summer, by giving the bricks of the front a coating of oil.

The general (hot water) heating apparatus continues to work usefully and well. The steam boiler, in addition to heating the baths and cooking the dinners, now boils both tea and coffee, for which two boilers were supplied by the Board of Works last summer, as well as affording steam for ventilation in the attics, by means of a single fire.

The cold water supply to the kitchen, lower wards, and water closets, is now as ample as required; new pipes of a large calibre having been lately laid down for the purpose. The water rams, however, never very efficient, give much trouble to keep in order, and throw, at best, but an insufficient stream of water to the cistern, which is in itself also too small; and this part of the cold water service requires a thorough revision. The hot water cistern recommended in my last year's report, is still also a desideratum.

The Bake house remains unemployed, not being fitted up for use; there is, however, no doubt that the large quantity of bread, valuing above £500 annually, could be baked on the spot, both of better quality and much more economically than it is at present, or can be contracted for.

The Secretary of the Board of Works has submitted to me the accounts for 1856, from which it appears that the expenditure is £307 13 2, sterling, in excess of the preceding year, as under the following heads,—

Dietry ... ..	.....	.....	.....	£1059 19 8
Clothing and bedding	.....	.....	.....	434 10 6
Repairs furniture, lumber	.....	.....	.....	205 15 8
Wages...	.....	.....	.....	256 6 11
Coals and Fuel	.....	.....	.....	185 9 11
Medicines	.....	.....	.....	17 1 4
Hay, straw, &c.,	.....	.....	.....	66 14 11
Sundries	.....	.....	.....	198 2 10
				£2424 1 9 Sterling.

The extra Expenditure by the Board has been for,

1st—Articles of clothing and bedding; of which, comparatively little was purchased in 1855, and of which the institution was destitute of any Stock	.....	.....	.....	£250 0 0
2nd—Iron bedsteads, steam cooking boilers, lumber for a new fence, and machinery repairs.....	.....	.....	.....	150 0 0
3rd—A carpenter's wages for 12 months, for completing fittings	60 0 0
				£460 0 0 Currency.

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All the above being extra the current expenditure of 1855, it would, therefore, appear evident, that without these extras, the year's expenditure would have been less instead of more than that of the preceding year.

Respectfully submitted by

HENRY H. STABB,

Physician Superintendent.

Diseases of the 39 patients admitted in 1856.

Mania ...	.....	.....	.....	2.
Acute Mania	.....	.....	.....	1
Typhoid, ditto	.....	.....	.....	1
Mania and dementia	.....	.....	.....	2
Mania and Epilepsy	.....	.....	.....	2
Mania a potu	.....	.....	.....	2
Melancholia	.....	.....	.....	1
Amentia	.....	.....	.....	2
Dementia	.....	.....	.....	1
Uncertain	.....	.....	.....	3
				39

Causes of Death in Eight Cases, occurring in 1856.

Old age	.....	.....	.....	1
Gradual exhaustion	.....	.....	.....	1
Phlegmonous Erysipelas	.....	.....	.....	1
Exhaustion from old age and bad usage	.....	.....	.....	1
Dropsy	1
Organic disease	1
Apoplexy	1
Disease of brain, liver, and intestines	1
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} admitted in a dying state.

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PATIENTS DISCHARGED FROM 1ST JANUARY TO 31ST DECEMBER, 1856.

NAME.	RESIDENCE.	CONDITION.
Anastasia Hally	Black Head	Improved
Thomas Moran	St. John's	Cured
T. Walsh	Ditto	Ditto
John Taylor	Ditto	Improved
John Russell	Ditto	Ditto
Ellen Delaney	Bay of Bulls	Cured
Michael Brennan	St. John's	Much improved
Mary Walsh	Ditto	Ditto
Jane Kearney	Ditto	Cured
Ellen Galway	Ditto	Much improved
Catherine Wall	Ditto	Unchanged
John Coady	Torbay	Ditto
George Quigley	St. John's	Cured
James Todridge	Ditto	Ditto
John Aylward	Ditto	Ditto
Mrs. Aylward	Ditto	Ditto
Samuel Spracklin	Brigus, N.	Ditto
Mrs. Geary	St. John's	Ditto
Mrs. Medland	Ditto	Ditto
Abraham Butt	Carbonear	Unchanged
John Brennan	Ditto	Cured
J. Comerford	St. John's	Ditto
William Logan	Ditto	Ditto
Patrick Buckley	Ditto	Improved
J. Merionett	Ditto	Ditto
Mary Bowes	Harbor Grace	Ditto
Mary Redmond	St. John's	Unchanged
William Cashin	Ditto	Cured
Patrick Buckley	Ditto	Improved
A private patient	Quebec	Much Improved

I would respectfully suggest that the above Table be not printed with the Report, as painful to relatives.

HENRY H. STABB.

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HOSPITAL REPORT FOR 1857.

*Hospital for Mental Diseases,
31st December, 1856.* }

The number of patients admitted during the past year is 35, and the total number under treatment 97, a slight decrease from the previous year, owing to the greater number of severe cases which have occurred requiring single rooms. I have consequently been compelled, I am sorry to say, from absolute want of accommodation, to refuse admittance to some applicants. This painful circumstance will, I trust, act as an additional incentive, were any wanted, in forwarding the erection of the Eastern Wing so urgently required for other reasons. Some private patients have been treated in this year, for whom their relatives paid a moderate sum to the funds of the Institution; and with more extended accommodations this class of the insane is likely to increase as inmates, in place of seeking care and cure in other countries, or far worse, remaining within the distressed circles of their families.

With regard to that paramount consideration—the welfare of the insane—a great step has been taken by the Government and Board of Works in the appointment, in July last, of a resident instead of a visiting Physician and Superintendent. To any person in any degree conversant with the interior economy of Hospitals for the insane, the practical benefit of such a change must be highly appreciated, and it will be received by the enlightened friends of the insane in other lands, as cheering evidence that the interests of these afflicted beings is in worthy hands in Newfoundland.

As an auxiliary to medical treatment, and a great boon in every point of view to the insane, I have the gratification to observe that regular religious services were commenced in the Institution in 1857, first by the Rev. Father Vereker, Roman Catholic Curate, on the one hand, and afterwards by the Rev. Mr. Pearson, of the Church of England, on the other. The privilege, therefore, which the patients now possess of periodically attending the ministrations of the Christian Churches to which they belong, and from which they were so long debarred, has the best effect in tranquilizing and solacing their disturbed minds, formerly so much depressed on this account. These religious advantages in our Institution are due to the kindness of our Bishops.

The Committee of the Board of Works having, by repeated personal examination, become satisfied of the overcrowded and unsafe condition of the patients, has lately added to our staff of assistants a night watchman, a measure of great utility, not only with regard to the safe keeping of the insane, but for the better attention paid to the sick during the long winter nights, and by this means keeping up the fires of the heating apparatus regularly, a great advantage to all the patients is obtained, who, from the very nature of their malady, are peculiarly susceptible of, and suffer much from cold.

During the past year a good deal of work has been performed by the patients; the whole of the front of the building of more than 100 feet in length, has received a coating of linseed oil upon the bricks, as suggested last year, to render them impervious to damp; about 100

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yards of wooden fencing has been put up, with heavy gates in the road-way; about an acre of land was cleared in the spring, (which afterwards yielded a good crop of potatoes); and a cellar has been excavated under the Barn out of the solid gravel bank 25 × 20 feet. Besides the above, the usual farming and gardening operations, with the care of the cows, has formed the principal and most agreeable occupation for the male patients, and they labor with an industry and perseverance which is really remarkable, and is at the same time as conducive to their health and happiness as it is useful to the Institution. The land, however, attached to the Hospital is so picturesque and broken in outline that there is scarcely a spot of an acre in size to be found level in the whole, on which account it would be a considerable advantage to the Institution if a few acres of level pasture land, for the grazing of the cows, were to be purchased, (as it may be) contiguous to the present property, for little more than the principal of the sum now paid annually for pasture.

Within doors, the female patients are constantly occupied in making their own clothing, or in mending for the male patients.

There is an important point in the daily life of the insane, more important than might at first sight appear, which we are very, not to say wholly, deficient in, viz., amusements—especially in winter. It is the custom in many places for the benevolent to send many little presents, such as books, pictures, illustrated newspapers, games, &c., to the poor insane, which are gratefully accepted and serve to wile away many a tedious hour. The Editors of Newspapers, also, are usually very liberal in forwarding their issues in like manner for the patients' use.

I regret I have not more of the above to acknowledge in behalf of my patients.

I have received many reports and letters from the Medical Superintendents of Hospitals for the insane, both from Great Britain and the United States, and the neighbouring Provinces, but principally from the two latter, who, as a united Society, hold Annual Meetings for the advancement of their special branch of Medical Science, to which also I receive constant invitations; the next such meeting is to be held at Quebec in June, 1858, and should the Board of Works think fit to sanction such an expense, I shall be glad to avail myself of it. New Brunswick and Nova Scotia are in the habit of sending their Medical Superintendents to these meetings, of the former, Dr. Waddell, and the latter, in the person of Dr. DeWolf.

A considerable number of persons visited the Hospital for mental diseases during the year, and have, I hope, carried away a better knowledge than before of the insane in their retreat and daily life. Amongst others, I have to acknowledge the complimentary notice of the Institution, after such a visit, by the hon. Edward D. Shea, in the *Newfoundlander*.

The expenditure of the Institution, as shewn in the Accounts of the Secretary to the Board of Works, is less than the preceding year by £300.

Respectfully submitted by

HENRY H. STABB,

Physician Superintendent.

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Diseases of the 35 patients admitted in 1857.

Mania	18
Mania a potu	6
Puerperal Mania.....	2
Typhoid, ditto	1
Melancholia	2
Dementia	4
Amentia	2
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				35
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Causes of Death in Eleven Cases, occurring in 1857.

Epilepsy	2
Disease of brain,.....	3
Apoplexy	.....	.....	.....	1
Fever and Bronchitis	1
Dysentery	1
Dropsy	1
Puerperal Fever.....	1
Lues Venerea	1
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				11
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Two of the above deaths occurred in patients sent in in a dying state, who should, in my opinion, have been kept at home.

HENRY H. STABB.

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PATIENTS DISCHARGED FROM 1ST JANUARY TO 31ST DECEMBER, 1856.

NAME.	RESIDENCE.	CONDITION.
Mrs. Ridout	Flat Rock.	Cured
Mrs. O'Donnel	St. John's	Nearly well
Mrs. Pilly	Ditto	Unchanged
Michael Kearney	Ditto	Much improved
Mrs. Beer	Topsail	Convalescent
Mrs. Hyde	St. John's	
Mrs. Foley	Ditto	Improved
John Coady	Torbay	Much Improved
Captain Hott	Halifax	Cured
George Kielley	St. John's	Unchanged
Mrs. Brine	Ditto	Cured
Mr. Coysh	Ditto	Much improved
Mr. Barrington	Ditto	Convalescent
A private patient (No. 14.)	Ditto	Improved
Anastatia Haly	Black Head	Ditto
Mrs. Ellis	Hants Harbor	Cured
Mrs. Foley	St. John's	Much Improved
A private patient (No. 18.)	Ditto	Cured
John Jordan	Ferryland	Ditto
Mrs. Hoare	St. John's	Ditto
Bertha Dwyer	Trinity	Ditto
James Hogau	Carbonear	Improved
Michael Fitzgerald	St. John's	Convalescent
Cornelius Callahan	Carbonear	Cured
Mary Foley	St. John's	Unchanged
Thomas Muldowney	Ditto	Convalescent
Mrs. Medland	Ditto	Ditto
Mary Angel	Ditto	Cured

HENRY H. STABB.

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REPORT of the Select Committee on the Grant to C. F. Bennett, Esq., of Land in Placentia and Fortune Bays.

COMMITTEE ROOM, }
April 5, 1858. }

The Committee appointed to report upon a Grant made to Charles F. Bennett, Esq., of a large tract of Land in Placentia and Fortune Bays, beg leave to report that they have considered the matter to them referred, and have taken evidence thereon, which is annexed, together with a copy of the Grant, and a copy of an opinion published by Mr. Hogsett on the subject.

That your Committee feel that the late Government in making this Grant did a great act of injustice to the people, not only of the locality over which the grant operates, but to the inhabitants of the whole island.

As this grant involves legal considerations into which your Committee do not feel it is their province to enquire further than appending the opinion to which they referred, your Committee would respectfully suggest, that an Address from this Honorable House be presented to His Excellency the Governor, respectfully requesting him to obtain and furnish this House with the opinion of the Law Officers of the Crown as to the legality of the said grant, and if it be found to be illegal and not binding on the Crown, that such steps as may be necessary will be instituted to annul such grant.

GEO. JAS. HOGSETT,

Chairman.

M. J. KELLY.

PATRICK MORRIS,

The Hon. EDMUND HANRAHAN, Surveyor General, examined :—

I am Surveyor General of this colony.

The Grant produced and shown to me is a copy from the original found in my office, when I assumed its duties ; it is a grant of certain portion of land to Charles Fox Bennett, Esquire, and granted to him by the late Government.

The quantity of land granted is about one million acres including the islands. I am aware that parties have made application for tracts of land within the grant for mining purposes. I remember a Mr. Hennessey making application, he did not get it as it was already granted to Mr. Bennett. Mr. Hennessey resides at Merasheen Island. I did not submit his application to the Government.

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I felt it incumbent on me to refuse his application as Mr. Bennett had a previous grant.

I am aware there are several parties holding land in Placentia Bay merely by occupation.

I am of opinion that it is a great injustice to give such a grant to the exclusion of parties residing in that locality.

The plan produced shows within the Red Marks the extent of the land under the grant. It is within my knowledge that a large population has settled within the track embraced in this grant.

If the grant is of any value, parties discovering any mines or minerals within the tract embraced in the grant, should either keep it secret, or make it known to Mr. Bennett, as discovering would be of no service to them.

If I was called upon to issue a similar grant, I would not feel myself justified in doing so.

The fact of such a grant being an exclusion deprives the right of other parties seeking for minerals, and keeping dormant their development in these localities.

Signed,

EDMUND HANRAHAN.
Surveyor General.

ST. JOHN'S, NEWFOUNDLAND. }
6th January, 1858. }

SIR,—

Enclosed is a Petition which I have been entrusted to forward to you for the information of His Excellency the Governor, and in doing so, I take the opportunity of respectfully submitting my opinion for the consideration of the Government as to the legality of the Grant referred to in the Petition.

From the passing of the Crown Lands' Act, 7 Vic. cap. 2, the Crown in this colony has no power of issuing a grant or other conveyance of ungranted or unoccupied Crown Lands for a term of years, the only interest in such lands which that Statute authorises the Crown to grant being a fee-simple.

It is said that this is not the true interpretation of the Statute, and that the previous right of the Crown to grant leases exist. I am of opinion that the interpretation I put upon it must prevail for the following reasons: 1st. The Rule of Law with reference to the construction of Statutes is, "that the design and intention of the framers when they

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can be ascertained shall prevail." In this case the words of the Statute, that no ungranted or unoccupied Crown Land shall be disposed of otherwise than by sale of the same, and that immediately upon such sale, and payment of the purchase price, or so soon thereafter as conveniently may be, of a grant of such lands in fee-simple be issued under letters patent, made and passed under the Great Seal of this Island in customary form to the purchaser or purchasers, his, her or their assigns and heirs."

2nd.—It is laid down that affirmative words, if they are absolute, explicit and peremptory, and show that no discretion is intended to be given, make a statute imperative; and further, where a statute directs a particular mode of procedure or give a particular form, that form must be observed.

3rd.—The introduction of an exemption is necessarily exclusive of all other independent extrinsic exemptions, "the maxim being, what is expressed makes what is silent to cease."

Section 7 enacts, "that it shall and may be lawful for the Governor, or person administering the Government from time to time, to reserve, set apart, and appropriate such parts and portions of any unoccupied lands in any of the districts of the Islands or places within its government, as he may, by and with the advice and consent of the Council, deem proper and expedient to appropriate for the purpose of erecting Court-houses, Market-houses, Churches, Chapels, or other places of public worship, or for the erection of School-houses, or for any other public use or purpose; and also such portions of unoccupied Ships Rooms, Beaches, and Shores as may be deemed necessary or convenient to set apart for the general and public use of the Inhabitants within any of the Districts or places aforesaid."

The provisions of this section expressly authorises the Governor, by and with the consent of the Council, to set aside and appropriate any unoccupied lands for certain purposes independent of the mode of disposal of such land to private individuals, thereby proving that the intention of the Legislature was to destroy, as regards the general disposal of unoccupied lands, the old law, and to allow it for certain purposes to exist. I say the old, because as no mode is prescribed by the section, and the terms used are, "set aside and appropriate," the mode of appropriation which the Crown could observe would be that which was observed before the Statute.

Before the passing of that Statute it was the practice of the Crown in this Colony, to grant leases of Crown Lands for the term of Thirty Years, renewable every Thirty years, a practice which must have been founded on the English Statutes, regulating the prerogative of the Crown in these matters, and the power to do which must have been communicated to the several Governors of the Colony by their Commissions or Instructions.

On reference to the grant, it will be found to be thirty years, renewable every thirty years upon certain conditions, and that it embraces a large tract of country, over one million acres, which is inhabited by several thousand people - a fact which have been known to the Government.

Placentia Bay has been settled from the earliest history of the Colony, and the greater portion of the inhabitants who are in the possession of fishing-rooms and lands, have acquired their title thereto by possession, a title which, owing to its age, bars alike the right of the Crown and subject.

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Therefore, if mines of Coal, Tin, &c., as specially mentioned in the grant under consideration, be discovered in the land belonging to any person in Placentia or Fortune Bay, whose title to such land, as against the crown, is acquired by possession, such mines would of right belong to the owner of the land, and not to the Crown. On this ground this grant is void, as it gives that which the crown had not, and was not in possession of, a principle which applies to leases also.

The crown land Act authorizes but one mode of disposal of unoccupied Crown lands, viz., by sale, such sale (Sec. 50) by auction. In this case there was no sale by auction as prescribed by Statute.

It may be said that this is not a grant or disposal of ungranted or unoccupied land within the meaning of the Statute, but that it is a mere grant or lease conferring on Mr. Bennett a franchise which the Statute does not touch, and which, as such, is a breach of the Royal Prerogative which the Crown can exercise independent thereof.

As to the first objection, that it is not a grant of ungranted or unoccupied land, I am of opinion that it is, under the granting portion thereof, after stating the description of mineral granted, demised, and leased, and the tract of land and islands within which Mr. Bennett shall be at liberty to erect such engines, furnaces, mills and other machinery, buildings, and erections whatsoever as may be necessary for opening, working, or draining such mines, or any of them, and for smelting, refining, or manufacturing all or any part of the said ores or minerals, and for lodging and depositing the same, and the draining or carrying away the water from the said mines or any of them, and generally for carrying on the works of the said mines respectively, and also to have and use sufficient and convenient way, leave, and liberty of passage to and from the said mines or any of them, and liberty to make or place one or more way or ways in, upon, or over the said tract of land or islands, or any of them, or any part thereof respectively, and to remove, take away, amend, or change the same, and also to take, lead, drive and carry away, or through, along, and over the same with horses, carts, waggons, or other carriages, all and every of the ores, mines, and minerals to be wrought or obtained from or out of the said mines, or any of them, generally to have, hold, use, and enjoy all and every such other powers and privileges whatsoever, whether over and upon the said tract of land and islands, and every of them, and every part thereof, which shall or may be necessary, useful, or convenient for, on, or about the searching for, working, mining, or obtaining the said minerals, &c.

It cannot be pretended that these words do not include a disposition of lands; is it not a disposition of land to grant a party liberty to erect buildings thereon, to have right of way over it, and that too, for thirty years; whilst so occupied no other person can have the possession thereof, and if there is any meaning in the word "disposal" used by the Statute, which I understand to mean bestow, surely this grant bestows on Mr. Bennett a right in the land, or as much thereof as may be necessary for the procuring and manufacturing, if I may use the expression, and transportaion to the sea for shipment of the minerals he may discover.

If, then, ungranted and unoccupied lands under the terms of this grant are disposed of, is it not a grant falling within the tenor and meaning of the Statute? and if so, have these lands been disposed of pursuant to the terms and provisions of the Statute? Clearly not.

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Supposing this view to be incorrect, and that it is not a disposition of land within the meaning of the Statute, yet it is void; the Crown cannot no more than an individual impart to another a right which it has not itself, such as a right of way over land the title of which had passed from it to a subject; nor could it give a right to build on such land which it has clearly presumed to do by this grant.

Again, does the grant contain a provision which the Crown by virtue of its prerogative can convey? Gold and Silver Mines, of right, belong to the Queen by virtue of Her prerogative, and as such, wherever they are found within Her Dominions, may be disposed of by the Crown; but Mines of baser Metals before referred to, belong to the subject in whose lands they are discovered. This grant, therefore, including the baser Metals, and there being within the tract of land granted, hundreds of persons in possession of land, whose title bars that of the Crown, is void, as it grants that over which the Crown had no control.

It may be urged that the Crown had a right to grant such minerals within the tract granted, found or discovered in what would be properly called ungranted or unoccupied land; clearly it could, but then come within the words of the Statute, how can it grant the lands in which the minerals are deposited otherwise than by sale? The Crown in this case appears to me to be like Shylock, you may take the pound of flesh, but you must not spill one drop of blood.

But supposing this to be such a franchise as the Crown would confer by grant or otherwise, had the Governor, as the Representative of the Sovereign, a right to issue such a grant without being specially delegated? I am of opinion that he had not; all franchises are derived from the Queen, but the Queen may enable Governors to grant franchises in the Colonies. I have examined the Commission of and Instructions to his Excellency Ker Baillie Hamilton, Esq., the then Governor of the Island, and I find therein no provision for the issuing of such grants, on the contrary, grants to be issued by him shall be according to the provisions of the Laws and Statutes of the Island.

Admitting, therefore, for the sake of argument, that it is a franchise within the prerogative of the Crown, it is void, as no authority was communicated to the Governor by the Queen, that I am aware of, for its issue.

I further respectfully submit, that under the Statute, James 1st, Cap. 3, this grant is void, as it creates a Monopoly. A Monopoly is defined to be an allowance by the King to any person or body of persons, for the sole making, or selling any thing whereby any persons are sought to be restrained of any freedom or liberty they had before, or hindered in their lawful trade. Does not this case come not only within the spirit, but the letter of this definition? are not owners of lands within the tract granted not only prevented from selling, but calling their own, Minerals which they may discover therein, and which, before the issuing of this grant, there would not be a second opinion in the Colony they were entitled to.

If in England, the rights of the subject are guarded with the zealous care evinced by its laws, how much more ought they to be protected in this Country, the object of whose Government ought to be, and I am sure now is, to encourage the settlement of a population, and the cultivation of its soil.

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In the tract embraced within this grant a population has sprung up without the encouragement of Government or those adventitious aids which exist in more favoured Countries ; their lands, in many instances, have been made, if not productive sources of wealth, at least to contribute largely to their support by their unaided industry, and like most things that cost men labor and time, are correspondingly prized.

Under such circumstances, the policy of the law is rather to uphold than molest the occupiers of the soil, and instead of obstructing, extending their privileges. Here, however, a contrary spirit is manifested, and at any time a person in Placentia or Fortune Bay, within the tract granted, may be dragged into a Court of Law and put to considerable expense and trouble in defending that which, by hard toil and many privations, he has reclaimed from the wilderness. It is a cold, arbitrary, and despotic policy, congenial enough with the spirit of old Colonial Rule, but cannot now be exercised or suffered to exist by a Government that professes to govern "according to the well understood wishes of the people."

For the reasons I have respectfully urged, and the injustice I have faintly sought to depict, I am of opinion this grant is void ; and as one of the Members of the District of Placentia and St. Mary's, I feel that I am but indorsing the unanimous opinion of its people, in calling on the Government to cancel it.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

GEORGE J. HOGSETT,

Barrister at Law.

The Hon. JOHN KENT, }
Colonial Secretary. }

(Copy of Grant.)

KERR B. HAMILTON,
L.S.

*VICTORIA, by the Grace of God, of the United
Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, Queen
Defender of the Faith.*

TO ALL TO WHOM THESE PRESENTS SHALL COME, GREETING:

Whereas Charles Fox Bennett, of St. John's, in our Island of Newfoundland, Merchant, having applied to us for License to search for and also to mine and work all and every the

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Ores, Mines, and Minerals, in and upon the tract of Land and Islands hereinafter mentioned, and having expressed his willingness to furnish and provide the necessary means to be expended in searching for and opening and working the Land, and likewise his willingness to pay the Rent and Royalties hereinafter referred to ; and Whereas the said Charles Fox Bennett having expended much time, labor, and money in exploring and searching for such Ores and Minerals, and We being desirous to promote and encourage such enterprises, and the opening and working of Mines and Minerals in our said Island of Newfoundland, did, by Our respective Letters Patent, bearing date the thirty-first day of January, in the Year of Our Lord One Thousand Eight Hundred and Fifty-one, and thirteenth day of January in the year of Our Lord One Thousand Eight Hundred and Fifty-one, and the thirteenth day of January, in the year of Our Lord One Thousand Eight Hundred and Fifty-two, Demise, and Lease unto the said Charles Fox Bennett, his Executors, Administrators, and Assigns, all and Singular, the Mines, or Veins of Gold, Silver, Coal, Iron, Stone, or Ore, Copper, Tin, Lead, and all other Ores, Mines, and Minerals whatsoever, situate, lying, or being in, upon, or under all that part of Our said Island of Newfoundland, lying between Fortune and Placentia Bays, and bounded by a straight line drawn from Pipers Hole in Placentia Bay to Grand Le Pierre in Fortune Bay, and on all other sides by the waters of Fortune and Placentia Bays and the Sea, and also in, upon, and under the Isle of Valen, Mcrasheen, Long Island, Barren Island, and all other the Islands in Placentia Bay lying nearer to the Western than the Eastern Shore thereof, with the appurtenances, to hold to him the said Charles Fox Bennett, his Executors, Administrators, and Assigns, from the thirty-first day of May, which was Anno Domini One Thousand Eight Hundred and Fifty, for the term of Thirty years, with a perpetual Right of Renewal, subject nevertheless to the rendering to us of a Royalty of One Twentieth part of all the Ores and Minerals to be Mined, Raised, Worked, or gotten under and by virtue of the said Letters Patent, save and except Coal, and upon all Coal so to be Mined and Raised, a Rent or Royalty of One Shilling Sterling per Chaldron, and subject to the payment of certain Renewal Fines, and to the performance of certain promises and conditions in the said several Letters Patent contained and expressed, as upon reference to the said Letters Patent will more fully appear. And Whereas, also, by Our Letters Patent under the Great Seal of Our said Island of Newfoundland, bearing date the Twenty-eighth day of December Anno Domini, One Thousand Eight Hundred and Fifty-three, and endorsed on the back of the said Letters Patent above mentioned, and repeated upon the application of the said Charles Fox Bennett, setting forth that he had incurred great expense in exploring and searching for Minerals in Our said Island of Newfoundland, both before and subsequent to the granting to him of the above mentioned and recited Letters Patent or demises, and that by reason of the amount of the Fines and Royalties therein reserved and made payable to us, and also of the great Risk, Uncertainty, and Expense, of adventuring on Mining operations for the first time in Newfoundland, he had been unable to procure the aid of sufficient capital for the effective undertaking of said operations, and praying for a remission or reduction for a certain period of years of the Royalties above mentioned and referred to, We taking into consideration all the circumstances set forth in the said application, and being willing to encourage the said enterprise, did, by Our last-mentioned Letters Patent, for Us, Our Heirs and Successors, grant and declare that the said Charles Fox Bennett, his Executors, Administrators, and Assigns, should hold and enjoy the said Mines, Ores, Minerals, and other privileges and advantages in the said respective Letters Patent granted and Demised, freed, and discharged of and from the payment of the first Fine or Renewal therein respectively reserved ; and also from the payment, or render to us, Our Heirs and Successors, of any of the Rents or Royalties in the said respective Letters Patent or demises reserved, for and during the period of ten years, to be completed as therein mentioned, and from and after the expira-

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tion of the said period of ten years, the Rents and Royalties in the said recited Letters Patent mentioned to be reserved to us, our Heirs and Successors, should for a further period of fifty years, thence next ensuing, be one Fortieth part in lieu of one Twentieth of the Ores, Mines, and Minerals of all and every description mentioned and contained in the said Recited Letters Patent, and thenceforth the full Rents, Royalties and Fines, therein mentioned and reserved, should be rendered and paid to us, our Heirs and Successors. And Whereas the said Charles Fox Bennett is desirous of surrendering the said several Demises or Letters Patent, and for greater convenience of obtaining instead thereof one Grant or Demise of the Rights, Privileges, and Appurtenances therein Granted and Demised, upon the terms and conditions above referred to and hereinafter mentioned and expressed, and for that purpose (with our consent) hath on the day of the date of these presents surrendered to us the said several Demises or Letters Patent of the thirty-first day of January Anno Domini One Thousand Eight Hundred and fifty-one, thirteenth day of January, Anno Domini One Thousand Eight Hundred and fifty-two, and Twenty-eighth day of December Anno Domini One Thousand Eight Hundred and fifty-three. Now, therefore Know Ye, that in consideration of the premises, and of the surrender of the said recited Letters Patent or Demises, We of our special grace, certain knowledge and mere motion, have Granted, Demised, and Leased, and by these presents Do, for us, our Heirs or Successors, Grant, Demise, and Lease unto the said Charles Fox Bennett, his Executors, Administrators and Assigns, all and singular, the Mines or Veins of Gold, Silver, Coal, Iron, Stone, or Ore, Tin, Copper, Lead, and all other Mines, Minerals, and Ores whatsoever, situate, lying and being in, upon, or under, all that part of our Island of Newfoundland lying between Placentia and Fortune Bays, commencing at the head of the inlet called Pipers Hole in Placentia Bay, and bounded by a straight line drawn from thence to the head of Grand Le Pierre in Fortune Bay, and bounded on all other sides by the waters of Placentia and Fortune Bays and the Sea, and also in, upon, or under the Isle of Valen, the Islands of Merasheen, Long Island, Barren Island and all other the Islands nearer to the Western than the Eastern Shore of Placentia Bay, with full and free Liberty, License, and Authority, as far as We, our Heirs or Successors lawfully can give or grant the same, to and for the said Charles Fox Bennett, his Executors, Administrators or Assigns, and his or their and every of their, Tenants, Agents, Servants, and Workmen, to search for, dig and open all and every such Mines, or Veins of Coal, and all other such Ores, Mines and Minerals, as aforesaid, and to work and take the produce of the same and every of them, and to erect such Engines, Furnaces, Mills, Houses, and other Machinery, Buildings, and Erections whatsoever, as may be necessary for opening, working, or draining such Mines or any of them, and for smelting, converting, refining, or manufacturing all or any part of the said Ores or Minerals, and for lodging, staking, or depositing the same, and for draining or conveying away the water from the said Mines or any of them, and generally for carrying on the works of the said Mines respectively, and also to have and use sufficient and convenient way leave, and liberty of passage to and from the said Mines or any of them, and liberty to make or place one or more way or ways in, upon, or over the said tract of Land and Islands, or any of them, or any part thereof respectively, and to remove, take away, amend, or change the same, and also to take, lead, drive, and carry away, in, through, along and over the same with horses, carts, waggons, or other carriages, all and every or any of the Ores, Mines, or Minerals to be wrought or obtained from or out of the said Mines or any of them, and generally to have, hold, use, and enjoy all and every such other powers and privileges whatsoever within, over, and upon the said tract of Land and Islands and every of them, and every part thereof which shall or may be necessary, useful, or convenient for, in, or about the searching for, Working, Mining, or obtaining of the said Mines, Ores, and Minerals, or any of them, and for the dressing, smelting, or manufacturing of the same, or of any part thereof, as We now enjoy, or can or may grant the same. He the said Charles Fox Bennett, his Executors, Administrators, and Assigns, and his and their Ser-

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vants and Workmen, doing as little spoil and damage of ground as possible, in the searching for, working, having, and enjoying of the said premises, and the liberties and privileges hereby granted and demised, To have, hold, and enjoy, all and singular the said Ores, Mines, and minerals above mentioned and referred to and hereby demised, or intended so to be, in, upon, or under the said described tract, part, or parcel of our said Island of Newfoundland, and the several Islands also above mentioned and referred to, and every of them, together with all and every the powers, liberties, privileges, and other the premises above granted and demised unto the said Charles Fox Bennett, his Executors, Administrators, and Assigns, from the Thirty-first day of May, which was in the year of Our Lord One Thousand Eight Hundred and Fifty, for and during the term of Thirty years thence next ensuing, with a perpetual right of renewal in the manner and upon and under such terms and conditions and payment of such fines as are hereafter expressed and reserved, yielding and paying therefor, yearly, and every year during the said term and terms, from and after the expiration of ten years to be computed from the first day of May next ensuing the date of these presents; during which said period of ten years the said Charles Fox Bennett, his Executors, Administrators and Assigns, shall hold and enjoy the premises and privileges hereby demised, free of any Rent or Royalty unto us, our heirs and successors, or to such person or persons as we shall appoint to receive the same at the pit's mouth, or at the mine or mines, the following Rent and Royalties, that is to say, yearly and every year during the first fifty years next ensuing the expiration of the said ten years (to be computed as above-mentioned) one full fortieth part of all the Ores of Gold, Silver, Copper, Lead, Tin, Iron, Stone or Ore, and all other the Ores, and Minerals above-mentioned which shall be won, wrought, obtained or gotten from or out of the said mines, or any of them so to be opened and worked as aforesaid, save and except coal; and from and after the expiration of the said period of fifty years, if the said Charles Fox Bennett, his Executors, Administrators and Assigns, shall so long continue in possession of the said premises by virtue of these presents, yielding and rendering unto us, our heirs and successors in like manner, one full twentieth part of all such Ores and Minerals so to be raised, wrought, obtained or gotten as aforesaid, save and except Coal, and yielding to us, our Heirs and Successors, or to the Receiver of our Rents in St. John's one Shilling sterling, for and upon every chaldron of coals, which shall be wrought, won, obtained, or gotten from or out of the said mines, and every or any of them, from and after the expiration of the said period of ten years above-mentioned, except upon such coals as shall be used in the working of the said mines and all and every Engines and Machinery, used and employed in and about the same, or in the smelting the Ores and Minerals aforesaid, or in manufacturing or bringing the same into a marketable condition, such Rents and Royalties to be accounted for and paid or rendered half yearly on the first days of May and November in each year, provided always and this present demise is upon condition that the said Charles Fox Bennett, his Executors, Administrators and Assigns shall, within the term of five years from the thirtieth day of January, Anno Domini One Thousand Eight Hundred and Fifty-two with skilful mineralogists or engineers, workmen and servants, and with the necessary means have explored, mined, digged, or searched for some or one of the said ores or minerals, and upon discovery of the same, do and shall, within ten years from the date last mentioned, actually commence and carry on operations for mining, working, and raising the said ores and minerals, or some or one of them: Provided also, and these presents are on this further condition, that the said Charles Fox Bennett, his executors, administrators and assigns, do, and shall keep or cause to be kept true and faithful books of accounts at some convenient place within the said described tract of land, of all Coals, and of all and every other the ores and minerals aforesaid, which shall or may by him or them be from time to time mined, wrought, raised, obtained or gotten during the said term hereby granted by virtue of these presents, and do and shall permit such person or persons as We our Heirs and Successors shall appoint for

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the purpose. at all reasonable times to inspect the said books of account, or make copies thereof, or take extracts therefrom, and do and shall, half yearly or oftener, as We our Heirs and Successors shall direct from and after the expiration of the period of ten years above mentioned and referred to, render to the Governor of our Island of Newfoundland for the time, or such other person as we shall appoint, a true and faithful statement, account and reckoning, and upon the oath, if required by us, our Heirs or Successors of the said Charles Fox Bennett, his executors, administrators or assigns, or his or their principal Agent, Manager or Engineer, of all the Coals, and other Ores and Minerals above mentioned, from time to time mined, wrought, raised, won, or gotten under or by virtue of these presents, and also do, and permit suffer such one or more person or persons as our Governor for the time being of our said Island of Newfoundland shall appoint for that purpose, with or without surveyors, workmen, and servants, at all reasonable times, when and as often as such person or persons shall think fit, to enter in and upon the said demised premises, and to view, inspect, examine and enquire into the state and condition of all and every such mines or minerals as shall be opened and worked by virtue of these presents, and to view, inspect and take an account of the coals and other ores and minerals aforesaid, from time to time mined, raised, won, wrought, or gotten from the said mines or any of them, and on this further condition, that the said Charles Fox Bennett, his executors, administrators and assigns, do and shall well and truly and faithfully yield and render unto us, our heirs, and successors, all and every the rents and royalties hereinbefore mentioned and reserved, at the places and in the manner above mentioned and appointed, without any hindrance, abatement or delay whatsoever, and upon this further condition that the said Charles Fox Bennett, his executors, administrators and assigns, do, and shall, from time to time, and at all times during the said term, in a skilful, and proper manner, work and support all and every, or any mine or mines, which by him or them, be opened and worked by virtue of these presents, and also, at his and their own proper cost and charges, well and sufficiently repair, support, upheld, amend and keep in repair, all houses, mills, buildings, and erections by him or them to be built and erected, and which shall be necessary or required, and all gins, engines pumps and other machinery by him or them used and employed in or about the said mines or any of them, and all and every the said mines, houses, mills, buildings, erections, gins, engines, pumps and other machinery, so erected and sufficiently repaired, upheld and supported, shall and will at the expiration, or other sooner determination of the present demise, quit, surrender and yield up to us, our heirs and successors : Provided, also, and we do hereby grant and declare, that upon the expiration of the said term of thirty years, above mentioned, all and every the said conditions and stipulations having been well and truly observed, performed and kept by the said Charles Fox Bennett, his executors, administrators and assigns, he and they shall and lawfully may continue, by virtue of these presents, to have, hold, and enjoy, all and singular, the premises with the appurtenances above granted and demised, for a further term or period of thirty years, to commence immediately from and after the expiration of the term of thirty years, above granted, subject, nevertheless, to the rendering of the like rents and royalties, and to the observance and performance of all and singular the premises, conditions and stipulations hereinbefore contained and expressed, in respect of, or concerning the same, and upon the expiration of the said further term of thirty years, the said provisions, conditions, and stipulations having been well and faithfully performed, observed, and kept by the said Charles Fox Bennett, his executors, administrators, and assigns, and a fine or sum equal to one full year's net profits of all and every the mines, ores, minerals, and coal, then wrought, raised, obtained, or gotten, to be ascertained by the average of the net annual profit thereof, for the three last years of the said further or second term of Thirty years, being by the said Charles Fox Bennett, his executors, attornies and assigns, paid to us, our heirs or

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successors, or to the receiver of our rents at St. John's, for the time being; he the said Charles Fox Bennett, his attorneys and assigns shall, and lawfully may continue, by virtue of these presents, to hold and enjoy all and singular, the premises, rights, privileges, liberties and appurtenances above granted and demised for a further term or period of thirty years, to commence immediately from and after the expiration of the said second term of thirty years, above granted, subject, nevertheless, to the re-ensuing and paying of the rent and royalties above reserved, and to the observance and performance of all and singular the provisions, conditions, and stipulations hereinbefore expressed and continued, in respect of, or concerning the same, and so in like manner at the end or expiration of the said last mentioned term of thirty years, and of every succeeding term of thirty years, upon payment to us, our heirs or successors, of the like line or sum of one year's net annual profit, as aforesaid, to be ascertained by the average of the profit of the three last years of every such succeeding term then last expressed, he the said Charles Fox Bennett, his executors, administrators, and assigns shall, and lawfully may continue, by virtue of these presents, to have, hold, and enjoy, all and singular, the premises, rights, liberties, and privileges hereinbefore granted and demised, with the appurtenance, subject always, nevertheless, to the rendering of the rent and royalties, above-mentioned and reserved, and to the observance and performance of all and every the provisions and stipulations hereinbefore expressed and contained of, and concerning the same: *Provided always*, that the said Charles Fox Bennett, his executors, administrators, and assigns shall, during such further and every succeeding term of thirty years, continue to maintain and carry on effectual operations for mining, working, and raising the said ores and minerals, or some or one of them: *And Provided further*, that in case the fine payable for, or in respect of the removal of any of the said further or succeeding terms of thirty years, above mentioned, shall not be paid before the end of one year from and after the end or expiration of the term immediately preceding, when the same shall become payable, then and in such case, these presents, and all right, title, and benefit of renewal aforesaid, shall, from thenceforth cease, determine, and be utterly null and void.

Given under the Great Seal of Our said Island of Newfoundland.

WITNESS, Our trusty and well-beloved KERR BAILLIE
HAMILTON, *Esq., Governor of Our aforesaid Island,*
at St. John's, the 10th day of March, in the Year of Our
Lord, One Thousand Eight Hundred and Fifty-four, and
in the 17th Year of Our Reign.

Examined.

E. M. ARCHIBALD.

H. M. Attorney General.

By His Excellency's Command.

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*REPORT of Delegates on the subject of DIRECT STEAM COMMUNICATION between
Great Britain and Newfoundland.*

During the last Session a sum of £7000 a-year was appropriated by the Local Legislature for a period of five years for the encouragement of direct Steam Communication between the United Kingdom, this Colony, and the United States, and the Executive were authorised to conclude a contract for the service. The delegates appointed by the Legislative Council and the Assembly to proceed to England on the subject of the Fishery Convention were required to co-operate with the Executive in negotiating with persons desirous of contracting, and for a transfer of the Mails to a direct line as soon as it should be established, and to solicit aid to the project from the Imperial Government.

The paramount object of their appointment having been accomplished by the defeat of the Convention, the Delegation was therefore abandoned, but the Executive Government, considering the desirableness of carrying out the Resolutions of the Legislature relative to Direct Steam Communication, deputed us, who had been previously nominated respectively by the Legislative Council and Assembly on the General Delegation, to proceed to England to forward the liberal intentions of the Legislature in regard to this highly important matter. And we have now the honor to lay the following Report of our proceedings before the Government :

Having left St. John's on the 12th of May, we lost no time upon our arrival in Liverpool in communicating with Messrs. Wier Cochrane & Co., the projectors of the North Atlantic Steam Company, whose Steamers had shortly before commenced touching at the Port of St. John's, and with other Steam Companies, and securing the co-operation of such parties as were likely to assist us.

Mr. John Shea, of Cork, who had been previously authorised by the Local Government to treat with persons willing to undertake the service, put us in possession of much useful information, obtained in the course of his negotiation.

We found, before any Company would treat with us, that it was necessary to ascertain the views of the Imperial Government, as to what pecuniary and other encouragement they would give, in addition to the local subsidy, and whether they would sanction the transfer of the mails to a direct line of Steamers.

Upon our arrival in London we promptly brought the subject before Mr. Labouchere, the Secretary of State for the Colonies, and Mr. Under Secretary Fortescue, who both received us very kindly, and admitted the disadvantages of the present Mail Route *via* Halifax, compared with a direct line.

After having fully discussed a proposition for superseding the present circuitous by a direct mail service, Mr. Labouchere promised to bring the matter before the Lords of the Treasury, and to further that object, gave us an introduction to Mr. Wilson, the Secretary of the Treasury. Having placed our views before this gentleman, who entertained them with a marked desire to meet them, he applied to Mr. Cunard, for the purpose of inducing him, as one of the

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parties to the present Newfoundland, Halifax, and Bermuda contract, to surrender the Newfoundland part of that contract for the five unexpired years, and thus enable the Treasury to transfer a part of the amount he receives for it to the new project. It was, however, ascertained, after treating for some time with Mr. Cunard, that he could not be prevailed on to comply even for a bonus of £1,000 a-year for the five remaining years of his present contract.

We were then thrown back upon our own resources, as the Treasury could not meet our wishes in the way proposed, and it was stated that there were serious objections to pay for a double mail service to the Colony.

We again applied to the Colonial office and to several influential Members of Parliament for the exercise of their influence in behalf of our mission.

We now placed the claims of the Colony to pecuniary assistance from the Imperial Government fully before Mr. Labouchere, in a letter dated 8th July, 1857, that he might the better urge them upon the treasury. If we could have obtained a subsidy of from £3000 to £5000 a-year, we were led to hope that we should have been able to conclude a contract for £10000 or £12000 a-year, provided the Steamers touching at St. John's should be entitled to the privileges of Royal British Mail Steamers, which would exempt them from the operation of the Emigration Act, and thereby save them considerable inconvenience and outlay.

At length, after much exertion on our part, and the exercise of the influence brought to bear, we obtained a grant of £3000 a-year from the Treasury to aid the Colony in effecting the desired object.

The communication from Mr. Wilson, it will be seen, bears date the 20th July, 1857, and that from Mr. Under Secretary Morivale, transmitting Mr. Wilson's to us, the 22nd July, 1857.

It was also arranged that the contract for the service should be made in the name or on behalf of the Government of Newfoundland, to secure to the local authorities power to enforce the contract—that the Steamers we might engage should be entitled to the privileges of Royal Mail Steamers, and be thus exempt from the stringent operation of the Emigration Acts—and that the mails should be sent by the direct line, and also *via* Halifax under the present Contract until it expires, which will not be until the expiration of twelve months' notice to be given, after 1st January, 1862, by either party thereto, if they should think fit to determine it.

While we were pressing our case upon the attention of the Government, we were at the same time in communication with various parties, and among them, with Lord Talbot, the provisional Chairman and some of the provisional Directors of the North Atlantic Steam Company, and, although the projectors of this line were not incorporated or registered, yet we hoped they might be able to contract with us.

The information we received, however, convinced us that the necessary means were not available to enable them to undertake the service; the steamer *Khersonese*, which they had in their service, was sent off to the East Indies with troops, and the *Circassian* was also taken

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out of their control. owing to difficulties which unfortunately occurred between them and the Borough Bank of Liverpool. We were most anxious to favor them ; their exertions as the pioneers of Direct Steam between the Mother Country and Newfoundland, and the energy displayed by Mr. Wier to maintain their position and carry out the project, entitled them to that preference which we deemed it fair to show them, and it was with extreme regret we found they failed to accomplish their enterprising intentions.

The state of the money market, and the extraordinary demand for screw Steamers to convey troops to the East, frustrated their calculations, and ultimately obliged us to postpone the accomplishment of an arrangement until that demand should cease, and a change in the aspect of the Eastern Rebellion would justify Capitalists in embarking in an undertaking such as we proposed. Before, however, abandoning all hope of closing an arrangement with a reliable Company while we were in England, we resolved to leave no means untried to effectuate our instructions.

We accordingly applied to every Company we thought likely to entertain our proposals. We ascertained that the Canadian Steam Company were willing to treat with us—but the Canadian Government having agreed to give them a subsidy of £50,000 a year for fortnightly communication, refused to permit their Steamers to call at St. John's on account of the supposed delay, and they were anxious to compete in speed with the Cunard and Collins' Steamers. The Liverpool, New York, and Philadelphia Steam Company likewise seemed at first inclined to entertain our offers, but for similar reasons, after a full discussion with the Directors, in which we were ably assisted by Mr. Charles T. Bowring, they declined accepting our proposals.

Mr. O'Brien having left England to return home, Mr. Little then entered into negotiations with the European and American Steam Company, who own a fine fleet of Screw Steamers. Their intelligent Chairman, Mr. Crawford, M.P. for London, as well as the energetic manager and agent of the line, Mr. Croskey, evinced a determination to accept the contract on the best terms they could obtain ; and at their instance, and with Mr. Labouchere's concurrence, memorials were got up and presented to the Treasury from nearly all the Merchants and others residing in the United Kingdom, and engaged or interested in the trade of the Colony. Mr. Wegurlin, one of the Directors of the Bank of England, and M.P. for Southampton, Mr. Roebuck, Mr. Hudson, and several other influential members of Parliament, exerted themselves to obtain such an increase of the Imperial allowance as would have enabled us to close with the European and American Company for £14,000 a-year, but without success. Five of their Steamers were already taken up by the East India Company at a freight of about £19 a-head, for conveying troops to the East, making the freight on each vessel about £35,000. But the Agent of the Company seeing the advantage to their Steamers by making St. John's a Port of Call on their voyages between England and New York, and their exemption, by becoming a Royal Mail Line, from the operation of the Emigration Act, at length accepted the terms Mr. Little offered, as no better could be had, namely, £10,000 a-year for 20 trips each way, with liberty to touch at a Port in Ireland. The contract was drawn up ; its general terms were approved by Mr. Clifton, of the Admiralty, and Mr. Rowland Hill, of the Post Office Department, and awaited the final approval of the Directors, who, however, looking to the increasing demand for Steamers to proceed to the East, and to the amount offered for our service, withdrew the previous acceptance and declined an arrangement.

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Mr. Little then again applied to the Treasury, and a new negotiation was opened, at his instance, by Mr. Secretary Wilson with Mr. Cunard, who had not evinced any desire to treat with us upon our arrival in London, but who now seemed inclined to accept a contract for the service if he got it on such terms as he considered reasonable. But he required time to consider the subject, and did not state his terms before Mr. Little was obliged to leave for Newfoundland. He subsequently offered to run a Steamer monthly from Liverpool to St. John's and back for £10,000 a-year, which offer the Executive promptly declined, for obvious reasons. Mr. Little also had some correspondence and interviews among others with Messrs. Samuelson & Co., Engineers and Steam Ship Builders of Hull, who wanted to secure a refusal of the contract for six months, that they might thereby endeavour to organise a Company to undertake the service. Upon consultation with Mr. Wilson, it was not deemed advisable to assent to that proposal, as it would preclude that gentleman from accepting any offer Mr. Cunard or any other person might make to him in the meantime.

Mr. Little then determined to leave the matter in Mr. Wilson's hands, who kindly consented to use his best endeavors to effect a contract, if such were possible, and he had no doubt such would be the case, as soon as the Steamers which had gone to the East should have returned.

The result of our mission, we may observe, is, first, the recognition by the Imperial Government of the claims of Newfoundland to a direct Mail Service; Secondly, the concession of a subsidy amounting to £3000 a-year from the British Treasury: Thirdly, the admitted feasibility of the undertaking by Steam Ship proprietors and other influential and practical persons of judgment; and lastly, the reasonable prospect of seeing the project carried out within a short time if the advantages we have secured be judiciously followed up.

In closing this report, we annex such of our Correspondence and other documents as may be deemed worthy of perusal, and beg to express our acknowledgments to the authorities in the Colonial Office, and to Mr. Wilson, Secretary to the Treasury, as well as to the several members of Parliament and gentlemen connected with the Trade of Newfoundland, for their cordial co-operation and support.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

P. F. LITTLE.

LAURENCE O'BRIEN.

Saint John's, }
13th February, 1858. }

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Correspondence on Direct Steam Communication.

[No. 1.]

GENTLEMEN,—

Referring to the interviews I and some of my Colleagues have had with you on the subject of the Steam Navigation between this Country and the Colony of Newfoundland, I have now the honor to state, on behalf of the North Atlantic Steam Navigation Company, the terms on which they are disposed to place a line of Steamers between this Country and St. John's Newfoundland.

1. The Company to supply and keep up a regular line of Screw Steamers of not less than 1700 tons burthen, builders' measurement, and from 200 to 300 horse power, from Liverpool to a port or ports in British North America, or the United States of America, once a month, calling at St. John's, Newfoundland, out and home.

2. The Newfoundland Government to remit, in favor of the Company's Steamers, the ordinary Port Charges at St. John's, and to undertake to provide suitable wharf accommodation, free of expense.

3. The Newfoundland Government to pay to the Company a subsidy of 7000*l.* per annum for the service to date from the 1st March, 1857.

4. The Company is, within nine months after the Newfoundland Government shall agree to increase the subsidy to 13,000*l.* per annum, to make the service fortnightly, the addition to date from the day when such service shall be increased.

5. Should any obstruction from Ice, or any other inevitable accident arise, such circumstance shall not be deemed to amount to a breach of the Contract.

6. The Steamers are to be considered as Steamers for the Mail Service, and the postages of letters are to be at the disposition of the Newfoundland or Imperial Governments.

7. The above comprise the general terms of arrangement. If a Contract be entered into, there are several details which will of course require to be provided for.

8. I am desired to ask your consideration of the above propositions, the necessity of your early decision having already been explained to you.

9. It is essential that the Company should at once lay down definite plans, either for continuing the Steamers on the present route, or altering it, as also their plans for increasing the fleet, as the essential Capital will have to be raised for a distinct and specified purpose.

10. I am therefore desired to request that we may be favored with some definite communication from you in the course of seven days from this date.

I have the honor to remain, Gentlemen,

Your most obedient servant,

To the Honorable P. F. Little.

And the Honorable Laurence O'Brien.

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[No. 2.]

42, Upper George Street,
Bryanstone Square,
27th June, 1857.

SIR,—

I have the honor to inform you that I have received a definite offer, in writing, from the North Atlantic Steam Navigation Company, to run suitable Steamers between Liverpool and some North American Port, calling at St. John's on their outward and homeward voyages, and conveying our mails, fortnightly, for five years, at £13,000 a-year. This sum, I may observe, I consider rather high; and I have little doubt they may be induced to take something less. They have requested a reply within a specified time, which I have asked them to extend, to enable me to ascertain what amount the Imperial Government are disposed to allow, for carrying our Mails direct, in addition to the sum of £7,000 a-year, voted by the Local Legislature for this service.

I therefore trust you will not deem me importunate in respectfully soliciting your early attention to a matter of such importance to the Commercial Interests of Newfoundland, and that you will have the kindness to name a time for another interview with you at your convenience, according to your polite intimation, that I may be in a position to reply to that offer.

I have the honor to be, Sir,

Your most obedient humble servant,

P. F. LITTLE.

James Wilson, Esq., M. P.,
Secretary of the Treasury,
&c., &c., &c.

[No. 3.]

42, Upper George Street,
Bryanstone Square,
2nd July, 1857.

MR. LORD,—

We beg to inform you that we had a second interview with Mr. Wilson, Secretary of the Treasury, on yesterday, on the subject of obtaining an allowance from the Imperial Government for the conveyance of the Newfoundland Mails by Direct Steam Communication, and that our prospects of success depend upon his efforts to effect a compromise with Mr. Cunard of his rights under the existing contract for the Newfoundland and Ber-

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muda Mail service. Mr. Wilson is already in communication with Mr. Cunard on the subject; and we trust that the result, which we expect to know in a few days hence, may enable us to make a definite offer in reply to your proposal of the 13th ultimo.

We have the honor to be,

My Lord,

Your most obedient humble servants,

P. F. LITTLE,

LAURENCE O'BRIEN.

To the Right Hon. Earl Talbot.
&c., &c., &c.

[No. 4.]

42, Upper George Street,
Bryanstone Square,
8th July, 1857.

SIR,—

We have the honor to state, that it appears a renewed or modified Contract was made by the Admiralty with Mr. Cunard in 1854, by which he receives £14,700 a year until 1862, for the conveyance of the Mails in 3 Screw Steamers of 90 horse power each, to ply one between Halifax, Nova Scotia, and Newfoundland, fortnightly during eight months, and only monthly during four other months in each year, and the other two between Halifax and the West India Islands of St. Thomas and Bermuda. The English Mails for Newfoundland are conveyed from Liverpool to Halifax by the British and North American Royal Mail Steamers, which frequently pass within sight of St. John's, and in carrying our Mails and Passengers to Halifax, convey them about five hundred miles Westward of St. John's, to be sent back the same distance in one of those small steamers, after remaining usually three days in Halifax, waiting the arrival of the American Mails from Boston. A delay of about ten days is thus caused in the delivery of each English Mail and of the Passengers for Newfoundland, compared with the time suitable steamers would run from Liverpool direct to St. John's, which would not be more than 8 days against 17 or 18 days for 8 months, and from 17 to 30 days for four other months in each year *via* Halifax.

The loss and inconvenience which the Trade of the Colony experiences by this circuitous route have formed the subject of grievance and complaint on the part of the inhabitants for several years past. The local Legislature, notwithstanding the small amount of the Colonial Revenue and the many urgent claims on it for Local Improvements, have voted 7,000 a-year for five years to induce a Line of Atlantic Steamers running between England and the American Continent to call at the port of St. John's, fortnightly, on their outward and homeward voyages; but that sum being insufficient to secure the calling of

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Steamers, it was expected that the Imperial Government would grant a moderate sum (say from 3,000*l.* to 5000*l.*) annually, for the conveyance of Mails direct between England and the Colony, particularly as direct and increased Mail communication is absolutely required to meet the growing wants of the Colonial Trade. A sum of 10,000*l.* or 12,000*l.* would thus be made up, which would insure the calling of a line of suitable steamers. The Packet Postage now received by the Imperial Government on account of the Newfoundland Mail Service is about 2,000*l.* a-year, which would doubtless be considerably increased with the facilities of direct communication.

The inferior character of the Passenger accommodation between Halifax and Newfoundland in the small Mail Screw Steamer—the delay in the delivery of the Mails already shewn—the growing importance of the trade of the colony, its Exports and Imports being about Three Millions of Pounds currency, a-year, and its commercial relations extending not only to many parts of Europe, but also to North and South America—the demand for labor in the colony requiring immigration to supply it, not only for the prosecution of our valuable fisheries, but for the cultivation of our wild lands, which are rich and productive, and for the development of the vast mineral resources of coal, copper, and lead, with which the Island abounds, are substantial reasons, we respectfully submit, for expecting the co-operation of the Parent Government in promoting a service of advantage to England as well as to Newfoundland.

Besides the grant of 7,000 a year for Direct Steam Communication, the local Legislature have guaranteed the interest of 5*l.* per cent. on 50,000*l.* of the outlay in the construction of the Electric Telegraph extending from St. John's to the continent of America, and have also made grants of considerable tracts of land to the Company projecting that enterprise, to be doubled on the completion of the Submarine Atlantic Cable. It cannot therefore be said that they have not evinced a desire to do all in their power to encourage communication with the colony, before they applied to the Imperial Government for the moderate assistance they now seek to complete their postal arrangements.

Mr. Cunard only carries 20 mails yearly to St. John's, and if we can arrange to obtain 20 mails direct for 10,000*l.* we conceive such an arrangement would answer the interests of the colony perhaps better than to substitute direct fortnightly communication during the whole year for the present arrangement,—and we therefore earnestly solicit your favorable consideration of this view of the subject as the only one likely to lead to a satisfactory solution of the difficulties which appear to surround it.

We have the honour to be, Sir,

Your most obedient humble servants,

P. F. LITTLE,

LAURENCE O'BRIEN.

To the Right Hon. Henry Labouchere, M. P.,

&c., &c., &c.

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No. 5.

Treasury,
17th July, 1857.

SIR,—

I am desired by Mr. Wilson to say that he will feel much obliged if you will call here to-morrow at one o'clock with Mr. O'Brien, in order to come to some understanding respecting the Establishment of a Direct Postal Service to Newfoundland.

I am, Sir,

Your obedient servant,

RIVERS WILSON.

P. F. Little, Esq.

No. 6.

42, Upper George's Street,
Bryanstone Square, London, }
17th July, 1857.

MY LORD,—

With reference to your communication to us of the 13th June last, on the subject of Steam Navigation between this country and the Colony of Newfoundland, we beg to inform you, in reply, while declining to agree to the terms therein offered, that we are now in a position to offer, on behalf of the Government of Newfoundland, to the North Atlantic Steam Navigation Company, the sum of £10,000 a-year for five years from the 10th August next, for a suitable line of say not less than four Mail Screw Steamers, and of not less than 1700 tons burthen, and not under between 200 to 300 effective horse power, to run from Liverpool to Halifax, N. S., and Portland, U. S., once a fortnight, calling at St. John's, Newfoundland, on their outward and homeward voyages, and conveying such of the Newfoundland Mails as the Local or Imperial Government may direct. The Steamers should have such power and speed as would enable them to complete the voyage from Liverpool to St. John's within eight or at most nine days.

There are several details which we shall suggest hereafter, if the foregoing be accepted.

We have, &c.,

(Signed,)

P. F. LITTLE.
LAURENCE O'BRIEN.

The Right Honorable
Earl TALBOT, &c., &c., &c.

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No. 7.

Downing Street,
22nd July, 1857. }

GENTLEMEN,—

I am directed by Mr. Secretary Labouchere to acknowledge your letter of the 8th instant, respecting the assistance of Her Majesty's Government in supporting the expense of Direct Steam Communication between this Country and Newfoundland.

This subject having been brought under the consideration of the Lords Commissioners of the Treasury, I am directed by Mr. Labouchere to enclose for your information the copy of a letter from the Secretary to their Lordships, stating that they will not object to sanction the appropriation of a sum not exceeding Three Thousand Pounds per annum, as a contribution towards the object, leaving the details of the arrangement for their future consideration and approval.

I am, Gentlemen,

Your obedient Servant,

HERMAN MINOLD.

P. F. LITTLE, Esq
 and
 LAURENCE O'BRIEN, Esq.

No. 8,

Treasury Chambers,
20th July, 1857. }

SIR,—

With reference to your letter of 10th inst., I am commanded by the Lords Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury to acquaint you, for the information of Mr. Secretary Labouchere, that they will not object to sanction the appropriation of a sum not exceeding £3,000 a year, as a contribution towards the establishment of a direct Postal Communication between this Country and Newfoundland, in accordance with Mr. Labouchere's recommendation, leaving the details of the arrangement for the future consideration and approval of their Lordships.

They have accordingly requested Mr. Little and Mr. O'Brien to call upon them for the purpose of arriving at some understanding with respect to the nature of the service which it will be expedient and practicable to establish, and the best mode of carrying it into effect.

I have, &c.,

(Signed,)

JAMES WILSON.

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No. 9.

20 Essex Street, Strand, London,
10th August, 1857. }

DEAR SIR,—

Agreeably with your request, we have now to communicate to you on behalf of the North Atlantic Steam Packet Company the views of the Company with regard to the mail service to Newfoundland.

We explained to you on Saturday our belief that the present monthly service would not be interrupted, and we have the satisfaction to state that the *General Williams* will leave Liverpool the day after to-morrow in lieu of the *Khersonese*, and we trust there will be no interruption to the monthly service for some time to come.

We have consulted, however, the only parties connected with the Company we could, and as the matter is left generally in our hands, we give you our views with respect to future arrangements :

1. The subsidy of £6000 for the monthly service from March last appears really too little to justify the Company in accepting it.

Our views are £7000, to date from March last, but as you assure us difficulty would arise on this point, we presume it might be arranged subject to the approval of your Government.

2. The question of wharf accommodation is one which we think may probably better be discussed by Mr. Wier, who is personally acquainted with Halifax, and has had more experience of the requirements and the difficulties of the service.

Any views of his on this point will be approved of.

3. With regard to the fortnightly Communication we may say that the £10,000 would be accepted on two conditions—1st. That some arrangement of guarantee should be given that this subsidy will be increased either upon the termination of the present contract with Mr. Cunard, or at some definite period ; and 2nd. That some latitude must be given for commencing this Service, seeing the present demand for Steam Ships, and the chance of those engaged by the Government being detained in their service for periods beyond their present charters outward to India.

The Contract with your Government might be framed to provide for a fortnightly service, commencing say on the 1st August in next year, but with liberty for the Company to commence it on or before the 1st May, and the subsidy to date only from the commencement of the service.

In the present state of the money market, and the scarcity of Steam-power, it would be impossible to raise the additional Capital for the fortnightly Service.

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We feel assured that you entertain a most earnest desire to make every reasonable concession, but the great difficulty which presents itself to our minds, as we before explained to you, is what guarantee the Company can have legally or morally that the subsidy will be increased.

We shall be glad if you will consider these points, and if you are going to Liverpool we would ask you to communicate personally with Mr. Wier, or he will come to town by the end of this week to see you.

It has, however, occurred to us, that as Mr. O'Brien will probably leave by the *General Williams* on Wednesday next, you might go down to Liverpool, and there discuss with Mr. Wier the terms of a Contract.

We shall write to him fully on this subject to-day, and we are satisfied our friends will confirm what he may arrange.

We make this suggestion as our Mr. H. Vallance is leaving town early to-morrow morning.

We feel assured your Government will not have cause to regret your conceding liberal terms to the North Atlantic Company.

They have in the management of Messrs. Weir, Cochrane & Co. the best assurance of the service being efficiently performed, and we think some consideration is due to those gentlemen, as the original projectors of this line, and especially to Mr. Wier, for the high-minded and honorable manner in which he has carried out his project at great risk, and in spite of many difficulties and prejudices, and for the untiring zeal which he has displayed.

Yours, faithfully,

VALLANCE & VALLANCE.

The Hon. P. F. LITTLE,
42, Upper George Street,
Bryanstone Square.

No. 10.

42, Upper George Street,
Bryanstone Square,
11th August, 1857. }

GENTLEMEN,—

In reply to your communication of the 10th instant, enclosing Mr. Weir's of the 8th, I beg to state, before entering into any further discussion on the subject of the North Atlantic Steam Packet Company's offer, that I require to be satisfied that they are able to perform the

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service for which they have tendered ; and I have just written to this effect to Mr. Wier, at the same time requesting him to come up and see me in the course of this work, as we must be "off or on" by Friday next at 12 o'clock.

Yours, truly,

P. F. LITTLE,

Messrs. VALLANCE and VALLANCE,
&c., &c., &c.

No. 11.

*Liverpool, New York & Philadelphia,
Steam Ship Company,
No. 1 & 13, Tower Buildings,
Liverpool, 13th August, 1857.* }

GENTLEMEN,—

We have given your proposal full consideration, and are forced to the conclusion that the injury we should suffer in our regular New York business by calling at St. John's, would not be compensated for by the small Mail grant, and the other contingent advantages you have pointed out to us, and we therefore respectfully decline it,—at the same time expressing our thanks to you for making the proposal, and remain, respectfully,

Your obedient, &c.,

(For self and other Proprietors,)

CHARLES INMAN.

O'BRIEN, }
BOWRING, } Esq.

The ATTORNEY GENERAL.

No. 12.

*Birkenhead Iron Works,
Birkenhead, 20th August, 1857.* }

DEAR SIR,—

With reference to the Government Grant for Mails to Newfoundland, the Imperader and Imperatriz Steamers having sailed for India with Troops, and the Admiralty having the option

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of retaining them in India for any service there, I do not think any arrangement could, at present, be made with Messrs. Wier & Co., contingent upon their return which may be eight or nine months hence and probably more. Should circumstances, however, occur to alter the case, I will be happy to communicate them to you, and remain,

Dear Sir,

Yours, respectfully,

JOHN LAIRD.

The Hon. P. F. LITTLE,
42, Upper George Street,
Bryanstone Square.

No. 13.

London, Aug. 1, 1857.

PHILIP FRANCIS LITTLE, Esq.

DEAR SIR,—

With reference to the several conversations we have had about providing a Mail Service between England, (Southampton) and St. John's, Newfoundland, and between St. John's and New York, going and returning—and which I at first set down as not worthy our notice at a less price than £1000 per voyage out and home, in view of the difficulties you find in obtaining that sum, and with the hope that such sum may eventually be obtained as a reward for our efficiently performing the service, I am willing to run the Steamers of E. and A. Company twenty voyages per annum for £14,000—provided all the Ships we may put on that trade touching at St. John's, shall be considered R. M. Steamers, and entitled to all the privileges and immunities that any other Mail Steamers are entitled to, especially as to their exemption from the operation of the Passenger Act.

Your's, truly,

J. RODNEY CROSKEY.

September 10, 1857.

[Mr. Croskey accepts the offer of £10,000 a-year for 20 voyages for 5 years.

P. F. L.]

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No. 14.

42, Upper George Street,
 Bryanstone Square,
 22nd August, 1857. }

SIR,—

I have the honor to inform you that owing to the recent demand for Screw Steamers to take troops to the East, I have been unable to make an arrangement for the Direct Mail Service to Newfoundland for the available sum of £10,000 a year, but I can effect a contract, with a reliable company of which Mr. Crawford, M. P. for the city of London, is Chairman, having four efficient steamers at present running from Southampton to New York, for the sum of £14,000 a-year. I am, therefore, obliged to ask you to give this most serious question your best consideration, and to lend to its accomplishment, the weight and influence of the Department over which you so ably preside, with such influence as you can bring to our assistance with their Lordships the Majority of Commissioners of the Treasury. I feel assured the necessary increase of the grant already made from £3,000 to £7,000 will be agreed to, as no doubt their Lordships will view the question as one of great commercial importance to Newfoundland, a purely Commercial Colony as it is. I may add that not only the Merchants and Manufacturers in England connected with the Colony take a lively interest in the speedy establishment of this Direct Postal Communication, but likewise all classes in Newfoundland.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient Servant,

P. F. LITTLE.

The Right Honorable
 HENRY LABOUCHERE, M. P.,
 &c., &c., &c.

No. 15.

To the Right Honorable the Lords Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury :

The Memorial of the Undersigned Merchants of
 Liverpool, interested in the Trade of Newfoundland.

HUMBLY SHEWETH :

That the Memorialists are convinced of the necessity of having established without delay, Direct Steam Communication between this Country and the Island of Newfoundland, to afford such postal and other conveniences as are pressingly required by the growing importance of the Trade of the Colony.

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That we find the sum already accorded by your Lordships is inadequate to obtain this object, and we have respectfully to beg that your Lordships will encrease the Grant to such an extent as may secure suitable Steamers to call at St. John's on their outward and homeward passages from America to the United Kingdom.

And your Memorialists will ever pray, &c., &c., &c.

(signed,)

JOB BROTHERS and Co.

C. T. BOWRING and Co.

JAMES JACKSON and SON.

p. pro. CHARLES SAUNDERS.

J. KING.

W. TARBET and SON.

THOMAS RIDLEY and SON.

W. and H. THOMAS and Co.

ROBERTSON and EWING.

SAMUEL JOHNSON and Co.

No. 16,

42, Upper George's Street,
Bryanstone Square, London, }
26th Aug., 1857.

MY DEAR SIR,—

On Monday last Mr. Hodson, M.P. for Bridport, presented the Memorials, which had been signed according to Mr. Labouchere's desire by the Newfoundland Merchants of London, Liverpool, and Greenock, but Mr. Wilson held out no hope of an encrease being allowed for our Mail Service. I saw Mr. Labouchere immediately afterwards, and informed him of the presentation of the Memorials, and he kindly promised to do his best in the matter. I therefore place my reliance on him for success, feeling convinced that the necessity of the direct Postal Service having been affirmed by granting £3,000 a-year for it, he will not hesitate to recommend the sum being encreased to £7,000 upon those principles of Colonial and Commercial policy which influenced him in assenting to the service in the first instance. In my mind, the best means of upholding your Colonial Dominion, after granting Self-Government to the Colonies, is to connect them as closely as possible with the Mother Contry in their Commercial relations.

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Now, the best, or rather the only offer I have received from any reliable Steam Company, is from the European and American Company. They first asked 20,000*l.*, they then came down to 14,000*l.* a-year. I fear they may slip through my fingers unless I can close speedily with them. Mr. Labouchere kindly promised to give me a prompt reply to my letter to him on the subject. Knowing how much he must be occupied with other affairs of State, I take the liberty of soliciting your kind co-operation to obtain a speedy reply from the Treasury, that I may, at all events before the close of this week, know the result of my application, and act accordingly.

Believe me, &c.,

(Signed,)

P. F. LITTLE.

Chichester Fortesque, Esq., M. P.,
&c., &c., &c.

No. 17.

Downing Street,
3rd September, 1857. }

SIR,—

With reference to your letter of the 22d ultimo, explaining the circumstances under which it had become necessary that the contribution requested from the British Treasury for establishing a direct Postal Communication with Newfoundland should be raised from Three Thousand Pounds to Seven Thousand Pounds, I am directed by Mr. Secretary Labouchere to acquaint you, that he communicated on the subject with the Lords Commissioners of the Treasury, with whom the ultimate decision of the question rested, but that their Lordships have informed him in reply, that whilst they fully recognise the importance of the object sought by the Newfoundland Government, they regret that they are unable to assent to a larger Grant than that already offered, bearing in mind that Four Thousand Pounds per annum is already paid for this service.

I am, Sir,

Your obedient servant,

F. ELLIOT.

P. F. Little, Esq.

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No. 18.

European & American Steam Shipping Company, (limited)
 11, King William Street. Mansion House,
 London, E. C., September 25th, 1857.

SIR,—

I am directed by the Chairman to inform you, that after full consideration of the whole question, and with a special reference to the special engagements of this Company's vessels, and the inadequacy of the terms offered, and after having ascertained the opinions of the masters of the vessels, he is unable to recommend the Board to accept the contract which you propose on behalf of the Government of Newfoundland for the conveyance of Mails from this Country to that Colony, and from thence to New York.

I am, Sir,

Your obedient humble servant,

W. B. LAMBERT.

Gen. Superintendent & Secretary.

P. F. Little, Esq.,
 Attorney General of Newfoundland,
 42, Upper George Street,
 Bryanstone Square.

No. 19.

42, Upper George Street,
Bryanstone Square, London,
 19th October, 1857.

SIR,—

Presuming that you will be able to effect an arrangement with Mr. Cunard, for a direct Newfoundland Mail Service, I beg to make the following suggestions for your consideration in making the Contract with him.

1. The Steamers to perform the service efficiently should be at least 1000 or 1200 tons burthen, and about 250 or 300 nominal or registered horse-power, with a corresponding increase in the power of the vessels should they be larger; and they should be capable of performing the voyage between Newfoundland and Liverpool in ten days on an average.

2. One Steamer should start from Liverpool to Boston, Portland, or New York, and one from Boston for England monthly, and call at the Port of St. John's, Newfoundland, for the conveyance and delivery of Mails and Passengers on their outward and homeward voyages, each remaining at St. John's, say not less than six hours for that purpose. We

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should then have twelve mails direct from England, and twelve from the United States yearly, which, with the present communication *via* Halifax continued, as it would have to be for the conveyance of our inter-Colonial and West India Mails, would, I presume, satisfy the Colonists as no better arrangement can be made at present.

3. A right should be secured to the Governor of the colony to demand the time bills, &c., from the Commanders of the Steamers, and to exercise the control in reference to the service which is usually granted to the Admiral on the North American Station, as stated in the present General, and the Newfoundland Mail Contracts. Under the circumstances already mentioned by me, you will perceive the necessity of giving some local authority the power to see that the contract is faithfully performed.

4. Permission might be given to call at a port in Ireland, (perhaps Cork) on the outward and homeward voyages; and if at any time it should so happen,—which is not very likely—that the port of St. John's should be inaccessible on account of ice, a provision similar to that in Mr. Cunard's present Newfoundland Contract may be inserted, authorizing him to land the Mails at any Southern port in Newfoundland.

These are the main points that I deem it necessary to bring under your notice; the details of the contract will no doubt suggest themselves to your contract official.

I rely on your intervention to induce Mr. Cunard to accept the terms offered, and I think he should not object to do so, looking to his position with the Government. If, however, you should fail to arrange with him, I shall leave it to you to advertise for suitable Steamers to carry out the service, and you shall be advised of any steps that may be adopted by the Government of Newfoundland on the subject, while I shall be glad to learn the result of your negotiation with Mr. Cunard.

With sentiments of esteem and regard,

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient humble servant,

P. F. LITTLE.

JAMES WILSON, Esq., M. P.,
Treasury.

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No. 20.

22nd October, 1857.

MR DEAR SIR,—

I had a conversation lately with Mr. Wilson about your Mails—being anxious to know what had happened during my absence in Ireland. I found that you had gone back, re-infecta, in spite of all your energy. But I was glad to find that Mr. Wilson was again pressing Mr. Cunard on the subject. I have this day received the enclosed order from Mr. W., and I found Mr. Cunard's proposal, officially to the Government, by to-morrow's mail—the words are,—“I am willing to undertake to send a Steamship from Liverpool to St. John's, and back to Liverpool, once a month, carrying the Mails, for the sum you have named. viz. : £10,000 per annum for the term of 5 years.” The present service by Halifax will, of course, continue.

What do you say to this?

Believe me, yours very truly,

C. FORTESQUE

[Cont.]

No. 21.

Weaver Buildings.
Brunswick Street,
Liverpool, October 29th, 1857.

DEAR SIR,—

It is reported in the *Canadian News*, October 28, that you have had an offer from the European and American Steam Company to call at St. John's, for 14,000*l.*, for 20 calls, and that you had good hopes of getting further Imperial assistance to enable the Imperial Government to give the above amount with you for this service.

As newspaper reports are not always to be relied on, I am sure you will do me the favour to inform me if the above is correct, or how far your negotiations, on this subject, has proceeded.

I think you will admit that I have a claim on your Government, over any other party, and now that the sum we have stipulated for, is likely to be granted, that I should not be shut out because I could not get parties to join me in fulfilling the service for a *less* sum.

You are aware that when I just commenced agitating the line in England, I could not calculate upon more than 3,000*l.*, for the service from Newfoundland, and as the spring advanced, I could only calculate upon 7,000*l.*, and it was only just before the East India war broke out that I could calculate upon 10,000*l.* If I had had 14,000*l.* at my back last spring, Newfoundland would now have a fortnightly line of Steamers, as it was, I could

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have completed my arrangements; if the Eastern War had not broken out when it did, and the Borough Bank here, also, taking advantage of this circumstance, broke the engagement they had made with me, (this Bank has now suspended,) but I have never for one moment contemplated abandoning the enterprise, I, 18 months since undertook, and which I have given so much time and attention to; independently of the loss of time and business through other channels, I am a severe pecuniary loser, as the pioneer of the line.

The difficulties in the way, are as nothing compared to what they were when I first propagated the idea here, and were it not for what I have done, I am sure no Company would this day consent to run a line of Steamers to Newfoundland.

I am sure if you have £14,000 to offer for this service, you will, at all events, give me an equal chance to carry out what I have begun.

I have refrained from troubling you on this subject lately, as I feel that if you had a chance of continuing the line this winter, I ought not interfere, as it was out of my power to commence before the spring, but if you have no prospect of arranging with any other Company before the spring, I am sure you will not pass me over in silence.

I have, &c.,

(Signed,)

A. WIER.

Hon. P. F. LITTLE,
42, Upper George Street,

ESTIMATE of probable Yearly Returns of Steamers, making Saint John's a Port of Call.

Amount of Subsidy from Imperial and Colonial Governments, for conveyance of Mails	£10,000
The number of cabin passengers to and from Europe, and St. John's, direct and <i>via</i> Halifax, now average 300, £5,150 per annum, say £17 each.	
Passengers bound from U. States, say 250 at £6 each.....£1,500.....	6,000
To which may be fairly added 50 per cent., by the substitution of Direct Steam Communication, and the superior accommodation thereby afforded.....	3,300
Probable amount of Freight of dry goods to St. John's, say 2000 Tons per annum at £2 5s. and 5s. per C.....	4,725
	£24,625

Probable amount of Freight to and from U. States direct, annually, uncertain but may rise £5,000.

Amount for Goods and Passengers to and from England and Port of destination in United States to be added to the above.

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Downing Street, }
27th August, 1857. }

SIR,—

With reference to Mr. Merivale's letter of the 10th of July, and to your answer of the 20th of the same month, in which you express the concurrence of the Lords Commissioners of the Treasury in paying a contribution of £3000, in addition to £7000 which has been provided by the Legislature of the Colony, for establishing a direct postal communication with Newfoundland, I am directed by Mr. Secretary Labouchere to enclose for your information the copy of a letter from Mr. Little, the Attorney General of Newfoundland, stating that a total amount of £14,000 proves to be requisite for the proposed service, and inquiring whether the Lords Commissioners of the Treasury will be willing to raise accordingly the amount given from this Country from £3000 to £7000.

Mr. Labouchere has already stated to their Lordships the importance that he attaches to securing this means of communication between this Country and Newfoundland; but he must leave it to their Lordships to decide whether they think it proper to devote the further amount of public money now asked for in order to obtain it.

I have, &c.,

(Signed,)

T. F. ELLIOTT,

Sir C. G. TREVELYAN, K. C. B.,

&c., &c., &c.

Treasury Chambers, }
28th August, 1857. }

SIR,—

With reference to Mr. Elliott's letter of the 27th instant, transmitting copy of a letter from Mr. Little, the Attorney General of Newfoundland, requesting information as to whether the Lords Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury are willing to raise the amount given from this Country for establishing a direct postal communication with Newfoundland from £3000 to £7000, I am directed by their Lordships to acquaint you, for the information of Mr. Secretary Labouchere, that while they fully recognise the importance of the object sought by

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the Newfoundland Government, their Lordships regret that they are unable to consent to a larger grant than that already offered, especially when they bear in mind that already £4000 per annum is paid for this service.

I am, &c.,

(Signed,)

JAMES WILSON.

H. MERIVALE, Esquire,
&c., &c., &c.

(COPY.)

Treasury Chambers,
22nd October, 1857. }

SIR,—

I am directed by the Lords Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury to transmit herewith copy of a letter dated the 19th instant, from Mr. Cunard, offering to establish a monthly Steam Communication between Liverpool and St. John's, Newfoundland, and I am to request that you will move Mr. Secretary Labouchere to communicate with the Governor of Newfoundland, and request that Her Majesty's Government may be informed whether for this service a sum of £7000, voted for a Postal Service, would be paid for the term specified by Mr. Cunard; Her Majesty's Government on their part undertaking to pay £3000.

I am, &c.,

(Signed,)

C. E. TREVELYAN.

C. FORTESCUE, Esq., M. P.,
&c., &c., &c.

Bush Hill, Edmonton,
19th October, 1857. }

SIR,—

In reply to your request to give you my views as to a direct communication between this country and Newfoundland,

It certainly would be a great convenience to Newfoundland, but it would cost a large sum to maintain such a communication.

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The *travelling* portion of the Inhabitants of Newfoundland are not numerous—there would not be more passengers—the light freight such as is carried by Steamers would not amount to much—the heavy articles, such as cordage, iron, salt, &c., which form the great portion of the freight, must go by sailing ships—the postage would not amount to much. But as you appear to attach much importance to the establishment of a direct intercourse, I am willing to undertake to send a Steam Ship from Liverpool to St. John's, and back to Liverpool, once a month, carrying the mails, for the sum you have named, viz. :—Ten Thousand Pounds per annum, for the term of five years ;—there will be a heavy loss on this service, but I am desirous of meeting the wishes of the Government.

I have, &c.,

(Signed,)

S. CUNARD.

JAMES WILSON, Esq.,
&c., &c., &c.

(Copy,)

No. 90.

Miscellaneous.

Government House,
Newfoundland,
11th November, 1857. }

SIR,—

By yesterday's Mail, I received your Despatch No. 25, of the 23rd October, with its enclosures, containing a correspondence with your Department and Mr. Little, the Attorney General of this Colony, on the subject of Direct Steam Communication between England and Newfoundland.

2. Considering the great trouble which Her Majesty's Government seems to have taken on this subject, I considered it necessary to lose no time in apprizing you of the determination which the Council have come to, in regard to Mr. Cunard's proposal of a monthly communication from Liverpool to St. John's by one of his steamers.

3. You will find that I have enclosed the Resolution of the Legislature, passed about the termination of the last session.

You will see that there was no vote of the Assembly which could be construed into a positive grant for *direct* communication, and I have no doubt that Mr. Little explained this fully to your Department. The Resolution was simply to grant £7000 per annum for Steam Communication from Liverpool to Newfoundland, from thence to *some of the British Provinces*,

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or the United States, and to touch on the homeward and outward voyages at Newfoundland. I need not say that if this arrangement could have been accomplished it would have been attended with the most beneficial effects to this Colony.

4.—You are aware that, at present, we have *fortnightly Mail deliveries via Halifax* from Liverpool, with sometimes irregularities, but, on the whole, well performed.

5.—I cannot, therefore understand what advantage it would be to Newfoundland to have one of Mr. Cunard's steamers going back and forth monthly, at an expense of £10,000 per annum, when the Colony seems to have no security that his Halifax Boats may be withdrawn either by his giving up that contract, or for other reasons.

6.—I believe there is no man that would better perform any contract that he enters into than Mr. Cunard; it was my intention to have forwarded by this mail, a detail, if you chose to give it him, of the passengers, goods, &c., &c., brought to St. John's by the Ships belonging to the North Atlantic Company, the *Circussian* and *Khersonese*, but I am informed that I cannot get these documents before the departure of the next mail, when they shall be forwarded to you.

7.—I have now only to conclude by stating my own opinion that Mr. Cunard's proposition will not be entertained, and I think the people of Newfoundland are deeply indebted to the Colonial Department for the trouble they have taken on this subject.

I have, &c.,

(Signed,)

A. BANNERMAN,
Governor.

The Right Honorable
HENRY LABOUCHERE, M.P.,
&c., &c., &c.

[Returns alluded to in this Despatch forwarded to the Colonial Office by December Mail.]

(COPY.)

No. 25.

Downing Street,
23rd October, 1857. }

SIR,—

With reference to Mr. Labouchere's despatch of the 3rd of August last, on the subject of the establishment of a direct Postal Communication with Newfoundland, I have the honor, in his

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absence, to transmit to you, for your information, copy of a correspondence which has passed, since the above date, between Mr. Little, this Office, and the Treasury, from which you will learn that Her Majesty's Government decline to appropriate a larger annual grant than Three Thousand Pounds to this service.

I further transmit to you, copy of a letter from the Treasury of the 22nd inst., with an enclosure from Mr. Cunard on this subject, and request you will inform Mr. Labouchere whether the Colonial Government will apply the vote already taken of Seven Thousand Pounds for Five years to the establishment of a monthly steam communication between Liverpool and St. John's, as proposed by Mr. Cunard.

I have, &c.,

(Signed,)

C. FORTESCUE.

Governor Sir A. BANNERMAN,
&c., &c., &c.

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SIR,—

*42, Upper George Street,
Bryanstone Square,
22nd August, 1857.* }

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P. F. LITTLE.

The Right Honorable
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Downing Street,
3rd September, 1857. }

SIR,—

With reference to your letter of the 22nd ultimo, explaining the circumstances under which it had become necessary that the contribution requested from the British Treasury, for the establishing a Direct Postal Communication with Newfoundland, should be raised from £3,000 to £7,000, I am directed by Mr. Secretary Labouchere to acquaint you that he communicated on the subject with the Lords Commissioners of the Treasury, with whom the ultimate decision of the question rested, but that their Lordships have informed him in reply, that whilst they fully recognize the importance of the object sought by the Newfoundland Government, they regret that they are unable to assent to a larger grant than that already offered, bearing in mind that £4000 per annum is already paid for this service.

I am, &c.,

(Signed,)

T. F. ELLIOTT,

P. F. LITTLE, Esq.,
&c., &c., &c.

REPORT OF THE POST MASTER GENERAL FOR 1857.

Post Office Department,
St. John's, Newfoundland,
30th January, 1858. }

SIR,—

I have the honor to lay before you, for the information of His Excellency the Governor, the Annual Report, shewing the state of the Post Office Department for the year ended the 31st December, 1857, the fiscal returns, with a list of the various Postal Routes, names of Contractors, &c., I have, agreeably to the Statute, forwarded to the Honorable the Financial Secretary.

Postal Communications at present are limited in extent, arising partly from three causes—1st, the sparseness of the population of this Island: 2nd, the centralization of trade in the Capital; and, 3rd, the emigration from the Country being small, foreign Correspondence of a domestic character is thereby circumscribed; and I am the more confirmed in this opinion in observing the small increase in the foreign Correspondence of the Country from the

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year 1841 up to this period, as will appear by the annexed table of the amount of receipts for Imperial postage, the greater portion of the increase of which has arisen from the Correspondence of Commercial men only. The present postal arrangements, therefore, are quite sufficient to meet the wants of the greater portion of the inhabitants of the Island. Postal measures being thus necessarily restricted, I have not the gratification of informing His Excellency of the establishment of new offices, or the appointment of additional officers during the past year. I would further observe that the amounts referred to in the annexed table, received for Imperial postages from 1854 to 1858, appear to have declined in comparison with the preceding years, whilst in reality the correspondence for those years have increased over 75 per cent., and I am of opinion that the cause of this excess arose from the reduction of Imperial postage in August, 1854, to half the rates formerly exacted—viz., 6d. the half ounce instead of 1s.

Much has been said upon the amount annually expended upon postal Communications, but when it is remembered that the Postal Department is one of the chief means of civilization that contributes to the happiness and welfare of a people, no expense that is necessarily incurred should be considered too large for the perfecting of the system; and hence this reason has not prevented me from recommending to the Government, from time to time, such suggestions tending to improvement, as I considered would tend to the public good, although an apparent loss might seem to result therefrom, believing that any loss in the Revenue of the Department occurring in this way, would be more than compensated to the Treasury through the Customs Revenue, from the facility of Postal Communication thus given to commercial enterprise. This principle which is now generally understood, prominently appears in the returns given by other Colonial Offices. For the sake of brevity, I shall simply instance Canada and the Cape of Good Hope; the deficit of the Postal Revenue in the former country is exhibited in the following statement, in the three years from the 6th April, 1851, to the 31st March, 1854 :

Deficit upon first year to 5th April, 1852 .....	.....	.....	£12,519 15 2
Ditto on second year to 31st March, 1853 ...	.....	.....	5,168 9 3
Ditto on third year to 31st March, 1854 .....	.....	.....	9,481 16 1
Total loss for the the three years....			£27,170 0 6

The deficit in the Postal Revenue of the latter country for one year appeared in a Postal Report of that Colony, and which amounted to £8,000.

In great Britain, although there is a considerable loss in some offices, yet, on the whole, a large amount profit is yielded as will appear in the following Statement :

Total profits in each of the following 5 years :

1850	Ditto	ditto	.....	.....	.....	£3,236 0 0
1851	Ditto	ditto	.....	.....	.....	7,437 0 0
1852	Ditto	ditto	10,689 0 0
1853	Ditto	ditto	14,149 0 0
1854	Ditto	ditto	16,538 0 0

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The deficit arising from the operations of this Department for the past six years, is as follows :

1852	Ditto	ditto	ditto	.....	.....	£1,256	0	0
1853	Ditto	ditto	ditto	.....	.....	1,553	0	0
1854	Ditto	ditto	ditto	.....	.....	1,369	0	0
1855	Ditto	ditto	ditto	.....	.....	1,305	0	0
1856	Ditto	ditto	ditto	.....	.....	1,628	0	0
1857	Ditto	ditto	ditto	.....	.....	1,591	0	0
Total deficit for the six years						£8,702	0	0

The use of stamps for the pre-payment of postage, which was brought into operation on the 1st. January, 1857, will, I am of opinion, materially increase after their use becomes more generally understood. Their issue will appear in Table No. 5, furnished to the Hon. Financial Secretary.

Public convenience will be greatly promoted by the system of the registration of letters of importance, or letters containing valuable enclosures, which is about being introduced here, under the sanction of His Excellency the Governor in Council, which system I had the honor to recommend for adoption in my report of last year. The code of regulations that I have already prepared for the guidance of Postmasters, and submitted for His Excellency's approval, will, I trust, with such alterations as may be deemed necessary, enable the various officers of the Department to carry out this duty with promptitude and correctness.

The proposal submitted to me by the Imperial Postmaster General in March 1856, and which I had the honor to lay before His Excellency's Predecessor on the 22nd April last, that the two offices, Imperial and Colonial, instead of accounting as before letter by letter for the postage due to each office upon the correspondence exchanged between them, should in future account to each other according to the weight in bulk of the letters comprised in each Mail, and I had the pleasure of carrying out his Grace's views, with his Excellency's sanction, on the 1st January 1857. The simplicity of the system has tended materially to lessen the labor of this office both on the receipt and despatch of the Foreign Mails.

Complaints have not unfrequently been laid before me, both by Postmasters and others, upon the damaged state of the letters and papers received at distant localities, that were despatched from this office in good condition, and I have found the addresses on some of those returned for my inspection to be quite illegible. This inconvenience, which in some cases amounts to a loss of the correspondence, is at present almost unavoidable, and arises from the imperfect or bad state of the roads, causing the Mails to be carried either on mens' shoulders, or on horses' backs, by which mode of conveyance the letters are exposed to the friction caused by the rubbing of the bags, and in rainy seasons to dampness and wet. I have tried many means to prevent the evil, and which can only be remedied by the Mails being forwarded in tight boxes, under lock and key, as in Great Britain and other countries, when the roads are sufficiently good to admit of their being transmitted by coach or cars in this way. The consent of your Excellency's predecessor was obtained to have the Mails forwarded in oil cloth or Indian rubber bags, but it was subsequently found that those coverings would not answer the purpose for which they were intended. I have,

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however, latterly given instructions to contractors that where Mails are forwarded by open coach, the bags must be covered either with tarpaulin or buffalo robes.

The Mail Packet from Halifax usually arrives here with a degree of certainty that must be highly satisfactory, yet there are occasions when the public are anxious to know of her arrival at, and departure from Halifax and Sydney; I would therefore respectfully request that I may be authorised to put myself in Telegraphic communication with the Post-masters of those places to obtain that information, upon receipt of which, due notice of such arrival or departure to be given to the public.

No alteration has taken place in any of the Postal Routes, if I except that between Garnish, Harbor Briton, and Burgeo. A boat has now been laid on between Little Placentia and Oliver's Cove, calling at intermediate places, viz: - Red Island, Harbor Buffet, Merasheen, and Isle Valen, thus enabling the Great Placentia boat to proceed direct to Burin, calling only at Oderin, instead of Isle of Valen and Oderin as before. By this arrangement the Burin boat will always be in time to take the Mails in due course at either end of the line. The former contract entered into for the conveyance of the Western Mails was, for a boat to run between Garnish and Burgeo; but in consequence of the great length of this line the boat seldom arrived in time, and the result was the irregular transmission of the Mails. It was therefore found expedient to advertise for tenders to place two boats on the route, viz.: - one between Garnish and Harbor Briton, and the other between Harbor Briton and Burgeo. The former boat has accordingly been placed on that station, but unfortunately the party whose tender was accepted for the latter service, left this country for Prince Edward Island without giving the department any notice of his intention to leave the colony, and in consequence no Mails will be despatched for Burgeo until the ensuing spring.

The Conception Bay Steamer having been partially destroyed by fire in the month of October last, the Northern Mails have since been despatched over land by coach to Carbonar, and which route appears to me to be the surer and more regular way of conveyance, and one which, if continued, I am led to believe will give very general satisfaction.

A great public want has been supplied by the fitting up of a large and commodious Post Office, in a portion of the building formerly used as a Market-House, and which was opened to the public on the first of May last, and is fully adequate for the transaction of the business of the department.

The large Hall allotted to persons calling for letters, is now finished in a superior manner, it is one hundred and three and a half feet long, eighteen feet wide, and twenty-four feet high, and forms a fine space for the accommodation of the public.

The increase which was so long and urgently required in the staff of the department was most liberally supplied by his Excellency's Predecessor in permitting the employment of three additional assistants, making the total number of six Clerks now employed in this office. With so large a number it may reasonably be supposed that the time now occupied in assorting the English and Foreign Mails for delivery would be reduced to more than half the time formerly consumed in the execution of this duty; but such not being the case, it becomes my duty to explain that previously to their appointment it was not the practice to tell the letters up for the Merchants who have letter-boxes in the office previously to the delivery, as the letters were delivered from the office window; but an im-

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provement over this mode of delivery has been adopted by permitting each merchant to retain the key of his letter box and open it at pleasure, by which arrangement the postage on all such letters, must now necessarily be counted up, and charged to the various parties taking their letters in this way. The result of which is, that a quicker delivery takes place by a large number of persons being self-served, instead of applying for their letters at the office window singly as before.

The loss of time expended therefore in thus counting the amount of postage on the letters is more than compensated by the despatch it gives over the former system of delivery.

I also anticipate that a yet quicker despatch will be effected on those occasions, when the additional assistants have become more thoroughly acquainted with their duties.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient humble servant,

W. L. SOLOMON,

Postmaster General.

Hon. JOHN KENT, Colonial Secretary.

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TABLE shewing the increase of the Foreign Correspondence of this Department from the year 1841 to 1857.

YEAR.		AMOUNT.
1841.	Remitted to Great Britain	£451 6 9
1842.	" "	592 18 6
1843.	" "	630 7 9
1844.	" "	795 8 2
1845.	" "	921 17 11
1846.	" "	1014 18 6
1847.	" "	1261 15 3
1848.	" "	1160 13 0
1849.	" "	1232 4 3
1850.	" "	1185 15 10
1851.	" "	1082 5 0
1852.	" "	1365 11 7
1853.	Up to this period rate of Postage on	
	Letters at 1s. the half ounce	1288 18 4
1854.	Reduction this year to 6d. the half oz.	909 3 4
1855.	" "	923 0 0
1856.	" "	955 0 0
1857.	" "	808 6 8

It may be proper to observe, that this table does not include in each of the above years the paid correspondence from, and unpaid correspondence despatched to, Great Britain and the Colonies, which cannot be ascertained, and which may be set down as equal in amount to the above sums, and which therefore must be doubled to show the total or net receipts taken at this and other offices.

M. SHEA,
Chief Clerk.

Post-Office Department,
St. John's, 30th Jan., 1858. }

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RETURN FROM THE HARBOR GRACE GRAMMAR SCHOOL FOR 1857.

*Harbor Grace Grammar School, }
2nd January, 1858.*

The Commissioners of this Institution met this day in the School premises, for the purpose of framing their report for the past year, and examining the accounts of receipts and expenditure, as required by the Act of the Legislature.

Mr. Roddick, the Principal of the School, submitted his class book and report in accordance therewith—shewing the average attendance for the past year to be fifty pupils, receiving instruction in Latin, French, Spanish, Navigation, Book-keeping, Mathematics, English Grammar, and other useful branches of Education. He then submitted the current account for the past Twelve months—shewing the receipts of School fees to be £72 4 7 currency; a grant from the Government of £61 1 4 currency, in liquidation of the debt contracted for enlarging the class room two years ago; and an expenditure of £102 7 9 currency for the annual requirements of the institution; the accounts and vouchers for which having been carefully examined, were found correct and passed accordingly.

The Commissioners would acknowledge their gratitude to His Excellency the Governor and Council, in acceding to them the liberal grant of £52 18 6 sterling to pay off the debt standing against them upwards of two years, for the enlargement of the School Rooms, and also to the Members of the District, Messrs. Hayward and Prendergast, for the deep interest they have always evinced in the welfare of the Institution.

The Commissioners have much pleasure in recording the high place this Institution continues to hold in the estimation of the whole community, for the valuable instruction imparted to the pupils, as shewn at the half-yearly public examinations, but more especially, on the character and efficiency of the youth on leaving the Institution and going out into the world.

In thanking Mr. Roddick for his past services, which they deem it their duty thus publicly to acknowledge, the Commissioners would earnestly request that he continue his hitherto useful and successful course in this Institution.

JOHN MUNN,

Chairman.

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HARBOR GRACE GRAMMAR SCHOOL REPORT FOR 1857.

(COPY.)

To the Commissioners of Harbor Grace Grammar School:

GENTLEMEN,—

I respectfully submit to you, for your information, the following Report :

1.—The average number of pupils in attendance the past year was Fifty. January quarter, Fifty-one; April ditto, Fifty-one, July ditto, Forty-two; October ditto, Fifty-six; making the average of the four quarters as above stated.

2.—Of these pupils Five were instructed in Latin, over Twenty in Spanish, Three in French, Twenty-four in Book Keeping, Eleven in Navigation, Six in pure and mixed Mathematics and the use of the Globes, the more advanced in Natural Sciences, and all in English Grammar, Geography, Arithmetic, Writing, Reading, and Spelling, with what success the future will show.

3.—The premises have been painted, and a board fence built along the front of the house and school; these improvements have been made at a very considerable outlay. Still I think you will agree with me that the Institution should, if possible, never be allowed to indicate decay in or out. The expenses on the premises next year will be light.

I am, Gentlemen,

Your obedient Servant,

JOHN IRVING RODDICK.

Harbor Grace, }
 31st Dec., 1857. }

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HARBOR GRACE GRAMMAR SCHOOL IN ACCOUNT WITH COMMISSIONERS

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1857.					
Jan.	1--	To balance due from last year's account	£61 1 4
		Advertising examination of School...	0 5 0
March	10--	Insurance of premises, £500 at 1 per cent.....	.....	.....	5 0 0
May	14--	Fuel for School	.....	.....	6 2 6
	20--	Paint, oil, umber, and painting premises	.....	.....	27 10 6
June	30--	Paper, pens, pencils, ink, slates, for scholars	....	.....	14 0 7
July	1--	Board, rails, posts, nails, for fencing	.....	.....	5 12 8
Aug.	22--	Carpenter's work on premises	.....	.....	5 1 0
	24--	Fuller's Computing Telegraph for Scholars	.....	.....	1 10 0
		Mason work and material for chimneys	.....	.....	2 18 0
Nov.	16--	Repairing funnel of School stove	....	.....	2 7 6
Dec.	31--	Interest of £50 borrowed for 1 year, at 6 per cent.	.....	.....	3 0 0
		Paid for lighting fires and cleaning school room	4 0 0
		Annual allowance to Master	25 0 0
					£163 9 1

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1857.					
January	1--	By fees for quarter	£21 0 0
April	1--	Ditto	18 8 9
July	1--	Ditto	14 7 6
October	1--	Ditto	.....	.....	18 0 10
Dec.	31--	Received after closing account, 1856	0 7 6
		Government Grant	61 1 4
		Balance due by Commissioners	30 3 2
					£163 9 1

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JOHN MUNN,

Chairman.

Harbor Grace,
2nd January, 1858.

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REPORT of Schools in the District of Burgeo.

LOWER BURGEO.

FIRST CLASS.

No.	NAME.	Age.	BOOKS IN USE.
1	Mary Cary	..... 14	Reading.
2	Richard Rose	..... 13	The Holy Scriptures.
3	John Dicks	..... 13	Murray's English Reader.
4	George Kinslow	..... 12	3rd Book Irish National School Society.
5	Isaac Dicks	..... 10	Spelling.
6	Tryphenia Kinslow	..... 12	Cards of S. P. C. K.
7	Abraham Kinslow	..... 14	3rd Union Spelling Book.
8	Charles Dicks	..... 10	Writing.
9	Christopher Thos. Matthews	..... 12	Copy Books.
10	Emanuel Matthews	..... 9	Dictation on Slates.
11	Benjamin Beaufort	..... 12	Arithmetic.
12	Alexander Guy	..... 10	Cards of S. P. C. K.
13	Samuel Matthews	..... 9	Chambers' Introduction.
14	Matilda Hare	..... 9	Walkingame's Tutor's Assistant
15	Jonathan Ford	..... 10	Geography.
16	John Bobbitt	..... 10	Chambers' Geography.
17	Elizabeth Dicks	..... 9	Maps of S. P. C. K.
18	Hannah Cunningham	..... 7	
19	Sarah Kinslow	..... 12	Church Catechism.
20	Adelaide Kinslow	..... 14	Watts' Hymns.
21	Jane Ford	..... 14	
22	Frances J. Anderson	..... 12	
23	Emily Anderson	..... 10	

SECOND CLASS.

24	Joseph Ford	..... 12	Reading.
25	Samuel Hare	..... 11	Holy Scripture of New Testament.
26	James Hare	..... 10	Abridgment of Scripture History.
27	John Forward	..... 11	2nd Book Irish National School Society.
28	Julia LeMoine	..... 10	Spelling.
29	William Matthews	..... 11	Cards of S. P. C. K.
30	Meshach Dicks	..... 9	2nd Union Spelling Book.
31	Lavenia Collier 8	Writing.
32	Thomas Matthews 7	On Slates.
33	John Vatcher 10	

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LOWER BURGEO.—Continued.

SECOND CLASS.—Continued.

No.	NAME.	Age.	BOOKS IN USE
34	William Northcotte	8	Arithmetic.
35	Charles Boyce	9	The first four Rules.
36	William Stewart	8	Cards of S. P. C. K.
37	Dinah Stewart	11	
38	George Anderson	8	Church Catechism.
39	Isabella Stewart	10	
40	Elizabeth Collier	10	

THIRD CLASS.

41	Ambrose Forward	8	Reading.
42	Richard Vatcher	13	History of Our Blessed Saviour.
43	Mary A. Matthews	7	Miracles.
44	Harriet Dicks	8	Parables.
45	Elizabeth A. Northcotte	11	Discourses.
46	Margaret Kinslow	8	2nd Book Irish National School Society.
47	Thomas Hare	7	Spelling.
48	Emanuel Ford	7	Cards of S. P. C. K.
49	George Davidge	7	Arithmetic.
			Frame of Beads.
			Church Catechism.

FOURTH CLASS.

50	Louisa Forward	7	Reading.
51	Mary A. Matthews	9	Our Blessed Saviour's Sermon on Mount.
52	Ann LeMoine	6	Little Reading Book, S. P. C. K.
53	Thomas James	11	Charity School Spelling Book.
54	George Vatcher	8	National Society's School Book, part 2.
55	Jane Dicks	8	1st Book Irish National School Society.
56	Sarah Cock	6	Spelling.
57	John Rose	8	Cards of S. P. C. K.
58	James Giles	8	Watt's 1st Catechism.

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LOWER BURGEO.—*Continued.*

FIFTH CLASS.

No.	NAME.	Age.	BOOKS IN USE.
			Reading.
59	Elizabeth Hare	6	National Society's School Book, part 1. Lesson Book, No. 1, part 1, S. P. C. K. Lessons from the Psalms.
60	James Matthews	6	
61	Ann Carey	10	
62	Maria Pungay	7	Spelling.
63	Robert A. H. Dawe	5	Cards of S. P. C. K. Steps to Catechism and Religious Primer in verse, by dictation simultaneously.
64	John Cannon Cunningham	5	
65	Arthur W. P. Dawe	4	Steps to Catechism S. P. C. K., and Reli- gious Primer in verse, S. P. C. K., by dictation simultaneously.
66	John Matthews	6	
67	Maria Cock	4	
68	Enoch Prosser	6	
69	Abraham Dicks	5	
70	Priscella Kinslow	7	
71	Eliza Boyce	5	Alphabet.
72	Phebe Kinslow	5	
73	John Rymes	5	
74	William Collier	5	
75	Sarah Windsor	7	
76	Sarah E. Nothcotte	5	
77	Thomas Anderson	5	
78	Sarah J. Vatcher	5	

TEACHER.

WILLIAM MATTHEWS, salary £30 currency per annum.

Fees, 5s. for each child.

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FIRST CLASS.

No.	NAME.	Age.	BOOKS IN USE.
1	William Crew 15	Reading.
2	Thomas Crew 14	The Holy Scriptures.
3	Martin Crew	..... 10	3rd Book Irish National School.
4	Mary Crew	..... 15	Spelling Cards of S. P. C. K.
4	Robert Porter	..... 12	Union Spelling Book.
6	Philip Porter	..... 10	Writing.
7	Thomas Porter	..... 16	Copy Books and Slates.
8	Philip Hatcher	..... 10	Arithmetic.
9	Thomas Hatcher	..... 14	Cards of S. P. C. K. Church Catechism. Watts' Hymns.

SECOND CLASS.

10	James Crew	..... 7	Reading.
11	Ann Crew	..... 13	History of Our Blessed Saviour
12	Sarah Porter	..... 16	Miracles.
13	Catherine Porter	..... 14	Parables. Discourses. Sermon on the Mount.
14	Elizabeth Crew	..... 10	Spelling.
15	James Ingram	..... 8	Card of S. P. C. K.
16	Dinah Ingram	..... 8	
17	James Hatcher	..... 10	Church Catechism.

THIRD CLASS.

18	William Ingram	..... 7	Reading.
19	Sarah Ingram	..... 5	Cards of S. P. C. K.
20	Edith Crew	..... 6	Spelling.
21	George Cossar 10	Cards of S. P. C. K.
22	Robert Cossar 8	Religious Primer in verse.

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HUNTS.—*Continued.*

FOURTH CLASS.

No.	NAME.	Age.	BOOKS IN USE.
23	Sussana Crew 4	Alphabet.
24	Thomas Wills	..... 6	
25	William Crew	..... 7	

TEACHER.

THOMAS PORTER, salary £30 currency per annum.

Fees, 5s. per child.

New Harbor, }
Hermitage Bay. }

The School-house, building by the people, not quite finished.

£30 currency voted, to be paid as soon as School commences, for salary of teacher.

Salary of Teacher at Burgeo	.....	.....	.....	.....	£30 0 0
Ditto ditto Hunts	.....	.....	.....	.....	30 0 0
Ditto ditto New Harbor	.....	.....	.....	.....	30 0 0
Books	.....	.....	.....	.....	5 0 0
Stove, funnelling, &c.	.....	.....	.....	.....	1 18 10
Clock for School at Burgeo	.....	.....	.....	.....	1 15 0
					<hr/> £98 13 10 <hr/>

JOHN CUNNINGHAM,

Chairman.

Education.

Protestant Board of Education, Bay Roberts, in account with Mr. S. GREEN, Treasurer.

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1856.					
August	—	To vote C. P. £5, and B. R. £5, Dock £15 for repairs, &c., of School-houses, &c.	£25	0 0
		Sundries at Blow-me-down	.....	0	3 9
		Rev. Chairman, for McConnan account	.....	4	9 7
October	6—	Pay of 3 teachers for quarter ending September 30, at £10 currency	.....	30	0 0
		Ditto, 1 C. Point, ditto, at £10 sterling	.....	11	10 9
		Funnelling for B. R. School	.....	2	10 0
		French's Cove rent to June 30	.....	2	0 0
Nov.	3—	Picheges " to October 14	.....	0	15 0
					£76 9 1
1857.					
January	8—	Pay of 3 teachers for quarter ending Dec. 31	.....	30	0 0
		" 1 " C. Point	.....	11	10 9
		" 1 " F. Cove, 2 quarters, ditto	...	20	0 0
		Mr. Wilcox, account furnished	....	0	15 3
		Stove, F. Cove, 30s., and sundry postages 1s. 3d.	.....	1	11 3
April	6—	Pay of 2 teachers, for quarter ending March 31	.....	20	0 0
		" 1 " C. Point, ditto	.....	11	10 9
	25—	Postage	.....	0	0 6
					95 8 6
July	1—	Pay of 2 teachers, quarter ending June 30, @£10	.....	20	0 0
		" 1 " 2 months and 10 days	.....	7	15 6
		" 1 " 2 quarters ending June 30	.....	20	0 0
		" 1 " C. P.	.....	11	10 9
	3—	Sundries, C. P. School, per Seeley	.....	0	11 5
		" Dock	.....	0	10 2
		Rent Picheges, to last November, 1856	0	10 0
					60 17 10
		Balance carried to new account		58 12 6
					£291 7 11

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1856.					
July	—	By balance brought from last account, ending June 30, 1856	£54	17 3
1857.					
		Colonial Treasurer, for 4 quarters' Educational grant, for district B. R., ending June 30, 1857	.....	236	10 8
					£291 7 11

Education.

*QUARTERLY REPORT of Coley's Point Board SCHOOL, for the Quarter ended 30th
June, 1857.—G. W. R. HIERLIHY, master.*

No.	Childrens' Names.	Age.	Class.	No. of days in School.	Remarks.
1	John Spencer	4	1st Section—from Alphabet to spelling Two Syllables.	30	
2	Caroline French	6		33	
3	Patience Russell	5		40	
4	Edward Morgan	5		31	
5	Henrietta Hierlihy	5		27	
6	Mary A. Morgan	5		20	
7	Mary A. Parsons	5		27	
8	Jacob Morgan	6		43	
9	Sarah Hierlihy	6		30	
10	Emily Dawe	6		20	
11	Naomi Parsons	6		40	
12	Amy Parsons	6		20	
13	Peter Keef	6		40	
14	Emily Parsons	7		40	
15	A. R. Hierlihy	7		45	
16	Rachael Greenland	4		10	
17	Martin Keef	9		40	
18	Rachael Russell	8		40	
19	William Snow	6		37	
20	Stephen Parsons	7		48	
21	William Parsons	6		48	
22	Jonathan Bradbury	6		47	
23	William Spencer	7		48	
24	G. H. Spencer	6		47	
25	James Spencer	7		42	
26	Isaac Morgan	9		42	
27	George Morgan	8		20	
28	Isaac Morgan (Pond)	9		41	
29	Susan Parsons	7		45	
30	Susan Snow	7		10	
31	Grace Snow	7		15	
32	John French	10		30	
33	William French	8		20	
34	Richard Cleary	5		27	
35	Isaac Roach	5		20	
36	Elizabeth French	8		17	
37	Samuel Rowsel	6		9	
38	Edward French	5		19	
39	William Parsons	4		40	
40	Robert Parsons	8		40	

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No.	Childrens' Names.	Age.	Class.	No. of days in School.	Remarks.
41	Benjamin French 6	} 1st Section—from Alphabet to spelling Syllables.	38	
42	John Bowring	..... 5		42	
43	William Roach, John	..... 9		30	
44	William Roach, Stephen	..... 8		37	
45	John Roach	..... 7		38	
46	Frances Russell	..... 6		30	
47	James Russell	..... 7		38	
48	Josiah Russell	..... 6		42	
49	Grace Evoy	..... 9		38	
50	Samuel Parsons	..... 5		20	
51	Mary Bishop	..... 8		41	
52	Henry Greenland	..... 6		40	
53	Samuel French	..... 10		31	
54	Mary J. French	..... 8		20	
55	Mary J. Bishop	..... 8		31	
56	William Bishop	..... 6		20	
57	Elijah Bishop	..... 9		31	
58	John Kelly	..... 4		5	
59	Robert Bellman	..... 7		21	
60	Mary Jackson	..... 9	10		
61	G. H. Jackson	..... 5	10		
62	Abraham Grey	..... 9	30		
63	John Bradshaw	..... 7	} 2nd Section—1st Class. reading 2nd Class Book.	20	
64	Susan Dawe	..... 8		41	
65	Leah French	..... 6		43	
66	Robert Badcock	..... 10		42	
67	Charles French	..... 10		20	
68	Elizabeth French	..... 8		30	
69	Eliza French	..... 9		41	
70	Sarah Greenland	..... 8		42	
71	Sarah Parsons	..... 10		38	
72	Ann Spencer	..... 8		40	
73	Isaac Greenland	..... 10		30	
74	Ann Parsons	..... 10		40	
75	Edward Snow	..... 10		20	
76	Isabel Dawe	..... 10		30	
77	Eliza Parsons	..... 13		10	
78	Mary A. French	..... 8	} 2nd Section—2nd class writing on slate.	40	
79	Maria Dawe	..... 10		31	
80	Sarah Dawe 8		30	
81	M. A. Bowring 9		40	
82	Charlotte Russell 10		40	
83	Patience French 10	30		

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No.	Childrens' Names.	Age.	Class.	No. of days in School.	Remarks.	
84	Patience Russell	5	} 1st Sec.	30		
85	Rachel Russell	8		} 2nd Class	33	
86	Selena French	10	} 2nd Sec., 2nd Class Writing on Paper. Arithmetic.		37	
87	Rebecca Morgan	10		30		
88	Susan Parsons	13		27		
89	Eliza Russell	10		30		
90	Patience Morgan	12		31		
91	Eliza Morgan	13		27		
92	Patrick Cleary	10		20		
93	Stephen Roach	10		12		
94	Mary Bradshaw	10		L. Division	30	
95	John Dawe	9		L. Division	30	
96	Jacob Bishop	11	C. Addition	12		
97	William Dawe	12	Practice	19		
98	Abraham French	12	Reduction	37		
99	Reubin French	11	Rule Three	18		
100	Stephen French	13	Interest	20		
101	Caroline Morgan	17	L. Division	10		
102	Jane Dawe	16	L. Division	8		
103	Thomas Kelly	12	Cube Root	21		

No. of Children in attendance for the quarter	.....	103
Average daily attendance for each—each day	.....	56.

The School requires a supply of books for the smaller children, and of pens, pencils, paper, and spelling books for the higher classes. If the School was furnished with a "black-board" and a few maps, the teacher would be able to explain and point out to the children many things which cannot be now done without these requisites.

30th June, 1857.

G. W. R. HIERLIHY,

Teacher.

To the

Rev. Mr. M. BLACKMOR,
Chairman,

REPORT OF THE BOARD SCHOOL AT HIBBS'S HOLE, PORT-DE-GRAVE, IN THE EDUCATIONAL DISTRICT OF BAY ROBERTS, FOR
THE QUARTER ENDING ON THE LAST DAY OF JUNE, 1857.

GEORGE W. CRANFORD, master.

Number attended.	Names.	Age.	Number of days each attended.	Average number attending.	No. on Register.	Fees Received.	Branches taught.	Progress.	
1	Henry Lear, of Henry	.....	13	60	25	52	none	Spelling, Reading, Writing, and Arithmetic	Reading in Testament, in Addition, in Arithmetic
2	Henry Lear, of George	.....	7	60				Spelling and Reading	Ditto Primer
3	Harriet Porter	.....	11	60				Spelling, Reading, and Writing	Reading in Testament, and Writing Copies
4	Benjamin Lear	.....	6	60				Spelling and Reading	In Second Book Lessons
5	Abraham Lear	.....	12	48				Spelling, Reading, and Arithmetic	Reading Testament, Addition, in Arithmetic
6	William Petten	.....	13	23				Spelling, Reading, and Writing	Reading in Second Book, and Writing Copies
7	James Bishop	.....	11	44				Spelling, Reading, and Arithmetic	Ditto, Testament, ditto ditto
8	Joseph Bishop	.....	12	53				Ditto, ditto ditto	Ditto, ditto Addition in Arithmetic
9	Sarah Bishop	.....	9	59				Ditto, ditto Writing	Second Book Lessons, and forming Letters
10	John Dawe	.....	12	57				Spelling and Reading	In Second Book Lessons
11	Elizabeth Dawe	.....	8	58				Ditto, ditto	In Primer
12	Isaac Porter	.....	12	10				Ditto, ditto	Ditto
13	Jacob Dawe	.....	10	55				Ditto, ditto	Ditto
14	Grace Porter	.....	12	32				Spelling, Reading, and Writing	Ditto
15	Caroline Porter	.....	8	60				Spelling and Reading	Ditto
16	Ann Lear	.....	9	50				Ditto, ditto	In Second Book Lessons
17	George Porter	.....	5	60				Alphabet	
18	Samuel Porter	.....	5	60				Alphabet	
19	Abraham Porter	.....	8	60				Primer	Primer
20	Sarah Jane Porter	.....	5	57				Alphabet	
21	Jacob Porter	.....	9	53				Primer	
22	James J. Porter	.....	13	4				Ditto	
23	Elizabeth Lear	.....	12	14				Ditto	
24	Henry Charles Bishop	.....	5	46				Alphabet	
25	Sarah Jane Dawe	.....	13	39				Spelling, Reading, and Writing	In Second Book Lessons, and full Copy Writing
26	Rebecca Porter	.....	12	22				Primer	
27	Samuel Lear	.....	7	37				Alphabet	
28	Julia Lear	.....	14	31				Spelling, Reading, and Writing	In Second Book Lessons, and full Copy Writing
29	William Morgan	.....	10	37				Ditto, ditto ditto	Reading Testament, ditto ditto
30	Noah Bishop	.....	10	33				Spelling and Reading	In Second Book Lessons
31	Sarah Jane Bishop	.....	7	32				Primer	
32	William Kennedy	.....	12	16				Spelling and Reading	In Second Book Lessons, and forming Letters
33	Ann Sarah Bishop	.....	6	18				Primer	
34	William Charles Kennedy	.....	5	29				Alphabet	
35	Mary Lear	.....	10	32				Primer	
36	Mary Kennedy	.....	6	29				Ditto	

In making this Report, I beg to call the attention of the gentlemen of the Board to the leaky state of the roof, and bad state of the top of the chimney of the School House, both of which require that something be done to them before the approach of winter; as far as I can judge, I do not think the expense would be found considerable.

GEORGE W. CRANFORD,

Master,

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REPORT for the Quarter ending June 30th, 1857, of the School at the head of Bay Roberts, established by the Protestant Board of Education, and taught by J. BEASANT.

No.	NAMES.	Age.	No. of days each has attended.	No. at present attending.	No. of Scholars admitted.	Class at present in.	Remarks.
1	John Cormack	12	31	70	163	1st Class — Reading Scriptures, History, &c.	Comp'd. Multiplication.
2	James Cormack	10	33				“ Division.
3	Martin Blackmore	10	51				“ Multiplication.
4	Henry A. Green	11	42				“ Subtraction.
5	Rachel Russell	9	40				Simple Addition.
6	Jane Evans	8	40				Writing on paper.
7	Edward French	11	26				Do. do.
8	Patrick Dawson	9	47				Do. do.
9	Robert Dale	8	52				Do. Slate.
10	Edward Elms	7	53				Do. Paper.
11	Michael Dawson	7	40				Compound Subtraction.
12	Susannah Hedderson	11	39				Writing on Paper.
13	Mary G. Hedderson	9	40				Addition of Cloth Ms'r.
14	William Elms	10	51				Do. of Avoirdupois.
15	Susannah Elms	10	8				Do. do.
16	Mary Dawson	13	32				Rule of Three.
17	Stephen Merrier	10	52				Comp'd. Short Division.
18	Mary G. Bartlett	9	54				Writing on Paper.
19	John Willcox	10	33				Do. do.
20	Susannah Russell	10	28				Do. do.
21	Thomas Lundregan	7	46				Do. Slates.
22	Susannah Russell (Wm.)	11	33				Addition of Avoirdupois
23	Leah Russell	15	20				Comp'd. Short Division
24	Robert Russell	13	38				Reduction.
25	Henry Snow	12	34				Writing on Paper.
26	Edward Russell	10	53				Do. do.
27	Susannah Mercer	9	54				Writing on Slate
28	Stephen Brown	12	47				Do. do.
29	Mary Jane Mercer	9	40				Do. Paper.
30	Mary J. Hayward	10	13				Long Division.
31	Robert Mercer	14	16				Do. do.
32	Robert Daw	11	51				Different Rules.
33	Charles Woods	12	19				Comp'd. Multiplication.
34	Eliza Snow	13	12				Addition.
35	Eliza Mercer	13	15				Reduction.
36	Charlotte Cave	12	16				Simple Addition.
37	Thomas Guinea	10	15				Long Division.
38	Elizabeth North	14	11				Comp'd. Multiplication.
39	James Elms	6	54				
40	John Fitzpatrick	11	46				Writing on Slate.

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REPORT for the Quarter ending June 30th, 1857, of the School at the head of Bay Roberts, established by the Protestant Board of Education.—(Continued)

No.	Names.	Age.	No. of days each has attended.	No. at present attending.	No. of Scholars admitted.	Class at present in.	Remarks.
41	Jane Mercer	10	48	70	163		Writing on Paper.
42	Emma Hedderson	6	52				Do. Slate.
43	Mary North	11	37				Addition.
44	Louisa Calpin	14	43				Rule of Three.
45	Richard Biggs	15	41				Comp'd. Multiplication.
46	Moses Russell	12	37				Do. do.
47	Benjamin Mercer	9	48				Writing on Paper.
48	Isaac Snow	7	39				
49	John James	10	50				Do. do.
50	George Blackmore	7	50				Do. do.
51	Ester Russell	6	39				
52	Mary Vey	8	51				
53	Elizabeth Evans	7	38				
54	George Mercer	12	27				Do. do.
55	Ann Daw	8	50				
56	Mary Calpin	8	46				Do. Slate.
57	John Noseworthy	12	18				Do. Paper.
58	Edward Guinea	9	38				2nd Class Writing on Slate, Reading, and Spelling.
59	Lydia Russell	6	53				
60	Mary Russell	8	25				
61	James Willcox	6	54				
62	Michael Donovan	7	53				
63	Mathew Fitzpatrick	7	52				
64	Emma Mercer	6	46				
65	Isaac French	10	32				
66	Charles Cave	6	54				3rd Class — Easy Reading and Spelling.
67	Caroline Mercer	8	42				
68	Caroline Brown	10	42				
69	Isaac Bartlett	6	54				
70	Thomas Evans	5	38				
71	Alfred Henebury	7	28				
72	Harriet Mercer	5	39				
73	Emma Bartlett	6	54				
74	Maria Mercer	6	32				4th Class — Reading and Spelling words of two and three letters, &c.
75	Thomas Hedderson	5	48				
76	E. F. Green	6	46				
77	Charles Henely	6	34				
78	James Vey	6	54				
79	Amelia Russell	6	34				
80	William Russell	6	21				

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REPORT for the Quarter ending June 30th, 1857, of the School at the head of Bay Roberts, established by the Protestant Board of Education.—Continued.

No.	Names.	Age.	No. of days each has attended.	No. at present attending.	No. of Scholars admitted.	Class at present in.	Remarks.
81	John Evans	5	38	70	163		4th Class—Continued.
82	James S. Mercer	9	29				
83	Grace Badcock	6	29				
84	Henry Snow	6	35				
85	Alice Fitzgerald	5	16				
86	Selina Russell	5	41				
87	Azaria Daw	6	43				
88	Sarah Russell	8	40				
89	Susanna Norman	8	28				
90	Elizabeth J. Mercer	6	31				
91	Richard Guinea	7	8				Alphabet Class.
92	William Bartlett	4	54				
93	Edward Bartlett	4	54				
94	James White	4	29				
95	Wm. Elms	4	29				
96	Thomas Wilcox	5	35				
97	John Vey	5	14				
98	Nathaniel Dale	6	9				
99	Eliza Evans	5	13				
100	Patrick Fitzpatrick	5	8				

19 Scholars advanced this Quarter from 2nd Class to the 1st Class.

6 Do. do. do. 3rd Do. do. 2nd Do.

3 Do. do. do. 4th Do. do. 3rd Do.

2 Do. do. do. Alphabet do. 4th Do.

Average 70 Scholars daily.

To account for the average being so small, 31 Scholars left this quarter for the fishery, &c., that did not attend the last month, and some admitted late in this quarter.

Wanted for the School 3 Benches.

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*REPORT of the Board School at the Dock, Barenced, in the Educational District of Bay Roberts,
from the 20th day of April to the last day of June, 1857.*

No.	Names.	Age.	No. of days each attended.	Average attendance.	Progress.
1	Emma Newell	10	42	19	New Testament, and writing on slate.
2	Sarah Newell	9	18		Second class book, and writing on slate.
3	Virtue A. Hussey	5	43		Alphabet.
4	Mary Newell	7	41		First book of lessons.
5	Susan Newell	6	43		Alphabet.
6	William French	9	45		First book of lessons.
7	Susanah Butler	8	37		New Testament, and writing on slate.
8	John Butler	6	34		First Book of lessons.
9	Isaac Curlew	7	42		Second class book, and writing on slate.
10	Richard Bradberry	8	42		Ditto ditto
11	James Bradberry	10	36		First book of lessons.
12	Samuel French	10	41		New Testament and ciphering.
13	Benjamin Curlew	5	43		First book of lessons.
14	William E. Hampton	3	14		Alphabet.
15	Sarah Rose	11	24		Second class book and writing on slate.
16	George Newell	11	39		Third class book.
17	Thomas Corbett	12	7		Second class book and writing on slate.
18	Michael Corbett	9	7		Alphabet.
19	Robert Newell	4	37		Ditto
20	Jacob Curlew	5	37		First book of lessons.
21	Kate Delany	11	31		Second class book, and writing on slate.
22	Mary A. Dawe	12	19		Second class book.
23	Joseph Rose	5	13		Alphabet.
24	Michael Delany	7	22		Ditto
25	Philip Corbett	6	23		Second class book.
26	Thomas Kinsler	8	11		Third class book.
27	James Bradberry	12	6		Third class book and writing on slate.
28	Emma Batten	13	8		New Testament and ciphering.

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No.	Names of Children.	Age.	Sections.	No. of days each has attended.	Daily average.	Branches taught.	Attainments when Admitted.	Attainment at Date of Return.
1	John Sparks	11	1st.	27	12	Read in Testament.	Compound Multiplication.	The Single Rule of Three.
2	Jemima Sparks	9		27			Addition.	Subtraction.
3	Susanna Bradbury	10		29			Subtraction.	Multiplication.
4	Emelia French	11		16				
5	Elizabeth Sparks	9		12			Addition.	Addition.
6	Elizabeth Barrett	9		30			Subtraction.	Multiplication.
7	Isaac Badcock	10		28				
8	Robert Badcock	9		12				
9	Jacob Earle	9		12				
10	Edward Badcock	10		10				
11	Richard Badcock	8	2nd.	10		Read in Primer.	Read in Primer.	First book of Lessons.
12	Robert Bradbury	11		15				
13	Elijah Earle	8		8				
14	John Badcock	6		29				
15	John Badcock	4		25				
16	Frances Sparks	7		19				
17	William French	8		7				
18	William Earle	7		8				
19	Levina Earle	8		10				
20	Leonora Earle	8	3rd.	10		Words of two letters.	Words of two letters.	Read in Primer.
21	Jacob Barrett	5		20				Words of two letters.
22	Thomas Carraway	4		15				
23	Sarah Graley	4		10				
24	Sarah Earle	4		12				

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25	Peter Dewire	4	4th.	17	12	Alphabet.	Alphabet.	Alphabet.
26	Jane Dewire	6		17				
27	Rebecca Walsh	4		15				
28	Martin Walsh	6		14				
29	Archibald Barrett	4		30				
30	Patience Badcock.	4		20				
31	Sophia Badcock	4		21				
32	Levina Sparks	4		15				
33	Frances French	5		10				
34	Mary Walsh	8		8				
35	Jane Earle	7		10				

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Educational District of Bay Roberts, Protestant Return for the year ending 1st July, 1857.

Number and Position of Schools.	Date of Establishment.	Names of Teachers.	Salary paid to each.	No. of Scholars on books at date of Return.	Average attendance for the Quarters ending 1856.				Fees received by Teachers.	
					Sept.	Dec.	March.	June		
1. Cape Point, Bay Roberts	Earliest Educational Act 1853	G. W. Hierlihy	40 cy.	103	72	53	49	56	£ 7 14 8 G. W. Hierlihy	
2. River Head, ditto	ditto	J. Beasant	40 cy.	100	64	55	65	70	13 3 8 J. Beasant	
3. French's Cove, ditto	ditto	R. Pepper	40 cy.	35	26	12	25	12	2 1 9 R. Pepper	
4. The Dock, Port-de-Gravo	ditto	J. Batten	40 cy.	28	25	14	19	19	none. J. Batten	
5. Blow-me-Down, ditto	ditto	G. Crawford	40 cy.	36	34	17	22	25	0 17 3 G. Crawford	
				Total	302	221	151	161	182	£23 17 4

Teachers Returns will show names and ages of Scholars, branches taught, books used, and progress in Education.

Hours of Teaching.—During Summer months, (April to October,) from 9 to 4.
 Winter “ (October to April,) “ 9½ to 3.
 With interval for dinner.

MARTIN BLACKMORE,

Chairman of Board.

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Bay Roberts, Dec., 5, 1857.

Sir,—

I beg to transmit, for your Excellency's information, the foregoing Returns, for the year ending July, 1857, of Schools, &c., in the Educational District of Bay Roberts, as required by the Education Act, together with the Teachers' reports for the last quarter of that year.

In the Returns for the year 1856, the Board had the pleasure of being able to report an increase of 42 children on the books; this year we find a further increase of 21. The daily average attendance, owing to the number of children now employed by their parents in the fisheries and on shore, has in the mean while slightly diminished. This circumstance, the employment of children in the fishery, together with the removal of many families into the woods during the winter months has especially operated against the favorable progress of the Schools in Port-de-Grave, and at French's Cove, Bay Roberts; with respect to this latter school, the Board decided last fall on closing it during the winter months; and having procured a roomly tilt in the woods at the head of Spaniard's Bay Pond, they removed the teacher there, and were gratified to find that the measure was attended with some degree of success, between 30 and 40 children having been brought together for instruction.

The schools at Blow-me-down, Port-de-Grave, and at French's Cove, Bay Roberts, still labour under the disadvantage of being kept in hired and inconvenient houses, and unless the Board are permitted to make special grants for building purposes in those settlements, there is little or no hope of improvement in this particular, as the poverty of the people generally in these localities preclude them from complying with the conditions of the Act, which requires them to provide half the expense.

The Treasurer's account will shew that the money entrusted to our care has been faithfully expended. The balance in his hands arises from the temporary closing of some of the schools, through the resignation of the masters; a portion of it will be required for the discharge of contingencies during the ensuing year.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient humble servant,

M. BLACKMORE,

Chairman.

The delay in forwarding this report has been occasioned by the absence of the Chairman from the colony.

To His Excellency
Sir A. Pannerman,
Governor of Newfoundland, &c. &c.

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REPORT of the Protestant Board of Education for the District of St. John's, for the year ending June 30th, 1857.

To His Excellency SIR ALEXANDER BANNERMAN, Governor and Commander-in-Chief in and over the Island of Newfoundland and its Dependencies.

The Protestant Board of Education, for the District of St. John's, beg leave to report to Your Excellency, that they have at present eight Schools under their charge, attended by 350 children. Of these children 100 are learning letters, and more syllables; 97 are reading easy lessons; 133 are reading the Holy Scriptures; 191 are reading books of general information; 134 are learning writing; 87 are learning arithmetic; 30 are learning geography; and 24 are learning English Grammar.

These eight Schools are situated in the following localities:—Magotty Cove, St. John's, Quidi Vidi, Broad Cove, Lance Cove, Belle Isle, Topsail, Long Pond, Middle Bight, Upper Gully. There has been an increase of attendance at some of the Schools during the past year, and the progress of the children has been, on the whole, satisfactory.

The Board have pleasure in stating to Your Excellency, that during the past year they have completed the erection of a new School house at Lance Cove, Belle Isle, at an expense of £75; it is a substantial erection, capable of accommodating 50 children, and has a Dwelling-house for the Master attached to it. It will be a great benefit to the settlement where the want of a suitable School-house was long felt.

The Board have also completed, during the year, another new School-house at Middle Bight, South Shore of Conception Bay, at a cost of £61; it will accommodate 70 children, and is a very commodious and substantial erection.

The Board have expended various small sums in keeping the other School-houses in a proper state of repair.

The branches taught in all the Schools are—Reading, Writing and Arithmetic; in three of them Geography and History are taught; and in two, Navigation. The books used are, the authorised version of the Bible, and the School Books published by the Commissioners of National Education in Ireland, and by the Society for promoting Christian Knowledge. The Schools are open five days in each week, during five and a half hours in summer, and five hours in winter. There are six weeks' holidays in the course of the year.

The Schools are opened and closed with prayer and singing; a portion of the authorised version of the Bible is read twice each day; and Religious Instruction is imparted under the direction of the Clergymen and Ministers of the denominations to which the children respectively belong.

The Board regret that the limited means placed at their disposal will not permit them to increase the Salaries of the Masters, which are at present, with one exception, very low, or to secure for them a higher instruction. In order to elevate the character of the Schools, and impart a better education, higher salaries should be given to the teachers;

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and they should be required to pass through a proper course of preliminary training before receiving their appointment as masters. The establishment of a Normal School, for the training of Teachers, and an increase of their salaries are, in the opinion of the Board, essential towards any improvement in the present system of education.

The Board trust that the Legislature will soon be enabled to devise some wise and efficient method of improving the general School instruction.

The Board beg to submit to Your Excellency the accompanying return of the names and ages of the Scholars, in accordance with the requirements of the Education Act; also the names and salaries of the masters; together with a detailed account of the expenditure of the Board during the past year.

Signed by order of the Board,

THOMAS M. WOOD,

Chairman.

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Protestant Board of Education for the St. John's District.

SCHOOL RETURN FOR THE YEAR ENDING JUNE 30TH 1857.

MAGOTTY COVE SCHOOL.

Master—Mr. JAMES LEE—Salary £100 per annum.

Mistress—Mrs. WALTERS—Salary £30 per annum.

NAMES OF CHILDREN.	AGE.	NAMES OF CHILDREN.	AGE.
Henry Coyell	11	Mary Murphy	9
James Walters	13	James Bryan	11
Timothy Lane	13	Wm. Piggins	12
Samuel Peach	9	Wm. Ramsay	12
R. H. Williams	12	Thomas Lucas	8
John Murphy	11	David Whelan	11
Wm. Buckley	9	W. H. Dawe	8
Thomas MacNamara	15	F. Lewis	8
John Tracy	14	Wm. Geary	11
Robert Druhan	11	James Thompson	12
Thomas Druhan	12	Wm. Thompson	11
Patrick Tracy	18	Denis Maughan	10
Michael McGrath	19	Ignatius Collins	11
Wm. Walsh	16	Jonathan Pike	13
James Geary	18	P. Ryan	9
Ellen Walters	10	Fanny Walters	6
Martha Gear	14	E. Peach	7
Lucretia Burridge	12	Mary Dowden	9
Ellen Murphy	13	Louisa Dowden	11
M. A. Milloin	11	M. A. Morris	7
Jonathan Bryan	14	Mary Buckley	7
Elizabeth Henry	11	Wm. Harris	6
Jessie Score	12	E. Larkin	9
George Coysh	9	Jonathan Larkin	7
Robert Harris	11	Jonathan Whelan	9
Robert French	11	Matthew Halvey	6
Matthew Dalton	11	Wm. Burridge	5
Michael Lyons	12	Jonathan Lyons	6
Eusebius Lewis	12	Richard Lewis	5
Jonathan Lewis	10	John Thompson	7
Jonathan Cuddihy	11	P. Collins	9
Wm. McGrath	12	John Score	5
James Fahey	10	John Crotty	10
Henry McDonald	11	Ann Harris	7
M. A. Merricot	9	Lucy Peach	5
Jane Walters	8	Mary Ann French	9
Louisa Gear	9	Margaret Thompson	9
Charles Burridge	9		
		Total—	75

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QUIDI VIDI SCHOOL.

Master—E. HUMPHREY—Salary £40 per annum.

NAMES OF CHILDREN.	AGE.	NAMES OF CHILDREN.	AGE.
Albert Dodd	10	Richard Martin	10
M. E. James	10	John Hennebury	11
H. Russell	12	M. A. Brace	7
Elizabeth Brace	10	William Horwood	7
M. A. Brace	10	E. Chafe	6
Priscilla Hennebury	9	William Martin	6
Thomas Hennebury	8	Harriet Murrain	7
Rachael Hennebury	10	L. Murrain	6
Emily Janes	6	Catherine Cadwell	6
Abraham Brace	7	Caroline Chafe	5
John Brace	9	Cicely Snow	4
Samuel Chafe	8	Elizabeth Horwood	5
Janet Snow	7	M. J. Cleary	5
Thomas Martin	8	Jessie Hennebury	4
Jacob Hornwood	8	James Clooney	4
Thomas Clooney	7	John Austin	8
Sarah Murkain	8	John Cleary	8
	Total—34.		

BROAD COVE SCHOOL.

Master—W. H. BURSELL—Salary £45 per annum.

NAMES OF CHILDREN.	AGE.	NAMES OF CHILDREN.	AGE.
B. Tucker	8	A. B. Squires	9
Susannah Squires	19	Benjamin Squires	9
M. J. King	9	Samuel Squires	8
Azariah Tucker	9	E. Tucker	9
Lucy Squires	8	Eve Squires	8

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BROAD COVE SCHOOL.—Continued.

NAMES OF CHILDREN.	AGE.	NAMES OF CHILDREN.	AGE.
M. A. Tucker	8	Charles Squires	5
Albert Squires	8	Samuel Squires	5
A. Tucker	8	James McNamara	6
Jane Tucker	9	John Squires	5
A. Squires	9	Thomas Tucker	5
R. Squires	8	Harriet Tucker	7
E. Tucker	5	M. McNamara	4
Garland Tucker	8	Benjamin Squires	4
Priscilla Squires	6	J. Tucker	4
Emma Squires	7	Jane Squires	5
E. Pickett	7	Benjamin Squires	4
Peter Tucker	8	M. A. Tucker	7
Peter Squires	6	Isabella Tucker	5
Michael Squires	6	Moses Tucker	11
William McNamara	8	Lucretia Tucker	6
Rhoda Squires	7	John McNamara	10
Louisa Squires	9	Agnes Tucker	10
Eliza Tucker	5	Charles Tucker	10
	Total—46.		

LANCE COVE SCHOOL.—BELLE ISLE.

Master—EDWARD BICKFORD—Salary £82 10s.

NAMES OF CHILDREN.	AGE.	NAMES OF CHILDREN.	AGE.
George Kent	13	William Rees	9
S. Rees	11	Peter Kent	11
Maria Rees	12	M. J. Rees	8
Emma Cooper	10	Sarah Wright	10
Matilda Rees	10	George King	7
Elizabeth Rees	9	Louisa Hiscock	10
Lavinia Rees	11	James Hiscock	8

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LANCE COVE SCHOOL—BELLE ISLE.—Continued.

NAMES OF CHILDREN.	AGE.	NAMES OF CHILDREN.	AGE.
James Leahy	11	Eliza Rees	6
John Leahy	9	Alfred Rees	5
J. Wright	12	John Smith	6
Emily Kent	10	Mary Hiscock	5
Solomon Rees	7	Catherine King	4
James Cooper	6	S. A. Rees	5
G. Sparks	6	William Kent	4
William Sparks	8		
	Total—29.		

TOPSAIL SCHOOL.

Master—JAMES ALLEN—Salary £36 per annum.

NAMES OF CHILDREN.	AGE.	NAMES OF CHILDREN.	AGE.
Harriet Moyes	13	Z. Fowler	8
Elizabeth Moyes	11	Rebecca Dowden	8
Matilda Millar	9	Martha Hibbs	7
Emily Smith	10	E. Millar	8
Sarah Allen	10	Fanny Tilly	9
Reuben Fowler	13	Jean Churchill	6
Abraham Snow	10	Charles Carter	7
Harriet Allen	8	Martha Millar	12
Joseph Millar	8	Martha Allen	7
Thomas Millar	8	Thomas Allen	5
Jabez Drown	8	Emily Churchill	7
Jordan Dowden	7	Adelaide Medcalf	6
M. A. Allen	8	Emma Allen	6
Selina Millar	9	Robert Mercer	4
William Smith	7	Nathaniel Mercer	4
Thomas Fowler	7		
	Total—31.		

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Protestant Board of Education for the St. John's District.—Continued.

LONG POND SCHOOL.

Master—J. WIDDICOMB—Salary £20 per annum.

NAMES OF CHILDREN.	AGE.	NAMES OF CHILDREN.	AGE.
Isaac Dann	13	Ruth Jeffreys	8
B. Dann	12	Caroline Greenslade	10
Jacob Dann	10	Peter Greenslade	9
M. A. Dawn	12	Thomas Greenslade	10
Patrick Kennedy	9	Edward Kennedy	6
Ann Kennedy	14	E. Kennedy	5
A. Dawe	10	P. Kennedy	4
Sarah Bishop	9	Uriah Kennedy	4
Mary Jeffreys	12	Grace Kennedy	3
Thomas Jeffreys	12	Susanna Greenslade	4
M. G. Kennedy	10	Jonathan Taylor	5
Abigail Dawe	14	A. Noseworthy	9
Edward Kennedy	13	Selina Dawe	4
E. Porter	14	Jane Dawe	5
James Fagin	11	William Prierin	6
Z. Dawe	5	Mary Prierin	5
S. Dawe	5	Emily Dawe	6
John Bishop	5	J. Taylor	3
P. Taylor	8	Patience Taylor	4
N. Goffreys	9	William Dawe	3
H. Porter	8	M. A. Kennedy	3
Sarah Noseworthy	11	Selina Prierin	3
	Total—44.		

MIDDLE BIGHT SCHOOL.

Master—RICHARD PARMITER—Salary £36 per annum.

NAMES OF CHILDREN.	AGE.	NAMES OF CHILDREN.	AGE.
Alfred Butler	8	B. Butler	6
William Butler	8	H. Haines	7
M. Butler	9	C. Haines	9
G. Butler	6	S. Haines	8

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NAMES OF CHILDREN.	AGE.	NAMES OF CHILDREN.	AGE.
R. Haines	4	A. Snow	7
T. Kenedy	7	M. G. Snow	6
M. Kenedy	5	A. Snow	4
John Taylor	7	E. G. Fagin	7
Wm. Taylor	5	M. A. Fagin	5
S. Taylor	4	Betsy Fagin	5
H. Taylor	7	B. Clooney	7
Thomas Dwyer	9	D. Clooney	5
Thomas Mercer	8	P. Taylor	8
Robert Miller	5	M. Cole	5
James Parmiter	12	M. Kennedy	3
Robert Pettin	4	F. Taylor	4
Joseph Butler	4	Anne Butler	3
J. J. Lucas	5	M. A. Ridout	6
C. Haines	6	Victoria Porter	7
G. Redout	14	M. G. Fagin	7
N. Redout	12	J. Ridout	10
W. Butler	10	Thomas Petin	7
B. Parmiter	8	E. Delaney	11
C. Butler	8	J. Delany	9
R. Butler	6	G. Fagin	7
B. Butler	5	N. Pettin	12
F. Butler	4	W. Pettin	6
Patience Pettin	8	J. Pettin	4
L. Haines	6	J. Greely	10
P. Haines	6	Robert Bishop	4
M. Haines	4	Robert Fagin	5
Emily Ledrew	6	James Pettin	3
Total—65			

UPPER GULLY SCHOOL.

Master—J. COATES—Salary £30 per annum.

NAMES OF CHILDREN.	AGE.	NAMES OF CHILDREN.	AGE.
Job Coates	14	G. Warford	3
E. Coates	7	P. Warford	6
W. Andrews	10	J. Warford	10
C. Andrews	7	C. Morgan	7
E. R. Morgan	5	R. Morgan	5
N. Porter	12	M. J. Morgan	11
N. Scott	5	J. Scott	5
A. Roberts	8	B. Scott	8
E. Roberts	8	E. Andrews	9
James Roberts	5	E. Saunders	4
C. Roberis	9	S. Saunders	3
James J. Morgan	6	G. Porter	11
M. Morgan	8	W. Warford	3
Total—26			

T. M. WOOD,

Chairman.

STATEMENT of Receipts and Expenditure of the Protestant Board of Education of Saint John's, for the year ending the 30th of June, 1857.

	£367	5	10	By Governor's Grant	Currency.
To paid Schoolmasters' Salaries					£465 0 0
" Stationery	12	19	5		
" Fuel	4	7	6		
" Rent of Board Room	3	10	0		
" For Stove	3	1	11		
" Rent of House, Quidi Vidi	4	0	0		
" Rent at St. John's	8	12	0		
" Expenses visiting Schools	7	3	6		
" Repairs to Schcel-houses	18	3	6		
" Secretary's Salary	15	0	0		
" For Deed, and consideration for Ground	1	9	3		
" Balance in hand	19	7	1		
	£465	0	0		

THOMAS M. WOOD,

Chairman.

DISTRICT OF TRINITY NORTH, year ending the 31st Day of December, 1857.

Schools— Where situate.	Teachers.		Age.	Salary per annum.	No. of Scholars.			Average Attendance.	Settlements in the District (with the population) without Schools.
	Name.				Males.	Feml's.	Total.		
Trinity (North-side.) ..	Arthur Watts		42	Stg. £30	15	19	34	24	Salmon Cove (300)
Cuckholm's Cove	John Gouer		49	30	10	13	23	15	
Trouty ..					Cy. 30	14	7	21	14
Old Bonaventure ..	James Pitcher		65	30	15	17	32	18	
British Harbor ..	Thomas Gawler		52	30	16	17	33	14	
Ireland's Eye ..	Wm. Wotten		23	25 Stg.	17	19	36	15	
New Bonaventure ..	Jacob Morris		30	30	14	12	26	23	

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Signed,

BENJAMIN SMITH,

Chairman.

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REPORT of Schools for 1857 from the Rev. JAMES MURPHY, for Southern Division of Ferryland.

SIR,—

Should it be required by the Government, I wish to furnish you with the following statement of the Schools of our portion of the District of Ferryland for the past year, and which as regard numbers, &c., is pretty much the same as that which I furnished you with on the year previously, viz :—

In Brigus there is 1 School.

In Cape Broyle there are 2 Schools.

In Caplin Bay 2.

In Ferryland the Commercial School affords an opportunity of education to all the male children. And in the course of the ensuing summer I hope to have another Convent and School opened there, for the blessing and benefit of affording a good religious education to the female children of that and the next most contiguous harbor—Caplin Bay.

In Aquaforte there are 2 Schools at present, one male and one female.

In Fermeuse, North-side, there are 2, together with the Convent School.

In Renewse there are 3, North and South Sides of the harbor. Making in all 12 Schools, 6 of which are male, and 6 female. The salaries of the 6 male teachers average about 100*l.*, and the remaining 80*l.* (which comprises the entire of our grant) is divided amongst the female teachers according to their relative merits.

When any of the schools are left off by resignation of the teachers or otherwise, the money thus left at our disposal, is expended in the erection or repairing of School-houses, and in the purchase of books, &c., for the poorer children.

What is wanting in future, to have our schools more efficient, and to afford a better and sounder education to the youth of the Outports, is an increased grant, and Model Schools to train up a better class of male teachers.

JAMES MURPHY.

Chairman.

Ferryland, February 23rd, 1858.

The Hon. JOHN KENT, *Colonial Secretary.*

A RETURN of SCHOOLS, &c., under the supervision of the Carbonar Protestant Board of Education, for the year ending 4th July, 1857.

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Locality.	Names of Masters.	No. of Scholars Registered.			Average attendance.		Course of Education.	Period of Vacation.	School Property.	Salary of Masters.	Fees from Pupils.		Incidental Expenses of Schools.	Total.	Observations.	
		Paid.	Free.	Total.	Male.	Female.					Cy.	Cy.				
Carbonar, South-side	G. Apsey	33	39	72	29	26	Reading, Writing, Ciphering, Spelling, and constant use of the Holy Scriptures.	15th June to 4th August.	A School House.	£40	£3 11 4	£5	£48 11 4	The £5 is for house-rent.		
Carbonar, North-side	T. Roberts	54	63	117	47	49				40	5 14 0	45 14 0			45 14 0	
Freshwater	J. Parsons	21	57	78	32	43				40	3 0 8	43 0 8			43 0 8	
Otterbury	J. Jettson		30	30	15	10				25	0 0	25 0 0			25 0 0	
Perry's Cove	J. Swaine	14	37	37	13	21				30	0 0	30 0 0			30 0 0	
Mulley's Cove	Jane Howell		21	35	18	12				20	1 10 6	26 10 6	5		26 10 6	The £5 is for house-rent.
Adam's Cove	J. Martin		81	81	42	28				30	0 0	30 0 0			30 0 0	
Western Bay	C. Churchill	20	47	67	32	30				35	2 1 3	37 1 3			37 1 3	
Ochre Pits	J. Curtcas	16	58	74	33	25				30	1 7 9	31 7 9			31 7 9	
Northern Bay	T. Moors		43	43	20	16				25	0 0	25 0 0			25 0 0	
Island Cove	J. B. Parsons		104	104	40	54				35	0 0	35 0 0			35 0 0	
Bay-de-Verds	W. Loader		76	76	33	30				30	0 0	30 0 0	5		35 0 0	The £5 for house-rent.
		158	656	814	354	344							Salary to Secretary, Hire of Rooms, and Stationery.		11 10 9	£40 being the proportion appointed to this district for School repairs, &c., is being expended.
															£123 16 3	

Barn Point School having been discontinued, the salary is applied to pay recurring contingencies and necessary School materials.

W. E. SHENSTONE,
Chairman.

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CORRESPONDENCE with the Secretary of State and Messrs. James Kent & Co., of Waterford, and Mr. John Shea of Cork, on the subject of Emigration from Ireland to Newfoundland, and Minutes of Council in relation thereto.

4th December, 1857.

AT A COUNCIL HELD THIS DAY.

PRESENT :

	His Excellency the GOVERNOR.	
The Hon. ATTORNEY GENERAL,	}	The Hon. COLONIAL SECRETARY,
" The PRESIDENT,		" RECEIVER GENERAL,
" SURVEYOR GENERAL,		" JAMES J. ROGERSON.

A letter was read from James and Robert Kent, stating that they had been requested by the Board of Works to lay on a passenger vessel from Waterford for Emigrants the ensuing spring, and that the Executive would indemnify for any loss. £200 to be appropriated for this purpose, under such regulations as may be framed by the Attorney General. It was also determined that the Council would, at its next meeting, pass a Minute setting forth the difficulties that the existing law places in the way of Emigrants coming direct from Ireland, and praying for a relaxation of its conditions, for the purpose of being transmitted by His Excellency to the Right Honorable the Secretary of State for the Colonies.

(COPY.

No. 95.)

Executive.

Government House,
Newfoundland,
8th December, 1857. }

SIR,—

I have the honor to forward to you the enclosed Minute of Council, praying for some relaxation of the provisions of the Passengers' Act, 18 and 19 Vic., Cap. 119, which was passed, I believe, on the Report of a Committee appointed at the instance of Mr. John O'Connell.

12.—It appears that since the year 1847, emigration from Ireland to Newfoundland has declined rapidly and is now nearly extinct, the cause of which was want of employment, and the inhabitants writing to their friends that many of them were in a state of extreme destitution; this was perfectly correct; but from one or two successful fisheries, things have taken a very different turn; the want of labor, and high price of wages, are now severely felt. The Board

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of Works here, and several respectable firms, have been obliged to authorize Messrs. James and Robert Kent, of the City of Waterford, and Mr. John Shea, of the City of Cork, to procure a number of laborers for Newfoundland; but which, they say, cannot be effected unless H. M. Government will allow some relaxations of the Passenger Act, which are pointed out in the enclosed Minute.

13.—I am not aware whether this can be done; but I observe by the 96th Section of the Act, voyages *from* Colonies, if less than three weeks, are not subject to the same restrictions as for longer voyages; and, I may here say, that the passage from Ireland *to* Newfoundland, is often made in less than three weeks.

14.—Fisheries are precarious, and two or three bad seasons might bring along with them the same want of labour and its consequences, which took place some years ago. I may however add, that the discovery has recently been made of valuable minerals in this Colony, opening a better prospect for labor than Newfoundland has yet experienced; and, if the Passenger Act can be relaxed, so as to give encouragement to the emigration of a few hundred laborers, I think the petition of the Council should, if possible, be acceded to.

I have, &c.,

(Signed,)

A. BANNERMAN,

Governor.

The Right Hon. H. LABOUCHERE, M. P.,

&c., &c., &c.

(Copy.

No. 5.)

Downing-Street, }
28th January, 1858. }

SIR,—

I have to acknowledge your Despatch, No. 95, of the 8th December, transmitting a Minute of Council, in which it is proposed, that with a view to encourage Emigration to Newfoundland, the provisions of the Passenger Act should be relaxed in favor of vessels conveying Emigrants to that Island.

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On this subject I have to observe, that the requirements of the Passenger Act are necessarily framed with reference not to an average, but to a maximum voyage; and that though the voyage between Ireland and Newfoundland may be ordinarily performed in from fifteen to thirty days, it undoubtedly extends very often to a much longer period. But even assuming that thirty days were the limit of the voyage, it would be no justification for curtailing the space to be allowed to the Passengers; for neglecting the ventilation; for giving up the Life Boat or the Fire Engine; or for any of the other relaxations which are applied for. On the contrary, as the Emigration to Newfoundland would be carried on in small vessels, and as the voyage is by no means free from danger, it seems to me that particular attention is necessary to the points specified above, to ensure the well-being of the passengers.

The question, moreover, arises, whether there is any reason why Her Majesty's Government should stimulate Emigration to Newfoundland by exceptional arrangements. I annex a statement of the Emigration to the Island in the sixteen years ending in December, 1856. It will be seen that in the six years preceding 1847, the Emigration averaged 516 a-year, while in the nine years following, it averaged only 197;—but the variations in the numbers appear to show that the falling off is rightly attributed by you to a failure of the demand for labor, and not to an increase in the cost of passage arising from greater stringency in the law. You state that “from one or two successful fisheries” the Island has now become prosperous; but you add afterwards that “fisheries are precarious, and two or three bad seasons might bring along with them the same want of labor and its consequences which took place some years ago.” Under such circumstances, it would not be desirable that Her Majesty's Government should interfere to give an unusual impulse to Emigration to Newfoundland, since they would thereby make themselves, to a certain extent, responsible for the employment of those who might proceed thither.

On the whole, I am of opinion, that the particular relaxations of the law applied for, could not be conceded with safety to the Emigration, and that there is no sufficient ground to justify the interference of Her Majesty's Government in any other way.

I have, &c.,

(Signed,)

H. LABOUCHERE.

Governor Sir A. BANNERMAN,
 &c., &c., &c.
 Newfoundland.

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STATEMENT of EMIGRATION to Newfoundland, for the Sixteen years ending 31st December, 1856.

YEAR.	No.	YEAR.	No.
1841	386	1849	87
1842	490	1850	345
1843	448	1851	241
1844	684	1852	209
1845	618	1853	173
1846	523	1854	95
1847	992	1855	94
1848	343	1856	215

11th December, 1857

AT A COUNCIL HELD THIS DAY.

PRESENT :

His Excellency the GOVERNOR.

The Hon. ATTORNEY GENERAL,
 " The PRESIDENT,
 " SURVEYOR GENERAL,

The Hon. COLONIAL SECRETARY,
 " RECEIVER GENERAL,
 " JAMES J. ROGERSON.

The Attorney General submitted as a Minute of Council the following statement :—

Whereas, the supply of labor in this colony has been found inadequate to the demand for the prosecution of the Government Works and the Fisheries of the Country, and the supply from the United Kingdom has been stopped by means of the stringent provisions of the Passenger Act: it is the opinion of the Council, that in order to meet the immediate wants of the Government and the Commercial Community, for a sufficient number of laborers to carry on the Public Works and the Fisheries, recourse must be had to emigration from the United Kingdom, otherwise Trade, Fisheries, and internal improvements will suffer material injury; and, therefore, that His Excellency the Governor be respectfully requested to bring this important subject under the notice of Her Majesty's Government, and to solicit such a relaxation of the terms of the Passenger Act, 1855, as may afford some inducement to ship owners to employ some of their vessels in conveying passengers from any part of the United Kingdom to this Colony and its Dependencies. Owing to the loss and inconvenience experienced by the Government and the trade during the last summer for the want of laborers, the Board of Works of this Island and several Commercial Firms, have been obliged to authorise Messrs. James and Robert Kent of Waterford, and Mr. John Shea of Cork, Ireland, to procure in that country a number of laborers for Newfoundland; and to enable them to execute their

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orders, it is absolutely necessary that the Passenger Act should be relaxed in favor of such vessels as they may employ in carrying Passengers to this Colony, in the following particulars, viz. :—

1st.—With reference to the limits of one passenger for every two tons of *register* tonnage.

2nd.—The obligation to carry Life Boats, Fire Engines, and to cut their decks for ventilation, as the Emigration Officer may think necessary.

3rd.—The obligation to have a duly qualified surgeon on board, when the number of passengers amounts to 100.

4th.—Hospitals.

5th.—Passengers' Stewards, and such other provisions and orders in Council as are not necessary or applicable to a Northern voyage, or one so short as that from Ireland to Newfoundland, which is usually performed by sailing vessels, according to their sailing qualities, in periods varying from 15 to 30 days. While the Council trust that through the intervention of His Excellency, a relaxation of the Act on the points above stated may be effected in favor of such vessels as may be laid on for passengers bound to this colony by the Agents before named, they could not at all object to any general regulations adapted to the voyage, and calculated to secure the health and comfort of passengers without unnecessarily interfering with a moderate supply of Emigrants from the Mother Country to this truly British colony. The provisions of the present Act, although wisely intended for long voyages, have had the effect of diverting the stream of Emigration from the smaller British North American Colonies to the United States and Canada, or more distant Colonies, because the demand for Emigrants being more restricted in the former, a small class of vessels was, before the passing of the Act of 1852, necessarily employed to carry the limited numbers they required, while it has been found, in Liverpool for instance, that since the passing of the present Act, a large ship can, with profit, take 500 passengers from that port to New York at £4 each; but 60 or 70, at £6 each to Newfoundland, would not pay the cost of outfit and provisions for a vessel of medium size. It is a subject of regret that the Local Government have not the means at their command to afford that pecuniary encouragement to Emigration which the resources of the Country and its requirements would appear to warrant. In the absence of such means, however, no proper measures should be left untried to induce Emigrants to come to a country where labor is scarce, living is cheap, the climate salubrious, and the staple pursuits of the population, without reference to employment on Government Works, afford handsome remuneration to the able and industrious man.

The said Minute was approved of, and the Government requested to transmit it to the Right Honorable the Secretary of State for the Colonies, and copies to be sent to Mr. J. Kent, Waterford, and Mr. John Shea, Cork. The following Resolution was then passed :—

Resolved,—That as the Board of Works, during the last summer, applied to Messrs. James and Robert Kent to procure from Ireland a supply of labourers to enable them to prosecute the Public Works, an indemnity to the extent of £200 be given to them to carry out the said order.

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(COPY.)

Secretary's Office,
8th December, 1857. }

GENTLEMEN,--

I am directed by the Governor to transmit to you the accompanying Copy of a Minute of Council adopted in reference to certain stringent clauses of the Passenger Act, which act as a barrier to the Shipment of Emigrants from the United Kingdom for this colony.

It will be for you to determine in what way you may deem it most expedient to endeavour to support the efforts of the Executive in obtaining a relaxation of the provisions of the Act in question, which at present stand in the way of our obtaining a supply of operative labor so much needed for the Fisheries and Agriculture of the Island.

Two courses seem to be open to you, either to petition Parliament, which by Mail advices was to have met on the 3rd instant, or by application to the Authorities in Downing-street.

I have, &c.,

(Signed,)

J. KENT

MESSRS. JAMES & ROBERT KENT.

[Letter similar to the preceding addressed to John Shea, Esq., of Cork.]

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*STATEMENT of the affairs of the ST. JOHN'S MARINE INSURANCE COMPANY
for the year ending 10th January, 1858.*

(DUPLICATE.)

DR.

1857.	To Stock paid up and accumulated.....	.....	.....	£1000	0	0
1858.	Jan. 10—To amount reserved to meet claims admitted, and for risks un-					
	expired....		7202	18 4
					<u>7202</u>	<u>18 4</u>
					<u>£17202</u>	<u>18 4</u>

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1857.	By monies on hand and securities	£17202	18	4
					<u>17202</u>	<u>18 4</u>
					<u>£17202</u>	<u>18 4</u>

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Audited and found correct.

JOHN BUTLER BULLEY.

THOS. R. SMITH, }
 LEWIS TESSIER, } *Auditors.*

St. John's, Newfoundland, }
 10th January, 1858. }

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GENERAL ABSTRACT of the Affairs of the NEWFOUNDLAND MARINE ASSURANCE COMPANY, as they existed at 3 o'clock, p.m., on Thursday, the 14th day of January, 1858.

Dr.		Cr.	
To Capital Stock paid up	£5000 0 0	By Investments in Union Bank	£5000 0 0
Premiums on unexpired risks	2199 1 5	Deposits ditto	1709 14 3
Balance to meet current claims	2620 10 0	Bills receivable	631 5 0
		Balances of Accounts	2378 12 2
		Valuation of wrecked property on hand	100 0 0
	£9819 11 5		£9819 11 5

Aggregate amount of Risks taken under Policies of this Company since January 8th, 1857	£318,658 0 0
Aggregate amount of Premiums charged upon said Policies	£10,145 9 6
Aggregate amount of Current Risks at this date	£28,121 10 0
Aggregate amount of Premiums charged for said Current Risks	£2,199 1 5
Aggregate amount of losses paid by this Company since January 8th, 1857	£9,872 5 6
Amount of Bonds for unpaid capital, as per Sharelist, marked A. herewith	£20,000 0 0

We, the undersigned Directors of the Newfoundland Marine Assurance Company, do certify that the books of the said Corporation indicate the facts above stated by the Secretary thereof, and that we have full confidence in the truth of this Return.

ROBERT PROWSE,

President,

P. G. TESSIER.

LAURENCE O'BRIEN.

JAMES S. CLIFT.

W. M. BARNES.

I, Edward L. Jarvis, Secretary of the Newfoundland Marine Assurance Company, do swear that the Return hereunto annexed, exhibits a true state of the affairs of the said Corporation up to the time therein named.

EDWARD L. JARVIS.

Sworn to before me at St. John's, this 1st day of February, 1858.

P. W. CARTER, J.P.

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A.

PARTICULAR STATEMENT shewing the names of the Stockholders in the NEWFOUNDLAND MARINE ASSURANCE COMPANY, on the 14th January, 1858, the number of Shares held by each, the amounts paid up, the amounts secured by Bonds, and the names of the Sureties respectively.

Stockholders.	Shares.	Paid.	Sureties.	Bonds.
Lanrence O'Brien	60	£300	James Furlong	£1200
James J. Grieve	40	200	James Cormack	800
Robert Prowse	60	300	H. K. Dickenson	1200
Henry K. Dickenson	60	300	Robert Prowse	1200
John Munn	40	200	William Donnelly	800
Kenneth McLea	15	75	William Donnelly	300
James S. Clift	30	150	William M. Barnes	600
James Furlong	59	295	L. O'Brien	1180
T. Harrison Ridley	20	100	John Munn	400
W. Henry Ridley	20	100	John Munn	400
William Donnelly	20	100	John Munn	400
John J. Roddick	20	100	John Munn	400
Peter G. Tessier	20	100	William H. Mare	400
William L. Solomon	20	100	Alexander Mitchell	400
John Barron	20	100	James W. Prowse	400
James J. Rogerson	10	50	William M. Barnes	200
Philip Duggan	20	100	Nicholas Cusack	400
William M. Barnes	20	100	James S. Clift	400
Patrick Tasker	30	150	David Steele	600
John Bond	20	100	James McLaughlan	400
David Steele	20	100	Patrick Tasker	400
Richard O'Dwyer	20	100	L. O'Brien	400
Nicholas Cusack	20	100	P. Duggan	400
James Cormack	20	100	James J. Grieve	400
Robert Pack	20	100	James J. Rogerson	400
James Crowdy	12	60	Joseph Crowdy	240
Joseph Crowdy	12	60	James Crowdy	240
Nicholas Mudge	10	50	John Bond	200
Alexander Mitchell	10	50	John Macgregor	200
John O'Mara	10	50	L. J. Geran	200
Laurence Maccassey	10	50	William Hogan	200
Edward White	10	50	Thomas B. Job.	200
William Hogan	10	50	Laurence Maccassey	200
W. W. LeMessurier	10	50	James B. Wood	200
W. H. Mare	10	50	P. G. Tessier	200
E. L. Jarvis	10	50	Robert Prowse	200
James McLaughlan	10	50	John Bond	200

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PARTICULAR STATEMENT.—Continued.

Stockholders.	Shares.	Paid.	Sureties.	Bonds.
William Parsons	10	£50	John Munn	£200
John H. Cozens	6	30	Henry Winton	120
Philip Hutchings	6	30	John Bowring	120
James Chalmers	6	30	John Macgregor	120
James Cullen	4	20	Richard O'Dwyer	80
Walter Dillon	2	10	Patrick Hearn	40
Henry Winton	2	10	J. H. Cozens	40
Thomas Avery	20	100	T. R. Smith	400
Charles Crowdy	10	50	Joseph Crowdy	200
Edward Bowring	10	50	James S. Clift	200
John Macgregor	15	75	James Chalmers	300
Lewis Tessier	10	50	W. H. Mare	200
John J. Geran	10	50	John O'Mara	200
Joseph Noad (in trust)	4	20	E. L. Jarvis	80
Nicholas Stabb	2	10	Ewen Stabb	40
Robert H. Prowse	18	90	H. K. Dickenson	360
James W. Prowse	17	85	H. K. Dickenson	340
Walter Grieve	20	100	James Cormack	400
	1000	£5000		£20000

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*REPORT of President of the English Ridge and Turk's Head Mining Companies,
9th October, 1857.*

*Office of the English Ridge and Turk's Head Mining Companies, }
St. John's, Newfoundland, October 9th, 1857. }*

To the Honorable
The Colonial Secretary,

SIR,—

For the information of His Excellency the Governor, and in accordance with the Act, I have the honor to submit the accompanying Balance Sheets of the English Ridge and Turk's Head Mining Companies, to 1st October, 1857.

Both of the above Mines are situate within 3 miles South of Brigus, Conception Bay.

English Ridge Mine has yielded about 14 tons of Grey Copper Ore, (21 cwt. to the ton,) of the value of £100 sterling, against an expenditure of £700 sterling. There is little or no Ore in view at this Mine at present, and we have suspended all operations there until May next.

Turk's Head Mine has yielded about 17 tons of Peacock and Horse Flesh Copper Ore, worth about £300 sterling, against an expenditure of £900 sterling; but from present appearances (the vein being from 3 to 10 inches wide, and having small particles of native silver amid the Copper occasionally,) we anticipate a more favorable result in future, and have made arrangements to work this Mine day and night during the ensuing winter.

So soon as we are in possession of account sales of such Ore as has been shipped to England, we shall submit them to His Excellency; and meanwhile, by permission, will continue to export any Ore which we may be enabled to raise from time to time, holding ourselves accountable to the Government for such Royalty as may be demanded thereon.

We would, however, respectfully submit that a Royalty of 5 per cent. on the *profits* of a Mine would, of itself, be a considerable tax on the industrial resources of this colony; but that should a Royalty of 5 or even 1 per cent. of *all mineral raised* be demanded (excepting, perhaps, on coal,) it would prove almost a prohibition to future investments in Newfoundland Mines, as in very many instances 1 per cent. of the Ore raised is the sum total of the profits of a Company.

Presuming, however, that it is neither the wish nor the intention of the Government of Newfoundland to demand any Royalty until, at all events, the yield of Ore is equivalent to the cost of raising it,

We have the honor to be, Sir,

With every respect, your obedient servants,

F. N. GISBORNE,

President Turk's Head Mining Company.

F. N. GISBORNE,

Vice-President English Ridge Mining Company.

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STATEMENT of Affairs of the ENGLISH RIDGE MINING COMPANY.

DR.

To Lease and Land Property being for cost of Grant of Land and Minerals,		
Licenses of search, Lease from Lush	£96	8 6
House building for assumed value of tilt at English Cove	10	0 0
House furniture, ditto	20	0 0
Tools and Utensils, their assumed value	25	0 0
Charges on trade, for printing, stationery, postage, telegrams, &c., &c.	54	15 2
Working charges for powder, fusee, iron, steel, travelling expenses, &c., &c., deterioration value tools	87	13 4
Labour, including Captain Mitchell's salary, and half expense passage Miners out	526	17 11
Expenses on Ore shipped, per <i>Siran</i> to Liverpool	8	14 6
Juice Ore per <i>Diana</i> , from Brigus	1	1 3
Deterioration in value of house furniture	5	0 6
Compensation to Lush in full, for damages	10	0 0
	£845	11 2
Balance in hands of C. F. Bennett & Co	234	8 10
	£1080	0 0

CR.

By first and second calls of Five Shillings Stg. each per share, on 1800 shares		
Premium 20 per cent.	Stg. £900	0 0
	180	0 0
	£1080	0 0

Shipment of Ore to England, per *Siran*, for Liverpool 49 brls., 200c., 2q., 26lbs., net.
To go

E. O. E.

St. John's, Newfoundland, 1st October, 1867.

CHARLES F. BENNETT,
Secretary.

F. N. GISBORNE
Vice President.

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STATEMENT of Affairs of the TURKS

DR.

To lease and land property for cost of grant, licenses of search and occupation of grant of Land	£96	5	5
Lease of Simms' house and land	94	0	0
New buidings, valuation of bridges and property there	50	0	0
Tools and Utensils at valuation.....	15	0	0
Charges on trade, for printing, stationery, telegrams, assays, postage, &c., 1856, travelling expenses and freights	54	10	4
Working charges, for fusee, powder, iron, steel, coal, &c., 1856	44	15	11
Ditto ditto ditto ditto 1857	61	15	4
Depreciation in value of new buildings, valued at £50 above	71	11	4
Labour expended at Mines and Works, 1856	194	15	8
Ditto ditto ditto 1857, including Capt. Mitchell's salary, half passage miners and laborers to 26th September	372	14	11
H. P. Gisborne, expenses in England	23	8	9
Petty Expenses	3	6	1
Charges on trade, 1857	21	10	1
Expenses shipment Ore, per <i>Aurora</i>	1	11	3
Ditto per <i>Siran</i>	1	2	8
Ditto <i>Diana</i>	1	1	3
	£1107	9	0
Balance in hands C. F. Bennett and Co.....	480	11	7
	£1594	0	7

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HEAD MINING COMPANY, 1856, 1857.

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By Twenty Shillings sterling per share, paid upon 600 shares in full	£600	0	0
Ten Shillings sterling, or first and second call on 1400 shares, 5s. stg. each call	700	0	0
	Stg. £1300	0	0
Premium 20 per cent.	260	0	0
	£1560	0	0
New proceeds of Ore, per <i>Snowdon</i> at Liverpool, by H. P. Gisborne	£34	0	7
	£1594	0	7

Shipment per *Aurora*, 12 brls., 42c. 0q. 0lbs.
 Ditto *Siran*, 4 " 13c. 3q. 2lbs.
 Now here to go, 70 " 243c. 2q. 24lbs.

E. O. E.

St. John's, Newfoundland, October 1st, 1857.

CHARLES F. BENNETT,

Secretary.

F. N. GISBORNE,

President.

SURVEYOR GENERAL'S Return of Grants Registered for the year ending 31st Dec., 1857.

No.	Names of Grantees.	Content.	Where Situate.	Date of Registry.	Cost of Grant.
1	Samuel Carson and A. Milroy	A. 27 0 0	North-side Bay Bulls Road	2nd Jan., 1857	£1 14 0
2	Mary Tobin	R. 44 0 15	Between Top-oil and Kelligrews	17th Feb., "	4 17 1
3	John McInce	P. 1 1 3	Cat's Cove, Conception Bay	" "	0 5 0
4	Thomas S. Kentes	P. 8 1 16	Little Placentia	1st May, "	1 10 0
5	William Cowan	P. 2 1 6	Lower Shoal Harbor	Feb. 4th, "	0 5 0
6	Ambrose Murphy	P. 0 3 25	Brigus, Conception Bay	April 9th, "	0 5 0
7	Moses Moore	P. 4 3 15	Heart's Content	" "	0 10 0
8	Rev. Patrick Cleary	P. 2 1 8	Bay Bulls Main Road	" 15th, "	0 5 0
9	John Nowlan	P. 5 3 2	Salmon Cove	" "	0 6 0
10	Hon. P. F. Little	P. 5 1 23	Near Waterford Bridge	May 4th, "	10 17 6
11	Edward St. John	P. 7 0 20	Galbay Road	" 8th, "	0 15 0
12	James E. Croucher	P. 0 3 31	LePerch Cove, Placentia Bay	" 10th, "	0 5 0
13	Richard Walsh and Isaac Collins	P. 3 3 25	Hatchaus Arm in Fortune Bay	" 11th, "	0 8 0
14	Patrick Ryan	P. 4 1 15	Great Placentia	" 21th, "	0 5 0
15	Edward Larkin	P. 14 3 15	Ditto	" "	0 15 0
16	Ann Larkin	P. 3 3 33	Ditto	" "	0 5 0
17	Rev. Jeremiah O'Neil	P. 3 3 11	Trepassey	" 25th, "	0 8 0
18	David Ryan	P. 10 1 16	Freshwater Road	June 5th, "	0 10 0
19	William Ryan	P. 12 0 20	Ditto	" "	0 12 0
20	Thomas Ryan	P. 11 3 0	Ditto	" "	0 12 0
21	Rev. Edward O'Keefe	P. 9 0 38	Brigus, Conception Bay	" 9th, "	0 9 0
22	Martin Ryan	P. 10 2 28	Freshwater Road	" "	0 10 0
23	Thomas Clark	P. 3 3 8	Heart's Desire, Trinity Bay	Aug. 9th, "	0 5 0
24	Patrick Murphy	P. 0 3 28	Trinity	" "	0 5 0
25	Rev. Patrick Cleary	P. 7 1 27	Bay Bulls	" 12th, "	0 10 0
26	Mary Jones	P. 0 0 2½	Harbor Grace	" 20th, "	0 5 0
27	Michael Jones	P. 0 0 2½	Ditto	" "	0 5 0
28	Patrick Keough	P. 35 0 0	Freshwater Road	Sept. 2nd, "	1 15 0
29	Robert Walsh and Denis Walsh	P. 6 1 37	South-side, St. John's	Oct. 16th, "	11 0 0

No.	Names of Grantees.	Content.	Where Situate.	Date of Registry.	Cost of Grant.
30	William Butler	10 3 1	Fox Trap, Conception Bay	May 20th, 1857.	£0 10 9
31	William Butler and James Butler	13 3 3	Middle Bight, ditto	21st, "	1 7 6
32	James Casey	6 3 8	Little Placentia	Oct. 17th, "	0 7 0
33	Joseph Butler and Charles Butler	13 1 38	Middle Bight, Conception Bay	May 22nd, "	1 7 6
34	Moses Tilley	10 0 0	Black Duck Cove, Trinity Bay	July 12th, "	1 1 8
35	John Tilley	422 0 0	Upper Shoal Harbor, Trinity Bay	" "	37 15 10
36	Mary Mitchell	0 0 6½	Harbor Grace	Aug. 1st, "	0 5 0
37	Edward Byrne	10 3 0	St. John's	July 12th, "	0 11 0
38	John McGee	1 2 0	Salmon Cove, Conception Bay	Sept. 6th, "	0 5 0
39	John Butler	0 1 89	Port-de-Grave	Oct. 10th, "	0 5 0
40	Thomas Beer	0 0 18½	Quidi Vidi	" 25th, "	0 5 0
41	Michael Ryan	6 1 4	St. Mary's	" 20th, "	0 6 0
42	Thomas Newman	19 0 35	Little St. Lawrence	" 25th, "	1 0 0
43	Ditto	2 1 23	Ditto	" 26th, "	0 5 0
44	Laurence Murphy	3 1 27	Barren Island, Placentia Bay	" "	0 5 0
45	William Abbot	1 2 24	Doting Cove, Greenbay	" 28th, "	0 5 0
46	William Sweetland	20 0 0	Bonavista	" "	1 0 0
47	John Hicks	1 1 36	Doting Cove, Greenbay	" 29th, "	0 5 0
48	Elizabeth Sweetland	3 3 5	Bonavista	" "	1 5 0
49	John Cluett	1 1 24	Bellorum, Fortune Bay	" "	0 5 0
50	Samuel Cluett	1 1 24	Ditto	Nov. 2nd, "	0 5 0
51	John Cluett, jr.	0 1 10	Ditto	" 3rd, "	0 5 0
52	Ditto	2 0 23	Ditto	" 7th, "	0 5 0
53	John Prowse	13 1 0	Bay Bulls Road	" "	1 8 0
54	Robert Churchill	4 1 9	Bay Roberts, Conception Bay	" "	0 5 0
55	John Hearn	28 1 3	Port-de-Grave, Conception Bay	" "	1 8 0
56	John Power	13 0 14	Salmon Cove, ditto	" 9th, "	0 14 0
57	Thomas Clift and James Gibson, Trustees of Margaret, wife of David Baird	16 0 36	Petty Harbor Road	" "	0 16 0
58	William Moor	13 0 0	Salmon Cove, Gaskers	" "	0 13 0
59	Henry Nicol	4 1 13	Grand Bank, Fortune Bay	" 11th, "	0 5 0
60	Ditto	5 1 10	Ditto	" "	0 15 0
61	Monier Hutchings	25 3 20	Topsail Road	" 12th, "	1 0 0
62	Samuel Allen	11 3 12	Goulds, Bay Bulls Road	" "	1 6 0
63	Richard Hatch	3 1 8	Red Head Cove	" 16th, "	0 5 0
64	James Murphy	30 0 0	New Perlican, Trinity Bay	" "	1 10 0
65	Thomas Merchant	4 0 12		" 17th, "	0 5 0

SURVEYOR GENERAL'S Return of Grants Registered for the year ending 31st Dec., 1857.—Continued.

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Names of Grantees.	Contents.	Where Situate.	Date of Registry.	Cost of Grant.
66 Levi Butt	8 0 0	Carbonear	Nov. 18th, 1857.	£0 8 0
67 William Swansborough	0 1 29	New Perlican, Trinity Bay	" 19th, "	0 5 0
68 John Combs	3 2 6	Hearts Content	" 20th, "	0 5 0
69 Mary Marshall	1 1 27	Carbonear	" 20th, "	0 5 0
70 Thomas Talbot and Mary Talbot	2 3 16	Ditto	" 20th, "	0 5 0
71 Joseph Calpen	0 0 37	Bay Roberts, Conception Bay	" 21st, "	0 5 0
72 John Murphy	18 3 18	Chapels Cove, ditto		0 5 0
73 John Farmer	10 1 13	Topsail		1 0 0
				£103 15 5

EDMUND HANRAHAN,

Surveyor General.

Surveyor General's Office,
31st December, 1858.

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A RETURN shewing the amount of 10 per cent. Duties collected under the St. John's Street Act.

Year	1847	.....	.....	.....	.....	£4012	11	4
	1848	.....	.....	.....	.....	3548	7	8
	1849	.....	.....	£3158	5	6		
	"			891	14	11			
	1850	.....	.....			4050	0	5
	1851	.....	.....			5184	13	2
	1852	.....	.....			6847	10	8
	1853	.....	.....			5010	16	3
	1853	.....	.....			5672	16	5
	1854	.....	.....			5416	13	8
	1855	.....	.....			5961	10	4
	1856	.....	.....			7161	14	4
	1857	.....	.....			9578	8	10
						£61,890		3	1

THOMAS GLEN,

Receiver General.

CUSTOM HOUSE,
St. John's, Newfoundland,
19th March, 1858.

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A RETURN of Fees received by the Registrar of Deeds, in the Central District, from the year 1848 to the 31st December, 1857.

Year.					
1849—	To 30th June	.....	.....	£49 16 3	
	31st December	.....	.....	43 3 11	
				<hr/>	£93 0 2
1850—	30th June	.....	.....	55 15 0	
	31st December	.....	.....	38 12 6	
				<hr/>	94 7 6
1851—	30th June	.....	.....	32 1 3	
	31st December	.....	.....	64 12 9	
				<hr/>	96 14 0
1852—	30th June	.....	.....	114 14 3	
	31st December	.....	.....	57 19 6	
				<hr/>	172 13 9
1853—	30th June	.....	.....	59 18 6	
	31st December	.....	.....	87 5 9	
				<hr/>	147 4 3
1854—	30th June	.....	.....	44 6 0	
	31st December	.....	.....	73 8 6	
				<hr/>	117 14 6
1855—	30th June	.....	.....	57 17 6	
	31st December	.....	.....	41 11 0	
				<hr/>	99 8 6
1856—	30th June	.....	.....	30 2 6	
	31st December	.....	.....	38 8 0	
				<hr/>	68 10 6
1857—	30th June	.....	.....	53 0 0	
	31st December, already received	£29 7 6			
	Still due, say	15 0 0			
		<hr/>	<hr/>	44 7 6	
				<hr/>	97 7 6
				<hr/>	<hr/>
				Total.....	£987 0 8

CHARLES SIMMS,

Registrar of Deeds.

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LETTER from the Speaker of Assembly, Melbourne, 18th June, 1857.

*Melbourne, Victoria, Australia,
Legislative Assembly,
June 18th, 1857.*

Sir,—

In conformity with a Resolution of the Legislative Assembly of Victoria, passed during the present Session, I do myself the honor of communicating with you, in the name of the Assembly, on the subject of an annual exchange of the Parliamentary Papers of our respective Legislatures.

We are anxious to obtain a full and perfect set of the Parliamentary Papers of the Legislature of Newfoundland, from as early a period as possible, for our Parliament Library; and I have to beg the favor of your assistance in procuring for us, through your influence, as perfect a set of them as can be now obtained, including Statutes, Journals, Votes and Proceedings, Proclamations, and any other Papers of a like kind which you may consider valuable,

We have no Papers, whatever, relating to the Legislature of Newfoundland, and I should, therefore, feel most particularly obliged for as perfect a set as you can procure for us; and, should you wish it, I shall be most happy to supply you with a Copy of all our past Legislative Papers and Proceedings, as well as of all our future Papers.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

JAMES MURPHY.

Speaker.

The Honorable
The Speaker of Legislative Assembly
of Newfoundland,
St. John's, Newfoundland.

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LETTER of Mr. JAMES HOGAN, in reference to a Survey of this Colony.

TERRA-NOVA HOTEL,
St. John's, 9th April, 1858. }

SIR,—

I beg respectfully to request that you would inform me what description of Survey the Government intend having taken, as I will make application for the appointment to take charge of the corps despatched on that expedition.

Amongst the many subjects introduced by the present Government, I look on none of greater importance to the future advancement of this country, than having a good Geographical Survey taken of its yet unexplored immense interior. Perhaps there is no other country in the world, inhabited by the same amount of population, possessing less knowledge of the topography in their immediate neighborhood, which, to a certain extent is caused by their occupation in the fisheries, confining them to the shores of the Island.

So it would still remain, had not the present Government wisely taken up the subject, and it is hoped they will adopt the means of furnishing the ground-work, and I trust perfecting the plan, of having an efficient practical Survey and Exploration taken of this old and valuable colony.

I think that such a system of main lines of Survey, with definitions attached to each, should be made on the outset, as will form a starting point for future continuations of Survey, and contraction of lines. By adopting one main line *true East and West*, and the other main line *true North and South*, in such place as may be decided on; from those right angles Surveys may be continued on greater or less parallels, according to the wish or instructions of the Government.

The Survey may be followed up during the working season, plans of localities, set in their proper places or maps, constructed so as to embrace the whole Island, on a small scale; and on maps or plans of particular districts, townships, counties, sections (or whatever other local name may be chosen) on a larger scale, which the Government will have at its disposal in the proper office.

In commencing the Survey, I would consider it imperatively necessary to lay the base lines as already named; details cannot otherwise be carried out correctly, and whatever is done is finished; partial Surveys will be "a mighty maze without a plan," and will have to be set aside at some future time as useless; and a system like the present proposed one adopted.

The Government, no doubt, would be anxious to have all the Scientific knowledge that possibly can be obtained in connection with this Survey, and particularly with regard to the capabilities of the soil for agricultural purposes.

I would, therefore, recommend for the purpose of carrying out those particular views of the Government, that the meridional base line should be established on an even degree of longitude, which will be distant from the eastern sea-board of the inhabited portion of the country not more than twenty miles; as should tracts of arable land be found within

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these limits, full surveys and all necessary information could be supplied the Government, for the purpose of encouraging emigration for the settlement of such districts.

My object in hinting that distance is, that facilities of communication could be established with the sea-board, almost immediately, by the opening of our main line of road from such newly discovered district to the nearest port, of which there are many in our numerous bays.

Taking the intended local Steam Communication in connection with it, grand results must certainly flow from this wise course of proceeding, in a variety of ways; a healthy increase of population, a home supply of the necessaries of life, which will, as a matter of course, be succeeded by manufactures, added to which will be the great advance in the value of property, particularly on the sites of those new towns which must grow up in the vicinity of an agricultural district.

These great results would almost appear fabulous to the uninitiated; and yet they have been occurring in our neighbourhood for the last forty years; where villages, towns, cities, and states have sprung up as if by magic in the wilderness; that has been even in our time trodden only by the beasts of the forest, and the native Indian.

The only encouragement given by those Governments, was grants of land to actual settlers at a fixed low valuation in fee-simple, the funds derived therefrom having paid the expenses of survey and land office, and still contribute large sums towards their revenue.

I have myself had practical experience of the great difficulties the early emigrants had to encounter in the Western country; not the least of which was, after immense toil in getting a farm under cultivation, and having a good crop, the want of a market within their reach for the disposal of their produce; and have seen farmers on poor tracts of land, thrive and make money where convenient to a market. This is a strong reason with me, why the nearest possible points to the existing towns and settlements, on the sea-board of the eastern shores of this Island, should be first explored, which can be done in connection with the general Survey.

I would advise a Geographical Survey as the best, and in fact the only one that should be taken under present circumstances, the necessity of a strictly correct set of observations, for the fixing of those base lines in their described positions should be accurately determined by the most approved modern instruments, as all other Surveys will be measured from them.

In naming *true* fixed lines I apprehend this country would from that fact, at some future time, contribute her quota or share, in establishing those lines of magnetic variation, which take place on various parts of the Globe, and is at present engaging the attention of a large portion of the scientific world. To effect that object, celestial observations will have to be taken from time to time, to establish positions, and also to prove the surveying instruments, thereby preventing the dangerous effects of local attraction, that not unfrequently lead to dangerous errors in mere land surveying. These lines when finally established should have permanent land marks, descriptive of their positions, and placed at such distances as Government may direct.

When I advise a *Geographical* Survey, I mean the word in its fullest sense, far as possible; it will embrace a partial description of the Geographical and Mineralogical phases

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of the country explored, and collect such specimens as may be found interesting or useful, their positions and locality noted down in the Superintendent's diary, the general face of the country, marking its hills, its vallies, and bottem lands, their extent, the quality of the soil, and description of timbered regions, its lakes, rivers, and mountains, shewing the size, direction and elevation of them, in fact a Geognostic character should pervade the whole work.

The most interesting portion of the time of the person placed at the head of this Survey (as a relief from the attendant toils inseparable from it) will be engaged in observing the natural history and physiology of those new and untravelled parts of creation, and it is possible that a rich field may be gleaned from the observations and collections of an acute naturalist.

It would be most desirable that, in addition to the multifarious duties devolving on the chief of the corps, every means should be at his disposal for ascertaining the Barometrical and Thermometrical changes of the atmosphere, as important results may flow to science from a continuation and record of them.

A variety of other duties would present themselves connected with the physical character of the explored region.

But, Sir, I fear I have trespassed too long on your time, and merely throw out these hints on the subject of Survey, believing that the Government have not yet decided how it would be carried out, and that I would be only doing my duty as a good citizen to impart some information thereon, having acquired no little experience in matters pertaining thereto, in the four quarters of the globe.

Anything I can do towards forwarding the above-named object is entirely at the service of the Government; should they desire an interview with me, I will feel honored in attending.

I remain, Sir,

Respectfully, your obedient servant,

JAMES HOGAN.

Ambrose Shea, Esq.,
Speaker House of Assembly.

Application from J. B. MORRIS, in relation to Survey of this Island.

*St. John's, Newfoundland,
April 21st, 1858.*

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY,—

Having understood that it was the intention of the Government to institute an Exploration and Survey of this Island, I beg respectfully to lay before you the following proposal.

For the sum of £1000 stg. I am willing to set out from the head of Placentia Bay, from Smith's Sound, from Clode Sound, or from any other place upon that coast, which

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may be decided upon, and to proceed to George's Bay on the Western Coast, across that totally unknown region which extends to the north of Mr. Cormack's track ; from George's Bay to Hall's Bay, or Exploits Bay, on the Eastern Coast, and thence (after having explored the Northwest portion of the Island as far as Pistolet Bay) in a Southerly direction to the Bay of Despair. I will engage during this journey to ascertain as nearly as possible, the general character of the country, the nature of the soil, its timber, and its minerals, and to make as complete a survey, by measurement, triangulation, and the use of the mountain barometer, as circumstances may permit. All interesting facts, with reference to natural history, I shall also faithfully record.

Your Excellency is aware that the Engineers of the Telegraph Company executed a careful survey of their line from Cape Ray to Brigus. That portion of it lying between Hare Bay and Brigus, was performed by me. It will at once occur to any person experienced in matters of this nature, that a survey of the country to the north of Cormack's route, taken in connexion with, and checked by the surveys of Cormack and the Telegraph Company, as well as by the coast survey, would give a correct picture of all that tract situated to the South of a line drawn from George's Bay to Smith's Sound. Cormack's Northern Route might be availed of in a similar manner. The journal which I kept upon the former occasion referred to, will be placed at the disposal of Your Excellency's Government. My surveying books and maps were given up to the Company, but could, I suppose, be obtained.

I lay this proposal before Your Excellency with a full knowledge of the many and serious difficulties which (as experience has taught me) will interfere with the completion of this much to be desired undertaking, but I can convince Your Excellency, that I have accomplished similar work, both here and elsewhere, to the satisfaction of my employers, and hope to be able to do so again.

In conclusion, I beg to remark that the sum of £1000 stg. will hardly cover the necessary expenses of the Survey I have herein detailed.

I have the honor to be,

Your Excellency's most obedient servant,

J. B. MORRIS, C. E.

His Excellency

Sir ALEXANDER BANNERMAN, Kt.

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MESSAGE from His Excellency the Governor, transmitting Copy of Letter per Mail from F. N. GISBORNE, ESQ., offering to undertake the exploration of Newfoundland for the sum of £1,250 Sterling

A. BANNERMAN, Governor.

The Governor herewith transmits to the House of Assembly a communication which he received by Mail from F. N. GISBORNE, Esquire, on the subject of the Exploration of the Island of Newfoundland, and that gentleman requests that his proposal should be laid before the Members of the Council and both branches of the Legislature.

Government House, 7th April, 1858.

Bowdon, Cheshire, March 11th, 1858.

Sir A. Bannerman, Governor of Newfoundland.

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY,—

Having observed that at the opening of the present Session of the Colonial Legislature, you made reference to an Exploration of Newfoundland, I respectfully submit the following proposition to the consideration of the Honorable the Members of your Council, and the Legislature.

That for the sum of £1,250, I am willing to undertake the exploration of the interior of Newfoundland, commencing from Hare Bay at the North Eastern extremity, South Westerly to White Bay, thence Southerly to Indian Pond, and thence either South to Bay Despair or East to Gander Bay Pond and North Coast. Such exploration to comprise a true and faithful report of Timber, Mineralogy, and general appearance of the interior, and to be accompanied by a Map showing the surface of the country in so far as it is possible to plot one during the expedition.

It being understood that said £1,250 shall include all expenses incurred on such mission, and that each member of the Government and Legislature shall be entitled to a copy of my large map of Newfoundland, a work upon which I have been engaged for some months past. I may here observe, that it has been my endeavor to produce a true and reliable Map of Newfoundland, it being a much-to-be-lamented fact, that up to this date no such work has been published. The expense of lithographing said Map is £200 Sterling, so that for the actual service of exploration, and many attendant outlays, I should in reality receive but little over £1,000, a sum totally inadequate for such service, if it had not been within my power to make other duties and arrangements subservient to the exploration.

If my proposition meets with favor and attention, I should be prepared to commence operations during May next, and to submit my report, &c., before the close of the present year.

It may not be uninteresting to observe, that I shall be enabled to bring capital to bear upon any discovery of timber and minerals, that I shall be assisted by the service of a person conversant with the Assay of Minerals, and that this may probably be the last season I can tender my services to the Colony in such manner.

I have, &c.,

(Signed,)

FREDERICK NEWTON GISBORNE.

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COPY OF CONTRACT of the North Atlantic Royal Mail Steam Navigation Company with the Government of Newfoundland to run Steamers between Liverpool and Newfoundland, and Newfoundland and the United States.

ARTICLES of AGREEMENT, made this Fifteenth day of April Anno Domini One Thousand Eight Hundred and Fifty-eight, between the North Atlantic Royal Mail Steam Navigation Company, hereinafter designated, the Contractors of the one part and the Hon. John Kent, Her Majesty's Colonial Secretary for the Island of Newfoundland, for and on behalf of Her Majesty, Her Heirs and Successors, of the other part, as follows : —

1. In consideration of the payment hereinafter stipulated to be made to the Contractors, the Contractors hereby covenant, promise, and agree to and with the said John Kent, that they shall and will during the continuance of this Contract, diligently, faithfully, and to the satisfaction of the Governor and Executive Council of Newfoundland, for the time being, and with all possible speed convey Her Majesty's Mails (in which designation all Despatches and Bags of Letters are agreed to be comprehended) which shall at any time or times and from time to time by the said Governor and Council or Her Majesty's Postmaster General be required to be conveyed as hereinafter stated, between Liverpool (England) and St. John's, Newfoundland, and between Newfoundland and Portland, Boston, or New York, in a sufficient number of suitable, first-class, good, substantial and efficient Screw Steam vessels, and the first of which Steam vessels shall be the "Robert Lowe," or other suitable Steamer of twelve hundred and twenty eight tons register, and one hundred and eighty horse power, admiralty, and three hundred and fifty indicated horse power, the length two hundred and fifty three feet over all; breadth, thirty five feet and an half foot; depth, eighteen feet seven inches; and will steam and sail from seven to fifteen knots per hour; the "Tynemouth" of thirteen hundred and sixty four tons register, one hundred and eighty horse power, admiralty; length, two hundred and fifty feet over all, breadth, thirty three feet, and an half foot; depth eighteen feet and six inches,—the "Clarendon," eleven hundred tons register, and one hundred and forty horse power, admiralty; length, two hundred and fifteen feet over all; thirty feet and an half foot breadth, and twenty feet three inches deep. The two latter steam vessels are also three hundred and fifty indicated horse power, and will steam and sail about the same as the "Robert Lowe;" or a sufficient number of other suitable, good, and substantial steam vessels; each or any vessels to be engaged under this Contract being of not less register tonnage than the said specified vessels, and being supplied and furnished with a screw propeller, and with first class engines of not less than one hundred and eighty horse power, admiralty, and three hundred and fifty effective horse power; and any vessels employed under this contract must be capable of performing the voyage from Liverpool to St. John's in twelve days.

2. That the Contractors shall and will, at all times, at their own, cost, provide and keep sea-worthy and in complete repair, from about the twentieth day of July next, and during

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the continuance of this contract, a sufficient number of such steam vessels of the size and power aforesaid, and adequately provide and furnish all and every of the said vessels while employed in the performance of this contract with all necessary and proper tackle, stores, oil, tallow, fuel, provisions, machinery, engines, anchors, sails, cordage, fire hearths, masts, yards, cables, a sufficient number of efficient boats, fire-pumps, and all other proper and requisite means of extinguishing fire, lightning conductors, charts, chronometers, proper nautical instruments, and all other furniture and apparel, and whatsoever else may be requisite and necessary for equipping the said vessels, and rendering them constantly efficient for the said service, in conformity with the regulations of the Board of Trade made and provided for the government of steam vessels.

3. - That one of such steam vessels, equipped and manned as aforesaid, shall leave Liverpool for St. John's, Newfoundland, and St. John's for Portland, Boston, or New York, and one other of such steam vessels shall leave Portland, Boston, or New York for St. John's, and St. John's for Liverpool, with Her Majesty's Mails on board, to and from Newfoundland and Liverpool, at least once in each fourth week in the year, commencing about the twentieth day of July next, on such days as shall be agreed upon between the Contractors and the Postmaster-General, or his Officers, or the Governor of Newfoundland, during each and every fourth week for the first year, from the commencement of the service about the said twentieth day of July next, except in the month of August following, when there shall be two trips each way in the said month, and one such vessel shall leave Liverpool, and another Portland, Boston, or New York for Saint John's, Portland, Boston, or New York and Liverpool, respectively, not less than once in every fourth week in each succeeding year, and in every year during the continuance of this Contract, with two additional voyages each way during the months of August, in the year One Thousand Eight Hundred and Fifty-nine, and April in the year One Thousand Eight Hundred and Sixty, and three additional voyages in each of the three following years, from the month of July in the year One Thousand Eight Hundred and Sixty, inclusive, during the months of July, August, and April in each of the said years; the said vessels performing at least fourteen voyages each way, outward and homeward, in the first year from July next inclusive; fifteen voyages each way, in the second year, and sixteen voyages each way in each of the three following years: and shall on each voyage outward and homeward proceed to Saint John's (with permission to touch at a Port in Ireland and Halifax, Nova Scotia, as hereinafter stated) and deliver the said Mails at the Post Office to the Postmasters or other Persons duly appointed to receive the same, and remain there a reasonable time for the receipt of mails.

4. That such vessels, after remaining a reasonable time at St. John's, shall depart thence for Liverpool or Portland, Boston or New York, respectively, to complete the voyage (having permission to touch at Ireland as hereinafter mentioned) with Her Majesty's Mails on board, and there deliver the same to the Postmasters or other persons duly appointed to receive them. The Governor of Newfoundland to have the right to order any such vessel, by a notice to the Agent of the Company, on her arrival, to remain in the Port of St. John's aforesaid for six hours on any voyage, for the receipt or conveyance of Mails or Government Despatches.

5. That such vessels shall have liberty to touch, on their voyages to and from St. John's, at such one Port in Ireland and Nova Scotia as shall be selected by the Contractor, but that the said vessels shall not at any time remain longer than twenty-four hours at

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any such Port, and that the Contractors shall and will carry and convey in such vessels all such mails to and from such Ports in Ireland, and Nova Scotia, to and from Newfoundland, and such Ports as may be required from time to time, or shall be put on board by proper Post Office Authorities.

6.—That any vessel which may be employed in the performance of this Contract, shall at all times, unless prevented by storm, tempest, or some other unavoidable casualty, be ready to receive the mails at all the respective Ports or Places as hereinbefore mentioned, or hereafter to be defined as hereinbefore mentioned.

7.—That if at any time or times it shall happen that the Port of St. John's, Newfoundland, shall be found inaccessible on account of ice, then in such case Her Majesty's Mails shall, by and at the expense of the government, be landed and received from on board at such port on the Southwest Coast of the said Island as may be accessible, and shall also at their expense be by them conveyed to St. John's by land.

8.—That a time-bill shall be kept by the Commander of every vessel employed for the time being in performance of the said service, in such form as the said Governor and Council of Newfoundland shall at any time or from time to time direct, and that there shall be accurately noted by such Commander, on such bill, the time of every arrival and departure of the vessel, and the same shall be signed by the said Commander, and one copy thereof shall be transmitted to the Secretary of the General Post Office, London, and another to the Colonial Secretary of the Government of Newfoundland, by the first post after each return of each of the said vessels to Portland, Boston, or New York and Liverpool. During the continuance of this Contract the charge and custody of Her Majesty's Mails shall be committed to the Commander or Commanders of all or any of the vessels to be employed in the performance of this Contract, and such Commander or Commanders shall, without any additional charge, take due care thereof, and be responsible for the same, and shall make the usual declarations required, or which may hereafter, from time to time or at any time, be required by Her Majesty's Postmaster General in such or similar cases; and such Commander or Commanders, having the charge of such mails, shall, immediately on the arrival at any of the said ports and places of any vessel so conveying the said Mails, himself deliver or cause to be delivered by an officer of the ship, Her Majesty's Mails into the hands of the Postmaster of the port or place where such Mails are to be delivered, or into the hands of such other person as the said Postmaster General shall direct and authorise to receive the same a receipt in such case being always by such Commander or Commanders given and taken for the said mails.

9.—That if any vessel having Her Majesty's Mails on board shall delay starting from Liverpool, Portland, Boston or New York, or such Port of Call as may be determined on in Ireland or Nova Scotia respectively, or when put back into port after starting, shall not proceed on her voyage twelve hours after the proper and appointed time, weather permitting, then in each and every such case the Contractors shall and will pay unto Her Majesty, Her Heirs and Successors, the sum of twelve pounds, also the further sum of twenty pounds for every successive period of twelve hours which shall elapse until such vessel shall proceed on her voyage in the performance of this contract unless prevented by stress of weather; Provided always, that the amounts of penalty under this clause shall not exceed the sum of fifty pounds on any one voyage.

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10.—That every vessel employed in the performance of this Contract, shall, as soon as the said mails are on board, proceed without delay to sea, weather permitting, and shall not touch at any intermediate Port between Liverpool, St. John's and Portland, Boston or New York, excepting one of the ports of Ireland and Nova Scotia as before mentioned, unless compelled to do so by stress of weather or other unavoidable circumstance, without the express authority in writing of the Governor of Newfoundland, or the authorised Agent or Officer of the Government, and that Her Majesty's Mails shall be delivered on their arrival at the said respective ports without loss of time.

11.—That the vessels hereinbefore mentioned, and such others as may be employed by the Contractors for the service hereby agreed by them to be performed, while so employed, and any other of their vessels touching at St. John's on their voyage to any port in North America, shall be exempt from the operation of the Passenger Act, as fully and to all intents and purposes as any other Mail Contract Steamers.

12.—That all and every the sums of money hereby stipulated to be paid by the Contractors unto Her Majesty, Her Heirs and Successors, shall be considered as stipulated or ascertained damages, and should the same or any of them become payable and not be discharged forthwith, on the application of the said Governor and Council, or their Agents, each and every of such sums of money may be deducted and retained by the said Governor out of the monies payable to the Contractors, their executors or administrators, under this Contract or any other Contract, or the payment thereof enforced with full costs of suit at the discretion of the said Governor and Council.

13.—And the said Colonial Secretary, in consideration of the premises, and of the Contractors and their Officers, Servants and Agents, at all time during the continuance of this Contract strictly and punctually performing the services hereinbefore contracted to be performed, and the covenants and agreements hereby entered into by them, the Contractors, doth, for and on behalf of Her Majesty, Her Heirs and Successors, agree with the Contractors that the Receiver General of Newfoundland, on behalf of Her Majesty, will pay or cause to be paid to the Contractors by good Bills of Exchange on London, at sixty days' sight, payable at par in London, a sum after the rate of Ten Thousand Pounds sterling money of Great Britain per annum, £7000 whereof is to be contributed by the Colony and £3000 by the British Treasury, according to the Treasury minute dated 12th July, 1857, for the whole of the services hereby contracted to be performed, by quarterly payments, and with a proportionate part of the said sum should this contract terminate on any other day than a day of quarterly payment, the first quarterly payment to become due at the termination of three calendar months from the commencement of the said service: Provided always that the said Government of Newfoundland shall also, from time to time, and at all times, remit all Port Dues on the Steamers of the said Company calling at St. John's, including Pilotage thereon, and to pay to such person in St. John's as shall agree to provide suitable wharfage for the said Company's Steamers, on the North-side of the Harbor of St. John's, the sum of Two Hundred and Fifty Pounds Sterling, yearly, payable quarterly during the said period of Five Years, and which shall be in lieu of wharfage on goods landed from or taken on board said vessels there.

14.—That the service under this Contract shall commence as well as the stipend aforesaid, about the Twentieth day of July next, or at such date before then as the Contractors shall commence the same, which date they shall specify in a month's notice to be given by them to

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the Postmaster General, or the Governor of Newfoundland, in the mean time, expressing their readiness to commence the service at such specified time, and shall continue for Three or Five Years from the day on which the service shall be commenced, to be determined by either party on twelve months' notice at the former period of Three Years.

15.—And it is also agreed that the notices or directions which the Governor of Newfoundland, or the Colonial Secretary, Officers or other persons, are hereby authorised and empowered to give to the Contractors, their officers, servants, or agents, may, at the option of the Governor or the Colonial Secretary, officers, agents, or other persons, be either delivered to the master or commander or other officer, agent, or servant of the contractors, in the charge or management of any vessel to be, or while employed in the performance of this contract, or be left at the last known place of business or abode at St. John's, Portland, Boston, New York, or in England, of the Contractors, or be left for the Contractors with their agent Mr. A. M. WIER, at Number 15, in Brunswick Street in Liverpool, England; or with any other agent in London, of whom notice shall be given by the Contractors to the said Governor, and any notices or directions so given or left, shall be as binding on the Contractors as if duly served upon or left with him or them.

16.—And it is further covenanted and agreed by and between the said parties hereto, that the rates of passage, provision and fare to be paid by third class passengers from England to Newfoundland, shall be 15 per cent. less than the Company shall charge for such Passengers to Portland, and that other rates of passage and freight shall be duly notified to the Governor of the said Island by the Company.

17.—That the said Government of Newfoundland (without binding itself legally to increase the subsidy) shall, nevertheless, be considered as bound to use their influence to obtain an additional subsidy, so soon as the Contract for the existing intercolonial service expires.

18.—And it is also agreed that if any additional Steamers besides those required for the foregoing service, shall be placed on the line from Liverpool to St. John's, they may proceed thence to any other port in North America than those specified.

19.—Unless this Contract and every matter and thing herein contained, shall be confirmed and ratified by Mr. William S. Lindsay, a party to this contract, by the First Day of June next ensuing, the same, and everything herein contained, shall be then null and void.

20.—And it is understood between the said parties hereto, that the Imperial Government shall approve of this contract.

21.—And lastly, for the due and faithful performance of all and singular the covenants, conditions, provisions, clauses, articles and agreements hereinbefore contained, which, on the part and on behalf of the Contractors, are or ought to be observed, performed, fulfilled, or kept, the said North Atlantic Steam Navigation Company do hereby bind themselves and each other unto Our Sovereign Lady the Queen in the sum of Two Thousand Five Hundred Pounds of lawful British Money, to be paid to Our said Lady the Queen, Her Heirs and Successors, by way of stipulated or ascertained damages agreed upon by the said John Kent and the said North Atlantic Steam Navigation Company, (over and above any other sum or sums, if any, which may be payable) in case of the failure of the said North Atlantic Steam Navigation Company, in the due execution of this Contract or in any part

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thereof: Provided further, that the Governor of Newfoundland shall have the right to determine this Contract, on Six Months' notice, for any breach of this Contract on the part of the Contractors. And the Contractors shall also have the right to determine this Contract upon giving Twelve Months' notice to the Government of Newfoundland, to expire on any Thirty-first day of December in any year within the period aforesaid, whether any breach shall have been committed or not; but any such determination shall not otherwise affect the rights of the respective parties thereunder nor thereto in any way.

In Witness whereof the said parties to these presents have herewith set their Hands and Seals, on the Day and Year Ors, within written, at St. John's, Newfoundland.

For the Government of Newfoundland,

(Signed,)

JOHN KENT, Colonial Secretary. (L. S.)

(Signed,)

A. M. WIER. (L. S.)
for self, W. S. LINDSAY, and others
of the North Atlantic Company.

Signed, Sealed, and Delivered in the presence of

(Signed,) JOSEPH J. LITTLE.

LETTER from David Steele, Esq., to the Attorney General, offering to run a Steamer to Twillingate and other intermediate Ports on account of the Government, for £1,100 Stg. per annum, and Attorney General's answer.

COPY.)

St. John's, 8th April, 1858.

SIR,—

Understanding that the local Government are desirous of providing Steam Communication between St. John's and Twillingate, touching at four or five intermediate Ports, I beg to offer to run a suitable Steamer of about 120 tons burthen and 80 horse-power, monthly, from April to December, say ten trips yearly, from St. John's to Twillingate, touching at the four or five intermediate Ports to be specified, going and returning, for the free conveyance of the Mails, and Circuit Judges and Officers, and the accommodation of Passengers and Freight,

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for the sum of £1,100 Stg. per year, payable quarterly; the Steamer shall be provided with suitable accommodation for passengers and freight, and the term of the contract to be three or five years, to be determined at either period by either party on six months' notice.

In making this offer, I wish it to be taken conditionally until the 30th June next, when I expect to receive an answer from Scotland, where I hope to procure a Steamer for the service; the Steamer to be placed on the route by the 15th August next, if practicable.

An early reply will oblige,

Yours truly,

(Signed,)

DAVID STEELE.

The Hon. The ATTORNEY GENERAL,
&c., &c., &c.

(COPY.)

St. John's, 10th April, 1858.

SIR,—

I am directed by His Excellency the Governor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 8th inst., offering for £1,100 Stg. a year, three or five years, to run a suitable Steamer of 80 horse-power and 120 tons burthen, ten trips yearly from St. John's to Twillingate, touching at five intermediate Ports to be specified, going and returning, for the conveyance of the Mails and the Circuit Judges and Officers, and the general accommodation of Freight and Passengers; and I am to state in reply the terms on which you offer to perform the service appears to be reasonable and meet the views of the Executive.

You will clearly understand that, unless you satisfy the Government by the 30th June next, you are then in a position to enter into a Contract to commence the service on the 15th August following, your offer will be considered null.

The ten trips to be performed between the 1st May and 1st December inclusive, being something more than a monthly service, it will be necessary to insure regularity that the Executive shall specify the days of sailing, the time the Steamer will remain at each Port, particularly for the accommodation of the Circuit Court. These however and other details, as to the penalty for any breach, the rate of freight and passage, will be easily arranged at the proper time.

I have, &c.,

(Signed,)

P. F. LITTLE.

DAVID STEELE, Esq.,
Merchant, St. John's.

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*REPORT of the Cashier of the NEWFOUNDLAND SAVINGS' BANK, for year ending
31st December, 1857.*

The Institution has continued its successful progress during the year now closed, and, notwithstanding the check given to business by the disturbance of trade, the profits have been larger than in any previous year.

The Deposits on the 1st of January were £109,085 0 3, since when £41,086 17 6 was deposited, and £30,663 16 5 withdrawn; shewing an increase of £10,423 1 1, and making the gross deposits on the 31st December, £119,508 1 4, in which is included £3353 10 4 added to depositors accounts for interest.

The amount of interest received on Debentures, together with discount on Bills and Notes, amounted to £6722 19 10, of which £3353 10 4 was passed to depositors accounts, and £2740 10 10 carried to the account of accumulated profit.

The profit of the Bank to the last December, 1856, was £14,356 8 5, to which is to be added the net profit of this year, namely £2740 10 10, bringing the total profit to the 31st December, 1857, to £17,096 19 3

Synopsis of Deposit Accounts.

225 accounts under £20,	average £9 2 1	.....	£2047 18 8
182 " from 20 to £40	28 14 9	.....	5229 19 9
68 " from 40 to 50	48 0 0	.....	3264 15 9
305 " from 50 to 100	70 1 0	.....	21363 14 2
290 " from 100 to 200	132 16 10	.....	38524 15 6
88 " from 200 to 300	237 9 2	.....	20896 12 4
16 " from 300 to 400	354 10 7	5672 9 6
12 " from 400 to 500	470 15 6	5649 5 8
21 " from 500 upwards	802 15 8	16858 10 0
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The ASSETS on the 31st December were as follows :

Bills and Notes under discount	£51996 12 9
Secured by Mortgages ... ..	.....	.....	.....	4012 16 6
Over due on personal security .....	.....	.....	.....	41 13 11
Government Securities....	56436 4 6
Late Patrick Morris's account	4148 15 10
Cash	20668 2 0
				£136,704 5 6

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Due to Depositors	119508 1 4
To the credit of Disbursement reserve fund	99 4 11
Accumulated profit .....	.....	.....	.....	17096 19 3
				£136,704 5 6

The Statement from the Harbor Grace Branch shews ;

65 Depositors, amount .....	.....	.....	.....	£2512 4 0
				£2512 4 0

Thus accounted for :—

To the credit of the Branch at St. John's ....	.....	.....	.....	£2302 7 1
In the hands of the Cashier at Harbor Grace .....	.....	.....	.....	209 16 11
				£2512 4 0

Respectfully submitted by

EDWARD MORRIS,

Cashier Savings' Bank.

Certified by

A. SHEA,
 JAMES J. ROGERSON, } *Directors.*
 P. F. LITTLE.

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EVIDENCE taken before the Select Committee appointed to inquire into the Petition of the Fishermen, Shoremen, and others, inhabitants of St. John's on the propriety of establishing an Asylum for destitute Fishermen.

Committee-Room, }
6th March, 1858. }

The Committee met at 11 o'clock.

PRESENT :

Mr. PARSONS,
" MORRIS,
" KAVANAGH,
" CASEY.

Captain WILLIAM COADY, examined.

I am in favor of the Institution of a Fisherman's Home as far as the Servants in the Fisheries are concerned. I am of opinion that the plan adopted for the support of the St. John's Hospital would apply, viz. : say 1s. 3d. should be paid by all Fishermen, Sharemen, &c. ; and looking at the increase of the population, I think this sum would be sufficient for the support of the Institution, together with the voluntary contributions of Merchants, Mechanics, Farmers, &c. I am of opinion that it ought to be a general Asylum for the whole country.

The Tenants of the Asylum should consist of old worn-out Fishermen, who are destitute and unable to work, and if it should happen that they had wives, the wife should also be allowed admittance with her children and employment afforded them, suitable to their habits and ages, as would be found expedient. It should be governed by Directors, say 14, seven to be appointed by the Governor in Council, and seven by the rate-payers to be elected by ballot at a public meeting held every four years for the election of such Directors. I am also of opinion, that the appointment of all servants, &c. connected with the Institution should rest with the Directors, so appointed and chosen. On consideration, I think one shilling and three-pence in the pound from every person connected with the fishery, would be adequate for the support of the establishment, if the voluntary system could not be carried into effect.

WILLIAM COADY.

WILLIAM BODEN, Esq., examined.

In Liverpool there is an Institution called the Sailors' Home, where seamen pay their wages into the hands of an Association of Merchants who lay it out in providing lodging, board, &c.

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in the establishment. The Government give some aid to the Institution. The owners are compelled to pay the balance of wages to the Shipping Master, who pays it over to the Institution; the greatest comfort and cleanliness prevails. The inmates are not allowed out after eight o'clock in winter and nine in summer. I am of opinion, that it would be of great service if an Institution were established here for the refuge of old and destitute or disabled Fishermen, &c. Thinks that something less than three pence in the pound would be ample for its support, if made general, to be paid by Fishermen, Shoremen, &c. from their wages. I am of opinion that it should be governed and controlled by Directors to be appointed, one half by the Government, and one half by the rate payers, to be ballotted for every four years. The Directors to have the appointment of all officers, and to draw up rules and regulations for its management.

WILLIAM BODEN.

Mr. MAURICE BOLAN, examined.

I am of opinion that the establishment of a Home for aged and destitute or disabled Fishermen in this city, would be of great value. The sum of two shillings and sixpence per annum from every Fisherman, Shoreman, Sealer, Shareman and Sailor belonging to the colony would be sufficient, with voluntary donations from others, for its support. I think that the wives and children of the inmates ought to be admitted, and light work could be given them for daily employment; and if a good piece of land was attached to the building, vegetables could be cultivated by the inmates for the use of the Institution. Its management would be best conducted by Directors,—five would, in my opinion, be sufficient, three to be ballotted for every four years, and two to be appointed by the Government.

MAURICE BOLAN.

Mr. RICHARD POWER, Examined.

I am favorable to the establishment of a general Colonial Fishermen's Home. I am of opinion that the support of the Institution should not be made compulsory. I believe that if the building was erected, the Fishermen would form themselves into an Association who would collect enough for its maintenance, and who would take its management upon themselves. If the Institution had attached to it a few acres of land, which the inmates could cultivate, and upon which they could keep a few cows for the use of the establishment, it would tend to lessen the annual expense. I think the wife and any young children of the Fisherman should go in with the husband; its management should be in the hands of seven persons, chosen every four years at a public meeting, and three nominated by the Government. I am also of

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opinion, that a sufficient number of respectable Fishermen would be found, who would guarantee the continued support of the Institution, if the government would provide the land and erect the building.

RICHARD POWER.

Mr. JOHN VINICOMB, examined.

I am altogether favorable to the establishment of a Fishermens' Home, to embrace the whole colony. I have heard the evidence of Mr. Richard Power, and I subscribe to all of it.

I think that if the voluntary system for the support of the Institution failed, the Legislature may then impose a rate by Law for its support.

JOHN VINICOMB.

The Committee then adjourned until Monday next, at 11 o'clock.

MONDAY, }
8th March, 1858. }

The Committee met, pursuant to adjournment.

PRESENT :

Mr. PARSONS, *Chairman.*

" MORRIS,

" KAVANAGH,

" CASEY.

Mr. MICHAEL KEARNEY, examined.

As it is in contemplation to erect an Asylum, I am of opinion that it would be advisable to purchase a small farm, suppose it cost £1000, and build a good substantial Stone Building, even if it took 2 or 3 years to complete, as a Wooden Building would be no property or value. I would advise to have it three story high, and to have the whole of the lower story appropriated to a Work-house. My reason for advising the building to be so large is, the

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population have increased considerably within the last thirty years. Thinks that as no provision was ever made for the sick and helpless Fishermen, who are the main support of the country, that such an institution would be great service. My reason for suggesting the purchase of a Farm would be to rear Potatoes and other Vegetables for the inmates. A couple of men could be employed to cultivate the farm, which would considerably lessen the expense of the institution. I am also of opinion that nets, seines, &c., could be made in the establishment; hundreds of tons of rope is sent to the United States, sold for one penny a pound, which would be worth from fourpence to sixpence per pound here if used up by the inmates. I think that the widows and children of Fishermen, Sealers, &c., might be employed in the Asylum, sowing, knitting, weaving, spinning, &c., also in making up coarse clothing for the use of the Fishermen; some of the men could be employed in casting lead jiggers and making gaskets and mats for vessels. I would advise a similar Institution on a smaller scale for Harbor Grace. I am of opinion that the Fishermen should not be taxed for these buildings or for their support more than any other person. I think all should be taxed alike, as we are all living by the Fishermen. I am of opinion that similar Buildings should be erected on a smaller scale, to be built of wood, in the different Bays in the country.

MICHAEL KEARNEY.

Mr. JAMES PITMAN, examined.

I would be favourable to the establishment of a Fishermens' Asylum, as a House of refuge for aged and infirm Fishermen and Shoremen, provided the expense attending the support and management of the Institution should be paid out of the general Revenue. But I am opposed to a direct tax upon the people for the support of it. Thinks it would be a hardship to bring poor people from outports to the establishment in St. John's. If a building of this sort was erected in St. John's, thinks the same privilege should be given to the poor of the Outports, and looking to the very large expense this Institution would impose upon the industrious people of the country, in the event of such a building being established, great care should be taken by the persons having the management of it, to prevent imposition. I do not think that the institution would ever be supported by the voluntary principle. I am entirely of opinion, that it would be difficult to carry into effect the establishment of such Institutions. Thinks that every locality in the Island should support its own poor.

JAMES PITMAN.

Mr. WILLIAM BUTLER, examined.

I am Fifty-four years of age, a native of Quidi Vidi in the Central District, was master of a bait skiff for many years, and followed the fishery all my life; lost my eye-sight about eight

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years ago by an accidental blow from a boat-hook. Since that period has been unable to work in consequence. Has a wife and five children, youngest about three years of age. Thinks an Asylum for fishermen would be a very good thing—but men situated like myself, having a wife and family, would prefer living at home with them instead of going to an Asylum, and thinks it would be cheaper to be supported that way—a shilling a day would be enough to assist myself and family. The little I receive now, namely, four-pence per day, is not enough—and were it not for the industry of my wife, I could not live upon it. Thinks that every fisherman who has a wife and children would prefer living at home than go to an Asylum; at the same time there are many who would be glad to have such a house in preference to places where they are accustomed to live.

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WILLIAM X BUTLER.
mark.

Mr. WILLIAM MENCHENTON, examined.

Has been engaged in the Fisheries of this colony since the year 1810, some forty-eight years, and still carries them on. With reference to the establishment of an Asylum for disabled, aged, and destitute fishermen and shoremen who have spent their health and strength in the pursuit of the business of the colony, thinks it would be a very beneficial object. The best way to support such an institution would be by laying a small impost upon the wages, shares, &c. of fishermen generally, say the trifle of twopence in the pound throughout the colony, thus to make it a national object, the government at the same time lending it a proportionate support; as to its management, it should be ruled and managed by seven Directors, five to be elected by the people every four years, and two to be named by the government. Believes the cutports would have no objection to lend their aid if they could calculate upon deriving benefit from it.

WILLIAM MENCHENTON.

Captain PIERCE FEEHAN, examined.

I am of opinion that an Asylum for aged and decrepid Fishermen would be an excellent institution; thinks it should be supported by a small contribution, say twopence in the pound upon the wages of persons engaged in the seal and cod fishery. I am of opinion that it should be a general measure for the whole Island. Thinks that the aged wife of a fisherman

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should participate in the benefits of the institution. I should suggest that a portion of ground should be attached to the establishment for the purpose of giving employment to the inmates in cultivating potatoes, vegetables, &c. Thinks the institution should be governed by Directors, three to be appointed by the Government, and four by the Rate-payers, the Directors to be chosen every three years. They should have the power to make all rules and regulations for its management, and to appoint all officers and servants. I am of opinion that the voluntary system would not support the institution.

PIERCE FEEHAN.

CAPTAIN PATRICK HOULAHAN, examined.

I think that the establishment of an Asylum for old fishermen would be a good thing; they want some protection. Believes that it could be supported by voluntary subscriptions, but certainly it would be better to have a small obligation imposed for its support; thinks that the government of it should be in the hands of seven Directors, three to be appointed by the government and four by the people, every four years. It would be well if some acres of land were connected with the building, which could be cultivated by the inmates for their own comfort, and for the benefit of the Asylum.

PATRICK HOULAHAN.

CAPTAIN JOHN BREEN, examined.

Thinks an Asylum very necessary; no place in the world requires such an Institution more than Newfoundland; where there are so many old fishermen who have spent their youth and strength in the country, it would be very necessary to have such an Asylum for them. I conceive that it would not be safe to rely on voluntary subscriptions; no person I think could object to a small tax for such a purpose. It would be a desirable change to have such an Institution in preference to the mode of putting out old fishermen and maintaining them as they are now. Thinks that some land should be attached to such an institution, as the parties who may become inmates would no doubt desire some employment suitable to their ability. This country differs from most others; here a fisherman has no reliance scarcely but the sea, they have no houses nor lands, and when the fishery fails, or when the man is worn out, he has no place of refuge; thus is a place like the one intended very much required.

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ADDRESS TO THE GOVERNOR ON THE FOREGOING REPORT.

To His Excellency Sir ALEXANDER BANNERMAN, Knight, Governor and Commander-in-Chief in and over the Island of Newfoundland and its Dependencies.

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY :—

The House of Assembly had presented to them in the present Session a numerous and respectably signed Petition from the Fishermen, Shoremen, Seamen, and others of the District of St. John's, praying for the erection by the Government of an Asylum for aged, destitute, and disabled Fishermen, &c., which Petition, on motion, was referred to a Select Committee of the House to report upon. In due course the Committee, (having taken evidence on the subject) reported upon the said Petition, (copies of which Petition, Report, and Evidence are herewith annexed) and recommended that the prayer of the said Petition be acceded to. The House of Assembly having affirmed the said Report, would therefore respectfully request that Your Excellency will be pleased to take the premises into your favourable consideration, and lend your co-operation to so necessary and laudable an undertaking, in such a manner as may be deemed practicable.

A. SHEA.
Speaker.

House of Assembly,
26th April, 1858.

Evidence taken before Select Committee appointed to enquire into the expediency of erecting a Light House on Cape St. Mary's.

*Committee-Room. House of Assembly, }
16th February, 1858.*

PRESENT :

Mr. HOGSETT, *Chairman.*
" KELLY.
" MORRIS.
" KNIGHT.

CAPTAIN JOSEPH HOULAHAN, examined.

I have been engaged in the Trade and Fisheries forty years, seventeen of which I have

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been engaged in the Western and Bank Fishery. Knows Cape St. Mary's well ; desirable place for a Light-house ; thinks a light could be seen there when the light at Cape Pine would be obscured, there is no point on the Western Coast would be more desirable than Cape St. Mary's. Many vessels have been lost, owing to the want of a light in that locality. On the Eastern Shore there is no Harbor in Placentia Bay until you come to Great Placentia. A great number of vessels have been lost to my knowledge about Cape St. Mary's for want of a light. I have no doubt as to the necessity of a light on Cape St. Mary's, Cape St. Mary's is the general rendezvous of all large Fishing Boats from Conception Bay to Fortune Bay. I have often seen 2000 boats fishing there. It would be of more general utility to fishermen than any Light-house that would be erected, being the best fishing station in Newfoundland. There cannot be a finer light in the country for the general purposes of the trade. I think the light ought to be placed on the extreme end of the Cape, as there are always facilities for landing on either side. Boats running for the Cape at night, the light would enable them to take proper stations for fishing purposes.

JOSEPH HOULIHAN.

ROBERT OKE, examined.

I am Inspector of Light houses. I think Cape St. Mary's a desirable place for a Light-house. I am well acquainted with that coast. The distance between Doding Head Light and Cape Pine Light, being 74 miles, is too wide a range to afford necessary protection to shipping. The range of either of these lights, unless under very favorable state of the atmosphere, will not exceed from 25 to 27 miles, thereby leaving a blank or dark space of 22 miles intervening. The range of Cape St. Mary's is embraced within this dark spot. The frequent losses which are occasioned at St. Shots and that immediate neighborhood must be attributed in their supposing themselves to be further to the Eastward than they really were. A light on Cape St. Mary's would, in my opinion, prevent many losses at St. Shots, inasmuch as it would enable vessels frequently to determine their precise position when passing Cape St. Mary's; with very few exceptions, all the losses that have occurred in that neighborhood are vessels bound to the Eastward. Within the last 10 years repeated losses have occurred in the immediate neighborhood of Cape St. Mary's. On the Southern and Western coasts of this Island there is no place of more importance for the erection of a Light than Cape St. Mary's; and the erection of this Light would be participated in as fully by the fishing and coasting population of a large section of the Island, as well as vessels engaged in the Foreign Trade.

ROBERT OKE.

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CAPTAIN JOHN HALLY, examined.

I have been engaged in the Trade and Fisheries of the Colony for the last 35 years. I am well acquainted with Cape St. Mary's. I think it a very desirable place for the erection of a Light-house. I am of opinion that a great number of the vessels lost at St. Shots and in that neighborhood would not have occurred if there was a Light on Cape St. Mary's. From my experience of the Western coast, I think a light on Cape St. Mary's would be of essential benefit to the country.

JOHN HALLY.

CAPTAIN PIERCE FEEHAN, examined.

I have been engaged in the Trade and Fisheries of the Country for the last 35 years. I am well acquainted with Cape St. Mary's, and do not know a more desirable spot for the erection of a Light, from St. John's to Cape Ray, than Cape St. Mary's. I have been engaged in the Fisheries about Cape St. Mary's for over 15 years. The Fog is never so heavy at Cape St. Mary's than it is at the eastern side to Cape Pine. I am certain that many of those vessels lost about St. Shots, Holyrood, and Trepassey Bay, would not have occurred if there was a Light on Cape St. Mary's, as also on the Keys, for the like reason.

I consider this Light to be of great value to our own Fishermen.

There is no point in the Country where there is a greater resort of large fishing craft than Cape St. Mary's.

Vessels coming through the Gulf, and colliers from Sydney, would be much benefitted by this Light.

I was myself very near running on the Keys on a voyage from Sydney.

It is my opinion, that if a Light had been erected on Cape St. Mary's, a herring vessel recently lost, with all hands, at St. Shots, on her voyage from Fortune Bay, would not, in all probability, have occurred.

PIERCE FEEHAN.

Committee closed.

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*Evidence taken before the Select Committee appointed to enquire into the Petition of
Mathew Toole.*

Committee Room,
13th March, 1858. }

PRESENT.

MR. KAVANAGH.
" CASEY.
" P. MORRIS.

Mr. JOHN HACKETT, examined.

Have read the petition of Mathew Toole ; remembers the Fire at Tarahan's Town on the 16th October. I am aware that Mathew Toole was the owner and occupier of a Dwelling House situate in Tarahan's Town, near the premises occupied by Mr. Timothy Mitchell, Police Inspector. I am also aware that petitioner's house was pulled down to prevent the spread of fire. By pulling down Toole's house, the property of Mr. Mitchell and others were saved. It was a fine house, I think it was well worth from 150*l.* to 160*l.* I am aware that Toole's property was fee-simple, the house consisted of two large tenements. I should say it would bring a rental of 20*l.* per annum.

JOHN HACKETT.

TIMOTHY MITCHELL, examined.

I am Inspector of Police. Remembers the fire of October, 1856, at Tarahan's Town. I have read the petition of Mathew Toole, praying that compensation may be awarded him for having his house pulled down to prevent the fire spreading. The property of petitioner was fee-simple. I should say it was worth about 150*l.* At the time of the fire petitioner's family was confined to their beds. I believe it was fever. I am aware that the populace tore down the dwelling of petitioner against his will. If petitioner's house was not pulled down, my property, as well as many others, would have been destroyed. I should say the distance between my house and Toole's was about 12 feet. Petitioner was a considerable sufferer. Thinks if Toole's house was not torn down, it would not have been destroyed. I am sure he was a considerable sufferer.

TIMOTHY MITCHELL.

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WILLIAM HACKET, examined.

Knows Toole's house to have been destroyed in Tarahan's fire ; it was torn down to save other property ; I should say its value was from £180 to £200 ; it was a large house. His family was ill at the time in fever ; I took them out of bed myself. Heard Petitioner object to the tearing down the house. If a break was made further down, Toole's property would have been saved ; it was a good house, and worth £170 or £180 ; Toole was the owner of it ; it was a large house, and would bring 20*l.* or 30*l.* per annum.

WILLIAM HACKET.

*Evidence taken before the Select Committee appointed to enquire into the Petition of
Ann Kavanagh.*

*Committee-Room, House of Assembly, }
March, 1858.*

PRESENT :

Mr. CASEY.

“ **F. B. CARTER.**

“ **WARREN.**

“ **BYRNE.**

ANN KAVANAGH, examined.

I am a daughter and only surviving child of the late John Sheehan, who died about 25 years since, possessed of land in the Cribbies. My husband, Thomas Kavanagh, died about 8 years since. We occupied land without interruption in the above place after the death of my father ; part of this land was taken in 1851 by the Hon. Joseph Noad, Surveyor General, for public purposes. The land so taken extends about 27 feet from North to South, and about 22 feet East and West. It adjoins land of Hamlin, Long, and Green-slit ; the land was first taken in 1851 for a public lane, and since then it has been enjoyed by the public. After the width of the lane, the portion left would not be of any useful purpose to me. In 1855, when the Cholera prevailed, the Board of Health placed wooden shutes through my garden for the conveyance of water to a barrel sunk in the land so taken for the use of the neighbours. This land was surrounded with a fence to about ten years ago, which we sustained, and since then there has been no fence around it. My

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husband used it up to the time of his death for a wood yard, and had the exclusive possession of it. I appointed Mr. Perchard to act for me in the appraisal of the land. I also applied to J. B. Bulley, Esq., Government Arbitrator, some six or seven years since, about the compensation, and he said Mr. Noad and Mr. Perchard had it all in their hands. I have never had any use of it, except as one of the public, since it was taken by Mr. Noad in 1851. I had a brother Edward who died about 18 or 20 years since, he has left children, but neither he or they ever interfered with my husband or myself in the enjoyment of this property. Neither my father or husband died with a Will. My brother's children have other property in the neighbourhood bequeathed to them by my mother.

ANN KAVANAGH.

RICHARD PERCHARD, examined.

Mrs. Kavanagh appointed me an Arbitrator to value some land for her, taken in 1851 for public purposes.

The land was required to continue out a lane leading from Rogerson's lane, through this land, to the Eastward.

The evidence given by Mrs. Kavanagh, as to the extent, is, I believe, correct.

The Government Arbitrators at the time were, the Hon. Joseph Noad, and J. B. Bulley, Esq. I know it was Mr. Noad who marked out the land; I applied to him and Mr. Bulley frequently to arbitrate as to the compensation, but it was not done. Mr. Noad thought the place very valuable for the erection of a Tank. I know this land has been exposed to the public since 1851. I conceive the taking of it for public purposes, preventing the erection of dwellings, and for a supply of water, afford great protection and benefit to the public.

RICHARD PERCHARD.

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Evidence taken before Select Committee appointed to enquire into the Petition of E. Marrett.

*Committee Room,
13th April, 1858.*

PRESENT :

Mr. PROWSE, *Chairman.*

Dr. WINTER.

Mr. F. B. CARTER.

HON. JUDGE EMERSON, examined.

I was a Member of the first Board of Control in 1842. Recollects Mr. D. P. Marrett; knew him to have discharged the duties of Clerk to that body. Mr. Marrett continued to discharge the duties of his office while I continued a Member of the Board; he was very efficient in the discharge of his duty. I never knew nor could divine the reason why he was discharged from that office. It was suggested by the Board that the duties could be discharged by a Member of the Board, without remuneration, and therefore the services of Mr. Marrett could be dispensed with. Knows the services were not discharged by a Member of the Board without remuneration. The duties were performed by a Member of the Board for some few months, when it was known Mr. Bulley was to receive compensation at a salary of one hundred pounds, with the title of Secretary to the Board. Knows the salary of Mr. Marrett was only fifty pounds. I was appointed a Member of the new Board, but declined to act from the foregoing circumstances.

GEORGE H. EMERSON.

*Police Office,
21st April, 1858.*

Indisposition having prevented Mr. Bennett from giving evidence before a Select Committee of the House of Assembly appointed to enquire into the merits of a Petition of the Widow Marrett, he now begs most respectfully to state for the information of the Committee, that in the year 1843 he was Chairman of the Board of Control, when the late Mr. Marrett held the situation of Clerk, he having, as Mr. Bennett believes, succeeded Mr. Wm. Lilly, on his appointment to an office in Her Majesty's Customs. Mr. Bennett cannot say the length of time that Mr. Marrett held the clerkship, nor the particular circumstance which gave rise to his services being discontinued; but Mr. Bennett has no hesitation in bearing testimony to the efficient manner in which Mr. Marrett discharged his office duties so long as he was connected with the Board.

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EVIDENCE taken before the Select Committee appointed to inquire into the Petition of
 RICHARD HOWLEY, Esq.

Committee-Room, }
 23rd April, 1858. }

PRESENT :

Mr. MORRIS, *Chairman.*

“ CASEY.

Mr. G. F. BOWN, examined.

I have known Mr. Richard Howley for the last 19 years. I am well acquainted with his business habits. I know him to be the Government Arbitrator in the Tarahan's Town Fire. Considers Mr. Howley entitled to the highest amount of compensation. I have had various opportunities of being acquainted with the duty performed by Mr. Howley. I was interested on behalf of Gill's Estate; am well acquainted with the amount of duty performed by Mr. Howley. The sum offered in my opinion is quite inadequate. I would here beg to observe that the Government lost nothing by the appointment of Mr. Howley as Arbitrator, as he appeared at all times most anxious to conserve their interests.

G. F. BOWN.

F. R. PAGE, examined.

Acted for various parties as Arbitrator. I was paid five per cent for Arbitrating on any amount under £100; any amount beyond £1000, two-and-a-half per cent. On all occasions of business with the Arbitrators Mr. Howley was the working man; he must have had a good deal of trouble. I am of opinion that two-and-a-half per cent. would be the smallest possible amount that could be offered to Mr. Howley for his services. Thinks £120 wholly inadequate for the services performed.

F. R. PAGE.

Mr. RICHARD PERCHARD, examined.

I knew Mr. Howley to be the Government Arbitrator in the late Fire at Tarahan's Town; thinks the amount wholly inadequate; thinks two-and-a-half per cent. a very low figure. I was employed by various claimants, and received five per cent. Mr. Howley was engaged the greater part of twelve months.

RICHARD PERCHARD.

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The following communication was then read :

October 17, 1856.

DEAR SIR,—

We have to inform you, in reply to your enquiry, that we paid Mr. Perchard five per cent. for acting as Appraiser and Arbitrator, in the case of Mr. T. Marshall and the Government.

Yours, &c.,

BROOKING, SON & Co.

R. HOWLEY, Esq.

St. John's, 16th October, 1856.

DEAR SIR,—

In reply to your enquiry respecting the charge made by us for settling compensation due Johnston's Estate for land taken in Tarahan's Town, we beg to say that five per cent. on the Award was paid, which we understand to be the usual charge, and we paid that per centage to Mr. Perchard for settling that amount due Keane's Estate, and we are aware that in all cases to our knowledge, that was the allowance made.

Yours truly,

WHITEWAY & WALBANK.

R. HOWLEY, Esq.

*Committee Room, }
27th April, 1858. }*

W. F. RENNIE, Esq., examined.

I was one of the Appraisers appointed by the Governor in 1846; there were five Appraisers, we received for our services £150 each; we adjudicated on from £45,000 to £47,000 in awards; I am not aware what per centage is generally paid, I am of opinion that some of the cases adjudicated on in Tarahan's Town would be difficult, and require great care and attention on the part of the Arbitrator. Thinks it were over a year we were employed, we met three or four hours a day for, I think, two days in the week.

W. F. RENNIE.

PATRICK KOUGH, Esq., examined.

I have often been engaged on Arbitrations, more in a friendly way than otherwise, I have never received any compensation since the fire of 1846, for any duty performed by me that way. I am of opinion that a respectable qualified person giving his services as an Arbitrator, and employed for twelve months, would be fully entitled to £200 at the least. Thinks that an Arbitrator on the part of the Government would have difficulties to contend with in his

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adjudications. I am not aware of the work performed by Mr. Howley, therefore, could not venture to hazard an opinion as to the amount of compensation that gentleman would be entitled to.

PATRICK KOUGH.

EVIDENCE taken before the Select Committee appointed to inquire into the Petition of
JOHN W. CHANCEY.

PRESENT :

Mr. WALBANK,
" DELANEY,
" WARREN,
" CASEY,
" HOGSETT.

I had a house at the time of the Tarahan's Town fire, on the 16th October, 1855, situate near Bacon's School. I had two dwelling houses and a coach house and stable. I remember the fire. My house was not on fire that night; it was pulled down to prevent the spread of fire. My house was adjoining Mrs. Funnell's; her house was not burnt; it was gutted. My house was not insured. If my houses were left alone they would not have been burnt, as I had taken the necessary precaution to prevent it. My houses were torn down by the military; I was handy at the time. I had two dwelling houses, they were close together; two separate houses, one about 16 feet square—17 feet long, 12 or 14 wide. The house I got the verdict for was not quite finished; about twelve months before the Fire I built the house. My furniture was destroyed. I had property of other persons removed to my house for safety. The windows were all finished and ready to put in; nails, glass, and many other things destroyed; they were in the house at the time. That house cost me about £90, the small £40, coach house and stable about the same; I have 26 or 27 years unexpired term. Value of tools and furniture £17 or £18; did not remove one single article.

Hon. J. J. ROGERSON

Remembers Tarahan's Town fire; was present; saw Dearin's Dwelling and Bacon's School House pulled down. I gave no orders to pull down Chancey's house. I assumed the responsibility of pulling down Bacon's School to save the property on Prescott Street. I think Chancey's house would have been destroyed by fire for want of a supply of water, were it not pulled down. I remember seeing a portion of a house standing next morning, and wondered very much how it escaped. Cannot speak so positively about Chancey's House; my attention was directed more to Bacon's.

J. J. ROGERSON.

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Mr. FREEMAN

Recollects the fire in Tarahan's Town ; was present at the fire ; when the fire broke out the wind was Southerly ; at the time of Chancey's house on fire wind S.S.E., and veered to the Eastward. If proper precaution was used, Chancey's house would not have been burnt. Do not know the value of the stable. From all the circumstances, I am of opinion that if the house was not pulled down, it would not have been burnt.

WILLIAM FREEMAN.

THOMAS COLE

Remembers Tarahan's Town fire ; was present ; knows Chancey's premises ; I was in Mrs. Funnell's house. I am sure if Chancey's house was allowed to remain up, it would not have been burnt. It was not blowing hard at the time ; seen the house after the fire ; it was gutted ; no appearance of fire about it ; do not know the value of premises ; saw no danger from the way the wind was acting.

THOMAS COLE.

JOHN HERD

Remembers fire ; was living with my mother ; our house was on fire and quenched ; the house was gutted, not pulled down ; knows Chancey's premises ; thinks they would not have been burnt if not pulled down ; there was a well of water ; she lived in Mr. Walbank's house. Sure Mr. Chancey's house would not have been burnt if not interfered with.

JOHN HERD.

WILLIAM LAMBETH

Remembers fire in Tarahan's Town ; I was at the fire ; wind blew away from Chancey's property ; if it was not pulled down I am positive the fire would not have reached it. I saw the military tear down the house ; broke one of the hooks ; I helped to repair it, afterwards heard the orders given by the military to tear the property down.

WILLIAM LAMBETH.

GEORGE CHANCEY

Present at Tarahan's Town fire ; near Chancey's house ; passed it by two or three times, not the least danger ; the house would not have been burnt if not hauled down by the military who were engaged. The wind veered in favor of the houses, blew away from it. Mr. Scott's house caught ; we put it out with one bucket of water. Mr. Herd's house was gutted, the roof and part of the house nearest the fire stood after the fire ; there was no occasion to pull it down. There was three houses burnt belonging to Chancey ; the value of the large house at the time of the fire was £100 ; the value of the small house £40 to £45 ; his furniture was destroyed ; do not know the value ; did not remove his furniture ; stable worth £30. Mr. Herd's house was nearer the fire than Chancey's ; Mr. Herd's house did not blaze out, it was a little scorched on the gable end.

GEORGE CHANCEY,

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