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PROCLAMATION.

BY HIS EXCELLENCY LIUTENANT-GENERAL

SIR JOHN HARVEY,

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

L. S. J. HARVEY.

WHEREAS the General Assembly of this Province stands prorogued to Thursday, the Twenty-fourth day of May instant:

I have thought fit further to prorogue the said General Assembly until Thursday, the Twenty-third day of August next—of which all persons concerned are to take notice and govern themselves accordingly.

Given under my Hand and Seal at Arms, at Halifax, this Tenth day of May, in the twelfth year of Her Majesty's Reign.

BY HIS EXCELLENCY'S COMMAND.

JOSEPH HOWE.

God save the Queen.

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L. S. J. HARVEY.

WHEREAS the General Assembly of this Province stands prorogued to Thursday, the Twenty-third day of August instant:

I have thought fit further to prorogue the said General Assembly until Thursday, the Twenty-fifth day of October next—of which all persons concerned are to take notice and govern themselves accordingly.

Given under my Hand and Seal at Arms, at Halifax, this Twenty-second day of August, in the thirteenth year of Her Majesty's Reign.

BY HIS EXCELLENCY'S COMMAND.

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L. S. J. HARVEY.

WHEREAS the General Assembly of this Province stands prorogued to Thursday, the Twenty-fifth day of October instant:

I have thought fit further to prorogue the said General Assembly until Thursday, the Twentieth day of December next—of which all persons concerned are to take notice and govern themselves accordingly.

Given under my Hand and Seal at Arms, at Halifax, this Twenty-third day of October, in the thirteenth year of Her Majesty's Reign.

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L. S. J. HARVEY.

WHEREAS the General Assembly of this Province stands prorogued to Thursday, the Twentieth day of December instant:

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

Given under my Hand and Seal at Arms, at Halifax, this First day of December, in the thirteenth year of Her Majesty's Reign.

BY HIS EXCELLENCY'S COMMAND.

JOSEPH HOWE.

God save the Queen.

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OF THE
HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY
OF THE
PROVINCE OF NOVA SCOTIA,

SESSION, 1850.

13^o. VICTORIAE.

THURSDAY, 17TH JANUARY, 1850.

The House having been by several Proclamations prorogued until this day, then to meet for the Dispatch of Business; and being met— House meet.

A Message was delivered by John James Sawyer, Esquire, the Gentleman Usher of the Black Rod. Message from Gov. requiring attendance of House.

Mr. Speaker,

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

Accordingly the House went up to attend His Excellency in the Council Chamber. House attend.

And being returned,

Mr. Speaker reported that the House had attended His Excellency in the Council Chamber, and that His Excellency had been pleased to make a Speech to both Houses of Parliament, of which, Mr. Speaker said he had for greater accuracy obtained a Copy, which he read to the House as followeth:— Speaker reports Speech of Gov.

Mr. President and Honorable Gentlemen of the Legislative Council:

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

It is my painful duty to announce to you the demise of Adelaide, the Queen Dowager.

The loss of this highly respected and estimable Princess has called forth an expression of deep and universal regret on the part of the British nation, in which, I am convinced, you, and the people of this Colony, will participate.

While inviting you again to the discharge of your very important functions, I am bound to acknowledge the gratitude we owe to the Giver of all Good, for the blessings by which the past year has been distinguished.

Peace and tranquillity have reigned within the borders of Nova Scotia. The great Scourge of the Earth has passed us by, and several trying years of partial failure, have been succeeded by a comparatively secure and productive Harvest.

Deeply convinced as I am that the loyal sentiments of the People of this Colony are unchanged, I do not feel myself called upon to make any reference to the discussions which are taking place in surrounding Colonies.

The Fisheries though less prosperous than in 1848, have yet supplied our domestic consumption, and yielded, at the high prices which our great staples command abroad, a valuable export.

In resuming our Labours for the public good, let us diligently endeavour to deserve by thankfulness, industry and forethought a blessing upon our efforts, and the continued favours of a beneficent Providence.

Mr. Speaker and Gentlemen of the House of Assembly:

The accounts for the past and the estimates for the current year will be laid before you without delay, and you will be gratified to learn that the supplies, so liberally granted, have been adequate to meet the expenses of the Financial year, and that the Revenue is on the increase.

Though the payment of the arrears under the Civil List Bill, and the construction of the Electric Telegraph, have required heavy advances, the Loan authorised by the Act of last Session has been largely reduced, and will I confidently anticipate, be speedily liquidated.

Mr. President and Honorable Gentlemen of the Legislative Council:

Mr. Speaker and Gentlemen of the House of Assembly:

The Imperial Parliament having passed an Act authorizing the several Governments of North America to regulate their internal Posts, a measure will be promptly submitted to you, in accordance with that Enactment, and I am happy to be able to assure you that no obstacle now exists to the entire control being assumed by the Provincial Government over this branch of the Public Service, and to the Establishment of a low and uniform rate of Postage throughout British North America.

The School Act expires at the close of the present Session, and a measure aimed at the further extension of the blessings of Education will be submitted to you, which I trust will be found to embody the improvements suggested by recent experience.

The absence of any provision for Lunatics has been painfully forced upon my attention during the recess, and I refer to the subject for the purpose of submitting whether some arrangement might not be made either for the erection and endowment of an Asylum for the insane, or for the maintenance in suitable Institutions founded in the neighbouring Provinces, of those unfortunates, who, without the light of reason, are unable to support themselves.

The Report of the Commissioners appointed to revise and consolidate the Laws of the Province will be immediately laid before you, and the greater part of the work having been done, I am gratified by the assurance that your united labours in the present and the ensuing Session will enable you to perfect this long desired and most valuable improvement.

The tenure of lands in the Island of Cape Breton appearing to demand legislation, that titles may be confirmed and litigation averted, measures will be laid before you which, I trust, matured by your wisdom will accomplish these desirable results.

The subject of the reciprocal interchange of staple productions between the British Provinces on this Continent and the United States of America, brought to my notice last Session, has largely engaged the attention of my Government, and I hope to have in the delicate and peculiar aspect which the question has assumed, the advantage of your calm and united deliberations.

Mr. Mott, pursuant to leave given, presented a Bill for the relief of Insolvent Debtors; and the same was read a first time, and ordered to be read a second time.

Insolvent Debtors' Bill presented.

The House then proceeded to the choice of a Clerk in the place of John Whidden, Esquire, deceased; and thereupon—

Choice of Clerk.

On motion of the Hon. the Attorney General, *Resolved*, That Joseph Whidden, Esquire, Clerk Assistant, be the Clerk of this House; and he took the Oath of Office accordingly.

Jos. Whidden chosen. Sworn in.

Mr. Henry then proposed the following Address in answer to the Speech of His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor, and moved that the same do pass, viz.:

Answer to Speech moved.

TO HIS EXCELLENCY LIEUTENANT GENERAL,

Address.

SIR JOHN HARVEY,

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

May it please your Excellency:

1°. We, the Representatives of Her Majesty's loyal subjects, the people of Nova Scotia, participate in the sorrow so deeply felt in other portions of the Empire, at the demise of the late Queen Dowager.

2°. We acknowledge with befitting reverence the gratitude we owe for the mercies by which the past year has been distinguished—for the tranquility of the Province—for the exemption from the pestilence by which neighboring countries have been scourged—and for the comparatively abundant return with which the Husbandman has been rewarded.

3°. The loyal sentiments of the people of Nova Scotia, your Excellency but justly appreciates; and we beg to assure your Excellency that they are prepared, now as ever, to uphold the authority of their Sovereign, and the integrity of the Empire.

4°. We regret to learn that the Fisheries have been less productive than in former years, but we are gratified that the diminished supply has been, to a certain extent, met by an increased demand in Foreign Markets, which has tended to avert, in some degree, the pressure which would otherwise have been felt from a deficiency in the quantity.

5°. In resuming our labors, your Excellency may rely upon our zealous cooperation in all measures calculated to develope the resources, and promote the prosperity of the Province.

6°. That the Supplies granted have been equal to the ordinary demands upon the Treasury, to the construction of the Telegraph, and the payment of the arrears.

rears, we have heard with extreme satisfaction, and are pleased to learn that the temporary loan, authorised by the Act of last Session, has been largely reduced and will be shortly repaid.

7°. In the passage of an Imperial Act, by which a low and uniform rate of Postage and the entire control of their internal Posts are placed within reach of the people of Nova Scotia, we recognize a renewed pledge of justice and consideration as honorable to Her Majesty's Government as it will be gratefully regarded by those we represent; and your Excellency may rely upon our cheerful concurrence in any measure required to give effect to the Imperial legislation on this very important subject.

8°. To the promised measure for the improvement and extension of our Educational Institutions we shall give our best attention, conscious how deeply the advancement of the material interests of the people is dependent on their intellectual and moral culture.

9°. The Public Accounts for the past, and the Estimates for the current year, will, when submitted, meet our best consideration.

10°. We thank your Excellency for reminding us of the claims of those whom Providence has bereft of reason, and will be ready to give this subject the consideration its importance demands.

11°. To the Report of the Commissioners appointed to revise and consolidate the Laws, we shall bestow our best attention; in the confident hope that our joint labours may produce a work creditable to the Legislature, and calculated to diffuse, in a simple and intelligible form, a knowledge of our Provincial Statutes.

12°. Your Excellency may be assured that any measure by which the imperfect titles to land which abound in the Island of Cape Breton, can be rendered more secure and complete, will be regarded as a boon by the Inhabitants.

13°. We thank your Excellency for the attention bestowed by your Government on the means by which a reciprocal Trade, between the British Provinces on this Continent and the United States, may be secured. Whenever it shall please your Excellency to lay before us such information as will enable us to judge of the aspects which the question has assumed, we shall enter upon its further consideration, with an anxious desire to extend our Commerce, and multiply friendly relations with the growing communities by whom we are surrounded.

Which motion being seconded,

Consideration deferred.

Ordered, That the further consideration thereof be deferred until to-morrow.

Com. on Public Accounts.

Ordered, That Mr. Fraser, Mr. Killam, Mr. Mignowitz, Mr. Fulton, and Mr. McDonald, be a Committee of this House, for the purpose of examining the Public Accounts, jointly with a Committee of the Legislative Council; and that the Clerk do acquaint the Council therewith.

Com. on Expiring Laws.

Ordered, That Mr. Blackadar, Mr. Henry, and Mr. McLeod, be a Committee to examine and report upon the expiring Laws.

Speaker communicates appointment of Fin. Sec'y, and issue of new Writ for Yarmouth.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House that having received official information that the Hon. Mr. Huntington, member for the County of Yarmouth, had been appointed to, and had accepted, the office of Financial Secretary, whereby his seat in this House had become vacated: he the Speaker, had thereupon, according to the usage and custom of this Branch of the Provincial Legislature, requested His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor to cause a Writ to be issued for the election of another Representative of the said County in General Assembly.

Mr.

Mr. Fraser moved that Henry C. D. Twining, Esquire, be the Clerk Assistant of the House; which being seconded—

Mr. Twining proposed as Clerk Assistant.

The Hon. the Provincial Secretary moved that the House do now adjourn; which, being seconded and put, and the House dividing thereon, there appeared, for the motion, seventeen; against, fifteen; so it passed in the affirmative.

Adjournment carried on division.

And accordingly—

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

FRIDAY, 18TH JANUARY, 1850.

PRAYERS.

On motion of the Hon. the Attorney General:

1^o. Resolved, That in future the Members of this House shall not have the Privilege of Franking Letters during the Session of the Assembly as heretofore:

Resolutions abolishing Franking Privilege.

2^o. Resolved, That an Account be kept with each Member for Postage during this Session by the Deputy Post Master General.

Postage Account to be kept.

On motion of Mr. Freeman :

Resolved, That a Select Committee be appointed to enquire into and report upon the subject of Reporting the Proceedings and Debates of this House during the present Session.

Com. on Reporting.

Ordered, That Mr. Henry, Mr. Fulton, and Mr. Creelman, be a Committee for that purpose.

On motion, resolved That a Select Committee be appointed to enquire into and report upon the subject of the Contingent Expenses of this House, and what sum it will be necessary to grant therefor.

Com. on Contingencies of House.

Ordered, That Mr. Mignowitz, Mr. Fulton, and Mr. Killam, be a Committee for that purpose.

Pursuant to order the House proceeded to the consideration of the Address proposed and moved yesterday in answer to the Speech of His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor—

Address in answer to Speech considered.

And the said Address having been read, and Mr. Henry having renewed his motion that the same do pass, such was seconded and propounded from the Chair.

Ordered, That the same be again read and considered clause by clause.

And the first clause thereof being read was agreed to by the House.

Upon the reading of the second clause the Hon. Mr. Johnston moved, that the said clause be amended by adding at the end thereof, the following words :

Amendment to 2nd clause moved.

“ But it is our duty to inform your Excellency, that we perceived with surprise and regret the public command issued by your Excellency to the Collectors of the Colonial Duties, to remit to the Importers of Hay and Straw the Duties imposed by the Legislature on these articles: Your Excellency's Proclamation states that the consideration under which your Council adopted this measure, was 'the great public inconvenience likely to arise from the general failure of the Hay crop': this measure, however, was obviously calculated chiefly to benefit the inhabitants of Halifax and the wealthier classes; the poor man in the Rural Settlements would derive little if any advantage from it, and the rich could afford to pay the Duty—while it was unjust to such of the Agriculturists as had a surplus stock on hand, and who had made their arrangements to supply the Halifax Market; and as the Farmer last year provided the metropolis with these commodities

at rates that scarcely compensated the expense of carriage, and during the present year has received for almost every other article of produce very low prices, we cannot think that the benefit he might derive from the adventitious and temporary increase in the value of those two particular products of the soil during this season demanded the interference of the Government, or that the reduction of the price of Hay and Straw in the Halifax market, or elsewhere, was an adequate cause for a measure so unprecedented, and which has been justly viewed with reprehension in the Country.

“Such a precedent of the unauthorised exercise of Executive power is calculated to lead to dangerous abuses, if permitted to pass unchecked; and, as the Representatives of the people of Nova Scotia, it is our duty to say to your Excellency that the advice on which you acted in this measure was not, in our opinion, excused by any degree of that extreme necessity which can alone extenuate such a violation of the Law on the part of the Executive, and that while it manifested not only a high disregard for the authority of the Legislature it evinced a culpable indifference for the just rights of the Agriculturists of Nova Scotia, whose interests merited the more consideration from the difficulties they have labored under for some years past from deficient crops and depressed markets.”

Which proposed amendment being seconded and put, and the House dividing thereon, there appeared for the motion, fifteen; against it, nineteen.

Division.

For the Amendment—

Mr. Blackadar, Mr. Budd,
 Hon. Mr. Johnston, “ Dickey,
 Mr. Freeman, “ Wier,
 “ Fraser, “ Fulton,
 “ Ryder, “ Beckwith.
 “ Thorne,
 “ Sangster,
 “ Taylor,
 “ Bent,
 “ Crow,

Against the Amendment—

Mr. Henry, Mr. Creelman,
 “ Smyth, “ Dimock,
 “ Mott, “ McKeagney,
 “ Ernst, Hon. Pro. Secretary,
 Hon. Atty. General, “ Mr. Young,
 Mr. McDonald, Mr. Bourneuf,
 “ Mignowitz, “ Card,
 “ Archibald, “ McLeod,
 “ McDougall, Hon. Mr. Doyle,
 “ Killam,

Negatived.

So it passed in the negative.

The said second clause was then, upon the question put thereon, agreed to by the House.

The remaining clauses of the Address were then read, and upon the question respectively put thereon, agreed to by the House.

The question being then put, that the Address as originally moved do pass, it was carried in the affirmative, and thereupon—

Address passed.

Resolved, That the Address do pass.

Ordered, That the Address be engrossed.

To be presented by whole House.

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

Choice of Clerk Assistant.

The House then proceeded to the choice of Clerk Assistant—

And Henry C. D. Twining, Esquire, and Alexander James, Esquire, having been severally proposed to fill the office, the House proceeded to ballot therefor—

And Mr. James having a majority of votes,

A. James, Esqr. chosen.

Resolved, That Alexander James, Esquire, be the Clerk Assistant of this House.

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

SATURDAY, 19TH JANUARY, 1850.

PRAYERS.

Alexander James, Esquire, Clerk Assistant of the House took the usual Oath of Office. Clerk Assistant sworn in.

The Hon. the Attorney General by command of His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor, informed the House that His Excellency had been pleased to appoint this day, at three of the clock, at Government House, to receive the House with their Address in answer to the Speech at the opening of the Session. Appointment of Gov. to receive Address.

Ordered, That no Petition of a private nature be received after Saturday the 9th day February next, unless by special leave of the House. Limitation of Private Pets.

On motion of the Hon. the Attorney General, *resolved*, That Select Committees on general subjects be now appointed; and thereupon— Committees on general subjects, viz:

Ordered, That Mr. Hall, the Hon. the Provincial Secretary, Mr. Robertson, Mr. Creelman, Mr. Wier, Mr. Sangster, Mr. Bent, Mr. Henry, and Mr. Smyth, be a Select Committee to consider and report upon all matters connected with Agriculture. Agriculture,

Ordered, That the Hon. Mr. Young, the Hon. Mr. Johnston, Mr. Henry, Mr. Blackadar, Mr. Fulton, Mr. Creelman, and Mr. Hall, be a Select Committee to examine and report upon all matters connected with Education. Education,

Ordered, That the Hon. the Attorney General, Mr. Marshall, Mr. Campbell, Mr. Martell, Mr. McDonald, Mr. McKenna, and Mr. Bourneuf, be a Select Committee to examine and report upon all matters connected with the Fisheries. Fisheries,

Ordered, That Mr. Fraser, Mr. Taylor, Mr. Mott, Mr. Killam, and the Hon. Mr. Young be a Select Committee to examine and report upon all matters connected with Trade and Manufactures. Trade and Manufactures,

Ordered, That the Hon. Mr. Young, Mr. Henry, Mr. Harrington, Mr. Hall, Mr. Dickie, Mr. Creelman, and Mr. McKeagney, be a Select Committee to examine and report upon all matters connected with the Mines and Minerals of the Province. Mines and Minerals.

Ordered, That Mr. Killam, Mr. McKeagney, Mr. Mott, Mr. McDonald, Mr. Card, Mr. Snow, and Mr. Henry, be a Select Committee to examine and report upon all matters connected with Navigation Securities. Navigation Securities.

Ordered, That the Hon. the Attorney General, the Hon. Mr. Johnston, Mr. Killam, Mr. Fraser, Mr. Creelman, the Hon. Mr. Young, and Mr. Henry be a Select Committee to examine and report upon all matters connected with the Post Office Department. Post Office,

Ordered, That Mr. Creelman, Mr. Mignowitz, Mr. McDougall, Mr. McLeod, and Mr. Fulton, be a Select Committee to examine and report upon all matters connected with the Provincial Penitentiary. Penitentiary.

Ordered, That Mr. Dickey, Mr. Brown, Mr. Ryder, Mr. McDonald, and Mr. Campbell, be a Select Committee to examine and report upon all claims for expenses of Transient Paupers. Transient Poor,

Ordered,

Indian Affairs,

Ordered, That Mr. Henry, Mr. Blackadar, Mr. McLeod, Mr. Budd, Mr. McKenna, Mr. Ernst, and Mr. Thorne, be a Select Committee to examine and report upon all matters connected with Indian Affairs.

Printing,

Ordered, That Mr. Mignowitz, Mr. McDougall, Mr. Fulton, Mr. Freeman and Mr. Dimock, be a Select Committee to examine and report upon Accounts for Public Printing.

Expenditures for Seed.

Ordered; That Mr. Harrington, Mr. Fulton, Mr. Killam, Mr. Mignowitz and Mr. Freeman be a Select Committee to examine and report upon the Expenditure of Monies granted for the different Counties, for the purchase of Seed and Provisions for the Destitute.

Immigrant and Public Health Expenses.

Ordered, That the Hon. Mr. Young, Mr. Taylor, Mr. Marshall, Mr. Brown, and Mr. Creelman, be a Select Committee to examine and report upon all claims for expenses of sick Immigrants, and the preservation of the Public Health.

Pet. of Publisher of Br. Colonists.

A Petition of Alpin Grant, Publisher and Proprietor of the British Colonist, Newspaper, was presented by Mr. Fraser, and read, setting forth that he had been engaged by a Committee of this House, at its last Session, to publish in his paper the Debates and Proceedings of the House, at the rate of six columns each day of publication, for the sum of Twenty Pounds. That he had published the stipulated amount of matter, according to agreement, during the sitting of the House and for about a week after its rising. That he had been put to considerable extra expense in consequence of the above arrangement; but, although he had frequently applied for payment thereunder, he had never received any part thereof; and praying that orders may be given for his receiving the amount agreed on.

Refd. to Reporting Committee.

Ordered, That the Petition be referred to the Committee on the subject of Reporting the Debates and Proceedings of the House.

Pet. of Pictou Board of Health.

A Petition of the Board of Health for the County of Pictou, was presented by the Hon. Mr. Young, and read, praying reimbursement of certain expenses by them incurred in the execution of their office.

Ordered, That the Petition be referred to the Committee on the Expenses of sick Immigrants, &c.

Maxwelton Lock-up-House Bill presented.

The Hon. Mr. Young, pursuant to leave given, presented a Bill to enable the Inhabitants of the Township of Maxwelton, to build a Lock-up-House—and the same was read a first time, and ordered to be read a second time.

House attend Gov. with Address.

At three of the clock Mr. Speaker, and the House, went up to Government House to attend His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor with the Address of the House in answer to the Speech of His Excellency at the opening of the Session :

And being returned—

Answer to Address.

Mr. Speaker reported that he had presented the said Address to His Excellency, and that His Excellency had been pleased to give this reply thereto :

Mr. Speaker and Gentlemen of the House of Assembly :

The promptitude with which you have responded, and the sentiments which you have expressed, in reference to the Speech with which I opened the present Session of the General Assembly of this Province, have deeply gratified me. Suffer me then to avail myself of this occasion of saying to you, that while memory lasts it will not be possible for me to forget the deep impression produced

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on my mind twelve years ago, by the communication then officially made to me, as Her Majesty's Representative in an adjoining Province, of the noble conduct of the united Legislature of Nova Scotia, in devoting all its resources of men and money to the defence of the frontier Province over which I was then presiding and whose people animated by a like feeling had come forward as one man to repel threatened invasion.

That the feeling by which this noble Province was then animated are unchanged, I refer with pride to your present Address as the most convincing proof.

In the strength of the feelings engendered in my mind, by these affecting evidences of the thoroughly British sentiments by which the General Assembly of Nova Scotia (representing, as I believe it fairly and fully to do, the universal feeling of the People of the Colony,) is animated, I desire, in the name of our Gracious and Beloved Sovereign, cordially to thank you for your Address.

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

MONDAY, 21ST JANUARY, 1850.

PRAYERS.

A Bill to enable the Inhabitants of the Township of Maxwelton to build a Lock-up-House was read a second time.

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

Maxwelton Lock-up House Bill read 2d. time. Committed.

A Petition of John H. Freeman, Collector of Colonial Duties at Liverpool, was presented by Mr. Freeman and read, praying reimbursement of a sum paid by him in 1848 for the hire of Scales and Beam to ascertain the correct weight of Sugar imported into that port.

Pet. of Jno. H. Freeman.

Ordered, That the Petition be referred to the Committee on Trade and Manufactures.

Ref. to Com. on Trade

The Hon. the Provincial Secretary, by command of His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor, presented to the House copies of several Despatches and Papers, which were read by the Clerk, viz :

Despatches & Papers laid on Table by command of Gov. viz :

Copy of a Despatch from Earl Grey to Sir John Harvey, dated 4th May, 1849, with copy of an Order of the Queen in Council, specially confirming the Act of the Session of 1848, "to provide for the more accurate Audit and Inspection of Public Accounts," &c.

Relating to Departmental Bill, &c.

(See Appendix No. 1.)

Copy of a Despatch from Earl Grey to Sir John Harvey, dated 6th July, 1849, with copy of an Order of the Queen in Council specially confirming the Crown Lands Department Act of the Session of 1848, and Civil List Act of last Session.

Crown Lands and Civil List Bills.

(See Appendix No. 2.)

Copy of a Despatch from Earl Grey to Sir John Harvey, with copy of an Order of the Queen in Council, leaving to its operation the Halifax and Quebec Railway Act of last Session.

Railway Act.

(See Appendix No 3.)

Copy of a Despatch from Earl Grey to Sir John Harvey, with copy of an Order

Despatch allowing several Acts.

Order of the Queen, in Council, leaving to their operation a number of Acts of the last Session.

(See Appendix No. 4.)

Colchester Representation Act.

Copy of a Despatch from Earl Grey to Sir John Harvey, dated 10th October, 1849; with copy of an Order of the Queen, in Council, specially confirming the Colchester Representation Act of last Session.

(See Appendix No. 5.)

Roman Catholic Bishop Act.

Copy of a Despatch from Earl Grey to Sir John Harvey, dated 10th November, 1849; with copy of an Order of the Queen, in Council, specially confirming the Act of last Session to Incorporate the Roman Catholic Bishop in Halifax.

(See Appendix No. 6.)

Despatch allowing various Acts.

Copy of a Despatch from Earl Grey to Sir John Harvey, leaving to their operation various Acts passed at the last Session.

(See Appendix No. 7.)

Ordered, That the said several foregoing copies of Despatches and Papers do lie on the table.

Head Money on Immigrants.

Also—Copies of various Despatches and Papers relating to Head Money paid on Immigrants per Barque 'Ellen,' at Pictou in 1848.

(See Appendix No. 8.)

Ref. to Sel. Com.

Ordered, That the same be referred to Mr. Fraser, the Hon. the Provincial Secretary, and Mr. Henry, to examine and report upon.

Vice Admiralty Court Fees, &c.

Also—Copy of a Despatch from Earl Grey to Sir John Harvey, dated 11th May, 1849; with copies of various Papers and Table of Fees established in relation to the Vice Admiralty Court at Quebec.

(See Appendix No. 9.)

Ref. to Sel. Com.

Ordered, That the same be referred to the Hon. the Attorney General, Mr. Freeman, and Mr. Harrington, to examine and report upon.

Railway Act and Addresses.

Also—Copy of a Despatch from Sir John Harvey to Earl Grey, dated 6th April, 1849, transmitting the Act and Addresses of last Session, relative to the Halifax and Quebec Railway, with copy of a Despatch from Earl Grey to Sir John Harvey, in reply thereto, dated 1st June, 1849.

(See Appendix No. 10.)

Ordered, That the same do lie on the Table.

Consular Fees.

Also—Copies of Despatches and Papers on the subject of the Address of last Session, relative to Fees charged on Colonial Shipping by British Consuls in Foreign Ports.

(See Appendix No. 11.)

Ref. to Sel. Com.

Ordered, That the same be referred to Mr. Fraser, Mr. Killam, and Mr. Harrington, to examine and report upon.

Also,

Also—Copy of a Despatch from Sir John Harvey to Earl Grey, dated 2nd May, 1849, transmitting the Address of last Session on the subject of the Coal Mines, with copy of Despatch from Earl Grey to Sir John Harvey in reply, dated 16th August, 1849.

Coal Mines.

(See Appendix No. 12.)

Ref. to Com. on Mines and Minerals.

Ordered, That the same be referred to the Committee on the Mines and Minerals of the Province.

Free Grants to Officers revoked.

Also—Copy of a Despatch from Sir John Harvey to Earl Grey, dated 19th October, 1849, with copy of a Minute of Council revoking the Regulation authorising free Grants of Crown Lands to Officers of the Army and Navy.

(See Appendix No. 13.)

Ordered; That the same do lie on the Table.

Surplus Postage.

Also—Copy of a Despatch from Earl Grey to Sir John Harvey, dated 16th August, 1849, with copy of a Letter from the Board of Treasury authorising the repayment of certain amounts of Surplus Postage to the Provinces of Canada, New Brunswick, and Nova Scotia, respectively.

(See Appendix No. 14.)

Ref. to Post Office Com.

Ordered, That the same be referred to the Committee on Post Office Affairs.

Papers presented by command, viz :

The Hon. the Attorney General, by command of His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor, presented to the House—

Report of Law Commissioners.

A Report of the Commissioners appointed under the joint Resolutions of the Legislative Council and House of Assembly in the last Session, for Consolidating and Simplifying the Laws of the Province—and the same was read by the Clerk.

(See Appendix No. 15.)

Analysis.

Also—An Analysis of the various Parts, Titles, and Chapters of an Act for consolidating such Laws accompanying the said Report.

Bill to revise and consolidate Laws.

And also, in connection therewith, as prepared by the Commissioners—

A Bill for revising and consolidating the General Statutes of Nova Scotia, and the same was read a first time; and thereupon—

Motion to refer to Sel. Com.

Mr. Henry moved that the said Bill, together with the foregoing Report and accompanying Analysis, be referred to a Select Committee, to examine and report upon; which being seconded—

Amendment for Com. of whole carried.

Mr. Fraser moved, by way of amendment, that the House resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House on the consideration of the said Report and accompanying papers; which being seconded and put passed in the affirmative.

House in Com.

And accordingly—

The House resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. Dimock took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

Report recommending ref. to Com. on Bills.

The Chairman reported from the Committee that they had considered the subject to them referred, and had directed him to recommend that the Bill for revising and consolidating the General Statutes of the Province, together with the Report of the Commissioners and accompanying Analysis, be referred to the Committee of the whole House on Bills committed; and thereupon—

The

Law Consolidation
Bill read 2d. time,
and with Report,
&c. ref. to Com. on
Bills.

The said Bill was *nem. con.* read a second time.

Ordered, That the Bill, together with the Report and Analysis, be committed to a Committee of the whole House.

Census Bill presented.

The Hon. Mr. Young, pursuant to leave given, presented a Bill for taking the Census of this Province and obtaining statistical information therein—and the same was read a first time, and ordered to be read a second time.

Letter from Speaker
of Canadian Assem-
bly as to their Li-
brary.

Mr. Speaker laid before the House a communication from the Honorable the Speaker of the Legislative Assembly of Canada, dated Montreal, 3rd July, 1849, and addressed to him as Speaker of this House, referring to the entire destruction of the Libraries attached to the two Houses of the Legislature in that Province, caused by the burning of the Parliament Buildings in the month of April last, and requesting aid in their undertaking to establish another and joint Library for both Houses, by the forwarding of Copies of such Works as might be deemed useful, and be within reach of the Assembly of this Province: and the same was read by the Clerk.

On motion of Mr. Creelman, *resolved*, That the Communication be referred to a Select Committee, to examine and report upon.

Ref. to Sel. Com.

Ordered, That Mr. Creelman, the Hon. the Provincial Secretary, and Mr. Fulton, be a Committee for that purpose.

Pet. of Miss Dix for
Lunatic Asylum.

A Petition of Miss D. L. Dix, of Montgomery, in the State of Alabama, in the United States of America, was presented by the Hon. the Provincial Secretary, and read, setting forth the evils resulting from the want of an Asylum for the Insane in this Province, and accompanied by a variety of information in relation to such Establishments elsewhere, and to the subject generally—and praying that measures may be adopted for the erection of a suitable Lunatic Asylum, without unnecessary delay.

Ref. to Com. to re-
port generally on
subject.

Ordered, That the Petition be referred to Mr. McLeod, Mr. Creelman, and Mr. Fulton, to examine and report upon—and generally on the subject therein referred to.

Resolution for Com.
on reporting Sup.
Court Decisions.

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Young—

Resolved, That a Select Committee be appointed to enquire into some practical and economical Plan, by which the decisions of the Supreme Court may be reported and published, for the information of the Country—and to report upon the same to this House, by Bill or otherwise.

Com. named.

Ordered, That the Hon. Mr. Young, Mr. Fulton, Mr. Sangster, Mr. Killam, and Mr. Smyth, be a Committee for that purpose.

Postal Bill presented.

The Hon. the Attorney General, pursuant to leave given, presented a Bill to enable the Governor in Council to make orders for establishing an Uniform Rate of Postage in Nova Scotia, and for regulating a Postal arrangement with other Countries—and the same was read a first time and ordered to be read a second time.

Cape Breton Land Ti-
tles Bill presented.

The Hon. the Attorney General also, pursuant to leave given, presented a Bill for quieting Titles to Lands, in the Island of Cape Breton—and the same was read a first time.

Ref. to Sel. Com.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to Mr. McKeagney, Mr. McLeod, Mr. Harrington, the Hon. Mr. Johnston and Mr. Hall, to examine and report upon, with amendments or otherwise.

A Petition of the Honorable Samuel Cunard was presented by the Hon. the Attorney General, and read, setting forth the difficulties experienced by the Royal Mail Steam Ships in coming up the Harbor of Halifax, in consequence of Vessels anchoring directly in the passage that they are obliged to take to get to their wharf; and praying investigation and Legislative enactment in the matter.

Pet. of S. Cunard relative to passage for Mail Steamers.

Ordered, That the Petition be referred to Mr. Mott, Mr. Creelman and Mr. Killam, to examine and report upon by Bill or otherwise.

Ref. to Sel. Com.

A Petition of Inhabitants, of the Township of Dartmouth, was presented by Mr. Mott, and read, praying for the passage of an Act for the appointment of Trustees to take charge of certain Water Lots, in that Township, granted for the use of the Public.

Pet. relative to Dartmouth Water Lots.

Ordered, That the Petition be referred to the Hon. Mr. Johnston, Mr. Fraser, and Mr. Dickey, to examine and report upon by Bill or otherwise.

Ref. to Sel. Com.

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

TUESDAY, 22ND JANUARY, 1850.

PRAYERS.

Mr. Killam, pursuant to leave given, presented a Bill to Incorporate the Queen's Wharf Company of Yarmouth, and the same was read a first time.

Yarmouth Wharf Co. Bill presented.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to Mr. Freeman, Mr. Thorne, and Mr. Fulton, to examine and report upon, with amendments or otherwise.

Ref. to Sel. Com.

A Petition of Thomas Edward Moberly, Collector of Colonial Duties at Yarmouth, was presented by Mr. Killam, and read, praying payment of a moiety of a Fine imposed under the Revenue Laws but not collected.

Pet. of Col. of Col. Duties, Yarmouth.

Ordered, That the Petition be referred to the Committee on Trade and Manufactures.

Ref. to Com. on Trade

A Petition of Doctors Greggs Joseph Farish, and James C. Farish, of Yarmouth, was also presented by Mr. Killam, and read, praying remuneration for vaccinating a great number of poor persons in 1847 and 1849, by direction of the Board of Health.

Pet. of Drs. Farish.

Ordered, That the Petition be referred to the Committee on claims for Expenses of sick Immigrants, &c.

Ref. to Com. on Expenses of Immigrants, &c.

A Petition of Doctors Greggs Joseph Farish, and James C. Farish, of Yarmouth, was also presented by Mr. Killam, and read, praying remuneration for medicines furnished to sick Indians.

Pet. of Drs. Farish.

Ordered, That the Petition be referred to the Committee on Indian Affairs.

Ref. to Com. on Indian Affairs.

A Petition of William Mortimer, of Port Medway, in Queen's County, was presented by Mr. Freeman, and read, praying remuneration for the maintenance of, and attending upon, a Transient Pauper afflicted with the Small Pox, under direction of the Board of Health.

Pet. of Wm Mortimer.

Ordered, That the Petition be referred to the Committee on the Expenses of Transient Paupers.

Ref. to Com. on Transient Poor.

A Petition of Hiram Blanchard, Collector of Colonial Duties at Port Hood, in the County of Inverness; and also—

Pets. of Col. of Port Hood, and Of Sheriff of Inverness for remuneration for trouble, &c. in seizure.

A Petition of George C. Lawrence, Esquire, High Sheriff of the same County.

Were

Were severally presented by Mr. Smyth, and read, respectively praying remuneration for their trouble and expenses in making a seizure during the last year.

Ref. to Com. on Trade

Ordered, That the Petitions be referred to the Committee on Trade and Manufactures.

Pet. of B. Zwicker, relative to Grant, Margaret's Bay.

A Petition of Benjamin Zwicker, of Chester, in the County of Lunenburg, was presented by Mr. Ernst, and read, setting forth his having taken possession of an ungranted and vacant Island in St. Margaret's Bay, with a view of obtaining a Grant thereof, for which he had subsequently applied and tendered the money, but that the same had been refused, and that a Grant thereof had subsequently passed in favor of another individual, and praying investigation and redress.

Ordered, That the Petition do lie on the Table.

Com. on Consolidated Act,

On motion the House resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill for revising and consolidating the General Statutes of the Province of Nova Scotia, &c.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. Thorne took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

Report various Chapters, viz :

Construction, Execution, and Legislative Disabilities and Election Laws.

The Chairman reported from the Committee that they had had the Bill referred to them under consideration, and had passed several chapters thereof, which they had directed him to report to the House without any amendment, viz : Chapter 1, of the Promulgation and Construction of Statutes ; Chapter 2, of Executive and Legislative Disabilities ; Chapter 3, of the Representation in General Assembly ; Chapter 4, of the duration of the General Assembly ; Chapter 5, of the Qualification of Candidates and Electors and frauds in regard thereto ; Chapter 6, of Bribery and Treating at Elections ; Chapter 7, of the manner of conducting Elections ; Chapter 8, of Scrutinies ; Chapter 9, of controverted Elections ; and Chapter 10, of vacating Seats—and he delivered the said several Chapters in at the Clerk's Table.

Ordered, That the Chapters be engrossed.

Motion for Order of Day on Elective Franchise.

Mr. Henry moved that this House do, on Tuesday next, the 29th day of January instant, resolve itself in a Committee of the whole House on the General State of the Province, for the purpose of considering the propriety of vesting the Franchise for Election of Representatives to serve in General Assembly, in all persons contributing to County Rates ; which being seconded—

Amendment for subsequent day negatived.

Mr. Harrington moved by way of amendment to the question, to leave out the words " next the 29th day of January instant," and to insert instead thereof the words " the 5th day of February next," which proposed amendment being seconded and put, and the House dividing thereon, passed in the negative.

Original motion agreed to.

The original motion was then upon the question put thereon, agreed to by the House.

Census Bill read 2nd time.

A Bill for taking the Census of the Province and obtaining statistical information therein, was read a second time.

Ref. to Sel. Com.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Hon. Mr. Young, Mr. Fraser, Mr. Dickey, Mr. Killam, and Mr. Mignowitz, to examine and report upon, with amendments or otherwise.

Marriage and Divorce Court Fees Bill presented.

The Hon. the Attorney General, pursuant to leave given, presented a Bill to regulate the Fees to be taken in the Court of Marriage and Divorce, and the same was read a first time and ordered to be read a second time.

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

WEDNESDAY, 23RD JANUARY, 1850.

PRAYERS.

On motion of the Hon. the Provincial Secretary—

Resolved, That a Select Committee be appointed to consider whether any and what improvements can be made in the mode of appointing Committees on general subjects; and to report thereon to the House.

Com. on mode of appointing Committees.

Ordered, That the Hon. the Provincial Secretary, the Hon. Mr. Johnston, Mr. Freeman, Mr. Creelman, and Mr. McKeagney, be a Committee for that purpose.

On motion, the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole House on the further consideration of the Bill to revise and consolidate the General Statutes of the Province, &c.

Com. on Consolidation Act,

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. Thorne took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chairman reported from the Committee that they had made further progress in the Bill to them referred, and had directed him to report various Chapters thereof, without any amendment, viz: Chapter 148, of Treason; Chapter 149, of Offences relating to the Army and Navy; Chapter 150, of Offences against Religion; Chapter 151, of Offences against Public Morals; Chapter 152, of Offences against the Law of Marriage; Chapter 153, of Offences against the Public Peace; Chapter 154, of Offences against the administration of Justice; Chapter 155, of Offences against the Person; Chapter 156, of Offences against the Habitation; Chapter 157, of Fraudulent Appropriations; Chapter 158, of Forgery and Offences relating to the Coin; Chapter 159, of malicious injuries to Property; and Chapter 160, Definition of Terms in this Title—and he delivered the said several Chapters in at the Clerk's Table.

Report several Chapters of Criminal Law.

Ordered, That the same be engrossed.

To be engrossed.

A Message from the Council by Mr. Haliburton:

Message from Council

Mr. Speaker—

The Council have appointed Mr. Brown, Mr. Stairs, and Mr. Morton to be a Committee to join a Committee of this Honorable House to examine the Public Accounts.

Appointing Com. of Public Accounts,

The Council desire a Conference, by Committee, with a Committee of this Honorable House on the General State of the Province.

Request Conference,

And then the Messenger withdrew.

On motion, *resolved*, That the Conference desired by the Council be agreed to, and that the Clerk do acquaint the Council therewith.

Conference agreed to,

Ordered, That Mr. Fraser, Mr. Creelman, and Mr. Ryder, do manage such Conference.

Com. of Conference,

So they went to the Conference;

And being returned—

Mr. Fraser reported that the managers had been at the Conference, and that the Committee of Conference on the part of the Council had handed to them the following paper, viz:

Report therefrom.

“*Legislative Council Chamber, 23d January, 1850:*”

Resolution as to Joint Library.

“*Resolved*, That a Conference be desired with the House of Assembly, by Committee, on the General State of the Province, and that the Committee of this House

House do communicate to the Committee of the House of Assembly that part of the Report of the Library Committee relating to the formation of a Joint Library for the Legislature.

“ JOHN C. HALLIBURTON, C. L. C.”

Extract from the Report of the Library Committee—

“ The Committee strongly recommend to the Council that a Conference be requested with the House of Assembly to consider the propriety of forming a Public Library, uniting for that purpose the Libraries of both Houses.

“ JOHN C. HALLIBURTON, C. L. C.”

Ordered, That the same do lie on the Table.

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

THURSDAY, 24TH JANUARY, 1850.

PRAYERS.

Pat. of Dr. Van Buskirk.

A Petition of Dr. Inglis Van Buskirk, of Mill's Village, in Queen's County, was presented by Mr. Freeman, and read, praying payment for Medical attendance upon, and Medicines furnished to, a Transient Pauper, under direction of the Board of Health for the County.

Ref. to Com. on Trans. Poor.

Ordered, That the Petition be referred to the Committee on the Expenses of Transient Paupers.

Pat. of Overseers of Poor, Chester.

A Petition of the Overseers of the Poor for the Township of Chester, was presented by Mr. Mignowitz, and read, praying reimbursement of expenses by them incurred in the support of a Transient Pauper.

Ref. to Com. on Transient Poor.

Ordered, That the Petition be referred to the Committee on the Expenses of Transient Paupers.

Com. on Consolidation Bill.

On motion the House resolved itself into a Committee on the further consideration of the Bill for consolidating the Provincial Statutes.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. Thorne took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chairman reported from the Committee that they had further considered the said Bill, and had directed him to report various chapters thereof without any amendment, viz: Chapter 161, of the Administration of Criminal Justice; Chapter 23, of the Government House and Provincial Building; Chapter 24, of the Penitentiary; Chapter 25, of Sable Island; and Chapter 74, of Shipping and Seamen; and he delivered the said several Chapters in at the Clerk's Table.

Ordered, That the same be engrossed.

Papers from Gov., viz:

The Hon. the Provincial Secretary, by command of His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor, presented to the House—

Postal Rates.

Copies of several Despatches and Papers on the subject of the Rates of Postage to be charged upon Letters between the United States and the British North American Provinces, together with a copy of the Imperial Act for enabling Colonial Legislatures to establish Inland Posts; and the same were read by the Clerk.

(See Appendix No. 16.)

Ordered,

Ordered, That the same be referred to the Committee on Post Office Affairs.

Ref. to Post Office Com.

Also—Certain Accounts of Expenses incurred in the keeping of the Provincial Stud Horse Bell-founder-Morgan during the past year.

Bell-founder Morgan Expenses.

Ordered, That the said Accounts be referred to Mr. Dickey, Mr. Sangster, Mr. McLeod, Mr. McDougall, and Mr. Archibald, to examine and report upon, and who are also to report generally upon the disposition of the said Horse and of the stud Horse 'Norfolk.'

Com. on Stud Horses.

Also—A Memorial of Doctor Thomas DesBrisay, of Dartmouth, addressed to His Excellency, complaining of a reduction by a Committee of this House during the last Session, of his account for services rendered sick Immigrants in 1848, and thereupon—

Memorial of Dr. Des-Brisay,

The Hon. the Provincial Secretary moved that the Memorial be referred to the Committee on the Expenses of sick Immigrants, &c. ; which being seconded—

Motion to refer to Com.

Mr. Fraser moved, by way of amendment, that the same do lie on the Table ; which being seconded and put, and the House dividing thereon, passed in the affirmative ; and accordingly—

Amendment to lay on Table carried.

Ordered, That the Memorial do lie on the Table.

A Petition of Ann Dunn, Executrix, and James Walsh, Executor, of the last Will and Testament of James Dunn, late of Halifax, Grocer, was presented by Mr. Fraser, and read, setting forth that the said James Dunn departed this life during the year 1848, having previously executed a Will disposing of all his property—that the said James Dunn could neither read nor write, and that through inadvertancy in drawing the Will the name at the foot thereof to which he put his mark was written "Michael" instead of "James" Dunn, and that in consequence thereof Petitioners had been unable to sell Lands under and for the purposes of such Will, and praying the passage of an Act to establish such Will as valid—and thereupon—

Pet. to establish Will of Jas. Dunn.

Mr. Fraser moved that the Petition be referred to a Select Committee, to examine and report upon—which being seconded—

Motion to refer to Sel. Com.

Mr. Harrington moved, by way of amendment, that the same do lie on the Table : which being seconded and put, and the House dividing thereon, passed in the affirmative—and accordingly—

Amendment to lay on Table carried.

Ordered, That the Petition do lie on the Table.

The Hon. Mr. Johnston, pursuant to leave given, presented a Bill to remove doubts in the construction of an Act concerning suits against Foreign Bodies Politic and Corporate—and the same was read a first time and ordered to be read a second time.

Bill respecting Corporate Bodies.

The Hon. Mr. Young reported from the Committee on the subject of Reporting the Decisions of the Supreme Court—and he read the Report in his place and then delivered it in at the Clerk's Table, where it was again read, and is as follows :

Report from Com. on Sup. Court Reports.

"The Committee appointed to enquire into the expediency of proeuring the Reports of the Decisions of the Supreme Court to be published for the information of the Country, beg leave to submit the following Resolutions for the favorable consideration of the House :

1^o. *Resolved,* That the sum of Fifty Pounds be placed at the disposal of His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor, to be paid to such person as shall be appointed by His Excellency to Report the Decisions of the Supreme Court on its being made appear to the satisfaction of His Excellency that the said Reports have

have been duly made and published in Pamphlet Form, say for one year ensuing ; and that a copy thereof has been furnished to every Town Clerk in the different Counties of the Province.

2°. *Resolved*, That the said Town Clerks be directed to keep the said Reports at all times in their offices, and open at reasonable hours to the inspection of the public, free of charge.

All which is respectfully submitted.

GEORGE R. YOUNG, Chairman,
THOMAS KILLAM,
STEPHEN FULTON,
J. SANGSTER,
PETER SMYTH."

Halifax, January 24, 1850.

Ordered, That the Report be received and do lie on the Table.

Report from Com. on
Census Bill

The Hon. Mr. Young also reported from the Committee to whom was referred the Bill for taking the Census of this Province, &c.—that the Committee had considered the Bill and had made some amendments thereto, which they had directed him to report to the House, with the Bill—and he delivered the Bill and amendments in at the Clerk's Table, where the amendments were read.

Bill, &c. committed.

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

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

FRIDAY, 25TH JANUARY, 1850.

PRAYERS.

Com. on Consolidation
Law,

On motion, the House resolved itself into a Committee on the further consideration of the Bill for Consolidating the Statutes of the Province.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. Thorne took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

Report Chapters, viz :

Wrecks,

Aliens,
Co. Boundaries,
Clerks of Peace,
Noxious Animals,

Sheriffs, Coroners,
Useful Animals,
Amdts.

Orders for Engrossing.

The Chairman reported from the Committee that they had made further progress in the said Bill, and had directed him to report several Chapters, without any amendment, viz :—Chapter 75, of Wrecks and Wrecked Goods; Chapter 32, of the Naturalization of Aliens; Chapter 39, of the Boundaries of Counties; Chapter 42, of Clerks of the Peace; and Chapter 92, of the Destruction of noxious Animals—and that they had also gone through several other Chapters, to which they had made amendments, which they had directed him to report to the House, with the Chapters, viz :—Chapter 40, of Sheriffs; Chapter 41, of Coroners; and Chapter 91, of the preservation of useful Birds and Animals—and he delivered the said several Chapters and amendments in at the Clerk's Table, where the amendments were read.

Ordered, That the said last mentioned Chapters, with the amendments, be engrossed.

Ordered, That the Chapters reported without amendment be engrossed.

Report from Com. on
Stud Horses,

Mr. Dickey reported in part from the Committee on the subject of the Provincial Stud Horses, and he read the Report in his place and then delivered it in at the Clerk's Table, where it was again read, and is as follows—

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"The Committee to whom were referred the Accounts connected with the Provincial Stud Horse, Bell-founder Morgan, and who were also to consider generally as to the future disposition of both the Horses belonging to the Province—beg leave to report in part as follows: They recommend that Bell-founder Morgan should be sold with the least possible delay, and that Norfolk should also be sold at an early day.

All which is respectfully submitted.

R. McG. DICKEY, Chairman.
JOHN McDOUGALL,
J. SANGSTER,
A. L. ARCHIBALD."

Committee Room, 25th January, 1850.

Ordered, That the Report be received, and that such part thereof as recommends the sale of Bell-founder Morgan be adopted; and that the same Committee be a Committee to carry out the recommendation by making sale of the Horse in manner as they may deem advisable.

Adopted in part, and
Com. instructed to
carry it out.

A Bill to remove doubts in the construction of an Act, concerning Suits against Foreign Bodies, Politic or Corporate, was read a second time.

Foreign Corporation
Bill read 2d time
and committed.

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

A Petition of Marcius Chappell, of Bay Verte, was presented by Mr. Dickey, and read, praying aid in the running of a Packet between that place and Prince Edward Island.

Pet. of M. Chappell.

Ordered, That the Petition be referred to the Committee on Navigation Securities.

Ref. to Com. on Nav.
Sec.

A Petition of Jane Morton, Administratrix of the Estate of Elkana Morton, late of Digby, Collector of Excise, deceased, was presented by Mr. Budd, and read, praying for an investigation of the Accounts of deceased with the Government.

Pet. of Admx. of E.
Morton.

Ordered, That the Petition be referred to Mr. Marshall, Mr. Fraser, and Mr. Killam, to examine and report upon.

Ref. to Sel. Com.

A Petition of the Inhabitants, Merchants, and Mariners of Port Medway, in Queen's County, was presented by Mr. Freeman, and read, praying for the erection of a Light House on the Western Head of Port Medway Harbor.

Pet. for Light House,
Port Medway.

Ordered, That the Petition be referred to the Committee on Navigation Securities.

Ref. to Com. on Nav.
Sec.

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

SATURDAY, 26TH JANUARY, 1850.

PRAYERS.

A Petition of Richard Meagher, of the City of Halifax, was presented by the Hon. Mr. Young, and read, setting forth his having been dangerously wounded in April, 1837, by the fall of a piece of timber, and in consequence of which he had lost one of his legs, and had been since entirely deprived of his sight, and thereby become unable to obtain a livelihood—and praying a Grant from the Provincial Treasury to enable him to proceed to the United States for the purpose of learning

Pet. of Rich. Meagher

learning a Trade in an Asylum for the Blind, by which he may be prevented from being a burden to the Public.

Ordered, That the Petition do lie on the Table.

Pet. of Inspector of
Pickled Fish,
Queen's County.

A Petition of Patrick Gough, Chief Inspector of Pickled Fish for Queen's County, was also presented by the Hon. Mr. Young, and read, setting forth—that observing in his official capacity what he considered a manifest infraction of the Law regulating the Inspection of Pickled Fish, he conceived it his duty to proceed against the offending party, which had resulted in a conviction in the Magistrates Court, where the suit had been instituted—but that the Judgment had on appeal been reversed by the Supreme Court—and that he had thereby been put to heavy expense, and praying that as such expense had been incurred in endeavouring to uphold the spirit of the Law, the amount may be refunded to him, and that the Law may be amended.

Ref. to Sel. Com.

Ordered, That the Petition be referred to Mr. Killam, Mr. Marshall, Mr. Wier, Mr. Martell, and Mr. Snow, to examine and report upon, by Bill or otherwise.

Pet. of Geo. B. Wat-
son, Teacher of the
Arichat Nautical
School.

A Petition of George B. Watson; was presented by the Hon. the Attorney General, and read, calling attention to the state of the Grammer and Nautical School at Arichat, in the County of Richmond, from the 13th May, 1848, to the 1st August, 1849, as detailed in a narrative accompanying the said Petition, prepared by him as the Master of the School during that period—and praying that he may receive an allowance out of the School Monies, or otherwise, for his services.

Ref. to Com. on
Education.

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

Pet. of Thos. Robson,
for Patent for Fog
Bell

A Petition of Thomas Robson, of Sackville, N. B., Master Mariner, was presented by the Hon. Mr. Young, and read, setting forth—that from a long experience of the Navigation of the Bay of Fundy he had become convinced of the benefits that would result to trade in general from the construction of efficient Fog Bells; and that after serious attention given to the subject for many years past, he had at length succeeded in constructing a Machine in miniature for ringing a Fog Bell or sounding a Gong, which he was fully satisfied would answer the objects contemplated—that the Petitioner is desirous of obtaining a Patent for such Invention in this Province and New Brunswick simultaneously; and praying that an amendment may be made in the Law of this Province so that he, although a non-resident, may be enabled to take out a Patent here, and also that he may receive a pecuniary compensation for his services in the premises.

Ref. to Sel. Com.

Ordered, That the Petition be referred to the Hon. Mr. Young, Mr. Killam, and Mr. Card, to examine and report upon by bill or otherwise.

Pet. from Co. of C.
Breton, for division
and increased
presentation.

A Petition of Charles E. Leonard and others, of North and South Sydney, C. B., was presented by Mr. Harrington, and read, setting forth the vast extent of the County of Cape Breton, rendering the attendance of Magistrates, Jurors and others, upon the different Courts held at Sydney, extremely burdensome and expensive, and praying for a division of the County, with an increase of Representation in General Assembly, proportioned to its extent, population and resources.

Ordered, That the Petition do lie on the Table.

Trade Reciprocity
Papers.

The Hon. the Attorney General, by command of His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor, presented to the House various Papers on the subject of Reciprocity.

city of Trade between the different Provinces of British North America and the United States ; and the same were severally read by the Clerk, viz :

Copy of a Letter, from the Provincial Secretary of New Brunswick to the Secretary of this Province, dated 31st July, 1849, with Copy of a Minute of Council of that Province, requesting a Meeting of Delegates from the different Provinces at Halifax.

Copy of a Letter, from the Secretary of this Province to the Secretary of New Brunswick, dated 8th August, 1849, with Copy of a Minute of Council of this Province agreeing to Conference.

Copy of a Circular Letter, from the Provincial Secretary to the Secretaries of Canada, Prince Edward Island and Newfoundland, respectively, dated 8th August, 1849, with Copy of Minute of Council here.

Copy of a Letter, from the Secretary of Canada to the Provincial Secretary, dated 22nd August, 1849, with Minute of Council there agreeing to Conference.

Copy of a Letter, from the Secretary of Prince Edward Island to the Provincial Secretary, dated 17th August, 1849, with Copy of Minute of Council there agreeing to Conference.

Copy of a Letter from the Secretary of Newfoundland to the Provincial Secretary, dated 22nd August, 1849, with Minutes of Council there, declining attending the Conference.

Copy of Minutes of Conference held at Halifax, on the 3rd and 4th September, 1849, with Copies of Resolutions agreed to thereat.

Copies of Despatches from Sir John Harvey to Earl Grey, dated respectively 10th August and 7th September, 1849, enclosing Copies of the foregoing Proceedings and Resolution.

(See Appendix No. 17.)

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

A Petition of Thomas Samuel Bown, Harbor Master, at Sydney, C. B., was presented by the Hon. the Attorney General, and read, complaining of the large reduction in his Fees caused by an alteration of the Act under which they were payable in the Session of 1848, and praying for an amendment of the existing Law, so that he may receive a fair compensation for his services.

Pet. of Harbor Master
Sydney, C. B.

Ordered, That the Petition be referred to the Committee on Navigation Securities.

Ref. to Com. on Nav.
Sec.

A Petition of Archibald and Company, Merchants, of Cape Breton, on behalf of themselves and the Inhabitants of Ingonish and the Northern parts of the Island of Cape Breton, was also presented by the Hon. the Attorney General, and read, praying for a grant towards the improvement of Ingonish Harbor for the protection of Shipping.

Pet. for aid to Ingo-
nish Harbor.

Ordered, That the Petition be referred to the Committee on Navigation Securities.

Ref. to Com. on Nav.
Sec.

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

 MONDAY, 28TH JANUARY, 1850.

PRAYERS.

On motion of Mr. Fraser—

Com. on Joint Library
of Legislature.

Resolved, That a Committee be appointed to enquire into and report upon the subject matter of the Communication handed to the Committee of Conference on the part of this House by the Committee of Conference on the part of the Council on the 23rd day of January instant, relative to the formation of a Joint Library for the two Houses by an union of their separate Libraries.

Com. named.

Ordered, That Mr. Fraser, the Hon. the Provincial Secretary, the Hon. Mr. Johnston, Mr. Hall, and Mr. Bent, be a Committee for that purpose.

Com. also to enquire
as to accommoda-
tion of Courts.

Ordered, That the same Committee be also a Committee to consider as to the best mode in which the several Imperial and Provincial Courts, and also the Supreme Court for the County of Halifax, can be accommodated, with power to report by Bill or otherwise.

Clare Lock-up-House
Bill.

Mr. Comcau, pursuant to leave given, presented a Bill to provide for a Lock-up-House in the Township of Clare, and the same was read a first time and ordered to be read a second time.

Report on Pet. of
Thos. Robson, as to
Fog Bell.

The Hon. Mr. Young reported from the Committee on the Petition of Thomas Robson, and he read the Report in his place and then delivered it in at the Clerk's Table, where it was again read, and is as follows :

Report.

“The Committee to whom the Petition of Thomas Robson, of Sackville, was referred, beg to report that, after due consideration, they do not consider that it would be expedient for the House to accede to the proposal made in Mr. Robson's Petition of transferring the invention of a Fog Bell provided a certain sum were paid in compensation. Being desirous, however, of encouraging useful Inventions of this kind, and of extending the benefits to inhabitants of the adjoining Colonies of the privileges by the Act passed for granting Letters Patent conferred upon our own, they recommend the House to grant these privileges to Mr. Robson as prayed for in this case, and ask permission to report the accompanying Bill, which has been prepared by your Committee with that view.

All which is respectfully submitted.

GEORGE R. YOUNG, Chairman.
THOMAS KILLAM,
WILLIAM CARD.”

Report adopted.

Halifax, January 28th, 1850.

Fog Bell Patent Bill.

Ordered, That the Report be received and adopted by the House—and that leave be given to present the Bill accompanying : and accordingly—

The Hon. Mr. Young presented a Bill to enable Thomas Robson to obtain Letters Patent in this Province, for the invention of a Fog Bell—and the same was read a first time and ordered to be read a second time.

Pet. of Rich. Hunting-
ton.

A Petition of Richard Huntington was presented by Mr. McKeagney, and read, praying payment of an account, for inserting, in 1841, in the Cape Breton Advocate, then published by him, an Advertisement under the direction of the then Chairman of the Board of Health, relative to the appearance of the Small Pox—and which account he had been prevented rendering at an earlier day, in consequence of having lost his Files of the Paper.

Ref. to Immigrant
Com.

Ordered, That the Petition be referred to the Committee on the claims for Expenses of sick Immigrants, &c. A

A Petition of Matthias Hoffman, M. D., Health Officer for the Port of Halifax, was presented by the Hon. the Provincial Secretary, and read, praying payment of expenses incurred under the direction of the Board of Health, in defending a suit at law brought against him by a person employed in one of the Hospitals, and which expenses, the suit being decided in Petitioners favor, the Plaintiff was wholly unable to pay. Pet. of Dr. Hoffman.

Ordered, That the Petition be referred to the Committee appointed on Saturday last on the Petition of Patrick Gough, who are also to examine and report upon this Petition. Ref. to Sel. Com.

A Petition of Inhabitants of Sydney, and others, was presented by the Hon. the Attorney General, and read, praying that Vessels entering the Harbors of the Province for safety or to obtain Provision may not be subject to the payment of Light Duties. Pet. as to Light Duties Act.

Ordered, That the Petition be referred to the Committee on Navigation Securities. Ref. to Com. on Nav. Sec.

The Hon. the Attorney General, by command of His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor, presented to the House—

An Abstract of the state of Shipping registered at the Port of Arichat for the year ending 31st December, 1849. Abstract of Arichat Shipping.

Ordered, That the same be referred to the Committee on Navigation Securities, with a view to their taking into consideration the propriety of recommending the erection of a Light House at the entrance of Arichat Harbor. Ref. to Com. on Nav. Sec.

A Petition of Donald Campbell, of Arichat, in the County of Richmond, was presented by the Hon. the Attorney General, and read, praying compensation for services performed by him as Adjutant of Militia several years since, and which had not been drawn for reasons therein detailed. Pet. of Donald Campbell.

Ordered, That the Petition be referred to Mr. Mignowitz, Mr. McDougall, and Mr. Robertson, to examine and report upon. Ref. to Sel. Com.

A Petition of George W. Troop, and others, was presented by Mr. Thorne, and read, praying aid in the erection of a Breakwater, in the rear of Messrs. Troops' Land, on the Bay Shore, in the County of Annapolis. Pet. for aid to Troop's Breakwater.

Ordered, That the Petition be referred to the Committee on Navigation Securities. Ref. to Com. on Nav. Sec.

A Petition of the Overseers of the Poor for the Township of Granville was also presented by Mr. Thorne, praying reimbursement of Expenses of Transient Paupers. Pet. of Overseers, Granville.

Ordered, That the Petition be referred to the Committee on the Expenses of Transient Paupers. Ref. to Com. on Transient Poor.

A Petition of Overseers of the Poor for the Township of Truro was presented by Mr. Archibald, and read, praying reimbursement of Expenses of Transient Paupers. Pet. of Overseers, Truro.

Ordered, That the Petition be referred to the Committee on the Expenses of Transient Paupers. Ref. to Com. on Trans. Poor.

A Petition of John Noble, of Port Hood, in the County of Inverness, Surgeon, was presented by Mr. Smyth, and read, praying compensation for his services in Vaccinating a great number of persons during the last year. Pet. of Dr. Noble.

Ordered,

Ref. to Immigrant
Com.

Ordered, That the Petition be referred to the Committee on the Expenses of sick Immigrants, &c.

Pet. of Dr. Harly.

A Petition of Benjamin V. Harley, of Yarmouth, M. D., was presented by Mr. Killam, and read, praying compensation for his services in Vaccinating a great number of persons in that County during the past year.

Ref. to Immigrant
Com.

Ordered, That the Petition be referred to the Committee on the Expenses of sick Immigrants, &c.

Pet. of H. Hays.

A Petition of Holloway Hays, of Lunenburg, in the County of Lunenburg, Gentleman, was presented by Mr. Mignowitz, and read, praying compensation for his services during the past year, in Vaccinating a number of persons in that County as also in the County of Halifax, from more than one-half of whom he had received no remuneration.

Referred to Immigrant
Com.

Ordered, That the Petition be referred to the Committee on the Expenses of sick Immigrants, &c.

Pet. from Colchester
relative to Railway.

A Petition of Charles Blanchard, and others, a Committee appointed on behalf a Public Meeting, held at Truro, on Wednesday the 16th day of January instant; was presented by Mr. Creelman, and read, calling the attention of the House to certain Resolutions passed at such meeting and included in the Petition, and praying for an alteration in the terms of the Grant made in support of the proposed Line of Railway from Halifax to Quebec, so that in the event of the whole Line not being undertaken, it may be appropriated to the Nova Scotia section thereof, if a Company shall be formed to undertake the same, so that it shall meet the contemplated Line of Railway from St. John, N. B., to Shediac.

Ordered, That the Petition do lie on the Table.

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

TUESDAY, 29TH JANUARY, 1850.

PRAYERS.

Report from Com. on
mode of appointing
Sel. Coms.

The Hon. the Provincial Secretary reported from the Committee appointed on the 23rd day of January instant, to take into consideration the mode of appointing Select Committees, that they had considered the subject to them referred, and had directed him to report that it was the unanimous opinion of the Committee that the Clerk should keep on the Committee Book, and check every day, a Roster shewing the number of Committees upon which each Member had been appointed, and that certain Members should be added to Committees already appointed in the present Session according to a list prepared and submitted by the Committee.

Ordered, That the Report be received and do lie on the Table.

Pet. of Indians Ascaoni for School
Grant presented.

The Hon. the Provincial Secretary, by command of His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor, presented to the House—

A Petition of Indians of Ascaoni, in the County of Cape Breton, addressed to His Excellency, requesting aid to establish a School there.

Ref. to Com. on Indian
Affairs.

Ordered, That the Petition be referred to the Committee on Indian Affairs.

Report from Lunatic
Com. on Miss Dix's
Petition.

Mr. McLeod reported in part from the Committee to whom was referred the Petition of Miss D. L. Dix, on the subject of the erection of a Lunatic Asylum, and

and who were also to consider the subject generally, that the Committee had considered the Petition, and had directed him to recommend that the same should be published at length in the Appendix to the Journals of the House—and he delivered the Petition in at the Clerk's Table.

Ordered, That the Report be received and adopted by the House.

Adopted.

For the Petition—

(See Appendix No. 18.)

A Petition of Joseph B. Bond, late Guager under the Colonial Revenue Laws, at the Port of Yarmouth, was presented by the Hon. Mr. Johnston, and read, setting forth that having been many years ago appointed as Gauger at the above Port he had continued to act as such until November, 1848, not being aware that the law under which he had been appointed had been repealed in the Session of the Assembly held in the early part of that year—that he had been lately called upon to refund the Commissions received from the time of the abolition of his office until the time he ceased to perform the duties thereof,—and praying that in consideration of the services having been actually performed, although under a mistake, he may not be obliged to repay the Fees so received.

Pet. of Excise Guager,
Yarmouth.

Ordered, That the Petition be referred to the Committee on Trade and Manufactures.

Ref. to Com. on
Trade, &c.

A Petition of Doctor Joseph B. Bond, of Yarmouth, was also presented by the Hon. Mr. Johnston, and read, praying compensation for his services in Vaccinating a large number of persons during the last year.

Pet. of Dr. Bond,

Ordered, That the Petition be referred to the Committee on the Expenses of Sick Immigrants, &c.

Ref. to Immigrant
Com.

A Petition of Overseers of the Poor for the Township of Clements, was also presented by the Hon. Mr. Johnston, and read, praying reimbursement of Expenses incurred in the support of Transient Paupers.

Pet. of Overseers,
Clements,

Ordered, That the Petition be referred to the Committee on the Expenses of Transient Paupers.

Ref. to Com. on Transient
Poor.

Mr. Smyth, pursuant to leave given, presented a Bill to authorize the Sale of the Land on which the Port Hood Academy stands and the purchase of a new site therefor; and the same was read a first time and ordered to be read a second time.

Port Hood Academy
Bill.

A Petition of Overseers of the Poor for the First Section of the Township of Pictou, was presented by the Hon. Mr. Young, and read, praying reimbursement of expenses incurred in the support of Transient Paupers.

Pet. of Overseers, 1st
Sec. Pictou,

Ordered, That the Petition be referred to the Committee on the Expenses of Transient Paupers.

Ref. to Trans. Poor
Com.

A Petition of Inhabitants of Big Pond, South-side Bras'dOr Lake, was presented by Mr. Munro, and read, praying for the establishment of a Post Office at that place.

Pet. for Post Office,
Big Pond, C. B.

Ordered, That the Petition be referred to the Committee on Post Office Affairs.

Ref. to Post Office
Com.

A Petition of the Commissioners of Schools, for the County of Cape Breton, was also presented by Mr. Munro, and read, praying that the sum of Two Hundred and Fifty Pounds taken from the School monies for that County and applied to the purchase of Seed and Provisions for the destitute under the Act of

Pet. relative to School
and Road Monies,
Co. of C. B.

last Session, may be deducted from the monies which may be granted for Roads and Bridges in that County during the present year, and applied as the said sum so taken from the School monies was originally intended, nearly the full amount of such sum having been actually expended on the Roads by labor of the persons to whom assistance had been extended.

Ref to Sel. Com.

Ordered, That the Petition be referred to Mr. Hall, Mr. Fulton, Mr. Creelman, Mr. McKeagney, and Mr. Smyth, to examine and report upon.

Pet. of Overseers,
2d Sec. Pictou.

A Petition of Overseers of the Poor, for the second Section of the Township of Pictou, was presented by Mr. Robertson, and read, praying repayment of Expenses incurred in supporting Transient Paupers.

Ref. to Trans. Poor
Com.

Ordered, That the Petition be referred to the Committee on the Expenses of Transient Paupers.

Clare Lock-up-House
Bill and Fog Bell
Bill,

A Bill to provide for a Lock-up-House in the Township of Clare—and
A Bill to enable Thomas Robson to obtain Letters Patent in this Province for the invention of a Fog Bell—

Read 2nd time,

Were severally read a second time.

Committed.

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

Chapters of Revised
Statutes read 3rd
time.

The following Engrossed Chapters of the Bill for Revising and Consolidating the General Statutes of Nova Scotia, were severally read a third time, viz :

- Chapter 1, Of the Promulgation and construction of Statutes.
- 23, Of the Government House and Provincial Building.
- 24, Of the Penitentiary.
- 25, Of Sable Island.
- 32, Of the Naturalization of Aliens.
- 39, Of the Boundaries of Counties.
- 40, Of Sheriffs.
- 41, Of Coroners.
- 42, Of Clerks of the Peace.
- 74, Of Shipping and Seamen.
- 75, Of Wrecks and Wrecked Goods.
- 91, Of the preservation of useful Birds and Animals.
- 92, Of the destruction of noxious Animals.
- 148, Of Treason.
- 149, Of Offences relating to the Army and Navy.
- 150, Of Offences against Religion.
- 151, Of Offences against Public Morals.
- 152, Of Offences against Marriage.
- 153, Of Offences against the Public Peace.
- 154, Of Offences against the Administration of Justice.
- 155, Of Offences against the Person.
- 156, Of Offences against the Habitation.
- 157, Of Fraudulent Appropriations.
- 158, Of Forgery and other Offences relating to the Coin.
- 159, Of Malicious Injuries to Property.
- 160, Definition of Terms in this Title.
- 161, Of the Administration of Criminal Justice.

And thereupon—

Motion to abolish
Death for Rape
negatived.

Mr. Fraser moved that Chapter 155 be re-committed to a Committee of the whole House for the purpose of striking out the Penalty of Death imposed by

by the 13th Section for the Crime of Rape and substituting other punishment in lieu thereof—

Which being seconded and put, and the House dividing thereon, there appeared, for the motion, eleven; against it, twenty-nine.

So it passed in the negative.

The Hon. Mr. Johnston then moved that the same Chapter be amended by substituting the Penalty of Death for the Crime of unlawfully and carnally knowing and abusing any Girl under the age of Ten Years—in lieu of the penalty of Imprisonment for a term not exceeding fourteen years as prescribed by the 14th Section.

Motion to impose penalty of Death for carnally knowing girls, carried.

Which being seconded and put, and the House dividing thereon, there appeared, for the motion, thirty-five; against it, five.

So it passed in the affirmative.

And the Chapter was amended accordingly.

Mr. Fraser then moved that the same Chapter be further amended by substituting the Penalty of Imprisonment for Life or for any period not less than seven years for the Crime of Buggery—in lieu of the Penalty of Death prescribed in the 16th Section.

Motion to abolish Death for Buggery carried.

Which being seconded and put, and the House dividing thereon, passed in the affirmative.

And the Chapter was further amended accordingly.

Mr. Fraser then moved that the same Chapter be further amended by substituting Imprisonment for Life, or for any term not less than Seven Years, for the crime of unlawfully setting fire to, casting away, or in anywise destroying any Ship or Vessel, either with intent to murder any person, or whereby the life of any person shall be put in danger—in lieu of the penalty of Death, prescribed by the 9th section.

Abolition of Death for casting away Vessels with intent, &c.

Which being seconded and put, and the House dividing thereon, there appeared for the motion twenty-two; against it, eighteen.

So it passed in the affirmative.

And the Chapter was further amended accordingly.

Mr. Fraser moved that Chapter 156 be amended by substituting Imprisonment for Life, or for any term not less than Seven Years, for the crime of maliciously setting Fire to any Dwelling House, any person being therein—in lieu of the penalty of Death, prescribed in the 10th section.

Abolition of Death for Arson, carried.

Which being seconded and put, and the House dividing thereon, there appeared for the motion twenty-one; against it, seventeen.

So it passed in the affirmative.

And the Chapter was amended accordingly.

Mr. Fraser then moved that the last mentioned Chapter be further amended by substituting Imprisonment for Life, or for any term not less than Seven Years, for the crime of Burglariously breaking and entering into any Dwelling House, or any inner part thereof, and assaulting, with intent to murder any person being therein, or causing any bodily harm, or doing any personal violence to such person—in lieu of the Punishment of Death, prescribed by the 4th section.

Abolition of Death for Burglary, with intent, &c. abolished.

Which being seconded and put, and the House dividing thereon, there appeared for the motion nineteen; against it, nineteen: whereupon—

Mr. Speaker gave his casting vote in favor of the motion, and it passed in the affirmative.

And the Chapter was further amended accordingly.

Mr.

Abolition of Death for Robbery & Assault.

Mr. Fraser moved that Chapter 157 be amended by substituting Imprisonment for Life or for any term not less than seven years for the Crime of Robbing any Person, and at the time of, or immediately before, or immediately after such Robbery causing any greivous bodily harm to any person—in lieu of the Penalty of Death prescribed in the third Section.

Which being seconded and put, passed in the affirmative.

And the Chapter was amended accordingly.

Chapters passed.

The said several engrossed Chapters were then, upon the question respectively put thereon, finally passed by the House.

Sent to Council.

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

Convict Bill presented

The Hon. Mr. Doyle, pursuant to leave given, presented a Bill to prevent the landing of convicted Felons on the Shores of this Province, and the same was read a first time and ordered to be read a second time.

Order of Day,

The Order of the day being read—

Elective Franchise postponed.

Ordered, That the House do to-morrow, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House on the subject of the Elective Franchise.

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

WEDNESDAY, 30TH JANUARY, 1850.

PRAYERS.

Members Seat Vacating Bill.

The Hon. Mr. Doyle, pursuant to leave given, presented a Bill to enable Members of the House of Assembly to vacate their Seats therein—and the same was read a first time and ordered to be read a second time.

Provincial Accounts Current presented.

The Hon. the Attorney General, by command of His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor, presented to the House—

An Account Current, of the late Provincial Treasurer, of all Monies paid into and Monies paid from the Provincial Treasury, between the 1st January and 30th June, 1849; and—

Also—An Account Current, of the Honorable the Receiver General, of all Monies paid into and Monies paid from the Provincial Treasury, between the 1st July and 31st December, 1849.

And the same were respectively read by the Clerk.

(See Appendix No. 19.)

Ref. to Com. on Public Accounts.

Ordered, That the said Accounts be referred to the Committee on Public Accounts.

Pet. of Lessees of Dart. Common.

A Petition of certain Lessees of the Dartmouth Common, was presented by the Hon. the Provincial Secretary, and read, praying for a reduction of the Rent agreed to be paid for the Lots by them held.

Withdrawn.

Ordered, That the Petition be withdrawn.

Pet. from Lower Horton for Post Office,

A Petition of Inhabitants of Lower Horton, in King's County, was presented by Mr. Brown, and read, praying for the establishment of a Post Office there, in lieu of the present Way Office.

Ordered,

Ordered, That the Petition be referred to the Committee on Post Office Affairs.

Ref. to Post Office Com.

A Petition of the Grand Pre Division No. 47 of the Sons of Temperance was also presented by Mr. Brown, and read, praying that intoxicating Liquors, seized for Breach of the Revenue Laws, together with the Casks in which they are contained, may be destroyed—and that certain alterations may be made in the Law regulating Licenses for the sale of Spirituous Liquors.

Pet. of Lower Horton Sons of Temperance.

Ordered, That the Petition do lie on the Table.

The Hon. the Provincial Secretary, pursuant to leave given, presented a Bill to provide for the erection of a Dike across Chezetcook Harbor—and the same was read a first time.

Chezetcook Dike Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to Mr. Hall, Mr. Dimock, Mr. Henry, Mr. Marshall, and the Hon. Mr. Young, to examine and report upon, with amendments or otherwise.

Ref. to Sel. Com.

Mr. Henry, pursuant to leave given, presented a Bill to discontinue the Grant to King's College, Windsor—and the same was read a first time.

King's College Bill,

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time on Tuesday, the 5th day of February next.

Made Order of Day.

The Hon. the Provincial Secretary, pursuant to leave given, presented a Bill for the Encouragement of Education—and the same was read a first time and ordered to be read a second time.

School Bill.

The Hon. the Attorney General, by command of His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor, presented to the House—

Sick Immigrant and Shipwrecked Seamen Papers.

Copy of a Despatch from Sir John Harvey to Earl Grey, dated 27th September, 1849, transmitting Copies of Reports of Committees of this House, on the subject of re-payment of expenses of distressed Immigrants and Shipwrecked Seamen—and

Copy of a Despatch from Earl Grey to Sir John Harvey, in reply, dated 29th October, 1849.

And the same were read by the Clerk.

(See Appendix No. 20.)

Ordered, That the same do lie on the Table.

Also—Copy of a Despatch from Sir John Harvey to Earl Grey, dated 2nd August, 1849, on the subject of an advance made by the Local Government for protection of the interests of the Imperial Government as beneficial Mortgagees of the Shubenacadie Canal Company's Lands; and—

Shubenacadie Canal Papers.

Copy of a Despatch from Earl Grey to Sir John Harvey in reply, dated 28th September, 1849, with an inclosure; and—

Copy of further Despatch from Sir John Harvey to Earl Grey on the same subject, dated 28th November, 1849.

And the same were read by the Clerk.

(See Appendix No. 21.)

Ordered, That the same do lie on the Table.

The Hon. the Provincial Secretary, pursuant to leave given, presented a Bill respecting Vaccination—and the same was read a first time and ordered to be read a second time.

Vaccination Bill.

Pet. of Dr. Forman.

A Petition of Henry Forman, of Sydney, C. B., was presented by the Hon. the Attorney General, and read, praying payment for Medical Attendance upon, and Medicines furnished, two Shipwrecked Seamen in 1848, by direction of the resident Immigrant Agent.

Ref. to Immigrant Com.

Ordered, That the Petition be referred to the Committee on the Expenses of sick Immigrants, &c.

Correspondence as to arrears of Rent and Royalty on Coal Mines.

The Hon. the Provincial Secretary by command of His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor, presented to the House—

Copy of a Correspondence during the past year between the Hon. the Provincial Secretary, on behalf the Executive Government of this Province, and the Hon. Samuel Cunard, as Agent of the General Mining Association, relative to certain arrears of Rent claimed to be due from the Company to the Government, and the Royalty payable on Slack Coal sold by the Company; and the same was read by the Clerk.

(See Appendix No. 22.)

Ref. to Com. on Mines and Minerals.

Ordered, That the Correspondence be referred to the Committee on subject of the Mines and Minerals of the Province.

Order of Day, Elective Franchise postponed.

The Order of the day being read—

Ordered, That the House do on Wednesday, the 6th day of February next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House on the subject of the Elective Franchise.

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

THURSDAY, 31ST JANUARY, 1850.

PRAYERS.

Bills read 2d time, viz: Port Hood Academy,

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

A Bill to authorise the Sale of the Land on which the Port Hood Academy stands, and the purchase of a new site therefor.

Landing of Convicts,

A Bill to prevent the landing of convicted Felons on the shores of this Province.

Vacating Seats,

A Bill to enable Members of the House of Assembly to vacate their Seats therein.

Schools, Vaccination. Committed.

A Bill for the encouragement of Education.

A Bill respecting Vaccination.

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

School Bill made Order of Day.

Ordered, That this House do on Monday, the 4th day of February next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House for the purpose of considering the Bill for the encouragement of Education.

Pet. of Jos. Allison, for return Duties on Beef and Pork.

A Petition of Joseph Allison, of Windsor, in the County of Hants, Merchant, was presented by Mr. Fraser, and read, praying a return of the Duties paid by him on salted Beef and Pork imported from St. John, N. B., and afterwards exported as Ship Stores for California.

Ref. to Com. on Trade

Ordered, That the Petition be referred to the Committee on Trade and Manufactures.

Mr.

Mr. McDonald, pursuant to leave given, presented a Bill respecting the Grand Jury in the District of Saint Mary's, and the same was read a first time :

St. Mary's Jury Bill.

And thereupon—

On motion, *resolved*, that a Select Committee be appointed to consider and report generally upon the subject of the Jury Laws.

Com. on Jury Laws,

Ordered, That Mr. Henry, the Hon. Mr. Johnston, the Hon. Mr. Young, Mr. Creelman, Mr. Sangster, the Hon. Attorney General, and Mr. Harrington, be a Committee for that purpose.

St. Mary's Bill ref. to Com.

Ordered, That the foregoing Bill be referred to the said Committee.

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Young—

Resolved, That a Select Committee be appointed to enquire into and report upon the probable operation of the late Imperial Act for altering the Navigation Laws.

Com. on Navigation Laws.

Ordered, That Mr. Fraser, the Hon. Mr. Young, Mr. Killam, Mr. Mignowitz, and Mr. Marshall be a Committee for that purpose.

Com. named.

A Petition of Inhabitants of Sydney, C. B., was presented by Mr. McKeagney, and read, praying that the House will not sanction the principle of Assessment for a Common School there, as agreed to by a majority at a Public Meeting.

Pet. from Sydney, C.B. against Assessment for Schools,

Ordered, That the Petition be referred to the Committee of the whole House on Bills committed to be considered in connection with the Bill for the Encouragement of Education.

Ref. to Com. on Bills.

A Petition of Members of the Sydney, C. B. Agricultural Society, was also presented by Mr. McKeagney, and read, praying that the sum by Law appropriated for the purposes of their Society, but which was last year applied to other uses, be repaid them.

Pet. of Sydney, C. B. Agricultural Society

Ordered, That the Petition be referred to Mr. Munro, Mr. Bent, Mr. Ryder, the Hon. the Attorney General, and Mr. Harrington, to examine and report upon.

Ref. to Sel. Com.

Mr. Mott, pursuant to leave given, presented a Bill to authorise the appointment of Trustees for the Public Burial Ground, at Dartmouth; and the same was read a first time, and ordered to be read a second time.

Dartmouth Burial Ground Bill.

A Petition of Frederick W. Morris, M. D., was presented by Mr. Munro, and read, praying compensation for Vaccinating a number of persons at Main-a-dieu, in the Island of Cape Breton, during the past summer, at the solicitation of the Board of Health there.

Pet. of Dr. Morris,

Ordered, That the Petition be referred to the Committee on the Expenses of Sick Immigrants, &c.

Ref. to Immigrant Com.

A Petition of Donald Urquhart, was presented by Mr. Creelman, and read, praying further compensation for his services as Surveyor in running the Lines of certain Electoral Districts in the County of Colchester, in addition to the Grant formerly made him therefor; and thereupon—

Pet. of Don. Urquhart.

Mr. Creelman moved that the Petition be referred to a Select Committee to examine and report upon: which being seconded—

Motion for Sel. Com.

Mr. Fraser moved, by way of amendment to the question, that the Petition be withdrawn: which being seconded and put, and the House dividing thereon, passed in the affirmative. And accordingly—

Amendment to withdraw carried.

Ordered, That the Petition be withdrawn.

Pet. of Jon. Archibald
as to Land Grant,

A Petition of Jonathan Archibald, of Musquodoboit, was presented by the Hon. Mr. Young, and read, setting forth that in the year 1844 he had applied for a Grant of Land, situate at the mouth of the stream entering into Liscomb Harbor, and suited to the erection of Saw-mills, and lodged his money therefor—that in April, 1845, the Lands were surveyed and laid off to Petitioner under an Order from the Commissioner of Crown Lands; and the necessary returns having been made Petitioner's application was approved by the Government in the summer of the same year, and he was directed to enter into possession of the Lands and proceed with the erection of his Mills—that in accordance with these directions Petitioner in the following winter went into possession of the Lands, erected camps, and got out timber for his Buildings at an expense of One Hundred and Fifty Pounds—that in order to make his intended Lumbering Establishment more complete he was induced to obtain, at considerable expense, Grants of other Lots further up the stream covered with timber, and for which he would not have applied had he apprehended any difficulty in obtaining the Grant of the Tract below, for which he considered the faith of the Government pledged; but that after applying repeatedly at the Surveyor General's Office he could not obtain such Grant, in consequence, as was alleged, of objections raised by the owner of the adjoining Tract, who set up a pretended claim to the most valuable portions of the Lands so surveyed for Petitioner, including his intended Mill sites; and that in consequence Petitioner had been obliged to abandon his work entirely as too precarious, under the circumstances, to be prosecuted, if not utterly hopeless—that Petitioner had, in addition to the sums so expended by him as aforesaid, been put to great inconvenience and loss of time in the premises—and praying a reasonable compensation in Land, or in some other suitable way.

Ref. to Sel. Com.

Ordered, That the Petition be referred to Mr. Henry, Mr. Taylor, and Mr. McDougall, to examine and report upon.

Pet. of Free Church
Academy.

A Petition of a Committee appointed by the Synod of the Free Church of Nova Scotia, to take the superintendance of an Academy established by that Body, was presented by the Hon. the Provincial Secretary, and read, praying an annual Grant in favor of the Academy under their direction in the City of Halifax.

Ordered, That the Petition do lie on the Table.

On motion of Mr. Freeman—

Report from Com. on
Sel. Coms. adopted.

Resolved, That the Report of the Committee on the subject of the appointment of Select Committees of the House made on the 29th day of January instant, be adopted by the House.

Coms. added to, viz:
Reporting,

And thereupon in accordance with such Report—

Ordered, That Mr. Campbell and Mr. Archibald be added to the Committee on the subject of Reporting the Debates and Proceedings of the House.

Contingencies,

Ordered, That Mr. Comeau and Beckwith be added to the Committee on the Contingencies of the House.

Education,

Ordered, That the Hon. Mr. Doyle and Mr. Crow be added to the Committee on Education.

Trade, &c.

Ordered, That Mr. Snow and Mr. Martell be added to the Committee on Trade and Manufactures.

Mines and Minerals,

Ordered, That the Hon. the Provincial Secretary and Mr. Marshall be added to the Committee on Mines and Minerals.

Nav. Securities,

Ordered, That Mr. Wier and Mr. Moore be added to the Committee on Navigation Securities.

Post Office,

Ordered, That Mr. Whitman and the Hon. the Provincial Secretary be added to the Committee on Post Office Affairs.

Ordered,

- Ordered,* That Mr. Beckwith and Mr. Kedy be added to the Committee on the subject of the Penitentiary. Penitentiary,
- Ordered,* That Mr. Archibald and Mr. Beckwith be added to the Committee on the Expenses of Transient Paupers. Transient Poor,
- Ordered,* That Mr. Munro and Mr. Mott be added to the Committee on Indian Affairs. Indian Affairs,
- Ordered,* That Mr. Snow and Mr. Smyth be added to the Committee on Printing. Printing,
- Ordered,* That Mr. Crow and Mr. Dimock be added to the Committee on the subject of the Expenditure of the Monies granted to the different Counties for the purchase of Seed and Provisions. Seed Money expenditure,
- Ordered,* That Mr. Martell and Mr. Budd be added to the Committee on the Expenses of Sick Immigrants, &c. Immigrant Expenses,
- Ordered,* That Mr. Snow and Mr. Comeau be added to the Committee to whom was referred the Despatch on the subject of Fees in the Court of Vice Admiralty. Admiralty Fees,
- Ordered,* That Mr. Thorne and Mr. Brown be added to the Committee on the subject of the Fees taken by British Consuls at Foreign Ports on Colonial Shipping. Consular Fees,
- Ordered,* That Mr. Wier and Mr. Bent be added to the Committee to whom was referred the Communication respecting the destruction of the Legislative Library in Canada. Canada Library,
- Ordered,* That the Hon. the Provincial Secretary and Mr. Ryder be added to the Committee on the subject of a Lunatic Asylum. Insane:
- On motion, the House again resolved itself into a Committee on the consideration of the Bill for Revising and Consolidating the Provincial Statutes. Com. on Revised Laws,
- Mr. Speaker left the Chair.
- Mr. Thorne took the Chair of the Committee.
- Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.
- The Chairman reported from the Committee that they had made further progress in the Bill, and had directed him to report the following Chapters thereof, without any amendment, viz.: Chapter 26, of Light Houses; Chapter 79, of Bills of Exchange and Promissory Note; Chapter 80, of Interest; and Chapter 81, of Currency—that the Committee had also gone through Chapter 43, of the times and places of holding the Sessions; and Chapter 44, of certain Powers and Duties of the Sessions and Grand Jury—and had made amendments thereto respectively, which they had directed him to report to the House with the Chapters—and he delivered the several Chapters, with the amendments to the last mentioned Chapters, in at the Clerk's Table. Report Chapters without amdmts. Light Houses, Bills and Notes, Interest and Currency and— With Amendments, Sessions and Powers of Sessions, and Grand Jury.
- Ordered,* That the Chapters with the amendments be engrossed. Orders for engrossing.
- Ordered,* That the Chapters reported without amendment be engrossed.
- Then the House adjourned until To-morrow, at twelve of the clock.

FRIDAY, 1ST FEBRUARY, 1850.

PRAYERS.

The following Engrossed Chapters of the Bill for Revising and Consolidating the General Statutes of Nova Scotia, were severally read a third time, viz: Engrossed Chapters of Revised Laws read 3d time and passed.

Chapter 26, Of Light Houses.

43, Of the times and places of holding the Sessions.

79, Of Bills of Exchange and Promissory Note.

80, Of Interest.

81, Of Currency.

Resolved, That the said several Chapters do finally pass.

Sent to Council.

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

Pet. of Dr. Bent,

A Petition of Charles Bent, M. D., of Pugwash, in the County of Cumberland, was presented by Mr. Fulton, and read, praying payment for Medical attendance upon, and Medicines furnished, a Transient Pauper, severely burned and scalded by the bursting of the Boiler of a Steam Mill at that place.

Ref. to Com. on
Transient Poor.*Ordered*, That the Petition be referred to the Committee on the Expenses of Transient Paupers.

Pet. of Robt. McNutt,

A Petition of Robert McNutt, Licensed Ferryman, at the mouth of the River Philip, in the County of Cumberland, was also presented by Mr. Fulton, and read, praying payment for his services in conveying the Mails over such River, during the two last years.

Ref. to Post Office
Com.*Ordered*, That the Petition be referred to the Committee on Post Office Affairs.Pet. of Acadian
School.

A Petition of the Executive Committee of the Royal Acadian School, in Halifax, was presented by the Hon. the Provincial Secretary, and read, praying for a continuance of the annual Grant in favor of that Institution, and for further aid to enable them to establish a Normal School in connection therewith.

Ref. to Com. on Bills.

Ordered, That the Petition be referred to the Committee of the whole House on Bills committed, to be considered in connection with the Bill for the Encouragement of Education.Pet. from Preston for
Relief.

A Petition of Persons of Color, Inhabitants of Preston, in the County of Halifax, was also presented by the Hon. the Provincial Secretary, and read, setting forth their present destitution, caused more especially by the failure of the Hay Crop during the last season, and praying relief.

Ref. to Sel. Com.

Ordered, That the Petition be referred to Mr. Blackadar, Mr. Card, and Mr. Ryder, to examine and report upon.

Pet. of Dr. Muir,

A Petition of Samuel Muir, M. D., of Truro, in the County of Colchester, was presented by Mr. Archibald, and read, praying payment for Surgical and Medical attendance upon, and Medicines furnished to, a Transient Pauper.

Ref. to Trans. Poor
Com.*Ordered*, That the Petition be referred to the Committee on the Expenses of Transient Paupers.Pet. for Breakwater,
Indian Harbor,

A Petition of Freeholders and Inhabitants of Indian Harbor, in the County of Guysborough, was presented by Mr. Marshall, and read, praying further aid in the completion of the Breakwater, at that place.

Ref. to Com. on Nav.
Sec.*Ordered*, That the Petition be referred to the Committee on Navigation Securities.Pet. of Fishermen,
Chedabucto
Bay, &c.A Petition of the Fishermen of Chedabucto Bay and the Gut of Canso, was also presented by Mr. Marshall, and read, complaining of the encroachments of American Fishermen on the Coast, and of the exactions to which they are subjected in the shape of Rent and otherwise, in consequence of the large Grants of
the

the Shores which have been made to private individuals not concerned in the Fisheries, and praying investigation and redress.

Ordered, That the Petition be referred to the Hon. the Attorney General, Mr. Ernst, Mr. Hall, Mr. Marshall, and Mr. Homer, to examine and report upon. Ref. to Sel. Com.

A Petition of the Overseers of the Poor for the Township of St. Mary's, in the County of Guysborough, was presented by Mr. McDonald, and read, praying reimbursement of the expenses of a Transient Pauper. Pet. of Overseers,
St. Mary's.

Ordered, That the Petition be referred to the Committee on the Expenses of Transient Paupers. Ref. to Com. on Transient Poor.

A Petition of Robert Leslie, of Annapolis, Physician, was presented by the Hon. Mr. Johnston, and read, praying remuneration for medical attendance upon three families of color affected with the spasmodic Cholera during the last year. Pet. of Dr. Leslie,

Ordered, That the Petition be referred to the Committee on the Expenses of Sick Immigrants, &c. Ref. to Immigrant Com.

A Petition of Isaac McAnn, a Licensed School Teacher at Granville, in the County of Annapolis, was also presented by the Hon. Mr. Johnston, and read, setting forth that there were but two Trustees within his District, one of whom had refused to sign his Return for the last half year, in consequence of which the Commissioners conceived that they could not legally pay the usual allowance to Petitioner for his services during that period, and praying that measures may be adopted to enable him to obtain the same. Pet. of I. McAnn,

Ordered, That the Petition be referred to the Committee on Education. Ref. to Com. on Education.

A Petition of Charles Pernette, Ferryman on the Eastern side of LaHave River, was presented by Mr. Mignowitz, and read, praying an extra Grant, for carrying the mail twice a week over such River, instead of once, as formerly. Pet. of Chas. Pernette

Ordered, That the Petition be referred to the Committee on Post Office Affairs. Ref. to Post Office Com.

The Hon. the Attorney General, by command of His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor, presented to the House: Papers laid before House, viz :

Copies of Despatches and other Papers, relating to a Seaman left at Barbadoes, by a Vessel belonging to the Port of Halifax—and the same was read by the Clerk. Seaman,

(See Appendix No. 23.)

Ordered, That the same do lie on the Table.

Also—Copy of a Despatch from Sir Edmund Head, Lieutenant Governor of New Brunswick, to Sir John Harvey, dated 28th January, 1850, requesting to be informed of any measures that may be contemplated in this Province, as connected with the late Imperial Navigation Act—and the same was read by the Clerk. Despatch from Gov. of N. B. relative to Imp. Nav. Act.

(See Appendix No. 24.)

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

Also—A Copy of the Imperial Act, 12 and 13 Victoria, C. 29, to amend the Laws for the encouragement of British Shipping and Navigation. Imp. Nav. Act.

(See Appendix No. 25.)

Ordered, That the same do lie on the Table.

Mr.

Report from Com. on
Nav. Act.

Mr. Fraser reported from the Committee appointed to enquire into and report upon the probable operation of the late Imperial Navigation Act, that the Committee deemed it inexpedient to express any opinion upon the matter until the whole question connected therewith had been submitted to and considered by the House.

Ordered, That the Report be received.

Return of Road
Coms

The Hon. the Provincial Secretary by command of His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor, presented to the House—

A Return of the names of persons recommended during the year 1849, by members of the House of Assembly for the expenditure of Road Money but who were not appointed, and the names of the persons appointed in their places.

Ordered, That the Return do lie on the Table.

Law Pleaders' Bill.

The Hon. the Provincial Secretary, pursuant to leave given, presented a Bill to enable Her Majesty's subjects to Plead and reason for themselves or others in all Her Majesty's Courts of Record within this Province—and the same was read a first time, and ordered to be read a second time.

Report from Com. on
Pet. of Hon. S.
Cunard

Mr. Mott reported from the Committee on the Petition of the Hon. Samuel Cunard, and he read the Report in his place, and then delivered it in at the Clerk's Table, where it was again read, and is as follows :

“ The Committee to whom was referred the Petition of the Hon. Samuel Cunard, on the subject of Regulations for the Harbor of Halifax, beg leave to report : That the Petitioner and other Ship-owners are desirous that a Passage in front of the Wharves, along the Western shore of the Harbor, should be kept open at all times for the unobstructed passage of Vessels entering or departing from the Port.

“ The Committee are of opinion that the prayer of the Petition should be complied with, and recommend to the House to pass a Law to carry the same into effect.

H. Y. MOTT,
THOMAS KILLAM.
SAML. CREELMAN.”

Received, and leave
for Bill.

Ordered; That the Report be received and do lie on the Table—and that Mr. Mott have leave to bring in a Bill in accordance therewith.

Com. on Revised
Laws,

On motion the House again resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill for revising and consolidating the Provincial Statutes.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. Thorne took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

Report progress.

The Chairman reported from the Committee that they had made further progress in the said Bill.

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

SATURDAY, 2ND FEBRUARY, 1850.

PRAYERS.

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

Bills read 2d time,
viz :
Postal Bill,

A Bill to enable the Governor in Council to make orders for establishing a uniform Rate of Postage in Nova Scotia, and for regulating a Postal arrangement with other Countries.

Fees in Court of Marriage and Divorce,

A Bill to regulate the Fees to be taken in the Court of Marriage and Divorce; and—

Dartmouth Burial Ground.

A Bill to authorise the appointment of Trustees for the Public Burial Ground at Dartmouth.

Committed.

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

A Petition of a number of Freeholders, residing in the Eastern part of the County of Hants, was presented by Mr. McDougall, and read, calling attention to the superior healing virtues of Botanic Medicines as compared with Mineral Medicines; and praying that authority may be given for the granting of Diplomas to practise on the Botanic system.

Pat. as to Medical Systems,

Ordered, That the Petition be referred to the Hon. the Provincial Secretary, Mr. Brown, and Mr. Dimock, to examine and report upon, by Bill or otherwise.

Ref. to Sel. Com.

A Petition of Charles B. Owen, Collector of Excise for Lunenburg, was presented by Mr. Mignowitz, and read, setting forth that he had been overcharged by the Committee of Public Accounts at the last Session with a sum paid the Guager at that Port, after the abolition of the Law under which the Commissions were paid such Guager; that the duties had been performed, and the Commissions paid, under the supposition that the Law was then in force; and further, that Petitioner had collected a small sum from a seizure, the whole of which had however been expended in necessary labor connected therewith; and praying that the amount of the surcharge may be granted to him, and that he may be allowed to retain the sum realized from the seizure.

Pat. of Collector of Excise, Lunenburg.

Ordered, That the Petition be referred to the Committee on Trade and Manufactures.

Ref. to Com. on Trade, &c.

A Petition of George Snyder, of Shelburne, Surgeon, was presented by Mr. Snow, and read, praying payment for medical attendance upon and medicines furnished persons afflicted with the Small Pox, during the two last years, under direction of the Board of Health.

Pat. of Dr. Snyder,

Ordered, That the Petition be referred to the Committee on the Expenses of sick Immigrants, &c.

Ref. to Immigrant Com.

On motion, the House again resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill for revising and consolidating the Provincial Statutes.

Com. on Revised Laws,

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. Thorne took the Chair of the Committee:

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chairman reported from the Committee that they had gone through two more Chapters of the said Bill, viz : Chapter 46, of the powers and duties of Townships, and the Appointment, Qualification, and Duties of Township Officers; and Chapter 47, of Fences and Fence Viewers, and the Impounding of Cattle; and had

Report Town Officers Chapters.

made amendments thereto respectively, which they had directed him to report to the House with the Chapters; and he delivered the same in at the Clerk's Table.

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

Com. on Bills,

On motion the House resolved itself into a Committee on Bills.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. Thorne took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

Report without
amendments,
Clare Lock-up-House
and
Fog Bell Patent Bills.

The Chairman reported from the Committee that they had gone through the Bill to provide for a Lock-up House in the Township of Clare, and the Bill to enable Thomas Robson to obtain Letters Patent in this Province for the invention of a Fog Bell—and had directed him to report the same to the House without any amendment.—That the Committee had also gone through the Bill to enable the inhabitants of the Township of Maxwelton to build a Lock-up-House—the Bill to authorise the Sale of the Land on which the Port Hood Academy stands and to purchase a new site therefor—and the Bill for taking the Census of this Province and obtaining Statistical Information therein—and had made amendments to the same respectively, which they had directed him to report to the House with the Bill; and he delivered the said several Bills and amendments in at the Clerk's Table.

With amendments,
Maxwelton Lock-up-
House,
Port Hood Academy
Lands—and
Census,

Orders for engrossing.

Ordered, That the Bills with the amendments be engrossed.

Ordered, That the Bills reported without amendment be engrossed.

Convict papers,

The Hon. Mr. Doyle, by command of His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor, presented to the House a Communication, from the City Clerk, Halifax, addressed to the Hon. the Provincial Secretary, and calling the attention of the Government to the fact of convicted Felons from Newfoundland being landed in this Province, and accompanied by Documents substantiating the same.

Ref. to Com. on Bills.

Ordered, That the Papers be referred to the Committee of the whole House on Bills committed to be considered in connection with the Bill on the same subject.

Pet. of Trustees of
Wesleyan Academy
Sackville, N. B.

A Petition of the Trustees of the Wesleyan Academy at Sackville, N. B., was presented by the Hon. the Provincial Secretary, and read, praying for continued Legislative aid to that Institution.

Ordered, That the Petition do lie on the Table.

Halifax County Muni-
cipalities Bill.

The Hon. the Provincial Secretary, pursuant to leave given, presented a Bill to divide the County of Halifax into Townships, and to confer certain municipal privileges upon the Inhabitants thereof—and the same was read a first time and ordered to be read a second time.

Then the House adjourned until Monday next at one of the clock.

MONDAY, 4TH FEBRUARY, 1850.

PRAYERS.

Engrossed Bills read
3rd time, viz :
Maxwelton Lock-up-
House,
Passed.

An Engrossed Bill to enable the Inhabitants of the Township of Maxwelton to build a Lock-up-House, was read a third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and that the title be, an Act to enable the Inhabitants of the Township of Maxwelton to build a Lock-up-House.

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An Engrossed Bill to provide for a Lock-up-House, in the Township of Clare, Clare Lock-up-House.
was read a third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and that the title be, an Act to provide for a Passed.
Lock-up-House in the Township of Clare.

An engrossed Bill to enable Thomas Robson to obtain Letters Patent in this Fog Bell Patent,
Province for the invention of a Fog Bell, was read a third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and that title be, an Act to enable Thomas Passed.
Robson to obtain Letters Patent in this Province for the invention of a Fog Bell.

An engrossed Bill to authorise the Sale of the Land on which the Port Hood Port Hood Academy,
Academy stands and the purchase of a new site therefor, was read a third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and that the title be, an Act to authorise the Passed.
Sale of the Land on which the Port Hood Academy stands and the purchase of a
new site therefor.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the said several Bills to the Council and de- Sent to Council.
sire their concurrence.

A Petition of the Alumni of King's College, Windsor, was presented by the Pet. of Alumni of
Hon. the Attorney General, and read, praying that the Bill, now before the King's College,
House, to discontinue the Grant to that College may not pass into a Law. Windsor.

Ordered, That the Petition do lie on the Table.

A Petition of the Trustees of the National School at Halifax, was presented by Pet. of Trustees of
the Hon. the Provincial Secretary, and read, praying that the means of continuing National School,
that Institution in operation and usefulness may be still extended to them.

Ordered, That the Petition be referred to the Committee on Bills, to be consi- Ref. to Com. on Bills.
dered in connection with the Bill for the Encouragement of Education.

A Petition of Inhabitants of Parrsborough was presented by Mr. Dickey, and Pet. for Wharf at
read, praying aid to the building of a Wharf at that place. Parrsboro,'

Ordered, That the Petition be referred to the Committee on Navigation Se- Ref. to Com. on Nav.
curities. Sec.

A Petition of Overseers of the Poor, for section No. 6, of the Township of Pet. of Overseers of
Egerton, was presented by the Hon. Mr. Young, and read, praying reimburse- Poor, Egerton,
ment of expenses incurred in supporting a Transient Pauper.

Ordered, That the Petition be referred to the Committee on the Expenses of Ref. to Trans. Poor
Transient Paupers. Com.

A Petition of Charles Fixott and Henry Cline Fixott, of Arichat, Surgeons, Pet. of Drs. Fixott,
was presented by Mr. Harrington, and read, praying remuneration for their ser-
vices in vaccinating a number of poor persons during the past year.

Ordered, That the Petition be referred to the Committee on the Expenses of Ref. to Immigrant
sick Immigrants, &c. Com.

A Petition of Benjamin G. Page, of Amherst, Surgeon, was presented by Mr. Pet. of Dr. Page,
Bent, and read, praying remuneration for medical attendance upon and medicines
furnished sick Indians, by directions of the Board of Health.

Ordered, That the Petition be referred to the Committee on Indian affairs. Ref. to Indian Com.

A Petition of William E. Cooke, of the West River of Pictou, M. D., was Pet. of Dr. Cooke,
presented by Mr. Blackadar, and read, praying payment of his account for me-
dical

dical attendance upon and medicines furnished Transient Paupers in 1846, 1847, and 1848.

Ref. to Com. on
Transient Poor.

Ordered, That the Petition be referred to the Committee on the Expenses of Transient Paupers.

Pet. of Dr. Carritt,

A Petition of Edward Carritt, of Guysborough, Surgeon, was presented by Mr. Marshall, and read, praying remuneration for Medical attendance upon, and Medicines furnished Transient Paupers afflicted with the Small Pox—and for visiting, in his capacity as Health Officer, vessels arriving from Halifax after the breaking out of the Small Pox there; and also for Vaccinating a number of Indians and attending a sick Indian—all which services were performed by direction of the Board of Health.

Ref. to Indian and
Immigrant Coms.

Ordered, That so much of the Petition as relates to services performed for the Indians, be referred to the Committee on Indian Affairs—and that the remaining part thereof be referred to the Committee on the Expenses of sick Immigrants, &c.

Pet. for Light House,
Arichat,

A Petition of Merchants, Ship-owners and other Inhabitants of Arichat, was presented by Mr. Martell, and read, praying for the erection of a Light House at the entrance of Arichat Harbor.

Ref. to Com. on Nav.
Sec.

Ordered, That the Petition be referred to the Committee on Navigation Securities.

Antigonishe Streets
Bill.

Mr. Henry, pursuant to leave given, presented a Bill to repeal so much of the Act relating to Commissioners of Streets, as extends the same to Antigonishe—and the same was read a first time and ordered to be read a second time.

Pet. for Oat Mill,
Weymouth.

A Petition of Henry James Sorinson, of Weymouth, in the County of Digby, Farmer, was presented by Mr. Budd, and read, praying aid in establishing an Oat and Grist Mill at that place.

Ref. to Com. on
Agriculture.

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

Pet. for Road Antigo-
nishe to New Glas-
gow.

A Petition of the Reverend Thomas Trotter, and others, of the County of Sydney, was presented by Mr. Henry, and read, praying aid to complete the new Line of Road from Antigonishe to New Glasgow, running through the back settlement of Merigomish, Marshy Hope, and Addington.

Ordered, That the Petition do lie on the Table.

Pet. of Carpenters'
Society,

A Petition of James Dechman, and others, Members of the Carpenters' Society, of Halifax, was presented by the Hon. the Attorney General, and read, praying for the passage of an Act to Incorporate such Society.

Leave for Bill,

Ordered, That the Petition be received and do lie on the Table—and that the Hon. the Attorney General have leave to bring in a Bill in accordance with the prayer thereof.

And accordingly—

Carpenters' Society
Incorporation Bill.

The Hon. the Attorney General, pursuant to such leave, presented a Bill to Incorporate the Carpenters' Society of Halifax—and the same was read a first time and ordered to be read a second time.

Pet. for Courier to
Cape George and
Co. of Sydney,

A Petition of Inhabitants of the Gulf Shore, residing at Arisaig and Malignant Cove, in the County of Sydney, was presented by Mr. Henry, and read, praying for a Grant to enable the Deputy Post Master General to employ a Courier to receive the Bag containing the Letters and Papers from the Antigonishe Courier in Merigomish, and convey them once a week to Cape George or Malignant Cove as may be deemed advisable.

Ordered,

Ordered, That the Petition be referred to the Committee on Post Office Affairs. Ref. to Post Office Com.

A Petition of Inhabitants of Little Baddeck, Big Baddeck, and Middle River, in the County of Cape Breton, was presented by Mr. Harrington, and read, praying for a division of that County, with an increase of Representation in General Assembly, proportioned to its population, extent, and resources. Pet. for division of Co. of C. Breton, &c.

Ordered, That the Petition do lie on the Table.

A Petition of the Reverend J. Courteau, Missionary Priest for the Parishes of River Bourgoise, L'Ardoise, and St. Peter's, in the County of Richmond, was presented by the Hon. the Attorney General, and read, setting forth, that in order to preserve people within his limits from actual starvation, he had been obliged to pledge his personal credit for a considerable sum of money, about one-half of which he had re-paid, leaving him still liable for the balance; and praying for an investigation into the peculiar circumstances of the case, and relief from his outstanding engagements. Pet. of Rev. J. Courteau,

Ordered, That the Petition be referred to the Committee on the Expenses of Transient Paupers. Ref. to Com. on Transient Poor.

A Petition of John Fuller, High Sheriff of the County of Richmond, was presented by the Hon. Mr. Johnston, and read, praying payment for his services in apprehending certain individuals, charged with stealing a quantity of Flour and Meal from Her Majesty's Warehouse, at St. Peter's, in the Winter of 1847. Pet. of Sheriff of Richmond,

Ordered, That the Petition be referred to Mr. Snow, Mr. Dimock, and Mr. Brown, to examine and report upon. Ref. to Sel. Com.

A Petition of the President and Committee of the Margaretville Pier Company, was also presented by the Hon. Mr. Johnston, and read, praying for further aid to enable them to extend their Pier. Pet. of Margaretville Pier Co.

Ordered, That the Petition be referred to the Committee on Navigation Securities. Ref. to Com. on Nav. Sec.

A Petition of Benjamin K. Dodge, of Granville, in the County of Annapolis, was also presented by the Hon. Mr. Johnston, and read, praying payment for his services in Vaccinating a number of poor persons during the last year. Pet. of B. K. Dodge,

Ordered, That the Petition be referred to the Committee on the Expenses of sick Immigrants, &c. Ref. to Immigrant Com.

A Petition of Benjamin K. Dodge, of Granville, in the County of Annapolis, was also presented by the Hon. Mr. Johnston, and read, suggesting an alteration in the mode of providing for the keeping of the Poor in that County, and offering to contract to carry out his views in reference thereto. Pet. of B. K. Dodge, as to Poor House, Co. Annapolis,

Ordered, That the Petition do lie on the Table.

A Petition of Henry McDowall, practitioner in Medicine and Surgery, at Maitland, in the County of Hants, was presented by Mr. McDougall, and read, setting forth that he had been called upon in the summer of 1844, in his professional capacity, to attend a person living over twenty miles from Petitioners residence, who had received a severe wound from an axe—that it had been purposely concealed from him that the party was wholly unable to pay, and that he had never received anything for his services, and praying compensation in the premises; and thereupon— Pet. of Dr. McDowall

Withdrawn.

Mr. Mott moved that the Petition be withdrawn, which being seconded and put, passed in the affirmative.

Ordered accordingly.

Pet. for St. Peter's Canal.

A Petition of Inhabitants of the County of Richmond, and of other parts of the Island of Cape Breton, was presented by Mr. Harrington, and read, praying the adoption of measures for the speedy opening of a Canal between the Bras d'Or Lake and St. Peter's Bay.

Ordered, That the Petition do lie on the Table.

Pet. for Extra Road Grant, Guysboro'.

A Petition of Freeholders and Inhabitants of the County of Guysborough, was presented by Mr. McDonald and read, setting forth, that they had been wholly unable as yet to repair the damage caused by the great Freshet in 1848, in some parts of that County—and praying for an extra Grant to complete the Salmon River Bridge and repair the Post Road from Guysboro' to Canso.

Ordered, That the Petition do lie on the Table.

School Land Bill,

The Hon. Mr. Young, pursuant to leave given, presented a Bill concerning School Lands, and the appointment of Trustees therefor—and the same was read a first time and ordered to be read a second time.

Pet. for Insane Asylum,

A Petition of Robert Leslie, and others, Inhabitants of Annapolis County, was presented by Mr. Fraser, and read, praying for the establishment of a Provincial Asylum for the Insane.

Ref. to Lunatic Com.

Ordered, That the Petition be referred to the Committee on the subject of a Lunatic Asylum.

Order of Day,
Com. on School Bill,

The order of the day being read—

The House resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill for the Encouragement of Education.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. Thorne took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

Report progress,

The Chairman reported from the Committee that they had made some progress in the said Bill, and had directed him to ask for leave to sit again on the consideration thereof.

Further Order.

Ordered, That this House do To-morrow again resolve itself into a Committee on the said Bill.

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

TUESDAY, 5TH FEBRUARY, 1850.

PRAYERS.

Pet. relative to Sydney Academy,

A Petition of Inhabitants of Sydney, Cape Breton, signed on behalf of a Public Meeting held there by the Chairman and Secretary of such Meeting, together with a Committee appointed thereat, was presented by Mr. Munro, and read, calling the attention of the House to certain Resolutions passed at the Meeting and annexed to the Petition, praying among other things that the present Trustees of the Sydney Academy may be dismissed and a new Board formed, that a Common School may be united with the Academy, and that an Act may pass sanctioning an assessment for the support of such Academy and Common School.

Ref. to Com. on Education.

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

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A Petition of Niel McIntosh, was also presented by Mr. Munro, and read, praying aid to assist him in keeping up a Ferry between Low Point and the North Bar, at Sydney, Cape Breton. Pet. for Ferry at Sydney, C. B.

Ordered, That the Petition be referred to the Committee on Navigation Securities. Ref. to Com. on Nav. Sec.

A Petition of Members of St. Andrew's Free Church of Sydney, C. B., in connection with the Free Church of Scotland, was also presented by Mr. Munro, and read, praying for the passage of an Act to Incorporate the Trustees of such Church. Pet. for Incorporation of Free Church, Sydney, C. B.

Ordered, That the Petition do lie on the Table, and that Mr. Munro have leave to bring in a Bill in accordance with the prayer thereof. Leave for Bill.

A Petition of Inhabitants of Boulardarie and St. Ann's, in the County of Cape Breton, was also presented by Mr. Munro, and read, praying for a division of the County, with an increase of Representation in General Assembly. Pet. for division of Co. of C. B.

Ordered, That the Petition do lie on the Table.

A Petition of Inhabitants of the County of Cape Breton, was also presented by Mr. Munro, and read, praying aid to Godfrey Hinds, in keeping a House of Entertainment for travellers, on the Road from St. Ann's to Cape North. Pet. for aid to Public House, C. B.

Ordered, That the Petition be referred to Mr. Mott, Mr. McKenna, and Mr. Comeau, to examine and report upon. Ref. to Sel. Com.

A Petition of Doctor Wielobycki, of Liverpool, was presented by Mr. Campbell, and read, praying payment for his services in attending a Sailor, from the United States, afflicted with the Small Pox—and in Vaccinating a number of poor persons. Pet. of Dr Wielobycki

Ordered, That the Petition be referred to the Committee on the Expenses of sick Immigrants, &c. Ref. to Immigrant Com.

A Petition of Doctor Wielobycki, of Liverpool, was also presented by Mr. Campbell, and read, praying payment for medical attendance upon and medicines furnished sick Indians. Pet. of Dr Wielobycki

Ordered, That the Petition be referred to the Committee on Indian affairs. Ref. to Com. on Indian Affairs.

A Petition of Doctor James F. Forbes, of Liverpool, was also presented by Mr. Campbell, and read, praying payment for medical attendance upon and medicines furnished a Transient Pauper. Pet. of Dr. Forbes, Pauper,

Ordered, That the Petition be referred to the Committee on the Expenses of Transient Paupers. Ref. to Com. on Transient Poor.

A Petition of Doctor James F. Forbes, was also presented by Mr. Campbell, and read, praying payment for attendance upon and medicines provided for sick Indians. Pet. of Dr. Forbes, Indians,

Ordered, That the Petition be referred to the Committee on Indian affairs. Ref. to Indian Com.

A Petition of Doctor James F. Forbes, of Liverpool, was also presented by Mr. Campbell, and read, praying payment for vaccinating a number of poor persons during the past Summer, by direction of the Board of Health for Queen's County. Pet. of Dr. Forbes, Small Pox,

Ordered, That the Petition be referred to the Committee on the Expenses of sick Immigrants, &c. Ref. to Immigrant Com.

- Pet. of Jos. Wickins,* A Petition of Joseph Wickins was also presented by Mr. Campbell, and read, setting forth that he had, for the last three years, resided on the Mud Islands, and been allowed the sum of Twenty Pounds annually, to enable him to keep a man and boat to afford assistance in cases of shipwreck—that it appeared from the Journal of this House that the same sum had been granted him last Session, but that he had been unable to obtain the same, although he had applied therefor.
- Ref. to Sel. Com.* *Ordered,* That the Petition be referred to Mr. Campbell, Mr. Martell, and Mr. Munro, to examine and report upon.
- Pet. for Breakwater, Horton,* A Petition of Edward P. Borden, and others, of Horton, was presented by Mr. Brown, and read, praying aid in the erection of a Breakwater at the Burbidge Marsh, in that Township.
- Ref. to Com. on Nav. Sec.* *Ordered,* That the Petition be referred to the Committee on Navigation Securities.
- Pet. of Overseers of Poor, Horton,* A Petition of Overseers of Poor, for the Township of Horton, was also presented by Mr. Brown, and read, praying reimbursement of expenses incurred in the support of Transient Paupers.
- Ref. to Trans. Poor Com.* *Ordered,* That the Petition be referred to the Committee on the Expenses of Transient Paupers.
- Pet. of Alex Buchanan* A Petition of Alexander Buchanan, of Horton, was also presented by Mr. Brown, and read, praying payment of his account for supporting a Transient Pauper, which, as Petitioner was informed, had been passed by the Select Committee on that subject last Session, but the Grant for which had been omitted in Committee of Supply.
- Ref. to Trans. Poor Com.* *Ordered,* That the Petition be referred to the Committee on the Expenses of Transient Paupers.
- Pet. of Overseers of Poor, 1st District, Digby.* A Petition of Overseers of the Poor for the First District of the Township of Digby, was presented by Mr. Budd, and read, praying reimbursement of Expenses incurred in supporting Transient Paupers.
- Ref. to Com. on Trans Poor.* *Ordered,* That the Petition be referred to the Committee on the Expenses of Transient Paupers.
- Pet. of F. DuPort,* A Petition of Francois DuPort, was presented by the Hon. the Provincial Secretary, and read, setting forth, that having lost both his legs he had commenced teaching a School for poor children, in the City of Halifax, and praying for assistance therein.
- Ref. to Com. on Education.* *Ordered,* That the Petition be referred to the Committee on Education.
- Halifax Harbor Bill.* Mr. Mott, pursuant to leave given on a former day, presented a Bill for regulating the Anchorage of Vessels in the Harbor of Halifax—and the same was read a first time and ordered to be read a second time.
- Antigonishe Streets-Bill, and* A Bill to repeal so much of the Act relating to Commissioners of Streets as extends the same to Antigonishe; and—
- Carpenters' Society Bill read 2d time, and* A Bill to Incorporate the Carpenters' Society of Halifax:
Were severally read a second time.
- Committed.* *Ordered,* That the Bills be committed to a Committee of the whole House.
- Pet. of John Pernette,* A Petition of John Pernette, the Ferryman on the Western side of LaHave River, was presented by Mr. Mignowitz, and read, praying a further allowance for his services, in carrying the mails twice a week over the River instead of once as formerly.

Ordered,

- Ordered*, That the Petition be referred to the Committee on Post Office Affairs. Ref. to Post Office Com.
- The Orders of the Day being read—
- Ordered*, That the Bill to discontinue the Grant to King's College, Windsor, be read a second time To-morrow. Orders of Day,
Kings' College Bill postponed,
- Then, pursuant to order, the House again resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill for the Encouragement of Education. Com. on School Bill,
- Mr. Speaker left the Chair.
- Mr. Thorne took the Chair of the Committee.
- Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.
- The Chairman reported from the Committee that they had made further progress in the Bill, and had directed him to move for leave to sit again on the consideration thereof. Report progress.
- Ordered*, That the House do To-morrow again resolve itself into a Committee on the consideration of the said Bill. Further order thereon.
- Then the House adjourned until To-morrow, at twelve of the clock.

WEDNESDAY, 6TH FEBRUARY, 1850.

PRAYERS.

- A Petition of Doctor Hoffman, Health Officer at Halifax, was presented by the Hon. the Provincial Secretary, and read, detailing the circumstances connected with his Superintendance of the Fever Hospital at Dartmouth, in 1848, and complaining of the reduction of his Account therefor at the last Session—and praying a reconsideration of his claim. Pet. of Dr. Hoffman.
- Ordered*, That the Petition do lie on the Table.
- A Petition of members and adherents of the Presbyterian Church of Nova Scotia, was also presented by the Hon. the Provincial Secretary, and read, praying that the House will not continue Legislative aid to Sectarian Institutions for the advancement of learning; but will endow a Public Central Institution—and also that the School Lands may be made applicable for the general purposes of Education. Pet. against Sectarian Colleges.
- Ordered*, That the Petition do lie on the Table.
- A Petition of Thomas Waterman, of the County of Annapolis, was presented by the Hon. Mr. Johnston, and read, praying for an extension of the Mail Line from Brookfield, in Queens' County, to the County of Annapolis. Pet. for Mail from Brookfield to Annapolis,
- Ordered*, That the Petition be referred to the Committee on Post Office Affairs. Ref. to Post Office Com.
- The Hon. the Provincial Secretary, by command of His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor, presented to the House—
- Returns of various Academies and Common Schools in different parts of the Province, with Abstracts of such Returns. Papers presented, viz:
School Returns.
- Ordered*, That the same do lie on the Table.
- Also—various Accounts for Public Printing for the last year. Printing Accounts,
- Ordered*, That the Accounts be referred to the Committee on Public Printing. Ref. to Com. on Printing.
- A Petition of the Rev. Robert Willis, D. D., was presented by the Hon. the Provincial Pet. for aid to African School,

Provincial Secretary, and read, praying continued aid to the African School in Halifax.

Ref. to Com. on Bills.

Ordered, That the Petition be referred to the Committee on Bills to be considered in connection with the Bill for the Encouragement of Education.

Pet. Tracadie Harbor,

A Petition of the Inhabitants of Tracadie, in the County of Sydney, was presented by Mr. Henry, and read, praying aid in cutting a new entrance into the Harbor at that place.

Ref. to Com. on Nav. Sec.

Ordered, That the Petition be referred to the Committee on Navigation Securities.

Pet. of W. T. Townsend,

A Petition of William T. Townsend, was presented by Mr. Mott, and read, praying further compensation for his services in the Investigation of the Affairs of Sable Island in 1848.

Ref. to Sel. Com.

Ordered, That the Petition be referred to Mr. McKenna, Mr. McLeod, and Mr. Bent, to examine and report upon.

Pet. of Drs. Grigor and Parker,

A Petition of William Grigor and Daniel McNeil Parker, Doctors of Medicine, was presented by the Hon. the Provincial Secretary, and read, praying remuneration for their extra services in vaccinating a great number of poor persons, at the Halifax Dispensary, during the past year.

Ref. to Immigrant Com.

Ordered, That the Petition be referred to the Committee on the Expenses of sick Immigrants, &c.

Pet. for Flour Weighing Act,

A Petition of Merchants and other Inhabitants, of the City of Halifax, was presented by the Hon. the Attorney General, and read, praying for the passage of an Act for the Weighing of Flour.

Ordered, That the Petition do lie on the Table, and that the Hon. the Attorney General have leave to bring in a Bill in accordance with the prayer thereof.

And accordingly—

Bill for Weighing Flour.

The Hon. the Attorney General, pursuant to such leave, presented a Bill for the Weighing of Flour; and the same was read a first time, and ordered to be read a second time.

Papers laid before House, viz :

The Hon. the Provincial Secretary, by command of His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor, presented to the House :

Boards of Health Expenses,

Various Accounts of Expenses incurred by Boards of Health, in different Counties, during the last year.

Shipwrecked Seamen,

Also—Various Accounts of Expenses incurred in connection with Shipwrecked Seamen.

Ref. to Immigrant Com.

Ordered, That the Accounts be referred to the Committee on Expenses of sick Immigrants, &c.

School Land Returns Expenses.

Also—An Account of the Surveyor General for Expenses incurred in an Inspection and Report upon the School Lands, throughout the Province, made by order of the Government—and

Acct. of Thos. Logan.

An Account of Thomas Logan, Deputy Surveyor, Cumberland, for surveying a new Line of Road in that County, by order of Government.

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

Pet. of Dr. McDonald,

A Petition of Archibald McDonald, of Antigonish, M. D., was presented by Mr. Henry, and read, praying payment for Vaccinating a number of Indians, and also for boarding and putting in quarantine a Vessel having persons on board afflicted with the Small Pox.

Ordered,

Ordered, That so much of the Petition as relates to Vaccination of Indians, be referred to the Committee on Indian Affairs—and the remainder to the Committee on the Expenses of sick Immigrants, &c. Ref. to Indian and Immigrant Coms.

The Orders of the Day being read—

Ordered, That the Bill to discontinue the Grant to King's College, Windsor, be read a second time To-morrow. Order of Day,
Kings College Bill.

Ordered, That the House do To-morrow resolve itself into a Committee on the subject of the Elective Franchise. Elective Franchise postponed.

Then pursuant to order the House again resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill for the Encouragement of Education. Com. on School Bill,

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. Thorne took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chairman reported from the Committee that they had made further progress in the Bill, and had directed him to move for leave to sit again on the consideration thereof.

Ordered, That this House do To-morrow again resolve itself into a Committee on the further consideration of such Bill. Further Order.

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

THURSDAY, 7TH FEBRUARY, 1850.

PRAYERS.

A Petition of Michael Cody, Mail Courier between Martin's and Walton, in the County of Hants, was presented by Mr. Card, and read, praying payment for extra services, rendered necessary by a change in the Western Mail route. Pet. of Michael Cody,

Ordered, That the Petition be referred to the Committee on Post Office Affairs. Ref. to Post Office Com.

A Petition of Inhabitants of Newport, was presented by Mr. Dimock, and read, praying aid in extending the Post Communication to the Newport Landing. Pet. for Post Route, Newport,

Ordered, That the Petition be referred to the Committee on Post Office Affairs. Ref. to Post Office Com.

A Petition of the Colored Population of Port La Tour, in the County of Shelburne, was presented by Mr. McKenna, and read, praying a separate Grant to enable them to continue a School there. Pet. of Negroes, Port Latour,

Ordered, That the Petition be referred to the Committee on Education. Ref. to Com. on Education.

A Petition of Inhabitants, of the Township of Shelburne, was also presented by Mr. McKenna, and read, praying that the operation of the Clause in the Act for the Inspection of Pickled Fish, respecting the description of Barrels to be used, should be suspended until December next. Pet. relative to Fish Barrels,

Ordered, That the Petition be referred to the Committee on the Fisheries. Ref. to Com. on Fisheries.

A Petition of Proprietors of the Presbyterian Meeting House, at Middle Stewiacke, in the County of Colchester, was presented by Mr. Creelman, and read, praying for the passage of an Act to enable them to sell the Meeting House. Pet. for sale of Meeting House, Stewiacke,

Ordered, That the Petition do lie on the Table, and that Mr. Creelman have leave to bring in a Bill to carry out the Prayer thereof: Leave for Bill,

And accordingly—

Mr.

Bill presented.

Mr. Creelman, pursuant to such leave, presented a Bill to authorise the sale of the Presbyterian Meeting House at Middle Stewiacke--and the same was read a first time and ordered to be read a second time.

Pet. for Electric Telegraph, Yarmouth.

Three Petitions of Inhabitants of Yarmouth were presented by Mr. Killam, and read, praying for an extension of the Line of Electric Telegraph to that place.

Ordered, That the Petitions do lie on the Table.

Pet. of Jabez Morton,

A Petition of Jabez Morton, of Middlefield, in the County of Queen's, was presented by Mr. Freeman, and read, praying remuneration for his time and trouble, and expenses incurred, in taking care of a Pauper from Annapolis County, who had been severely injured in a Saw-mill; and thereupon:

Motion for Sel. Com.

Mr. Freeman moved that the Petition be referred to a Select Committee to examine and report upon: which being seconded—

Amendment to withdraw carried.

Mr. Fraser moved, by way of amendment, that the Petition be withdrawn: which being seconded and put, passed in the affirmative; and accordingly—

Ordered, That the Petition be withdrawn.

Pet. for Incorporation of Temperance Hall Co., Sydney, C. B.

A Petition of Divisions of the Sons of Temperance of Sydney, C. B., was presented by Mr. McKeagney, and read, praying for the passage of an Act to Incorporate a Temperance Hall Company there.

Leave for Bill.

Ordered, That the Petition do lie on the Table—and that Mr. McKeagney have leave to bring in a Bill in accordance with the prayer thereof.

Pet. for Ferry, Sydney, C. B.

A Petition of James Munn, of Sydney, C. B., was also presented by Mr. McKeagney, and read, praying aid in running his Packet Boat between Sydney and the Mines.

Ref. to Com. on Nav. Sec.

Ordered, That the Petition be referred to the Committee on Navigation Securities.

Pet. of Secretary of Board of Health, Sydney, C. B.

A Petition of James P. Ward, of Sydney, C. B., was also presented by Mr. McKeagney, and read, praying payment for his services and outlay, as Secretary of the Board of Health at that place.

Ref. to Immigrant Com.

Ordered, That the Petition be referred to the Committee on the Expenses of Sick Immigrants, &c.

Pet. of Duncan McKenzie,

A Petition of Duncan McKenzie, of Sydney, C. B., Schoolmaster, was also presented by Mr. McKeagney, and read, praying payment for a portion of time in which he had been employed in teaching a School at that place, and which he had been unable to obtain, although he had applied to the Commissioners therefor.

Ref. to Com. on Education.

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

Pet. for African School, Horton.

A Petition of Colored Inhabitants. of Lower Horton, was presented by Mr. Brown, and read, praying aid in establishing an African School there.

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

Com. on Currency appointed.

On motion of Mr. Henry—

Resolved, That a Select Committee be appointed to consider and report upon the subject of the Currency of the different British North American Provinces, with a view to their Assimilation.

Ordered, That Mr. Henry, the Hon. Mr. Young, Mr. Killam, Mr. Bent, and Mr. Taylor, be a Committee for that purpose.

Order of Day.

The Orders of the Day being read—

Ordered,

Ordered, That the Bill to discontinue the Grant to King's College, Windsor, be read a second time To-morrow. College Bill—and

Ordered, That the House do To-morrow resolve itself into a Committee on the Elective Franchise. Elective Franchise, postponed.

Then, pursuant to order, the House again resolved itself into a Committee on the further consideration of the Bill for the Encouragement of Education. Com. on School Bill,

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. Thorne took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chairman reported from the Committee that they had made further progress on the Bill, and had directed him to move for leave to sit again on the consideration thereof. Report.

Ordered, That the House do To-morrow again resolve itself into a Committee on the further consideration of such Bill. Further Order.

A Petition of the Committee of the Lay Association in connection with the Established Church of Scotland, was presented by the Hon the Attorney General, and read, praying Legislative aid to the Caledonia Academy under their charge, in the City of Halifax. Pet. for Caledonia Academy,

Ordered, That the Petition be referred to the Committee on Bills, to be considered in connection with the Bill for the Encouragement of Education. Ref. to Com. on Education.

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

FRIDAY, 8TH FEBRUARY, 1850.

PRAYERS.

A Petition of Inhabitants of Maitland, in the County of Hants, was presented by Mr. McDougall, and read, praying for the passage of an Act to Incorporate a Temperance Hall Company there. Pet. for Maitland Tem. Hall Comp'y. Incorporation.

Ordered, That the Petition do lie on the Table, and that Mr. McDougall have leave to bring in a Bill in accordance with the prayer thereof. Leave for Bill.

And accordingly—

Mr. McDougall, pursuant to such leave, presented a Bill to Incorporate a Temperance Hall Company at Maitland—and the same was read a first time and ordered to be read a second time. Bill presented.

On motion, the House again resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill for revising and consolidating the Provincial Statutes. Com. on Revised Laws.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. Thorne took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chairman reported from the Committee that they had made further progress in the Bill, and had passed several Chapters thereof, with amendments, which they had directed him to report to the House with the Chapters, viz: Chapter 60, Of laying out certain Great Roads; Chapter 61, Of laying out Roads other than certain Great Roads; and Chapter 62, Of Surveyors of Highways and Highway Labor, except in Halifax—and he delivered the said several Chapters and amendments in at the Clerk's Table, where the amendments were read. Report Chapters, Great Roads, Other Roads, and Statute Labor.

Ordered, That the Chapters, with the amendments be engrossed. Order for engrossing.

- Pet. of Dr. Stephen, A Petition of R. Stephen, M. D., Health Officer at Digby, was presented by Mr. Budd, and read, praying payment for Vaccinating a number of poor persons, by direction of the Board of Health.
- Ref. to Immigrant Com. *Ordered*, That the Petition be referred to the Committee on the Expenses of Sick Immigrants, &c.
- Pet. from Cumberland for Horse Norfolk, A Petition of Freeholders and other Inhabitants of the County of Cumberland, was presented by Mr. Dickey, and read, praying that the Stud Horse Norfolk may be stationed in that County during the next season, and accompanied by a guarantee for his keeping free of charge to the Province.
- Ref. to Com. *Ordered*, That the Petition be referred to the Committee on the subject of the Provincial Stud Horses.
- Pets. for Wharf, Parrsboro'. A Petition of Inhabitants of the County of Cumberland; and also—
A Petition of Inhabitants of the Counties of Colchester and Cumberland—
Were severally presented by Mr. Dickey, and read, praying aid in the erection of a Wharf at Parrsboro'.
- Ref. to Com. on Nav. Sec. *Ordered*, That the Petition be referred to the Committee on Navigation Securities.
- Pet. for aid to Deaf and Dumb Boy. A Petition of James Stephens, and others, of Horton, was presented by Mr. Brown, and read, praying aid to enable the said James Stephens to continue his Son for a year longer at a Deaf and Dumb Asylum in Glasgow; and thereupon—
On motion of Mr. Brown—
Resolved, That a Committee be appointed on the subject of the Deaf and Dumb of the Province.
- Deaf and Dumb Com. *Ordered*, That the Hon. the Attorney General, Mr. Brown, and Mr. McDonald, be a Committee for that purpose.
- Pet. ref. to Com. *Ordered*, That the foregoing Petition be referred to such Committee.
- Pet. for New Road, Antigonishe, to New Glasgow, and— A Petition of Inhabitants of Barney's River, in the County of Pictou, was presented by the Hon. Mr. Young, and read, praying for a special Grant to complete the Road from Antigonishe to New Glasgow, by the Valley of Marshy Hope; and—
- Pet. against same. A Petition of Inhabitants of Merigomishe, in the County of Pictou, was also presented by the Hon. Mr. Young, and read, suggesting a new and improved Line for such Road, and praying that the House will not make any Grant until both Lines shall have been surveyed.
- Ordered*, That the Petitions do lie on the Table.
- Kentville Court House Bill, Mr. Hall, pursuant to leave given, presented a Bill relating to the Court House and Jail at Kentville—and the same was read a first time.
- Ref. to Sel. Com. *Ordered*, That the Bill be referred to Mr. Dickey, Mr. Creelman, and Mr. Mott, to examine and report upon with amendments or otherwise.
- Cornwallis Public Lands Bill, Mr. Hall, also pursuant to leave given, presented a Bill to authorize the Supervisors of Public Lands in Cornwallis to Lease the same—and the same was read a first time.
- Ref. to Sel. Com. *Ordered*, That the Bill be referred to the Committee to whom the last preceding Bill was referred, to report upon with amendments or otherwise.
- Pets. for aid to Cloth Factory, Cornwallis. Two Petitions of Inhabitants of King's County, and also a Petition of Silas Bishop, of Cornwallis, in the said County, were severally presented by Mr. Hall, and read, respectively setting forth the destruction by Fire of a valuable Cloth Factory

Factory established by the said Silas Bishop, at Cornwallis, together with an expensive Grist Mill connected therewith—and praying, in case of a new Factory being established, a Grant in aid thereof; and thereupon—

Mr. Hall moved that the Petitions be referred to a Select Committee to examine and report upon—which being seconded and put, and the House dividing thereon, passed in the affirmative.

Motion to refer to Sel. Com. carried on division.

Ordered, That the Hon. the Attorney General, Mr. Campbell, the Hon. Mr. Young, Mr. Wier, and Mr. Henry, be a Committee for that purpose.

Com. named.

The Hon. the Provincial Secretary, by command of His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor, presented to the House—

Papers relating to School Monies, Annapolis,

A Petition of N. Viditoe, and others, addressed to His Excellency, complaining of the division of School Monies in the County of Annapolis, together with the reply of the Commissioners of Schools for that County, and the answer of Petitioners thereto—and the same were read by the Clerk.

Ordered, That the Papers be referred to the Committee on Education.

Ref. to Com. on Education.

A Petition of the Reverend Alexander Forrester, and others, a Committee appointed by the Congregation of St. John's Free Church, was presented by the Hon. the Provincial Secretary, and read, praying continued Legislative aid to the School connected with such Church.

Pet. for aid to St. John's Church School,

Ordered, That the Petition be referred to the Committee on Bills, to be considered in connection with the Bill for the Encouragement of Education.

Ref. to Com. on Education.

A Petition of Charles Edward Ratchford, of Amherst, in the County of Cumberland, was also presented by the Hon. the Provincial Secretary, and read, praying aid to a Female Seminary recently opened at Amherst.

Pet. for aid to Female Seminary,

Ordered, That the Petition be referred to the Committee on Bills, to be considered in connection with the Bill for the encouragement of Education.

Ref. to Com. on Bills.

A Petition of Inhabitants of Upper and Lower Prospect, was also presented by the Hon. the Provincial Secretary, and read, praying for the extension of Mail Communication to those places.

Pet. for Mail, Prospect,

Ordered, That the Petition be referred to the Committee on Post Office Affairs.

Ref. to Post Office Com.

The Hon. the Provincial Secretary, by command of His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor, presented to the House, Accounts and Statements relative to the Poores' Asylum at Halifax, for the year 1849.

Poor House Accounts presented,

(See Appendix No. 26.)

Ordered, That the Accounts and Statements be referred to Mr. Freeman, Mr. Brown, Mr. Dimock, Mr. Henry, and Mr. Crow, to examine and report upon.

Ref. to Sel. Com.

A Petition of Overseers of the Poor for the Township of Yarmouth, was presented by Mr. Killam, and read, praying reimbursement of Expenses of Transient Paupers.

Pet. of Overseers, Yarmouth,

Ordered, That the Petition be referred to the Committee on the Expenses of Transient Paupers.

Ref. to Trans. Poor Com.

A Petition of Inhabitants of Port Medway, in Queens' County, was presented by Mr. Campbell, and read, praying for a Grant to establish a Semi-weekly Mail between Liverpool and that place, in lieu of the present Weekly Mail.

Pet. for Extra Mail, Liverpool to Port Medway,

Ordered,

- Ref. to Post Office Com. *Ordered*, That the Petition be referred to the Committee on Post Office Affairs.
- Pet. of J. W. Davison, A Petition of John W. Davison, of Londonderry, in the County of Colchester, was presented by Mr. Creelman, and read, praying reimbursement of his expenses in attending a Criminal Trial at Halifax.
- Ref. to Sel. Com. *Ordered*, That the Petition be referred to the same Committee to whom, on the 4th day of February instant, the Petition of John Fuller, Sheriff of Richmond, was referred, who are also to examine and report upon this Petition.
- Electric Telegraph Correspondence. The Hon. Mr. Young, by command of His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor, presented to the House—
Certain Papers and Correspondence connected with the mode and time of transmitting news by the Electric Telegraph, and more particularly relating to the Communications for the New York Associated Press—and the same were read by the Clerk.
Ordered, That the Papers do lie on the Table.
- Pet. of Ferryman, Pugwash, A Petition of Maurice Walsh, was presented by Mr. Fulton, and read, praying compensation for his services during the last two years in conveying the Mails over Pugwash River.
- Ref. to Post Office Com. *Ordered*, That the Petition be referred to the Committee on Post Office Affairs.
- Pet. of H. Lawson, A Petition of Henry Lawson, of Halifax, was presented by Mr. Mott, and read, praying reimbursement of expenses incurred by him in regaining possession of, and repairing his Schooner, stolen by Prisoners escaped from the Provincial Penitentiary, and left by them at Hunt's Point, in the County of Queens'.
- Ref. to Penitentiary Com. *Ordered*, That the Petition be referred to the Committee on the subject of the Penitentiary.
- Pet. of W. Johns & Son. A Petition of William Johns & Son, Founders and Nail Manufacturers, at Halifax, was also presented by Mr. Mott, and read, praying for an alteration in the Revenue Laws, by which a drawback on the Raw Material imported for the manufacturing of Nails, may be allowed.
- Ref. to Com. on Trade. *Ordered*, That the Petition be referred to the Committee on Trade and Manufactures.
- Pet. of Wells Condon, A Petition of Wells Condon, School Teacher, in District No. 7, in the Township of Wilmot, in the County of Annapolis, was presented by the Hon. Mr. Johnston, and read, setting forth that he had erected a new School House and introduced a system by which Education in several of the practical Branches could be imparted in the Evenings, and praying the attention of the Legislature thereto, and a Grant in aid of the importation of Books required for the purpose of carrying out his views.
- Ref. to Com. on Education. *Ordered*, That the Petition be referred to the Committee on Bills to be considered in connection with the Bill for the Encouragement of Education.
- Pet. of Grand Division of Sons of Temperance. A Petition of the Grand Division of the Sons of Temperance, in Quarterly Session assembled, was also presented by the Hon. Mr. Johnston, and read, praying for the passage of an Act to Incorporate the Grand Division of the Order, for the more effectual Security of the Funds and other Property that may come under their control.

Ordered,

Ordered, That the Petition be referred to the Hon. Mr. Johnston, Mr. Fulton, Mr. Campbell, Mr. Killam, and Mr. McKeagney, to examine and report upon, by Bill or otherwise. Ref. to Sel. Com.

A Petition of the Overseers of the Poor, for the Township of Dorchester, in the County of Sydney, was presented by Mr. Henry, and read, praying reimbursement of Expenses of Transient Paupers. Pet. of Overseers of Poor, Dorchester,

Ordered, That the Petition be referred to the Committee on the Expenses of Transient Paupers. Ref. to Com. on Transient Poor.

A Petition of Frederick Bourgois, late Overseer of the Poor for the Township of Minudie, in the County of Cumberland, was presented by Mr. Bent, and read, praying reimbursement of expenses incurred in supporting Transient Paupers. Pet. of Overseers, Minudie,

Ordered, That the Petition be referred to the Committee on the Expenses of Transient Paupers. Ref. to Trans. Poor Com.

A Petition of James Page, of Amherst, was also presented by Mr. Bent, and read, praying payment of expenses connected with Indians afflicted with the Small Pox. Pet. of James Page,

Ordered, That the Petition be referred to the Committee on Indian affairs. Ref. to Com. on Indian Affairs.

Two Petitions of Charles Tupper, M. D., Senior, Health Officer for the County of Cumberland, were also severally presented by Mr. Bent, and read, one thereof praying payment for medical attendance upon, and Medicines furnished Indians, afflicted with the Small Pox; and the other for attendance upon sick Indians, by direction of the Overseers of the Poor. Pets. of Dr. Tupper,

Ordered, That the Petitions be referred to the Committee on Indian Affairs. Ref. to Com. on Indian Affairs.

A Petition of Inhabitants of the District of St. Mary's, in the County of Guysborough, was presented by Mr. McDonald, and read, praying that the House will not continue Legislative aid to Sectarian Institutions of Learning—but will endow one Public Central Institution; and also that the School Lands may be made available for the purposes of Education generally. Pet. from St. Mary's Against Sec. Colleges.

Ordered, That the Petition do lie on the Table.

A Petition of Inhabitants of the County of Lunenburg, was presented by Mr. Mignowitz, and read, praying for an alteration in the Western Shore Mail Route. Pet. for alteration in Mail Route, Lunenburg, &c.

Ordered, That the Petition be referred to the Committee on Post Office Affairs. Ref. to Post Office Com.

A Petition of the Board of Health for the County of Pictou, was presented by the Hon. Mr. Young, and read, praying payment of an additional Account rendered them. Pet. of Pictou Board of Health,

Ordered, That the Petition be referred to the Committee on the Expenses of Sick Immigrants, &c. Ref. to Immigrant Com.

A Petition of Overseers of the Poor for Tatamagouche, in the County of Colchester, was presented by Mr. Creelman, and read, praying reimbursement of expenses incurred in supporting a Transient Pauper. Overseers of Poor, Tatamagouche,

Ordered, That the Petition be referred to the Committee on the Expenses of Transient Paupers. Ref. to Trans. Poor Com.

The Orders of the Day being read—

Ordered, That the House do To-morrow again resolve itself into a Committee on the Bill for the Encouragement of Education. Orders of Day postponed.

Ordered, That the Bill to discontinue the Grant to King's College, Windsor, be read a second time To-morrow.

Ordered, That the House do To-morrow resolve itself into a Committee on the Elective Franchise.

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

SATURDAY, 9TH FEBRUARY, 1850.

PRAYERS.

Pet. from Co. of Colchester on Education.

A Petition of Inhabitants of Onslow, Brookfield, and Old Barns, in the County of Colchester, was presented by Mr. Crow, and read, praying that Sectarian Institutions of learning may not be upheld by the Legislature; but that one Central College may be endowed—and further, that the School Lands may be made available for the general purposes of Education.

Ordered, That the Petition do lie on the Table.

Change on a Com.

Ordered, That Mr. Archibald be substituted for Mr. McKenna, on the Select Committee on the Petition of William T. Townsend.

Pet. for Breakwater. Hall's Harbor,

A Petition of Freeholders of King's County, was presented by Mr. Beckwith, and read, praying aid in completing the Breakwater at Hall's Harbor, Cornwallis.

Ref. to Com. on Nav. Sec.

Ordered, That the Petition be referred to the Committee on Navigation Securities.

Pet. of Jos. Dotten,

A Petition of Joseph Dotten, of Wallace, in the County of Cumberland, was presented by Mr. Fulton, and read, setting forth that he had, in 1848, contracted for the carriage of the Mails between Londonderry, Wallace, and Pugwash, for a sum which he found insufficient to remunerate him for his services, and praying an additional allowance.

Ref. to Post Office Com.

Ordered, That the Petition be referred to the Committee on Post Office Affairs.

Pet. for Oat Mill. Weymouth,

A Petition of Henry James Sorinson, of Weymouth, in the County of Digby, was presented by Mr. Bourneuf, and read, praying aid in establishing an Oat Mill there.

Ref. to Com. on Agriculture.

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

Jury Bill.

Mr. Fulton, pursuant to leave given, presented a Bill concerning the Act for the regulation of Juries—and the same was read a first time.

Ref. to Com. on Jury Law.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Committee on the subject of the Jury Law.

Report from Com. on Expiring Laws,

Mr. Blackadar, from the Committee on the subject of the Expiring Laws, reported that the Committee had considered the subject to them referred, and had ascertained that there were Fifty-one Acts of the General Assembly which, under ordinary circumstances, and the course and practice of the House, the Committee would have reported Bills to continue, but that out of that number there was only one which would expire at the end of the present Session, viz:—the Act for the Encouragement of Schools, and the renewal of which was unnecessary, as a new measure was in course of progress through the House on the subject of Education.

That

That the remaining Fifty would not expire until the end of the next Session, and that in consequence of the contemplated passage of a Revised Code of all the Provincial Statutes at such next Session, the Committee deemed it inexpedient to report any Bills, further to continue the present Laws, as if passed they would require to be repealed by the Revised Laws.

Ordered, That the Report be received and adopted by the House.

Adopted.

The Hon. the Provincial Secretary, by command of His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor, presented to the House several Papers connected with the Revenue, prepared in the Financial Secretary's Office, viz :

Revenue Returns presented,

Statement of the Gross Amount of Excise Duties collected at the different Ports of the Province, during the several Quarters of the Year 1849.

Gross Quarterly Revenue,

Also—Statement of the Gross Amount of Revenue from Excise Duties collected at the different Ports of the Province for the same year.

Gross Yearly Revenue,

Also—Abstract of Articles imported into the Province on which Duty was collected in the same year.

Abstract of Dutiable Articles,

Ordered, That the said several Papers be referred to the Committee on Public Accounts.

Ref. to Com. on Public Accounts.

Also—An Estimate of the Expenses of the Civil Government of this Province for the Current Year 1850—and the same was read.

Estimate presented.

(See Appendix No. 27.)

Ordered, That the Estimate do lie on the Table.

On motion of the Hon. the Provincial Secretary, *resolved* That a Supply be granted to Her Majesty.

Supply granted.

Ordered, That the Estimate of the Expense of the Civil Government of the Province be referred to the Committee of Supply.

Estimate referred to Supply,

Ordered, That this House do on Monday next resolve itself into a Committee to consider of the Supply granted to Her Majesty.

Order of Day for Com. of Supply.

A Petition of the Ladies Managers of the Infant School, at Halifax, was presented by the Hon. the Attorney General, and read, praying a continuance of the Grant in aid of that Institution.

Pet. for Infant School, Halifax.

Ordered, That the Petition be referred to the Committee on Bills, to be considered in connection with the Bill for the encouragement of Education.

Ref. to Com. on Education.

The Orders of the Day being read—

Ordered, That the Bill to discontinue the Grant to King's College, Windsor, be read a second time on Monday next.

Orders of Day—

Ordered, That the House do on Monday next resolve itself into a Committee on the subject of the Elective Franchise.

King's College Bill postponed,

Elective Franchise postponed,

Then pursuant to order the House again resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill for the Encouragement of Education.

Com. on School Bill,

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. Thorne took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chairman reported from the Committee that they had made further progress in the Bill, and had directed him to move for leave to sit again on the consideration thereof.

Report progress,

Ordered,

Further Order. *Ordered*, That the House do on Monday next again resolve itself into a Committee on such Bill.

Time for Pets. extended. *Ordered*, That the time for reception of Private Petitions be extended to Wednesday next the 13th instant inclusive.

Then the House adjourned until Monday next, at two of the clock.

MONDAY, 11TH FEBRUARY, 1850.

PRAYERS.

Pet. of James D. Harris. A Petition of James D. Harris, of Kentville, in King's County, was presented by Mr. Hall, and read, praying a return of the Duty paid by him on an entire Horse of the Morgan Breed, imported from the United States in 1847.

Ref. to Com. on Trade. *Ordered*, That the Petition be referred to the Committee on Trade and Manufactures.

Pet. of M. P. Martin. A Petition of Mark P. Martin, of Londonderry, was presented by Mr. Wier, and read, setting forth that he had agreed with Samuel Archibald, Road Commissioner, to convey a portion of his Land through which the new Pictou Road runs for the use of the public upon a sum assessed as damages therefor being paid him : that he had prepared and tendered the conveyance, but Mr. Archibald had refused to pay him the damages, although the money granted for such Road had been drawn from the Treasury, and the Road through Petitioner's land had been opened and was now used by the Public, and praying an investigation and redress.

Ref. to Sel. Com. *Ordered*, That the Petition be referred to Mr. Hall, Mr. Bent, and Mr. Dickey, to examine and report upon.

Pet. from Shelburne, for additional Mail. Three Petitions of Inhabitants of the County of Shelburne, were severally presented by Mr. McKenna, and read, respectively praying that the Mail may be conveyed twice a week between Liverpool, Barrington, and Shelburne, instead of once a week as now.

Ref. to Post Office Com. *Ordered*, That the Petition be referred to the Committee on Post Office Affairs.

Despatch for allowing Harbor and Pilotage Act. The Hon. the Provincial Secretary, by command of His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor, presented to the House :

A Copy of Despatch from Earl Grey to Sir John Harvey, dated 17th January, 1850, enclosing an Order in Council allowing the Harbor and Pilotage Act of last Session, and accompanied by a suggestion from the Elder Brethren of the Trinity House in reference to an amendment thereof—and the same were read by the Clerk.

(See Appendix No. 28.)

Ordered, That the Papers do lie on the Table.

Pet. of Dr. Madden. A Petition of Andrew Madden of Arichat, in the County of Richmond, Surgeon, was presented by Mr. Martell, and read, praying payment for his services in vaccinating a number of poor persons during the last year.

Ref. to Immigrant Com. *Ordered*, That the Petition be referred to the Committee on the Expenses of Sick Immigrants, &c.

A Petition of Freeholders and other Inhabitants, of Canso and its vicinity, in the County of Guysborough, was presented by Mr. McDonald, and read, praying further aid in opening a Canal from George's Harbor to Canso.

Pet. for Canal,
George's Harbor to
Canso,

Ordered, That the Petition be referred to the Committee on Navigation Securities.

Ref. to Com. on Nav.
Sec.

A Petition of Freeholders and Inhabitants of the County of Guysboro' was also presented by Mr. McDonald, and read, praying further aid in opening certain Sections of the Great Eastern Road from Halifax to Canso.

Pet. for aid to Great
Eastern Road.

Ordered, That the Petition do lie on the Table.

A Petition of Freeholders and Inhabitants of the County of Guysborough was also presented by Mr. McDonald and read, setting forth the advantages to be derived from making Whitehaven the Atlantic Terminus of the proposed Railway to Quebec, and praying a Grant for a further and more particular Survey and Exploration of that part of the Line extending from Whitehaven to Pictou.

Pet. for New Survey
for Railway from
Canso to Quebec.

Ordered, That the Petition do lie on the Table.

A Petition of Andrew Madden, of Arichat, in the County of Richmond, Health Officer, was presented by Mr. Harrington, and read, praying remuneration for his services in that capacity under particular circumstances therein detailed, and also for attendance upon a Transient Pauper.

Pet. of Dr. Madden,
Health Officer,
Arichat.

Ordered, That so much of the Petition as relates to a Transient Pauper be referred to the Committee on the Expenses of 'Transient Paupers—and the remainder to the Committee on the Expenses of sick Immigrants, &c.

Ref. to Trans. Poor
and Immigrant
Coms.

A Petition of Simon LeBlanc of Little Arichat, in the County of Richmond, was also presented by Mr. Harrington, and read, praying remuneration for his services and outlay as Boatman to the Health Officer at Arichat during the last year.

Pet. of Simon
LeBlanc,

Ordered, That the Petition be referred to the Committee on the Expenses of sick Immigrants, &c.

Ref. to Immigrant
Com.

A Petition of Ship-owners, Merchants, and other Inhabitants, of Isle Madame, in the County of Richmond, was presented by Mr. Martell, and read, praying for a repeal of the Quarantine Laws.

Pet. for Repeal of
Quarantine Laws.

Ordered, That the Petition do lie on the Table.

A Petition of James Dawson, Lloyd's Agent, at Pictou, was presented by Mr. Robertson, and read, praying remuneration for his services in saving a large portion of the Cargo of the Brig Joseph, wrecked on the coast of this Province, and the proceeds of which were paid into the Treasury.

Pet. of Jas. Dawson,

Ordered, That the Petition be referred to the Committee on Trade and Manufactures.

Ref. to Com. on
Trade, &c.

A Petition of Inhabitants of Yarmouth was presented by Mr. Killam, and read, praying that large Grants of the Sea Shore may not be sanctioned—so that the public may enjoy the privilege of gathering Sea-weed thereon and other rights.

Pet. from Yarmouth
against Grants of
Sea Shore,

Ordered, That the Petition be referred to Mr. Hall, Mr. Killam, and Mr. Marshall, to examine and report upon by Bill or otherwise.

Ref. to Sel. Com.

A Petition of John Fox, Health Officer, Guysboro', was presented by Mr. Marshall, and read, praying remuneration for Medical attendance upon persons laboring under Small Pox.

Pet. of Dr. Fox,
Health Officer,
Guysboro.'

Ordered, That the Petition be referred to the Committee on the Expenses of sick Immigrants, &c.

Ref. to Immigrant
Com.

Pet. of Donald
McGregor,

A Petition of Donald McGrigor, of Guysborough, was also presented by Mr. Marshall, and read, setting forth that he had been obliged to pay a large sum for Quarantine charges consequent upon the breaking out of Small Pox on board of his vessel while on her return voyage from New York to Halifax, and his inability to lose the same, and praying relief.

Ref. to Immigrant
Com.

Ordered, That the Petition be referred to the Committee on the Expenses of Sick Immigrants, &c.

Pet. from Chester for
Hay Scales.

A Petition of Inhabitants of the Township of Chester was presented by Mr. Mignowitz, and read, praying for the passage of a Law under which Hay Scales may be provided for the use of the people of that Township.

Leave for Bill.

Ordered, That the Petition do lie on the Table, and that Mr. Mignowitz have leave to bring in a Bill in accordance with the Prayer thereof.

Pet. of Donald
McDonald,

A Petition of Donald McDonald, of St. Ann's, in the County of Cape Breton, was presented by Mr. Munro, and read, praying aid to enable him to send his son to a Deaf and Dumb Asylum in the United States.

Ref. to Deaf and
Dumb Com.

Ordered, That the Petition be referred to the Committee on the subject of the Deaf and Dumb.

Pet. fm. Cape Breton,
as to division of Co.

A Petition of Inhabitants of Grand and Little Narrows, in the County of Cape Breton, was also presented by Mr. Munro, and read, praying that in the event of the County being divided they may be left in the proposed County of Cape Breton.

Ordered, That the Petition do lie on the Table.

Pet. relative to Syd-
ney Academy,

A Petition of George B. Watson, and others, was also presented by Mr. Munro, and read, containing a variety of suggestions in reference to Education generally, and more particularly as respects the Academy at Sydney, Cape Breton—and praying that a Common School may be connected with such Academy, and the Normal system introduced.

Ref. to Com. on
Education.

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

Pet. of John Akins,
for return of Duty,

A Petition of John Akins, of Falmouth, in the County of Hants, Mariner, was presented by Mr. Fraser, and read, praying a return of Duty paid by him on Salted Beef and Pork, imported from the United States, and afterwards exported as Ships' Stores.

Ref. to Com. on
Trade.

Ordered, That the Petition be referred to the Committee on Trade and Manufactures.

Report from Com. on
Yarmouth Wharf
Bill.

Mr. Frecman reported from the Committee to whom was referred the Bill to Incorporate the Queen's Wharf Company, of Yarmouth—that the Committee had considered the Bill, and had made sundry amendments thereto, which they had directed him to report to the House with the Bill—and he delivered the Bill and amendments in at the Clerk's Table.

Bill, &c. read 2nd
time and committed.

The said Bill was then a second time with the amendments.

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

Pet. for Rev. Mr.
Uniacke's Schools,

A Petition of the Reverend R. F. Uniacke was presented by the Hon. the Provincial Secretary, and read, praying for a continuance of the Grant in aid of Schools for Poor Children under his supervision in the Northern part of the City of Halifax.

Ordered,

Ordered, That the Petition be referred to the Committee on Bills, to be considered in connection with the Bill for the Encouragement of Education.

Ref. to Com. on Bills.

A Petition of Edward Neale, of Salmon River Lakes, in the County of Guysborough, was presented by Mr. Marshall, and read, praying aid to enable him to keep a House of Entertainment for Travellers there; and thereupon—

Pet. of Edw. Neale.

Mr. Dickey moved that the Petition be withdrawn; which being seconded—

Motion to withdraw.

Mr. Marshall moved, by way of amendment, that the Petition be referred to a Select Committee to examine and report upon—which being seconded and put, and the House dividing thereon, passed in the negative.

Motion to refer to Sel. Com. negatived..

The original motion was then, upon the question put thereon, agreed to by the House; and accordingly—

Ordered, That the Petition be withdrawn.

Pet. withdrawn.

Three Petitions of Inhabitants and Freeholders of the County of Queen's, were presented by the Hon. Mr. Doyle, and read, severally setting forth that in consequence of the refusal of the Grand Jury of that County during the last three years to recommend any persons for Tavern Licenses, Petitioners, the greater part of whom had to bring their produce from a long distance into the Town of Liverpool, were often unable to obtain a night's lodging, as no person could be compelled to accommodate them who had not the privilege of a License for the sale of Spirituous Liquors—and praying that measures may be adopted by which a certain number of Licenses may be granted in the County.

Pet. from Queen's Co. for Liquor Licenses.

Ordered, That the Petition do lie on the Table.

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

Bills read 2nd time, viz :

A Bill for regulating the anchorage of Vessels in the Harbor of Halifax.

Hx. Harbor, Stewiacke Meeting House,

A Bill to authorize the Sale of the Presbyterian Meeting House at Middle Stewiacke; and—

Maitland Temperance Hall Co. Committed.

A Bill to Incorporate a Temperance Hall Company at Maitland.

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

Com. on Bills,

On motion the House resolved itself into a Committee on Bills.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. Thorne took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chairman reported from the Committee that they had gone through the Bill to prevent the Landing of Convicted Felons on the Shores of this Province; the Bill respecting Vaccination; the Bill to authorize the Appointment of Trustees for the Public Burial Ground at Dartmouth; the Bill to repeal so much of the Act relating to Commissioners of Streets as extends the same to Antigonishe; the Bill to Incorporate the Carpenters' Society of Halifax; the Bill to authorize the Sale of the Presbyterian Meeting House at Middle Stewiacke; and the Bill to Incorporate a Temperance Hall Company at Maitland; and had directed him to report the said Bills to the House severally without any amendment—and that the Committee had also gone through the Bill to Incorporate the Queen's Wharf Company of Yarmouth, and had made the amendments thereto, recommended by the Select Committee to whom the same was referred, and which they had directed him to report to the House—and he delivered the said several Bills with the amendments to the last mentioned Bill, in at the Clerk's Table.

Report without amendment, Landing of Convicts, Vaccination, Dartmouth Burial Ground, Antigonishe Streets, Carpenters' Society, Stewiacke Meeting House, Temperance Hall Co. and— Yarmouth Wharf Co. with amts.

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

Orders for Engrossing.

Ordered, That the Bills reported without amendment be engrossed.

Pet. as to Duty on
Port Wines,

A Petition of Charman & Co., Merchants, of Halifax, was presented by the Hon. the Provincial Secretary, and read, setting forth that difficulties had arisen in entering Wines from Portugal, as to the duty to be paid thereon, and praying that a Law may be passed by which the Duty thereon may be regulated by the cost price, as is now the case with Sherry Wines.

Ref. to Com. on
Trade.

Ordered, That the Petition be referred to the Committee on Trade and Manufactures.

Sydney, C. B. Aca-
demy Papers pre-
sented.

The Hon. the Provincial Secretary, by command of His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor, presented to the House—

Certain Papers connected with a claim made by Samuel Richardson, late Master of the Academy at Sydney, C. B., for further remuneration for his services.

Ref. to Com. on Edu-
cation.

Ordered, That the Papers be referred to the Committee on Education.

Pet. from Wesleyan
School, Halifax,

A Petition of the Trustees of the Wesleyan School in the City of Halifax, was presented by the Hon. the Attorney General, and read, praying that that Institution may be continued in effective operation.

Ref. to Com. on Bills.

Ordered, That the Petition be referred to the Committee on Bills, to be considered in connection with the Bill for the Encouragement of Education.

Pet. of Samuel Batt,

A Petition of Samuel Batt, Master and late Owner of the Schooner Barbara Ann, of Prince Edward Island, was presented by the Hon. the Attorney General, and read, setting forth that the said Vessel was cast ashore at Cape LeRound, Isle Madame, on the 31st December last, while on a voyage from St. John, Newfoundland, to Charlottetown, with Passengers—that Petitioner had been obliged to pay all the expenses of such Passengers to Prince Edward Island; and that in addition thereto his vessel was sold under a clause in the Immigrant Act to pay certain other expenses—that there was no Insurance upon the Vessel, and that Petitioner conceives she could have been got off in the Spring had she not been sold—and praying investigation and some indemnification for his losses which would otherwise prove injurious.

Ref. to Immigrant
Com.

Ordered, That the Petition be referred to the Committee on the Expenses of Sick Immigrants, &c.

Cape Breton Land
Title Bill presented.

The Hon. the Attorney General, pursuant to leave given, presented a Bill for settling Titles to Land in the Island of Cape Breton, and the same was read a first time and ordered to be read a second time.

Orders of Day post-
poned.

The Orders of the Day being read—

Ordered, That the House do To-morrow again resolve itself into a Committee on the Bill for the Encouragement of Education.

Ordered, That the Bill to discontinue the Grant to King's College, Windsor, be read a second time To-morrow.

Ordered, That the House do To-morrow resolve itself into a Committee on the subject of the Elective Franchise.

Ordered, That the House do To-morrow resolve itself into a Committee of Supply.

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

TUESDAY, 12TH FEBRUARY, 1850.

PRAYERS.

The Hon. the Provincial Secretary, by command of His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor, presented to the House: Papers presented, viz:

Various Returns and Papers connected with the expenditure of the Grant for the benefit of the Indians. Indian Accounts,

Ordered, That the same be referred to the Committee on Indian Affairs. Ref. to Com. on Indian Affairs.

Also,—Various accounts of the expenditure of Monies, granted for the purchase of Seed to the different Counties, during the last Session. Seed Expenditure,

Ordered, That the same be referred to the Committee on the subject of the expenditure of Monies granted for the purchase of Seed. Ref. to Seed Com.

A Petition of Merchants, Fishermen, and others, residing at Arichat, River Bourgeoise, St. Peters, and other parts of the County of Richmond, was presented by Mr. Harrington, and read, praying for a repeal of the Act for the Inspection of Pickled Fish, passed at the last Session. Pet. from Arichat, &c. for Repeal of Pickled Fish Act.

Ordered, That the Petition do lie on the Table.

A Petition of Inhabitants of the County of Richmond, and other parts of the Island of Cape Breton, was also presented by Mr. Harrington, and read, praying for the adoption of measures for opening a Canal from St. Peter's Bay to the Bras d'Or Lake. Pet. for St. Peter's Canal.

Ordered, That the Petition do lie on the Table.

A Petition of Inhabitants of the County of Pictou was presented by the Hon. Mr. Young, and read, praying for an increase of the Duties on Licenses for the sale of Spirituous Liquors, and that such Duties may not be appropriated for County purposes, but may be applied towards the erection of a Provincial Asylum for the Insane, and further that the Law for granting General Licenses in Pictou may be repealed. Pet. from Pictou rel. to Liquor License Law.

Ordered, That the Petition do lie on the Table.

A Petition of the Grand Division of the Order of the Sons of Temperance, in Quarterly Session, at Lunenburg assembled, was presented by the Hon. Mr. Johnston, and read, praying for the passage of more stringent measures for regulating the sale of Spirituous Liquors, and especially that the sale thereof may not be permitted in shops dealing in other articles. Pet. of Grand Division of Sons of Temperance as to License Laws.

Ordered, That the Petition do lie on the Table.

On motion *resolved*, That a Select Committee be appointed to consider and report upon the Laws regulating Licenses for the Retail of Spirituous Liquors, and generally upon the subject of Temperance. Com. on License Laws.

Ordered, That the Hon. Mr. Johnston, Mr. Hall, Mr. Beckwith, Mr. Campbell, and Mr. Martell, be a Committee for that purpose. Com. named.

Ordered, That the last two foregoing Petitions, and also the Petition presented on the 30th day of January last from the Grand Pre Division of the Sons of Temperance of Lower Horton, be referred to such Committee. Pets. referred to Com.

A Petition of the Trustees of the Pictou Academy was presented by the Hon. Mr. Young, and read, praying that the Acts regulating the Academy may be Pet. of Trustees of Pictou Academy.

continued, and that the Institution may be placed on the same footing, as respects Grants of Money, as other Provincial Educational Institutions.

Ordered, That the Petition do lie on the Table.

Pet. as to Post Route,
New Annan,

A Petition of Inhabitants of New Annan, in the County of Colchester, was also presented by the Hon. Mr. Young, and read, praying for a Grant to establish an extension of the Mail Route from Truro, through New Annan, to Tatamagouche once a week.

Ref. to Post Office
Com.

Ordered, That the Petition be referred to the Committee on Post Office Affairs.

Dalhousie College
Papers.

The Hon. the Provincial Secretary, by command of His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor, presented to the House:

A Return of the Dalhousie Collegiate School from its commencement on the 10th April, 1849, to the 1st February, 1850.

Ordered, That the Return do lie on the Table.

Pet. of Pictou Pilots.

A Petition of Licensed Pilots for the Port of Pictou, was presented by the Hon. Mr. Young, and read, praying for an amendment of the Act of last Session relating to Harbors and Pilotage, so that they may be entitled to a proportion of Pilotage on Vessels over Eighty Tons when boarded and a Pilot shall be declined.

And thereupon—

Com. on Harbors and
Pilots.

Resolved, That a Select Committee be appointed to consider and report upon the Laws regulating Harbor Masters and Pilotage.

Ordered, That Mr. Killam, Mr. Henry, Mr. Card, Mr. Mignowitz, and Mr. Freeman, be a Committee for that purpose.

Ref. to Com.

Ordered, That the foregoing Petition be referred to such Committee.

Pet. for Mail Route by
Carr's Mountain,
Colchester,

A Petition of Inhabitants of Economy, Five Islands, and the Lower parts of Londonderry, was presented by Mr. Creelman, and read, complaining of the discontinuance of the Mail Route from the Folly Village to Five Islands, by way of Carr's Mountain—and praying that the same may be re-established.

Ref. to Post Office
Com.

Ordered, That the Petition be referred to the Committee on Post Office Affairs.

Message from Council

A Message from the Council by Mr. Haliburton:

Mr. Speaker—

Agree to Bills, viz:
Clare Lock-up-House,
Fog Bell Patent, and
Port Hood Academy
Lands.

The Council have agreed to the Bill entitled, An Act to provide for a Lock-up-House in Clare; the Bill entitled, An Act to enable Thomas Robson to obtain Letters Patent for the invention of a Fog-Bell; and the Bill entitled, An Act to authorise the sale of the Land on which the Port Hood Academy now stands, and the purchase of a new site therefor—severally without any amendment.

And then the Messenger withdrew.

Report from Com. on
Pet. for Godfrey
Hind's Public
House,

Mr. Mott, from the Committee to whom was referred the Petition of sundry Inhabitants of the County of Cape Breton, praying for a Grant of Money to enable Godfrey Hinds to keep a House of Entertainment for travellers, reported that the Committee had unanimously directed him to recommend the passage of a Law authorising the Grand Jury and Sessions, in the different Counties, to make assessments for the objects contemplated in the Petition.

Received.

Ordered, That the report be received.

Orders of Day post-
poned.

The Orders of the Day being read—

Ordered, That the Bill to discontinue the Grant to King's College, Windsor, be read a second time To-morrow.

Ordered,

Ordered, That the House do To-morrow resolve itself into a Committee on the subject of the Elective Franchise.

Ordered, That the House do To-morrow resolve itself into a Committee to consider of the Supply granted to Her Majesty.

Then pursuant to Order—

The House again resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill for the Encouragement of Education.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. Thorne took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chairman reported from the Committee that they had made further progress in the Bill, and had directed him to move for leave to sit again on the consideration thereof.

Ordered, That the House do To-morrow again resolve itself into a Committee on the consideration of the Bill.

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

WEDNESDAY, 13TH FEBRUARY, 1850.

PRAYERS.

A Petition of Arthur M. Wier, and others, Inhabitants of King's County, was presented by Mr. Brown, and read, praying aid to encourage the running of the Packet between Horton, and Parrsboro', and Windsor—and that a Mail may be forwarded by her.

Pet. for aid to Parrsboro' Packet,

Ordered, That the Petition be referred to the Committee on Navigation Securities.

Ref. to Com. on Nav. Sec.

An Engrossed Bill to Incorporate the Queen's Wharf Company, of Yarmouth, was read a third time.

Yarmouth Wharf Co. Bill read 3rd time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and that the title be, An Act to Incorporate the Commercial Wharf Company of Yarmouth.

Passed.

An Engrossed Bill, to prevent the landing of Convicted Felons on the Shores of this Province, was read a third time.

Landing of Convicts Bill,

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and that the title be, An Act to prevent the introduction of convicted Felons into this Province.

Passed.

An Engrossed Bill, respecting Vaccination, was read a third time.

Vaccination Bill read 3rd time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and that the title be, An Act respecting Vaccination.

Passed.

An Engrossed Bill, to repeal so much of the Act relating to Commissioners of Streets, as extends the same to Antigonishe, was read a third time.

Antigonishe Streets Bill read 3rd time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and that the title be, An Act to repeal so much of the Act relating to Commissioners of Streets, as extends the same to Antigonishe.

Passed.

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

Bills sent to Council.

A Petition of Inhabitants of the Township of Truro, was presented by Mr. Creelman, and read, praying that Public aid may be withdrawn from Sectarian Institutions

Pet. from Truro against Sectarian Colleges.

Institutions of Learning, and that one Public Central Institution may be endowed; and further, that the School Lands may be made available for the general purposes of Education.

Ordered, That the Petition do lie on the Table.

- Pet. of J. B. Hadley, A Petition of James B. Hadley, of Melford, in the County of Guysborough, was presented by Mr. Marshall, and read, praying remuneration for his services as Way Office Keeper in forwarding the Mails between Guysborough, Melford and Cape Breton.
- Ref. to Post Office Com. *Ordered*, That the Petition be referred to the Committee on Post Office Affairs.
- Pet. for Light House, Barrington, A Petition of Josiah C. Pinkham, and others, was presented by Mr. McKenna, and read, praying for the erection of a Light House on Baccarow Point, on the Eastern side of the Harbor of Barrington.
- Ref. to Com. on Nav. Sec. *Ordered*, That the Petition be referred to the Committee on Navigation Securities.
- Pet. of Robt. Sutherland, A Petition of Robert Sutherland, Deputy Land Surveyor for the County of Cape Breton, was presented by Mr. McKeagney, and read, praying remuneration for his services for a number of years past, in Surveying and laying out Roads—and also in Surveying and making Plans of different portions of the Shores in such County—which services were performed in part by direction of the Surveyor General for Cape Breton, and in part under the order of Justices of the Peace.
- Ref. to Sel. Com. *Ordered*, That the Petition be referred to Mr. Dickey, Mr. Ernst, and Mr. Creelman, to examine and report upon.
- Pet. of Jos. Skallish, for Naturalization, A Petition of Joseph Skallish, of the City of Halifax, was presented by the Hon. the Provincial Secretary, and read, praying for the passage of an Act, under which, in connection with the existing Statutes, he may be naturalized.
- Leave for Bill, *Ordered*, That the Petition do lie on the Table—and that the Hon. the Provincial Secretary have leave to introduce a Bill in accordance with the prayer thereof.
- Bill presented. And accordingly—
The Hon. the Provincial Secretary, pursuant to such leave, presented a Bill to naturalize Joseph Skallish, and the same was read a first time and ordered to be read a second time.
- Pet. of Geo. E. Jean, A Petition of George E. Jean, Guager and Weigher for the Port of Arichat, was presented by Mr. Harrington, and read, praying that he may be allowed his Commissions while acting in that capacity in ignorance of the Law under which he had been appointed having been abolished.
- Ref. to Com. on Trade. *Ordered*, That the Petition be referred to the Committee on Trade and Manufactures.
- Pet. of Overseers, Barrington, A Petition of Overseers of the Poor for the Township of Barrington, in the year 1847, was presented by Mr. Homer, and read, praying reimbursement of Expenses by them incurred in supporting Transient Paupers.
- Ref. to Com. on Transient Poor. *Ordered*, That the Petition be referred to the Committee on the Expenses of Transient Paupers.
- Pet. from Cape Sable Island, A Petition of Inhabitants of Cape Sable Island, and others, was also presented by Mr. Homer, and read, praying aid in cutting a Canal for the preservation of the Roads on that Island.

Ordered,

Ordered, That the Petition be referred to the Committee on Navigation Securities. Ref. to Com. on Nav. Sec.

On motion of Mr. Ernst—

Resolved, That the Petition of Benjamin Zwicker, respecting a Grant of Land at Indian Harbor, St. Margaret's Bay, presented on the 22nd day of January last, be referred to a Select Committee to examine and report upon. Pet. of B. Zwicker ref. to Sel. Com.

Ordered, That Mr. Bent, Mr. Dickey, and Mr. Creelman, be a Committee for that purpose. Com. named:

A Petition of Inhabitants of LaHave, Kingsburg, and Rose Bay, in the County of Lunenburg, was presented by Mr. Mignowitz, and read, praying for the adoption of Legislative measures to prevent the destruction of Nets by Vessels anchoring in these localities, or otherwise for the appointment of Harbor Masters. Pet. from Lunenburg relative to Harbor protection.

Ordered, That the Petition be referred to the Committee on Harbor Masters and Pilotage. Ref. to Pilotage Com.

A Bill for the Weighing of Flour; and—

A Bill for settling Titles to Land in the Island of Cape Breton—

Were severally read a second time.

Ordered, That the Bills be committed to a Committee of the whole House. Flour Bill—and
Cape Breton Land Bill, read 2nd time and committed.

The Orders of the Day being read—

Ordered, That the Bill to discontinue the Grant to King's College, Windsor, be read a second time To-morrow. Orders of Day—
King's College Bill postponed,

Ordered, That the House do To-morrow resolve itself into a Committee on the subject of the Elective Franchise. Elective Franchise postponed,

Ordered, That the House do To-morrow resolve itself into a Committee of Supply. Supply postponed.

Then pursuant to Order—

The House again resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill for the Encouragement of Education. Com on School Bill,

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. Thorne took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chairman reported from the Committee that they had made further progress in the Bill, and had directed him to move for leave to sit again on the consideration thereof. Report progress.

Ordered, That the House do To-morrow again resolve itself into a Committee on such Bill. Further Order.

A Petition of the Trustees of the Givan Wharf Company was presented by Mr. Hall, and read, praying further aid to extend the Pier at that place. Petition for Givan Wharf,

Ordered, That the Petition be referred to the Committee on Navigation Securities. Ref. to Com. on Nav. Sec.

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

 THURSDAY, 14TH FEBRUARY, 1850.

PRAYERS.

- Pet. of Harbor Master of Sydney ref. to Com. on Harbors and Pilotage.** On motion, *Resolved*, That the order for referring the Petition of Thomas Samuel Bown, Harbor Master at Sydney, C. B., to the Committee on Navigation Securities, be discharged—and that the Petition be referred to the Committee on Harbor Masters and Pilotage.
- Chester Hay Scale Bill.** Mr. Mignowitz, pursuant to leave given on a former day, presented a Bill to provide a Weighing Machine, Weights and Measures, for the Township of Chester—and the same was read a first time and ordered to be read a second time.
- Bill to Naturalize Jos. Skallish, read 2nd time and committed.** A Bill to Naturalize Joseph Skallish was read a second time. *Ordered*, That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House.
- Motion for special leave to present Petition refused on Division.** Mr. Hall moved for the special leave of the House, to present a Petition from the Overseers of the Poor for the Township of Cornwallis, praying for reimbursement of Expenses of a Transient Pauper—which being seconded and put, and the House dividing thereon, there appeared for the motion, ten; against it, twenty. So it passed in the negative.
- Order of Day for Com. on School Bill,** The Order of the Day for the House again to resolve into a Committee on the Bill, for the Encouragement of Education, being read,
The House resolved itself into such Committee.
Mr. Speaker left the Chair.
Mr. Thorne took the Chair of the Committee.
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.
- Report Bill with amendments,** The Chairman reported from the Committee that they had gone through the Bill and had made several amendments thereto, which they had directed him to report to the House with the Bill—and he delivered the Bill and amendments in at the Clerk's Table.
- Report postponed.** *Ordered*, That the Report be considered To-morrow.
- Report from Com. on Kentville Court House Bill,** Mr. Dickey, from the Committee to whom was referred the Bill relating to the Court House and Jail at Kentville, reported that the Committee had considered the Bill and had made several amendments thereto, which they had directed him to report to the House with the Bill—and he delivered the Bill and amendments in at the Clerk's Table.
- Bill, &c. read 2nd time, Committed.** The Bill was then read a second time with the amendments. *Ordered*, That the Bill and amendments be committed to a Committee of the whole House.
- Orders of Day—** The remaining Orders of the Day being read—
Ordered, That the Bill to discontinue the Grant to King's College, Windsor, be read a second time To-morrow.
Ordered, That the House do To-morrow resolve itself into a Committee on the subject of the Elective Franchise.
Then, pursuant to order, the House resolved itself into a Committee of Supply.
Mr. Speaker left the Chair.
Mr. Dimock took the Chair of the Committee.
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.
- King's College Bill and Elective Franchise postponed.**
- Report Resolutions,** The Chairman reported from the Committee that they had come to several Resolutions which they had directed him to report to the House—and he delivered the same in at the Clerk's Table. The

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

The said Resolutions were then read a first and second time, and are as follow :

- 1°. *Resolved*, That the sum of Two Hundred Pounds be granted and paid to the Speaker of the House of Assembly, in full, for his Salary as Speaker, for the present year. 200l. Speaker of Assembly.
- 2°. *Resolved*, That the sum of Two Hundred Pounds be granted and paid to the Clerk of the House of Assembly, for his services for the present year. 200l. Clerk of Assembly.
- 3°. *Resolved*, That the sum of Twenty-five Pounds be granted and paid to the Chaplain of the House of Assembly, for his services during the present Session. 25l. Chaplain.
- 4°. *Resolved*, That the sum of One Hundred Pounds be granted and paid to the Clerk Assistant of the House of Assembly for his services for the same Session. 100l. Assistant Clerk.
- 5°. *Resolved*, That the sum of Fifty Pounds be granted and paid to the Sergeant-at-Arms to the House of Assembly, for his services for the same Session. 50l. Sergeant-at-Arms.
- 6°. *Resolved*, That the sum of Thirty Pounds be granted and paid to the Assistant Sergeant-at-Arms to the House of Assembly, for his services for the same Session. 30l. Assistant Sergeant-at-Arms.
- 7°. *Resolved*, That the sum of Forty Pounds be granted and paid to the Messenger of the Governor and the Executive and Legislative Councils, for his services for the present year. 40l. Messenger of Governor,
- 8°. *Resolved*, That the sum of Thirty Pounds be granted and paid to John Fitzgerald, for his services as Messenger to the House of Assembly, during the present Session. 30l. Messenger of Assembly,
- 9°. *Resolved*, That the sum of Sixty Pounds be granted and paid to the Clerk of the Board of Revenue, for his services for the present year. 60l. Clerk of Revenue.
- 10°. *Resolved*, That the sum of Two Hundred Pounds be granted and paid to the Guager and Weigher for the Collector of Impost and Excise for the district of Halifax, for his services for the present year, to include the marking of the Casks if required by the Government. 200l. Guager and Weigher.
- 11°. *Resolved*, That the sum of One Hundred Pounds be granted and paid to the Proof Officer at Halifax, for his services in that capacity for the present year, and in lieu of all contingent expenses connected therewith. 100l. Proof Officer.
- 12°. *Resolved*, That a sum be granted and paid, on the Certificate of the Board of Revenue, at the rate of Seven Shillings and Six-pence per day, to such persons as shall be employed during the present year by the Collector of Impost and Excise for the District of Halifax as extra Waiters for the Port of Halifax — Five Shillings per day to such extra Waiters when unemployed, and at the rate of Five Shillings per day to temporary Waiters. Allowance to extra Waiters.
- 13°. *Resolved*, That the sum of Sixty Pounds be granted and paid to the Keeper of the Assembly House, and Council Chamber, and Law Library, for the present year. 60l. to Keeper of Assembly.

201. Edmund Crowell. 14°. *Resolved*, That the sum of Twenty Pounds be granted and paid to Edmund Crowell, to enable him to keep up his establishment at Seal Island for the relief of Shipwrecked Mariners for the present year.
201. Boat at Mud Island. 15°. *Resolved*, That the sum of Twenty Pounds be granted and paid to the person in charge at Mud Islands, to enable him to keep a suitable Boat and man at that place to assist Shipwrecked Seamen.
501. Guysborough Packet. 16°. *Resolved*, That the sum of Fifty Pounds be granted and paid to such persons as will run a proper Packet between Guysborough and Arichat, touching occasionally at Fox Island and Canso, under the regulations of the General Sessions of the Peace for the Counties of Guysborough and Richmond—to be paid upon the Certificates of such Sessions that such Packet has been properly kept and run during the present year—provided that the Judges of the Supreme Court shall be taken without charge (if required) from Guysborough to Arichat and from Arichat to Guysborough, on their Circuit to Cape Breton, and that the said Packet shall also carry the Mail between Guysborough and Arichat if required.
201. Scow at Shubenacadie. 17°. *Resolved*, That the sum of Twenty Pounds be granted to aid the Inhabitants of Douglas at the mouth of the River Shubenacadie, in supporting a suitable Boat or Scow to run between Londonderry and that place—the said Boat or Scow to be run under the regulations of the General Sessions of the Peace for the County of Hants—to be paid upon Certificate from three Justices of the Peace residing in Douglas, that such Boat has been running at least twice a week for six months to their satisfaction, under the regulations aforesaid.
301. Scow at McMillan's Point, C. B. 18°. *Resolved*, That the sum of Thirty Pounds be granted to aid the Inhabitants of Cape Breton, in supporting a suitable Boat or Scow to run between McMillan's Point, in Cape Breton, and Auld's Cove, in the County of Sydney, the said Boat or Scow to be placed under the regulations of the General Sessions for the County of Inverness.
201. Ferrymen at Shubenacadie. 19°. *Resolved*, That the sum of Ten Pounds each be granted to the two Licensed Ferrymen at the mouth of the Shubenacadie, in the Counties of Colchester and Hants, for the transportation of Horses and Carriages across that River—the same to be paid on the Certificate of the General or Special Sessions of each County respectively, that such Ferry has been duly attended, and proper Boats procured and used.
101. Ferry Sable River 20°. *Resolved*, That the sum of Ten Pounds be granted to Cornelius Craig, to enable him to keep up his Ferry across the Narrows at the entrance of Sable River, in the County of Shelburne, under the regulation of the General Sessions of the Peace, and to be paid upon their Certificate.
101. Ferry West side of Gut of Canso. 21°. *Resolved*, That the sum of Ten Pounds be granted to John Carter, to enable him to run a suitable Ferry Boat or Scow between his Landing, on the West side of the Gut of Canso, and Alexander McPherson's, on the Eastern side thereof—to be paid on the Certificate of the General Sessions for the County of Guysborough that such Boat or Scow has been provided and run under their regulations and to their satisfaction.
101. Ferry East side of Gut of Canso. 22°. *Resolved*, That the sum of Ten Pounds be granted to Alexander McPherson to enable him to run a suitable Ferry Boat or Scow between his landing on

on the Eastern side of the Gut of Canso and John Carter's on the Western side thereof—to be paid on the Certificate of the General Sessions for the County of Richmond, that such Boat or Scow has been provided and run under their regulations and to their satisfaction.

23°. *Resolved*, That the sum of Ten Pounds be granted to Duncan McPhee, to enable him to maintain a Ferry between Low Point and the Sydney Mines at the mouth of Spanish River in the County of Cape Breton—to be paid on the Certificate of three Justices of the Peace for the County of Cape Breton, that he has faithfully discharged the duties assigned him by the General Sessions of the Peace for the said County.

107. Ferry Spanish River.

24°. *Resolved*, That the sum of Fifteen Pounds be granted to William Cunningham and John Knowles, or such other persons as shall keep a Ferry across the Narrows of the Passage between Cape Sable Island and the Main, such persons being furnished with suitable Boats for the accommodation of Passengers—to be paid on the Certificate of the General Sessions for Shelburne; that such Boat has been properly kept and run under their regulations.

157. Ferry Cape Sable Island.

25°. *Resolved*, That the sum of Fifteen Pounds be granted to aid in maintaining a Ferry during the present year between Amherst and Minudie—such Ferry to be under the regulation of the General Sessions for the County of Cumberland, and the foregoing sum to be paid on their Certificate that the same has been conducted to their satisfaction.

151. Ferry Amherst.

26°. *Resolved*, That the sum of Ten Pounds each be granted to the Two Licenced Ferrymen at the mouth of the Grandique River in the County of Richmond—to be paid on the Certificate of the General Sessions of the Peace for that County, that the work has been faithfully performed and the public properly accommodated.

107. each Ferrymen Grandique River.

The said several Resolutions were then, upon the question put thereon, agreed to by the House.

Resolutions agreed to.

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

FRIDAY, 15TH FEBRUARY, 1850.

PRAYERS.

An Engrossed Bill for taking the Census of this Province, and obtaining statistical information therein, was read a third time.

Engrossed Bills read 3rd time, and passed, viz.—Census,

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and that the title be, an Act for taking the Census of this Province, and obtaining statistical information thereon.

An Engrossed Bill to authorise the appointment of Trustees for the Public Burial Ground at Dartmouth, was read a third time.

Dartmouth Burial Ground,

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and that the title be, an Act to authorise the appointment of Trustees for the Public Burial Ground at Dartmouth.

An Engrossed Bill to Incorporate the Carpenters' Society of Halifax, was read a third time.

Carpenters' Society Incorporation,

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and that the title be, an Act to Incorporate the Carpenters' Society of Halifax.

- Stewiacke Meeting House, **An Engrossed Bill to authorise the sale of the Presbyterian Meeting House at Middle Stewiacke, was read a third time.**
Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and that the title be, an Act to authorise the sale of the Presbyterian Meeting House at Middle Stewiacke.
- Maitland Temperance Hall Co. Incorporation. **An Engrossed Bill, to Incorporate a Temperance Hall Company at Maitland, was read a third time.**
Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and that the title be, an Act to Incorporate a Temperance Hall Company at Maitland.
- Bills sent to Council. **Ordered**, That the Clerk do carry the Bills to the Council and desire their concurrence.
- Leave of absence. **Ordered**, That Mr. McKeagney have leave of absence for a week, on account of severe domestic affliction.
- Penitentiary Papers. **The Hon. the Attorney General, by command of His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor, presented to the House:**
The Report of the Commissioners of the Provincial Penitentiary for the year 1849, together with the Medical Report for the same period—and the same were read by the Clerk.
(See Appendix No. 29.)
- Ref. to Com. **Also—Returns and Accounts connected with the said Institution.**
Ordered, That the said several Papers be referred to the Committee on Penitentiary Affairs.
- Accounts of Comms. of Public Buildings. **The Hon. the Provincial Secretary, by command of His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor, presented to the House:**
An Abstract of demands against the Commissioners of Public Buildings, for the year 1849, together with the various Accounts and Vouchers for payments made.
- Ref. to Com. on Public Accounts. **Ordered**, That the same be referred to the Committee on Public Accounts.
- Report of Comms. of Sable Island. **Also—Report of the Commissioners of Sable Island for the year 1849—and the same was read by the Clerk.**
(See Appendix No. 30.)
- Ref. to Com. on Public Accts. **Ordered**, That the Report be referred to the Committee on Public Accounts.
- Chester Weighing Bill read 2nd time. **A Bill to provide a Weighing Machine, Weights and Measures, for the Township of Chester, was read a second time.**
- Committed. **Ordered**, That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House.
- Halifax Church Society Bill. **The Hon. the Attorney General, pursuant to leave given, presented a Bill to Incorporate the Halifax Association in aid of the Colonial Church Society—and the same was read a first time and ordered to be read a second time.**
- Cape Breton Division Bill; **Mr. Harrington, pursuant to leave given, presented a Bill to divide the County of Cape Breton, and to regulate the representation thereof—and the same was read a first time.**
- Order for publishing. **Ordered**, That the Bill be published twice in "The Commercial Herald," Newspaper, published at Sydney, Cape Breton.
- Waterloo Hospital Accounts. **The Hon. the Attorney General, by command of His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor, presented to the House:** An

An Account of Expenses incurred by the Commissioners of the Poors' Asylum, at Halifax, connected with the Waterloo Hospital, during the past year.

Ordered, That the same be referred to the Committee on Poors' Asylum Accounts.

Ref. to Poor House Com.

The Hon. the Provincial Secretary, by command of His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor, presented to the House—

Memorials relative to License Laws.

A Memorial of Inhabitants of various sections of the County of Sydney, addressed to His Excellency, and setting forth that the Grand Jury at the last General Sessions of the Peace for that County had failed to recommend any person for a License for the Sale of Spirituous Liquors; thereby (as Memorialists conceive) violating the spirit of the Provincial Statute on that subject, and depriving the public of the accommodation resulting from Licensed Houses of Entertainment, and praying redress;

Also—A Memorial of John W. C. Grant, and others, of Guysborough, setting forth that a House of Entertainment for Travellers being required in the Town of Guysborough, the said John W. C. Grant had been induced to invest the whole of his means in such an establishment which he had since conducted in an orderly and respectable manner; but the Justices in their last General Sessions of the Peace for that County had refused to grant any Licenses for the Sale of Spirituous Liquors, although the Grand Jury had recommended said Grant therefor, and praying investigation and relief.

And the said Memorials were respectively read by the Clerk.

Ordered, That the same do lie on the Table.

A Petition of Merchants, Fishermen, and others, residing at Arichat, River Bourgeoise, St. Peter's and other parts of the County of Richmond, was, by special leave of the House, presented by Mr. Harrington, and read, praying for a repeal of the Pickled Fish Act of last Session.

Pet. for repeal of Fish Inspection Law.

Ordered, That the Petition do lie on the Table.

A Petition of Freeholders, and other Inhabitants of the County of Pictou, was, by special leave, presented by Mr. Blackadar, and read, praying that the House will not sanction the passage of an Act for the division of such County.

Pet. against Division of Co. of Pictou.

Ordered, That the Petition do lie on the Table.

The Hon. the Provincial Secretary, by command of His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor, presented to the House—

Report of Treasury Note Commrs.

A Report of the Commissioners for issuing Treasury Notes for the Year 1849, with a Record kept by them in relation to such Notes—and the same were read by the Clerk.

(See Appendix No. 31.)

Ordered, That the same be referred to the Committee on Public Accounts.

Ref. to Com. on Public Accounts.

The Orders of the Day being read—

Orders of Day—

Ordered, That the Bill to discontinue the Grant to King's College, Windsor, be read a second time To-morrow.

King's College Bill and Elective Franchise postponed.

Ordered, That the House do To-morrow resolve itself into a Committee on the subject of the Elective Franchise.

Then pursuant to Order the House proceeded to consider the Report made yesterday from the Committee of the whole House on the Bill for the Encouragement of Education—

Report on School Bill considered.

And the usual question being propounded from the Chair, that the Bill with the amendments be fairly engrossed—

Usual question for engrossing.

The

Amendment for re-
committal in refer-
ence to Comms.

The Hon. Mr. Johnston moved by way of amendment thereto, that the Bill be recommitted to a Committee of the whole House, for the purpose of adding at the end of the first clause thereof, the following proviso :

“ But the authority of the present Commissioners of Schools shall not be superseded or their re-appointment, or the appointment of others be made necessary by reason of this Act.”

Which proposed amendment being seconded and put, and the House dividing thereon, there appeared, for the motion, Twenty ; against it, Twenty-six.

Division

For the motion—		Against the motion—	
Mr. Hall,	Mr. Freeman,	Mr. Bourneuf,	Mr. Ernst,
“ Fraser,	“ Budd,	“ Brown,	Hon. Mr. Young,
“ Taylor,	“ Snow,	“ Card,	Mr. Kedy,
“ Blackadar,	“ Beckwith,	“ Killam,	“ Homer,
“ Marshall,	“ Bent,	“ Munro,	“ Archibald,
“ Wier,	“ Campbell,	“ Mott,	“ Dimock,
“ Ryder,	“ Crow,	“ Robertson,	“ McDougall,
Hon. Mr. Johnston,	“ Moore,	“ Mignowitz,	“ McLeod,
Mr. Harrington,	“ Dickey,	“ Creelman,	“ Henry,
“ Thorne,	“ Fulton.	“ Smyth,	“ Comeau,
		“ Sangster,	“ Martell,
		“ McKenna,	Hon. Prov. Sec.
		“ McDonald,	“ Atty. General,

Negatived

So it passed in the negative.

2nd amdt. as to Su-
perintendent nega-
tived on division.

The Hon. Mr. Johnston then moved, by way of amendment, that the House do come to the following Resolution :

“ Resolved, That in the condition of the Country, and from the limited duration of this Act, it is inexpedient at this time to appoint a Superintendent of Schools—and therefore, that the Bill be recommitted to expunge what relates to the appointment of such Superintendent.”

Which being seconded and put, and the House dividing thereon, there appeared for the motion sixteen ; against it, thirty-one.

For the motion—		Against the motion—	
Mr. Taylor,	Mr. Bourneuf,	Mr. McDougall,	
“ Blackadar,	“ Fulton,	“ Ernst,	
“ Kedy,	“ Bent,	Hon. Mr. Young,	
“ Wier,	“ Card,	Mr. Ryder,	
“ Sangster,	“ Killam,	Hon. Atty. General,	
Hon. Mr. Johnston,	“ Munro,	Mr. Fraser,	
Mr. Harrington,	“ Brown,	“ Homer,	
“ Thorne,	“ Mott,	“ Archibald,	
“ Budd,	“ Robertson,	“ Dimock,	
“ Snow,	“ Mignowitz,	“ McDougall,	
“ Beckwith,	“ Hall,	“ McLeod,	
“ Campbell,	“ Creelman,	“ Comeau,	
“ Crow,	“ Smyth,	Hon. Mr. Doyle,	
“ Moore,	“ Marshall,	Mr. Henry,	
“ Dickey,	“ McKenna,	“ Martell,	
“ Freeman.	Hon. Prov. Sec.		

So it passed in the negative.

3rd amdt. as to Libra-
ries negatived on
division.

Then Hon. Mr. Johnston then moved, by way of amendment, that the Bill be recommitted for the purpose of striking out the 29th clause thereof, which provides

for the granting of £500 annually, for the establishment of School District Libraries:

Which being seconded and put, and the House dividing thereon, there appeared for the motion, sixteen; against it, thirty-one.

For the motion—

Mr. Taylor,
 “ Hall,
 “ Fraser,
 “ Wier,
 “ Sangster,
 Hon. Mr. Johnston,
 Mr. Harrington,
 “ Thorne,
 “ Budd,
 “ Snow,
 “ Beckwith,
 “ Brown,
 “ Crow,
 “ Moore,
 “ Dickey,
 “ Freeman.

Against the motion—

Hon. Atty. General, Mr. McKenna,
 Mr. Ryder, “ McDonald,
 “ Fulton, “ Ernst,
 “ Bourneuf, Hon. Mr. Young,
 “ Bent, Mr. Kedy,
 “ Card, “ Blackadar,
 “ Killam, “ Homer,
 “ Munro, “ Archibald,
 “ Mott, “ Dimock,
 “ Robertson, “ McDougall,
 “ Mignowitz, “ McLeod,
 “ Campbell, “ Comeau,
 “ Creelman, Hon. Mr. Doyle,
 “ Smyth, Mr. Henry,
 “ Marshall, “ Martell,
 Hon. Prov. Sec.

So it passed in the negative.

The Hon. Mr. Johnston then moved, by way of amendment, that the House do come to the following Resolution:

“Resolved, That in lieu of the sum of £160 now devoted in the County of Annapolis to the support of one Academy and two Superior Common Schools, there be appropriated £140 in aid of Grammar Schools and Superior Common Schools in that County, that is to say, £35 each to one such School at Annapolis, Bridgetown, Paradise, and Nictaux, leaving the sum of £20 to increase the Common School Fund—and that the Bill be recommitted for making the alterations necessary for that purpose:”

Which being seconded and put, and the House dividing thereon, there appeared for the motion, twenty-two; against it, twenty-five.

For the motion—

Mr. Freeman, Mr. Snow,
 “ Taylor, “ Campbell,
 “ Ryder, “ Beckwith,
 “ Blackadar, “ Crow,
 “ Fraser, “ Bent,
 “ Wier, “ Killam,
 “ Marshall, “ Card,
 Hon. Mr. Johnston, “ Moore,
 Mr. Harrington, “ Creelman,
 “ Thorne, “ Dickey,
 “ Budd, “ Fulton.

Against the motion—

Mr. Bourneuf, Mr. Homer,
 “ Munro, “ Archibald,
 “ Robertson, “ Dimock,
 “ Mignowitz, “ Brown,
 “ Sangster, “ McDougall,
 “ Smyth, “ Martell,
 “ Hall, Hon. Mr. Doyle,
 “ McKenna, Mr. Henry,
 “ McDonald, “ Mott,
 “ Ernst, Hon. Prov. Sec.
 Hon. Mr. Young, Mr. Comeau,
 “ Atty. General, “ McLeod,
 Mr. Kedy,

So it passed in the negative.

The Hon. Mr. Johnston then moved, by way of amendment, that the Bill be recommitted for the purpose of authorising the Commissioners of Schools in each County, if they shall see occasion, to establish a limited number of Superior Common Schools, with an allowance to the Teacher of £25, under such conditions as the Committee may deem necessary: Which

4th amndt. as to Annapolis Schools negatived on division.

5th amndt. as to Superior Common Schools negatived on division.

Which being seconded and put, and the House dividing thereon, there appeared for the motion, sixteen ; against it, thirty-one.

For the motion—

Mr. Blackadar,
 “ Taylor,
 “ Ryder,
 “ Fraser,
 “ Wier,
 “ Marshall,
 Hon. Mr. Johnston
 Mr. Thorne,
 “ Budd,
 “ Snow,
 “ Campbell,
 “ Beckwith,
 “ Crow,
 “ Moore,
 “ Dickey,
 “ Freeman.

Against the motion—

Hon. Mr. Doyle. Mr. McKenna,
 Mr. Bourneuf, “ McDonald,
 “ Fulton, “ Ernst,
 “ Killam, Hon. Mr. Young,
 “ Card, Hon. Atty. General.
 “ Creelman, Mr. Brown,
 “ Munro, “ Kedy,
 “ Bent, “ Homer,
 “ Robertson, “ Archibald,
 “ Mignowitz, “ Dimock,
 “ Sangster, “ Mott,
 “ Harrington, “ McLeod,
 “ Smyth, “ McDougall,
 “ Hall, Hon. Prov. Sec.
 “ Martell. Mr. Comeau.
 “ Henry,

So it passed in the negative.

6th amndt. as to division of Monies for Books negatived on division.

Mr. Freeman then moved, by way of amendment, that the Bill be recommitted for the purpose of expunging the 28th section, and inserting instead thereof the following :

“ The sum of Six Hundred Pounds shall be annually drawn from the Treasury by the Governor and divided equally among the several Counties of the Province, to be expended by the Commissioners in the purchase and gratuitous distribution of School Books and Stationery among the Poor Children in the several Schools :”

Which being seconded and put, and the House dividing thereon, there appeared for the motion, twenty ; against it, twenty-six.

For the motion—

Mr. Martell,
 “ Henry,
 “ Taylor,
 “ Ryder,
 “ Homer,
 “ McDonald,
 “ McKenna,
 “ Freeman,
 Hon. Mr. Johnston,
 Mr. Harrington,
 “ Thorne,
 “ Budd,
 “ Snow,
 “ Marshall,
 “ Crow,
 “ Campbell,
 “ Bent,
 “ Beckwith,
 “ Dickey,
 “ McLeod.

Against the motion—

Hon. Mr. Doyle, Mr. Archibald,
 Mr. Bourneuf, “ Dimock,
 “ Fulton, “ Mott,
 “ Killam, “ McDougall,
 “ Card, Hon. Prov. Sec.
 “ Creelman, Mr. Comeau.
 “ Munro,
 “ Hall,
 “ Robertson,
 “ Mignowitz,
 “ Sangster,
 “ Wier,
 “ Smyth,
 Hon. Atty. General,
 Mr. Fraser,
 “ Ernst,
 “ Blackadar,
 Hon. Mr. Young,
 Mr. Brown,
 “ Kedy,

So it passed in the negative.

The

The Hon. Mr. Young then moved, by way of amendment, that the Bill be re-committed for the purpose of adding a clause allowing the Commissioners of Schools for Pictou to appropriate the sum of £25 out of the Common School Fund for that County towards the support of an Infant School in the Town of Pictou :

7th amndt. as to Infant School, Pictou, negatived on division.

Which being seconded and put, and the House dividing thereon, there appeared for the motion, fifteen; against it, twenty-six.

For the motion—

Against the motion—

Mr. Henry,
 “ Archibald,
 “ Taylor,
 “ Freeman,
 “ Ryder,
 Hon. Mr. Young,
 Mr. Blackadar,
 “ Hall,
 Hon. Mr. Johnston,
 Mr. Thorne,
 “ Budd,
 “ Snow,
 “ Crow,
 “ Marshall,
 “ Campbell.

Mr. Fulton,
 “ Beckwith,
 “ Mignowitz,
 “ Card,
 “ Wier,
 “ Munro,
 “ Moore,
 “ Mott,
 “ Dickey,
 “ Sangster,
 “ Killam,
 “ Robertson,
 “ Smyth,
 “ Harrington,
 “ Fraser,

Mr. Ernst,
 “ Brown,
 “ Kedy,
 “ McDonald,
 “ Dimock,
 “ McDougall,
 “ Comeau,
 Hon. Atty. General,
 Mr. Borneuf,
 “ Martell,
 “ Creelman.

So it passed in the negative.

Mr. Marshall then moved, by way of amendment, that the Bill be re-committed for the purpose of substituting in the place thereof the provisions of the Act passed in the eighth year of Her Majesty's Reign, entitled, 'An Act for the Encouragement of Schools;' and continuing the same for two years :

8th amndt. to substitute old School Act negatived on division.

Which being seconded and put, and the House dividing thereon, there appeared for the motion twelve; against it, thirty-one.

For the motion—

Against the motion—

Mr. Taylor,
 “ Freeman,
 “ Blackadar,
 Hon. Mr. Johnston,
 Mr. Thorne,
 “ Budd,
 “ Snow,
 “ Crow,
 “ Dickey,
 “ Beckwith,
 “ Marshall,
 “ Campbell.

Mr. Martell,
 “ Ryder,
 “ Card,
 “ Wier,
 “ Munro,
 “ Moore,
 “ Mott,
 “ Hall,
 “ Sangster,
 “ Killam,
 “ Robertson,
 “ Smyth,
 “ Mignowitz,
 Hon. Atty. General,
 Mr. Harrington,
 “ Creelman,

Mr. Fraser,
 “ Archibald,
 “ Kedy,
 Hon. Prov. Sec.
 Mr. McDonald,
 “ Dimock,
 “ McKenna,
 “ McDougall,
 “ Comeau,
 “ Borneuf,
 “ McLeod,
 “ Brown,
 Hon. Mr. Young,
 “ “ Doyle,
 Mr. Henry.

So it passed in the negative.

Mr.

9th amndt. for two
Superintendants ne-
gated.

Mr. Harrington then moved, by way of amendment, that the Bill be recom-
mitted, for the purpose of providing for the appointment of two Superintendants of
Education instead of one—one for the Eastern and one for the Western Division
of the Province: the Western Division to include Halifax, Hants, and all the
other Counties West thereof; and the Eastern Division to comprise all the Coun-
ties East of Halifax and Hants Counties. And that the sum of £150 be the
amount of Salary for each Superintendant, including Travelling Fees and Clerk's
Fees:

Which being seconded and put, and the House dividing thereon, there appeared
for the motion two; against it, thirty-four.

So it passed in the negative.

10th amndt. as to duty
of Superintendants
negatived.

Mr. Harrington then moved, by way of amendment, that the Bill be recom-
mitted, for the purpose of expunging the 23rd section, and substituting in lieu
thereof the following:

“The Superintendent, as soon and as often as may be necessary, and not less
than once yearly, shall personally, or by some competent person by him employed,
and approved of by the Governor, visit the different Schools throughout the Pro-
vince, inspect their discipline, and examine the School Masters personally as to
their qualifications, and ascertain the Books in use in the Schools; and the Su-
perintendent shall make half-yearly, for the information of the Government, a
Report of the General State of Education throughout the Province, illustrated
by clear and methodical Statistical Returns:”

Which being seconded and put, passed in the negative.

Original question for
engrossing passed.

The original question as propounded from the Chair was then agreed to by the
House; and thereupon—

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

Com. on Bills.

On motion the House resolved itself into a Committee on Bills.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. Thorne took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

Report progress

The Chairman reported from the Committee that they had made some progress
in the business referred to them.

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

SATURDAY, 16TH FEBRUARY, 1850.

Report upon Pet. of
Sheriff of Richmond

Mr. Snow reported from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Pe-
tition of John Fuller, Esquire, Sheriff of Richmond—and he read the report in
his place, and afterwards delivered it in at the Clerk's Table, where it was again
read and is as follows:

“The Committee, to whom was referred the Petition of John Fuller, Sheriff
of the County of Richmond, asking payment for services performed by him in the
case of the Queen vs. John McMcDougall, and others, report as follows—

“That they cannot recommend the payment of the account of the Sheriff out

of

of the Provincial Treasury, as they are of opinion that the County where the offence was committed, should remunerate the Sheriff for any charge he may be entitled to.

JOSHUA SNOW,
ICHD. DIMOCK,
EDWD. L. BROWN."

Ordered, That the report be received.

Received.

Mr. Snow, from the same Committee, also reported upon the Petition of John W. Davison, to them referred—and he read the report in his place and afterwards delivered it in at the Clerk's Table, where it was again read and is as follows :

Report from Com. on
Pet. of J. W. Davison,

“ The Committee, to whom was referred the Petition of John. W. Davison, of Londonderry, asking to be reimbursed for expenses incurred in travelling to Halifax, to give evidence in the case of the Queen, vs. Andrew McNamara, and others, report as follows—

“ That they cannot recommend the payment of Davison's account out of the Provincial Treasury, as they are of opinion that the County where the offence was committed should provide for any demand to which he is legally entitled,

JOSHUA SNOW,
ICHD. DIMOCK,
EDWD. L. BROWN."

Ordered, That the Report be received and adopted by the House.

Adopted.

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Young—

Resolved, That it is the opinion of this House that all Accounts for Vaccination of indigent persons in the year 1849, or any previous year, should be made a charge on the several Counties or Districts of the Province.

Resolution as to Vaccination Accounts.

The Hon. the Provincial Secretary, by command of His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor, presented to the House—

Militia Returns.

A Return of Officers commanding Regiments in the Militia who have and have not forwarded Returns of their respective Regiments for the years 1848 and 1849:

Ordered, That the same do lie on the Table.

A Petition of W. M. Brown, and others, was, by special leave, presented by the Hon. the Provincial Secretary, and read, praying that Liquors condemned for breach of the Revenue Laws may be destroyed instead of being sold, the Seizing Officer being otherwise rewarded.

Pet. as to destruction of Liquors.

Ordered, That the Petition be referred to the Committee on the License Laws and the subject of Temperance generally.

Ref. to Temp. Com.

A Petition of Inhabitants of the Township of Londonderry, in the County of Colchester, was, by special leave presented by Mr. Wier, and read, praying that Legislative aid may not be continued to Sectarian Institutions of Learning, but that one Central Institution may be endowed; and further, that the School Lands may be made available for the general purposes of Education:

Pet. against Sect. Colleges.

Ordered, That the Petition do lie on the Table.

The Orders of the Day being read—

Orders of Day—

Ordered, That the Bill to discontinue the Grant to King's College, Windsor, be read a second time on Monday next.

College Bill, and—

Elective Franchise
postponed,

Ordered, That the House do on Monday next resolve itself into a Committee on the subject of the Elective Franchise.

Com. on Bills.

On motion the House resolved itself into a Committee on Bills.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. Thorne took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

Report Hx. Harbor
Bill, with amds.

The Chairman reported from the Committee that they had gone through the Bill for regulating the Anchorage of Vessels in the Harbor of Halifax, and had made amendments thereto, which they had directed him to report to the House with the Bill; and that they had also had under consideration the Bill to remove doubts in the construction of an Act concerning suits against Foreign Bodies Politic and Corporate;—and had directed him to recommend to the House that the further consideration thereof should be deferred until this day three months—and he delivered the Bill, with the amendments to the first mentioned Bill, in at the Clerk's Table, where the amendments were read.

Recommend Foreign
Corporation Bill to
be deferred.

Hx. Harbor Bill to be
engrossed.

Ordered, That the Bill for regulating the Anchorage of Vessels in the Harbor Halifax, with the amendments, be engrossed.

Foreign Corporation
Bill deferred.

Ordered, That the Bill to remove doubts in the construction of an Act concerning suits against Foreign Bodies, Politic and Corporate, be deferred until this day three months.

Then the House adjourned until Monday next, at two of the clock.

MONDAY, 18TH FEBRUARY, 1850.

PRAYERS.

Report of Light House
Commissioners;
and—

The Hon. the Provincial Secretary, by command of His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor, presented to the House—

A Report of the Commissioners of Light Houses, for the year 1849; and—

Special Report as to
Pictou Light,

A special Report from the same Commissioners on the subject of a Communication relative to placing a distinguishing Light in Roy's Island Light House, at the entrance of Pictou Harbour, so that lights in private Houses may not be taken therefor.

And the same were read by the Clerk.

(See Appendix No. 32.)

Ref. to Com. on Nav.
Sec.

Ordered, That the Report be referred to the Committee on Navigation Securities.

Change on Com. on
C. B. Land Bill,

Ordered, That the Hon. Mr. Doyle be substituted for Mr. McKeagney (absent on leave) on the Committee appointed on the 21st day of January last on the Bill for quieting Titles to Land in the Island of Cape Breton.

Ship Building Bill.

The Hon. Mr. Young, pursuant to leave given, presented a Bill to encourage Ship Building and to create a Lien on Vessels while in progress of building—and the same was read a first time and ordered to be read a second time.

Report on Pet. of R.
Sutherland,

Mr. Dickey reported from the Select Committee on the Petition of Robert Sutherland, and he read the Report in his place, and then delivered it in at the Clerk's Table, where it was again read, and is as follows:

“The Committee to whom was referred the Petition of Robert Sutherland,
Deputy

Deputy Land Surveyor in the County of Cape Breton, are of opinion that the services performed by the Petitioner are similar to such as are provided for by assessment on the respective Counties in which the services are required, and cannot therefore recommend the claims of the Petitioner to the favorable consideration of the House.

R. McG. DICKEY, Chairman.
SAMUEL CREELMAN,
GEORGE ERNST."

Assembly Room, 18th February, 1850.

Ordered, That the Report be received and adopted by the House.

Adopted.

A Petition of the High Sheriff, Magistrates, and other Inhabitants of the County of Richmond was, by special leave, presented by Mr. Harrington, and read, praying for a special Grant to complete the New Line of Post Communication from New Glasgow, through the Back Settlement of Merigomishe and Marshy Hope to Antigonishe.

Pet. from Arichat for Road, New Glasgow to Antigonishe.

Ordered, That the Petition do lie on the Table.

A Petition of Inhabitants of the County of Sydney was, by special leave, presented by Mr. Henry, and read, praying that the House will not continue Legislative aid to Sectarian Institutions of Learning, but will endow one General College; and further, that the School Lands may be made available for the general purposes of Education.

Pet. against Sectarian Colleges.

Ordered, That the Petition do lie on the Table.

A Petition of Inhabitants of Dartmouth was, by special leave, presented by the Hon. the Provincial Secretary, and read, praying that if the House are not prepared to withhold all Licenses for the sale of Spirituous Liquors the number of Tavern Licenses may be restricted to a very few, and that no License be granted for the sale of Liquors in the same building where groceries are sold.

Pet. from Dartmouth as to Liquor Licenses,

Ordered, That the Petition be referred to the Committee on the License Laws, &c.

Ref. to Com. on License Laws.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of the Bill to discontinue the Grant to King's College, Windsor, being read:

Order of Day—King's College Bill read 2nd time,

The said Bill was read a second time.

And thereupon—

Mr. Henry moved that the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House:

Motion to commit.

Which being seconded—

The Hon. Mr. Doyle moved, by way of amendment, that the House resolve into a Committee of the whole House on the subject of Collegiate Education—which being seconded and put, and the House dividing thereon, there appeared for the amendment, twenty-four; against it, twenty-two.

Amendt. for Com. on Collegiate Education carried on division.

For the amendment—

Hon. Atty. General, Mr. Moore,
 " Prov. Sec. " Bent,
 Mr. Freeman, " Snow,
 " Blackadar, " Fraser,
 " Hall, " Munro,
 " Taylor, " Dickey,
 Hon. Mr. Johnston, " Thorne,
 " Mr. Doyle, " Crow,
 Mr. Marshall, " Budd,
 " Harrington, " Wier,
 " Fulton, " Campbell,
 " Ryder, " Beckwith.

Against the amendment—

Mr. Kedy, Mr. McDonald,
 " Sangster, " Creelman,
 " Mott, " McKenna,
 " Ernst, Hon. Mr. Young,
 " Martell, Mr. Archibald,
 " Killam, " Brown,
 " McDougall, " Dimock,
 " Robertson, " Card,
 " Mignowitz, " Smyth,
 " Bourneuf, " Comeau,
 " Henry, " McLeod.

So it passed in the affirmative.

And accordingly—

House in Com

The House resolved itself into such Committee.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. Dimock took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

Report progress.

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

Made further Order.

Ordered, That the House do To-morrow again resolve itself into a Committee on the same subject.

Elective Franchise postponed.

The Order of the Day for considering in Committee of the whole House the subject of the Elective Franchise, being read—

Ordered, That the House do To-morrow resolve itself into such Committee.

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

TUESDAY, 19TH FEBRUARY, 1850.

PRAYERS.

Pet. against Quarantine Laws.

A Petition of Ship-owners, Masters of Vessels, and others interested in Trade and Navigation in various parts of the Province, was, by special leave, presented by Mr. McDougall, and read, complaining of the operations of the Quarantine Laws, more especially at the Port of Pictou, and praying redress.

Ordered, That the Petition do lie on the Table.

The Hon. the Provincial Secretary, by command of His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor, presented to the House—

St. Mary's College, and—
 Acadia College Returns.

Returns of St. Mary's College for the year ending 1st January, 1850; and—
 Returns of Acadia College, and of the Academy at Horton, under charge of the Nova Scotia Baptist Education Society, together with certain Accounts of Receipts and Expenses of the Society in connection with such Institutions.

For these Returns, together with portions of the Returns of Dalhousie College, laid before the House on the 12th day of February instant—

(See Appendix No. 33.)

Ordered, That the Returns do lie on the Table.

The

The Hon. Mr. Johnston, pursuant to leave given, presented a Bill to facilitate Legal Proceedings against Companies doing Business by Agents in this Province—and the same was read a first time and ordered to be read a second time. Corporations Bill.

A Petition of the Executive Committee of the Nova Scotia Baptist Education Society, was, by special leave, presented by the Hon. Mr. Johnston, and read, praying for continued Legislative aid to their Institutions of Learning at Horton. Pet. of N. S. Baptist Education Society.
Ordered, That the Petition do lie on the Table.

A Message from the Council by Mr. Haliburton:

Mr. Speaker—

The Council have agreed to the Bill entitled, an Act to Incorporate the Commercial Wharf Company of Yarmouth, and the Bill entitled, an Act to prevent the introduction of convicted Felons into this Province—severally without any amendment. Message from Council, Agree to Yarmouth Wharf Co. Bill and Convict Bill, without amendt.

They have also agreed to the Bill entitled an Act respecting Vaccination, with an amendment—to which amendment they desire the concurrence of this Honorable House. Vaccination Bill with an amendt.

And then the Messenger withdrew.

The amendment, proposed by the Council to the Bill entitled, an Act respecting Vaccination, was read a first time and ordered to be read a second time. Councils amendt. to Vaccination Bill read.

The Orders of the Day being read—

Ordered, That the House do to-morrow resolve itself into a Committee on the subject of the Elective Franchise. Orders of Day—Elective Franchise postponed.

Then, pursuant to order, the House again resolved itself into a Committee on the subject of Collegiate Education. Com. on Collegiate Education,

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. Dimock took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chairman reported from the Committee that they had made some progress, and had directed him to ask for leave to sit again on the consideration of the subject. Report progress.

Ordered, That the House do To-morrow again resolve itself into a Committee on the subject of Collegiate Education. Further Order.

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

WEDNESDAY, 20TH FEBRUARY, 1850.

PRAYERS.

On motion the House again resolved itself into a Committee on the consideration of the Bill for Revising and Consolidating the Provincial Statutes. Com. on Revised Laws,

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. Thorne took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chairman reported from the Committee that they had made further progress in the Bill, and had directed him to report the following Chapters thereof, without amendment, viz: Chapter 33, Of the Salaries of certain Public Officers; Chapter 34, Of the appointment, tenure of office, and duties of Judicial Officers; Chapter

- Chapter as to Public Officers, and
Halifax Stat. Labor.
And with amendts., Commissioners of Streets, Road Expenditure, and Road Preservation.
- Chapter 35 ; Of the Offices of Receiver General and Financial Secretary, and the rendering and audit of Public Accounts ; Chapter 36, Of the Office of Surveyor General and Commissioner of Crown Lands ; Chapter 37, Of Treasury Notes, the Funded Debt, and the Savings' Bank—and Chapter 64, Of Highway Labor in the City of Halifax. That the Committee had also gone through Chapter 63, Of Commissioners of Streets ; Chapter 65, Of the Expenditure of Monies upon the Roads ; and Chapter 66, Of the preservation of Roads—and had made amendments thereto, which they had directed him to report to the House with the Chapters ; and he delivered the several Chapters, with the amendments to the last mentioned Chapters, in at the Clerk's Table.
- Orders for Engrossing. *Ordered,* That the Chapters with the amendments be engrossed.
Ordered, That the Chapters reported without amendment be engrossed.
- Report on Pet. of Donald Campbell,
- Mr. Mignowitz reported from the Select Committee on the Petition of Donald Campbell, claiming arrears of pay as Adjutant of Cape Breton Militia—and he read the Report in his place and afterwards delivered it in at the Clerk's Table, where it was again read.
(See Appendix No. 34.)
- Received. *Ordered,* That the Report be received.
- Papers presented, viz:
- The Hon. the Provincial Secretary, by command of His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor, presented to the House—
- Savings Bank, A Petition of James Black, of Gay's River, in the County of Halifax, addressed to His Excellency, and setting forth that a person in his employment having abstracted his Savings' Bank Book, had thereby and by personating Petitioner, been enabled to draw from the Provincial Savings' Bank a large sum deposited there by Petitioner—and praying repayment thereof ; and—
A Report of the Cashier of the Savings' Bank in reference to such Petition.
Ordered, That the Petition and Report be referred to Mr. McLeod, Mr. Freeman, and Mr. Robertson, to examine and report upon.
- Casual Revenue, Also—Accounts of the Receipt and Expenditure of the Casual and Territorial Revenues of the Crown, for the year 1849.
(See Appendix No. 35.)
- Ref. to Com. *Ordered,* That the Accounts be referred to Mr. Campbell, Mr. Marshall, and Mr. Dimock, to examine and report upon.
- Hx. Incorporation amendt. Bill, The Hon. the Attorney General, pursuant to leave given, presented a Bill to alter the Halifax Incorporation Act—and the same was read a first time.
- Ref. to Sel. Com. *Ordered,* That the Bill be referred to Mr. McLeod, Mr. Taylor, Mr. Beckwith, Mr. Hall, and Mr. Harrington, to examine and report upon, with amendments or otherwise.
- Message fm. Council, A Message from the Council, by Mr. Haliburton :
Mr. Speaker—
- Agree to Maxwelton Lock-up-House Bill, The Council have agreed to the Bill entitled, an Act to enable the Inhabitants of the Township of Maxwelton to build a Lock-up-House, without any amendment.
And then the Messenger withdrew.
- Order of Day— Collegiate Education. The Order of the Day for the House to resolve itself into a Committee on the subject of Collegiate Education being read—

The Hon. the Provincial Secretary moved that the House do now resolve itself into such Committee; which being seconded— Motion for Com.

Mr. Henry moved, by way of amendment, that the Bill to discontinue the Grant to King's College, Windsor, be committed to a Committee of the whole House; which being seconded and put, and the House dividing thereon, there appeared for the amendment, twenty-one; against it, twenty-three. Amendt. for committing King's College Bill, negatived.

So it passed in the negative.

The original motion was then, upon the question put thereon, agreed to by the House. Original motion passed.

And accordingly—

The House again resolved itself into a Committee on the subject of Collegiate Education. Com. on Collegiate Education,

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. Dimock took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chairman reported from the Committee that they had made further progress in the subject under consideration, and had directed him to move for leave to sit again on the consideration thereof. Report progress.

Ordered, That the House do To-morrow again resolve itself into a Committee on the same subject. Made further Order.

The Order of the Day for the House to resolve itself into a Committee on the subject of the Elective Franchise, being read— Elective Franchise postponed.

Ordered, That the House do To-morrow resolve itself into such Committee.

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

THURSDAY, 21ST FEBRUARY, 1850.

PRAYERS.

Mr. Munro, pursuant to leave given, presented a Bill to authorise certain Expenditures upon Roads, in the County of Cape Breton—and the same was read a first time and ordered to be read a second time. C. B. Road Expenditure Bill,

Mr. Bent reported from the Select Committee on the Petition of Benjamin Zwicker, and he read the Report in his place, and then delivered it in at the Clerk's Table, where it was again read, and is as follows: Report on Pet. of B. Zwicker,

"The Committee, to whom was referred the Petition of Benjamin Zwicker, of Chester, beg leave to report—

"That having had before them the various Papers and Petitions relative to the matter filed in the Surveyor General's Office, they find that the Petitioner's claim has been referred to the Governor and Council, and by them to the County Land Board, who have recommended the Grant to pass to one William Covey on condition that Mr. Zwicker is paid a reasonable sum for his improvements, which have, it appears, been valued by parties appointed by the Surveyor General to be worth £12. The Committee therefore do not feel disposed to recommend the House to interfere in the matter.

All which is respectfully submitted.

W. W. BENT, Chairman,

R. McG. DICKEY.

SAML. CREELMAN."

Ordered, That the Report be received and adopted by the House. Adopted.

- Message fm. Council, **A Message from the Council by Mr. Halliburton :**
Mr. Speaker—
 Agree to Antigonishe Streets Bill, **The Council have agreed to the Bill entitled, an Act to repeal so much of the Act relating to Commissioners of Streets as extends the same to Antigonishe. And then the Messenger withdrew.**
- Com. on Revised Laws, **On motion the House again resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill for Revising and Consolidating the Provincial Statutes.**
Mr. Speaker left the Chair.
Mr. Thorne took the Chair of the Committee.
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.
- Report Chapters as to Roads, Public Landings, and Ferries. **The Chairman reported from the Committee that they had made further progress in the Bill, and had directed him to report without amendment, Chapter 68, of closing Roads; and with amendments which they had made thereto respectively, Chapter 67, Of Supervisors of Public Grounds; Chapter 69, Of certain Bridges and Public Landings; and Chapter 70, Of Ferries; and he delivered the said several Chapters and amendments in at the Clerk's Table.**
- Orders for Engrossing. **Ordered, That the Chapter reported without amendment be engrossed.**
Ordered, That the Chapters with the amendments be engrossed.
- Report upon Pet. of W. T. Townsend, **Mr. Archibald reported from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Petition of William T. Townsend, for further remuneration for his Mission to Sable Island and Report upon its affairs—and he read the Report in his place and then delivered it in at the Clerk's Table where it was again read.**
- (See Appendix No. 36.)*
- Received. **Ordered, That the Report be received and do lie on the Table.**
- N. S. Marine Ins. Co. and—
 Union Mar. Ins. Co. Statements. **The Hon. the Provincial Secretary, by command of His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor, presented to the House—**
A General Statement of the Affairs of the Nova Scotian Marine Insurance Company for the year 1849; and—
A General Statement of the Affairs of the Union Marine Insurance Company of Nova Scotia for the same year.
Ordered, That the Statements do lie on the Table.
- Pet. from Pictou as to License Law. **A Petition of Inhabitants of the Town and County of Pictou, was, by special leave, presented by Mr. Blackadar, and read, praying that further restrictions may not be imposed on the sale of Spirituous Liquors, but that if the License Laws are remodelled the Town of Pictou, as respects the sale and traffic of Ardent Spirits, may be placed on the same footing as the City of Halifax.**
Ordered, That the Petition be referred to the Committee on the License Laws, &c.
- License Law. Com. enlarged. **On motion of Mr. Blackadar, resolved—**
That the Committee on the License Laws and the subject of Temperance generally be enlarged.
- Members added. **Ordered, That Mr. Creelman and Mr. Henry be added to such Committee.**
- Order of Day— **The Order of the Day, for the House again to resolve itself into a Committee on the subject of Collegiate Education, being read—**
- Motion to go into Com. on Collegiate Education. **The Hon. the Provincial Secretary moved that the House do now resolve itself into such Committee: which being seconded—**

Mr.

Mr. Henry moved, by way of amendment, that the Bill to discontinue the Grant to King's College, Windsor, be committed to a Committee of the whole House : which being seconded and put, and the House dividing thereon, there appeared for the motion twenty ; against it, twenty-five.

Amendment to commit King's College Bill negatived.

So it passed in the negative.

The original motion was then, upon the question put thereon, agreed to by the House—

Original carried.

And accordingly—

The House resolved itself into a Committee on the subject of Collegiate Education.

House in Com.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. Dimock took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chairman reported from the Committee that they had gone through the business under consideration, and had come to two Resolutions in reference thereto, which they had directed him to report to the House—and he delivered the same in at the Clerk's Table.

Report Resolutions.

Ordered, That the Chairman do report the Resolutions To-morrow.

Report postponed.

The Order of the Day for the House to resolve itself into a Committee on the subject of the Elective Franchise, being read—

Elective Franchise postponed.

Ordered, That the House do To-morrow resolve itself into such Committee.

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

FRIDAY, 22ND FEBRUARY, 1850.

PRAYERS.

On motion the House resolved itself into a Committee on Bills.

Com. on Bills.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. Thorne took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chairman reported from the Committee that they had gone through the Bill for enabling the Governor in Council to make Orders for establishing an uniform rate of Postage in Nova Scotia, and for regulating a Postal arrangement with other Countries ; the Bill for Naturalizing Joseph Skállish ; and the Bill to provide a Weighing Machine, Weights and Measures, for the Township of Chester ; and had directed him to report the same to the House, severally without any amendment ;—and that they had also gone through the Bill for the Weighing of Flour, and the Bill relating to the Court House and Jail at Kentville, and had made amendments thereto, which they had directed him to report to the House with the Bills—and he delivered the several Bills, with the amendments to the two last mentioned, in at the Clerk's Table.

Report—
Postal Bill.

Bill to Naturalize Jos. Skállish ; and—
Chester Weighing Bill, without amdtg. and—
Flour Weighing, and Kentville Court House Bill, with amdtg.

Ordered, That the Bills with the amendments be engrossed.

Orders for Engrossing.

Ordered, That the Bills reported without amendment be engrossed.

Mr. Fraser reported from the Joint Committee on the Public Accounts, and he read the Report in his place, and then delivered it in at the Clerk's Table (where it was again read), together with an abstract of undrawn Monies for Roads and Bridges—an Account of the Monies drawn from the Treasury under the Casualty Vote, and to be deducted from the Road Appropriations for the several Counties to be made at the present Session of the Legislature—a compara-

Report from Com. on Public Accounts.

tive statement of the Duties collected at the Port of Halifax in the years 1848 and 1849—and a statement of probable Assets for 1850.

(See Appendix No. 37.)

Adopted.

Ordered, That the Report be received and adopted, and with the other Papers, do lie on the Table.

Abstract of Dutiable Articles to be printed.

Ordered, That the Abstract of Articles imported into the Province, on which Duty was collected, in the year 1849, presented to the House on the 9th day of February instant, be printed in the Appendix.

For the same—

(See Appendix No. 38.)

Return of Fees in Probate Courts,

The Hon. the Provincial Secretary, by command of His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor, presented to the House—

A Return of Fees taken in the Courts of Probate in various Counties, during the year 1849.

Ref. to Com. on Probate Law,

Ordered, That the same be referred to a Select Committee to examine and report thereon, and generally on the operation of the present Probate Law.

Com. named.

Ordered, That Mr. Henry, Mr. Mignowitz, Mr. Creelman, Mr. Marshall, and Mr. Taylor, be a Committee for that purpose.

Report from Com. on Cornwallis Public Land Bill,

Mr. Dickey reported from the Committee to whom was referred the Bill to authorise the Supervisors of Public Grounds in Cornwallis to lease the same, that they had considered the Bill, and were of opinion that the principle therein contained should be general in its application, and that this opinion having been sanctioned by the House and incorporated in the Chapter of the Revised Laws relating to Supervisors of Public Grounds, the Committee had directed him to recommend to the House that the Bill to them referred should not be further proceeded in.

Adopted—and Bill deferred.

Ordered, That the Report be received and adopted by the House—and that the further consideration of the Bill be deferred until this day three months.

Lumber Survey Bill,

Mr. Fraser, pursuant to leave given, presented a Bill to amend the Law regulating the Survey of Timber, Lumber and Shingles—and the same was read a first time.

Ref. to Select Com.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to Mr. Fraser, Mr. Killam, Mr. Fulton, Mr. Mignowitz, Mr. McKenna, Mr. Campbell, and Mr. Kedy, to examine and report upon with amendments or otherwise.

Orders of Day—

The Orders of the Day being read—

Elective Franchise postponed.

Ordered, That the House do To-morrow resolve itself into a Committee on the subject of the Elective Franchise.

Report from Com. on Collegiate Education,

Then, pursuant to order, Mr. Dimock, the Chairman of the Committee of the whole House on the subject of Collegiate Education, reported the Resolutions agreed to in such Committee and directed to be reported yesterday—and the same were read by the Clerk, and are as follows :

Resolutions—
Repeal of King's College Act.

1^o. *Resolved*, That it be recommended to the House to pass an Act to repeal the perpetual Grant to Windsor College.

Grant for Colleges and Academics.

2^o. *Resolved*, That it be recommended to the House to grant a sum not to exceed £ , in aid of Collegiate and Academic Education.

Division on 1st Resolution,

The first Resolution being again read, and the usual question being propounded from

from the Chair, that the same be agreed to by the House, and the House dividing thereon, there appeared for agreeing to the Resolution twenty-seven; against it, eighteen.

For the Resolution—

Mr. McLeod, Mr. Mott,
 “ Mignowitz, “ McDonald,
 “ Creelman, “ Fulton,
 “ Brown, “ Sangster,
 “ Card, “ Dimock,
 “ Smyth, “ Henry,
 “ McKenna, “ Killam,
 “ Ryder, “ Robertson,
 “ Comeau, Hon. Mr. Young,
 “ Archibald, Mr. Bourneuf,
 “ Ernst, “ Munro,
 “ Harrington, “ McDougall,
 “ Martell, Hon. Prov. Sec.
 “ Kedy,

Against the Resolution—

Mr. Dickey, Mr. Hall,
 “ Campbell, Hon. Atty. General,
 “ Marshall, “ Mr. Doyle,
 “ Budd, Mr. Snow.
 “ Thorne,
 Hon. Mr. Johnston,
 Mr. Moore,
 “ Wier,
 “ Crow,
 “ Bent,
 “ Taylor,
 “ Freeman.
 “ Blackadar,
 “ Fraser,

So it passed in the affirmative.

The second Resolution being then again read—

The Hon. Mr. Young moved that the same be amended by leaving out all the words thereof after the word “ Resolved,” and inserting instead thereof the following words :

2nd Resolution.
 Amdt. against Secta-
 rian principle nega-
 tived on division.

“ That in the opinion of this House it is inexpedient to provide at this Session, a Grant out of the Public Funds for any Educational Institution conducted upon Denominational principles :”

Which proposed amendment being seconded and put, and the House dividing thereon, there appeared for the amendment nineteen; against it, twenty-eight.

For the amendment—

Mr. Creelman,
 “ Card,
 “ Brown,
 “ McKenna,
 “ Mignowitz,
 “ Comeau,
 “ Archibald,
 “ Ernst,
 “ Harrington,
 “ Kedy,
 “ Mott,
 “ McDonald,
 “ Henry,
 “ Killam,
 “ Robertson,
 Hon. Mr. Young,
 Mr. Bourneuf,
 “ McDougall,
 “ Martell.

Against the amendment—

Mr. Dickey, Mr. Freeman,
 “ Beckwith, “ Blackadar,
 “ Campbell, “ Fraser,
 “ Munro, Hon. Mr. Doyle,
 “ Budd, Mr. Hall,
 “ Thorne, Hon. Atty. General,
 “ Marshall, Mr. McLeod,
 Hon. Mr. Johnston, Hon. Prov. Sec.
 Mr. Moore, Mr. Snow.
 “ Wier,
 “ Dimock,
 “ Smyth,
 “ Homer,
 “ Ryder,
 “ Crow,
 “ Sangster,
 “ Bent,
 “ Taylor,
 “ Fulton,

So it passed in the negative.

Mr. Harrington then moved that the Resolution be amended, by leaving out all the words thereof after the word “ Resolved,” and inserting instead thereof the following words—

2nd amendment
 negatived.

“ That

“ That it is the opinion of this House that whenever any College shall shew to the satisfaction of the Executive, that it is in effective operation, with not less than four Professors in the Languages, Mathematics, Chemistry, Natural History, &c., and has in permanent attendance not less than fifty Students, it shall be entitled to draw, at the termination of each year it shall be in operation, the sum of Two Hundred Pounds—such College to be subject to the supervision of the Superintendent of Schools, who shall visit and report thereon once a year :— *Provided*, that such College shall in no instance introduce therein any course of instruction of a Denominational character :”

Which proposed amendment being seconded and put, and the House dividing thereon, there appeared for the amendment six ; against it, thirty-nine.

For the amendment—

Mr. McKenna,
“ Brown,
“ Ernst,
“ Harrington,
“ Mignowitz,
“ Mott.

Against the amendment—

Mr. Bourneuf, Mr. Beckwith, Mr. Sangster,
“ Robertson, “ Campbell, “ Bent,
Hon. Mr. Young, “ Munro, “ Taylor,
Mr. McDougall, “ Snow, “ Fulton,
“ McDonald, “ Budd, “ Freeman,
“ Kedy, “ Thorne, “ Blackadar,
“ Henry, “ Marshall, “ Fraser,
“ Comeau, Hon. Mr. Johnston, Hon. Mr. Doyle,
“ Killam, Mr. Moore, Mr. Hall,
“ Martell, “ Wier, “ Smyth,
“ Ryder, “ Dimock, “ Archibald,
“ Dickey, “ Crow, “ McLeod,
“ Homer, “ Card, Hon. Prov. Sec.

So it passed in the negative.

Resolution agreed to
on division.

The question being then put that the Resolution, as reported from the Committee, be agreed to by the House, the House divided thereon, when there appeared for agreeing to the Resolution twenty-eight ; against it, nineteen.

For the Resolution—

Hon. Mr. Doyle, Mr. Dimock;
“ Prov. Sec. Hon. Mr. Johnston,
Mr. McLeod, Mr. Crow.
“ Creelman, “ Marshall,
“ Freeman, “ Moore,
“ Ryder, “ Munro,
“ Fraser, “ Thorne,
“ Taylor, “ Campbell,
“ Beckwith, “ Snow,
“ Hall, “ Wier,
“ Smyth, “ Budd,
“ Fulton, “ Blackadar,
“ Sangster, “ Dickey,
“ Bent, “ Card.

Against the Resolution—

Mr. Robertson, Mr. Archibald,
“ Martell, “ Homer,
“ Bourneuf, “ McKenna,
“ McDougall, “ Brown.
“ Killam,
“ Henry,
“ Kedy,
Hon. Mr. Young,
Mr. McDonald,
“ Mignowitz,
“ Ernst,
“ Harrington,
“ Comeau,
“ Mott,

So it passed in the affirmative.

College & Academy
Bill.

The Hon. the Provincial Secretary, pursuant to leave given, presented a Bill in aid of Collegiate and Academic Education—and the same was read a first time and ordered to be read a second time.

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

SATURDAY, 23RD FEBRUARY, 1850.

PRAYERS.

Mr. Munro, pursuant to leave given, presented a Bill to Incorporate the Trustees of St. Andrew's Church at Sydney, Cape Breton, in connection with the Free Church of Scotland—and the same was read a first time and ordered to be read a second time.

St. Andrew's, Sydney
C. B. Church Incorporation Bill.

Ordered, That Mr. Sangster and Mr. Comeau, be added to the Committee to whom was referred the Bill to provide for the erection of a Dike across Chezetcook Harbor.

Addition to Com. on
Chezetcook Bill.

A Petition of Inhabitants of the County of Queen's County was, by special leave, presented by Mr. Freeman, and read, praying for an alteration in the Revenue Laws, so that all decked Vessels, of whatever size, employed for three months in the year in the prosecution of the Fishery, may have the privilege of taking salted Provisions from the Warehouse, as stores, free of duty.

Pet. relative to alteration
of Revenue
Laws,

Ordered, That the Petition be referred to the Committee on Trade and Manufactures.

Ref. to Com. on
Trade, &c.

The Hon. the Provincial Secretary, pursuant to leave given, presented a Bill to Incorporate the Halifax Mechanics' Institute—and the same was read a first time and ordered to be read a second time.

Hx. Mechanics' Institute
Incorporation
Bill.

Mr. Mott, pursuant to leave given, presented a Bill to Incorporate the Kerosene Gas Light Company—and the same was read a first time.

Kerosene Gas Light
Incorporation Bill
read 1st time,

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Hon. Mr. Johnston, Mr. Marshall, and Mr. Mott, to examine and report upon with amendments or otherwise.

Ref. to Sel. Com.

A Petition of Ship-owners and other Inhabitants of Isle Madame, in the Island of Cape Breton, was, by special leave, presented by Mr. Harrington, and read, praying that no alteration may be made in the Law regulating the Pilotage at the Port of Pictou.

Pet. against alteration
in Pictou Pilotage
Act,

Ordered, That the Petition be referred to the Committee on Pilotage and Harbor Masters.

Ref. to Com. on Pilotage,
&c.

An Engrossed Bill, for the Encouragement of Education, was read a third time.

School Bill read 3rd
time,

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and that the title be, an Act for the Encouragement of Education.

Passed.

An Engrossed Bill, for regulating the Anchorage of Vessels in the Harbor of Halifax, was read a third time.

Hx. Harbor Bill read
3rd time,

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and that the title be, an Act for regulating the Anchorage of Vessels in the Harbor of Halifax.

Passed.

An Engrossed Bill, for the Weighing of Flour, was read a third time.

Flour Bill read 3rd
time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and that the title be, an Act for the Weighing of Flour in the City of Halifax.

Passed.

An Engrossed Bill, to Naturalize Joseph Skallish, was read a third time.

Bill to Naturalize Jos.
Skallish, read 3rd
time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and that the title be, an Act to Naturalize Joseph Skallish.

Passed.

Chester Weighing
Bill read 3rd time.

An Engrossed Bill, to provide a Weighing Machine, Weights and Measures, for the Township of Chester, was read a third time.

Passed.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and that the title be, an Act to provide a Weighing Machine, Weights and Measures, for the Township of Chester.

Bills sent to Council.

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

Chapters of Revised
Statutes read 3rd
time.

The following engrossed Chapters of the Bill, for Revising and Consolidating the General Statutes of Nova Scotia, were severally read a third time, viz :

Chapter 33. Of the Salaries of certain Public Officers.

“ 34. Of the appointment, tenure of office, and duties of Judicial Officers.

“ 35. Of the Offices of Receiver General and Financial Secretary, and the rendering and audit of Public Accounts.

“ 36. Of the Offices of Surveyor General and Commissioner of Crown Lands.

“ 37. Of Treasury Notes, the Funded Debt, and the Savings' Bank.

“ 44. Of certain powers and duties of the Sessions and Grand Jury.

“ 46. Of the powers and duties of Townships, and the election, qualification and duties of Township Officers.

“ 47. Of Fences and Fence Viewers, and the impounding of Cattle.

“ 60. Of laying out certain Great Roads.

“ 61. Of laying out Roads other than certain Great Roads.

“ 62. Of Surveyors of Highways and Highway Labor, except in Halifax.

“ 63. Of Commissioners of Streets.

“ 64. Of Highway Labor in the City of Halifax.

“ 65. Of the Expenditure of Monies upon the Roads.

“ 66. Of the preservation of Roads.

“ 67. Of Supervisors of Public Grounds.

“ 68. Of closing Roads.

“ 69. Of certain Bridges and Public Landings.

“ 70. Of Ferries.

Passed.

Resolved, That the said several Chapters do pass.

Sent to Council.

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

Companies Bill read
2nd time,

A Bill for facilitating Legal Proceedings against Companies doing business by Agents in this Province, was read a second time.

Committed.

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

Registrars of Deeds
Bill.

Mr. Creelman, pursuant to leave given, presented a Bill concerning Registrars of Deeds—and the same was read a first time and ordered to be read a second time.

Report from Com. on
Reporting.

Mr. Henry reported from the Committee on the subject of Reporting the Debates and Proceedings of the House—and he read the Report in his place and then delivered it in at the Clerk's Table, where it was again read.

(See Appendix No. 39.)

Motion to refer to
Supply,

Mr. Henry moved that the Report be received and referred to the Committee of Supply; which being seconded—

Mr.

Mr. Comeau moved, by way of amendment, that the Report be received and do lie on the Table; which being seconded and put, and the House dividing thereon, passed in the negative. Amndt. to lay on Table negatived,

The original motion was then, upon the question put thereon, agreed to by the House; and accordingly— Original motion carried,

Ordered, That the Report be received and referred to the Committee of Supply. Report ref. to Supply.

On motion of the Hon. the Attorney General—

Resolved, That this House do on Tuesday next, the 26th day of February instant, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House for the purpose of considering the subject of Reciprocity of Trade between this Province and the United States of America. Reciprocal Trade made Order of Day.

The Order of the Day being read—

Ordered, That this House do on Thursday next, the 28th day of February instant, resolve itself into a Committee on the subject of the Elective Franchise. Elective Franchise postponed.

On motion the House resolved itself into a Committee of Supply. Com. of Supply.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. Dimock took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chairman reported from the Committee that they had come to a Resolution which they had directed him to report to the House, and he delivered the same in at the Clerk's Table. Report.

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

The said Resolution was then read by the Clerk and is as follows:

Resolved, That the sum of Twenty Thousand Pounds be granted for the service of Roads and Bridges in the present year. £20,000 Grant for Roads and Bridges agreed to.

The said Resolution being again read, was, upon the question put thereon, agreed to by the House.

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

A Bill to divide the County of Halifax into Townships, and to confer certain Municipal Privileges upon the Inhabitants thereof, was read a second time. Hx. Co. Municipal Bill read 2nd time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Hon. the Provincial Secretary, the Hon. Mr. Johnston, Mr. Fraser, the Hon. Mr. Young, Mr. McLeod, Mr. Wier, and Mr. Killam, to examine and report upon with amendments or otherwise. Ref. to Sel. Com.

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

MONDAY, 25TH FEBRUARY, 1850.

PRAYERS.

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

A Bill concerning School Lands, and the appointment of Trustees therefor.

A Bill to Incorporate the Halifax Association in aid of the Colonial Church Society. Bills read 2nd time and committed, School Lands, Colonial Church Society,

A Bill to Encourage Ship Building, and to create a Lien on Vessels while in progress of building. Ship Building Lien,

- C. B. Road Expenditure, **A Bill to authorise certain Expenditures upon Roads in the County of Cape Breton.**
- Collegiate Education, **A Bill in aid of Collegiate and Academic Education.**
- St. Andrew's Church, **A Bill to Incorporate the Trustees of St. Andrew's Church at Sydney, Cape Sydney, C. B. Breton, in connection with the Free Church of Scotland.**
- Hx. Mechanics' Institute Incorporation, **A Bill to Incorporate the Halifax Mechanics' Institute, and—**
- and— **A Bill concerning Registrars of Deeds.**
- Registrars of Deeds. **Ordered, That the Bills be committed to a Committee of the whole House.**
- Telegraph Accounts presented. **The Hon. the Provincial Secretary, by command of His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor, presented to the House—**
- An Account Current of the Commissioners for building the Line of Electric Telegraph through Nova Scotia, together with Accounts and Vouchers therewith connected.**
- And thereupon—**
- Telegraph Com. appointed. **On motion of the Hon. the Provincial Secretary—**
- Resolved, That a Select Committee be appointed to examine and report generally on the subject of the Electric Telegraph and its future management, with power to send for persons and papers, and to report by Bill or otherwise.**
- Named. **Ordered, That Mr. Fraser, Mr. Hall, Mr. Killam, Mr. Mott, and Mr. Snow, be a Committee for that purpose.**
- Accounts ref. to Com. **Ordered, That the foregoing Accounts and Vouchers, together with the Papers presented on a former day in relation to the Electric Telegraph, be referred to such Committee.**
- Com. on Accounts of Commissioners of Public Buildings, **On motion of Mr. Fraser—**
- Resolved, That a Select Committee be appointed to examine and report upon the Accounts of the Commissioners of Public Buildings for the last year, pursuant to the suggestion from the Committee on Public Accounts.**
- Com. named. **Ordered, That Mr. Fulton, Mr. Creelman, and Mr. McLeod, be a Committee for that purpose.**
- Accts. ref. to Com. **Ordered, That the Accounts be referred to such Committee.**
- Bill to Incorporate Lutheran Church, Lunenburg, **Mr. Ernst, pursuant to leave given, presented a Bill to Incorporate the Trustees of the Evangelical Lutheran Church at Lunenburg—and the same was read a first time.**
- Ref. to Sel. Com. **Ordered, That the Bill be referred to Mr. Henry, Mr. Dickey, and Mr. Mignowitz, to examine and report upon with amendments or otherwise.**
- Chester Documents Bill, **Mr. Mignowitz, pursuant to leave given, presented a Bill to provide for the Custody of certain Documents relating to the Township of Chester—and the same was read first time.**
- Ref. to Sel. Com. **Ordered, That the Bill be referred to Mr. Mignowitz, Mr. Hall, Mr. Freeman, Mr. Crow, and Mr. McDonald, to examine and report upon with amendments or otherwise.**
- Limitation of time for Bills. **Ordered, That no Bill be received after Monday next, the 4th day of March, unless by special leave of the House.**
- Com. of Supply, **On motion the House again resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.**
- Mr. Speaker left the Chair.**
- Mr. Dimock took the Chair of the Committee.**
- Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.**
- Report Resolutions, **The Chairman reported from the Committee that they had come to several Resolutions.**

solutions, which they had directed him to report to the House—and he delivered the same in at the Clerk's Table.

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

The Resolutions were then read a first and second time, and are as follows :

1°. *Resolved*, That the sum of Twenty-five Pounds be granted and paid to the Commissioners of the Poor in Halifax, to defray the expense of continuing the School in the Poor House for the present year, for the benefit of Orphans and poor Children in that Establishment. 25L. School in Poor House.

2°. *Resolved*, That the sum of Fifty Pounds be granted and paid to the Hon. Doctor Gregor, and his Associate, in aid of the Halifax Dispensary, for the present year,—provided they keep during the year a sufficient quantity of Vaccine matter. 50L. Halifax Dispensary.

3°. *Resolved*, That the sum of Five Pounds each be granted and paid to the two Ferrymen between McMillan's Point, in Cape Breton, and Auld's Cove, in the County of Sydney, in addition to the grants therefor, for the present year, to aid them in respect of their loss of Boats. 5L each, Ferrymen, McMillan's Point.

4°. *Resolved*, That the sum of Sixty Pounds be granted and paid to Robert Stone, for his services as Revenue Officer at Wilmot, for the past year. 60L. Revenue Officer, Wilmot.

5°. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Five Hundred and Ten Pounds, be granted and placed at the disposal of the Governor, to aid in the erection of Oat Mills and Kilns, in the different Counties, during the present year—provided that no greater amount than Thirty Pounds be allowed for any one County—that no person who has heretofore received aid for such purpose shall be entitled to any participation in the grants—that no more than Fifteen Pounds be applied in aid of any one Oat Mill and Kiln, and only to that amount in cases where the Kiln is at least fourteen feet in diameter—that no aid be granted where the Kiln shall not be eleven feet in diameter, and only Ten Pounds where such Kiln shall be eleven feet but not fourteen feet in diameter—and that no sum shall be paid hereunder until it shall appear by certificate to the satisfaction of the Governor, in Council, that the Oat Mill and Kiln for which any such Grant may be claimed are ready to be put in operation, which certificate shall also state the diameter of the Kiln, and that the person claiming aid has never before received any grant for that purpose. 510L. Erection of Oat and Kilns.

6°. *Resolved*, That the sum of Five Hundred Pounds be granted and placed at the disposal of the Governor for the purpose of employing the Schooner "Daring," when not employed in the Sable Island service, for the protection of the Fisheries on the coasts of this Province. 500L. Schr. Daring.

7°. *Resolved*, That the sum of Three Hundred Pounds be granted and placed at the disposal of the Governor for the benefit of the Indians for the present year. 300L. Indians.

8°. *Resolved*. That the sum of Fifteen Pounds be granted and paid to Margaret Nickerson to assist her in keeping a House of Entertainment for Travellers on the Road between Shelburne and Barrington. 15L. Margaret Nickerson.

9°. *Resolved*, That the sum of Fifteen Pounds be granted and paid to Rebecca Langley to assist her in keeping a House of Entertainment for Travellers on the Road between Musquodoboit and St. Mary's. 15L. Rebecca Langley.

- 250l. Stg. present Governor's Priv. Sec. 10^o. *Resolved*, That the sum of Two Hundred and Fifty Pounds Sterling be granted and paid to the present Lieutenant Governor for a Private Secretary for the present year.
- 460l. Sterling Salaries Clerks of Provincial Secy's office. 11^o. *Resolved*, That the sum of Four Hundred and Sixty Pounds Sterling be granted for the Salaries of the Clerks in the Provincial Secretary's Office for the present year—to be applied and appropriated by the Provincial Secretary.
- 100l. Stg. Stationery Pro. Secy's Office. 12^o. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding One Hundred Pounds Sterling be granted for Stationery and other Contingencies of the Provincial Secretary's Office, for the present year—the expenditure to be accounted for at the next Session of the General Assembly.
- 40l. Sterling, Clerk of Crown, Sup. Court. 13^o. *Resolved*, That the sum of Forty Pounds Sterling be granted and paid to the Clerk of the Crown in the Supreme Court for this Province, for his services for the present year.
- Officers Wines. 14^o. *Resolved*, That the Board of Revenue shall allow a Drawback upon all Wines imported for, or consumed by, the Commissioned Officers of the Army composing the several Regimental Messes of the Garrison at Halifax, or shall relinquish the Duties upon all such Wines, upon proof being made to the satisfaction of the Board that the Wines whereon Drawback or relinquishment of Duties is claimed, were imported for or consumed by such Officers of the Army—provided the whole amount do not exceed the sum of Three Hundred Pounds in the year.
- Bridge Casualties. 15^o. *Resolved*, That if any of the Bridges on the Main Post Roads of this Province shall give way during the recess, or any of such Roads shall be unexpectedly obstructed by any unforeseen obstacle or accidents, it shall be lawful for the Governor to order a Commissioner to repair or rebuild such Bridges or to remove such obstructions; and it shall be lawful further for the Governor to draw Warrants on account and in favor of such Commissioner—provided the sum so to be drawn shall not exceed for the year the sum of One Thousand Pounds, and the respective sums so drawn shall be charged at the next Session of Assembly as against the several Counties in which the same shall be respectively expended.
- Members' Pay. 16^o. *Resolved*, That the sum of One Pound per day be granted and paid to every Member of the House of Assembly, for his attendance in General Assembly for the present Session, to be paid on the certificate of the Speaker; also the travelling charges, as heretofore—provided that no Member shall receive pay for more than Forty days' attendance.
- 40l. Revenue Boat, Sydney, C. B. 17^o. *Resolved*, That the sum of Forty Pounds be granted and placed at the disposal of the Governor, to enable him to continue a suitable Revenue Boat at Sydney, Cape Breton.
- 30l. Revenue Boat, Pictou. 18^o. *Resolved*, That the sum of Thirty Pounds be granted and placed at the disposal of the Governor, to enable him to continue a suitable Revenue Boat at Pictou for the present year, under the direction of the Collector of Impost and Excise at that Port.
- 50l. Militia Service. 19^o. *Resolved*, That the sum of Fifty Pounds be granted and placed at the disposal of the Governor, to enable him to pay to the Adjutant General of Militia Thirty Pounds, and to the Quarter Master General Twenty Pounds, for their services for the past year.

20°. *Resolved*, That the sum of Fifteen Pounds be granted and placed at the disposal of the Honorable the Speaker, to procure various Books and Publications necessary for conducting the business of the Assembly.

151. Speaker, for Books.

21°. *Resolved*, That the sum of Ten Pounds each, be granted and paid to the two Chairmen of the Committees on Bills and of Supply, for their services for the present Session.

152. each, to Chairmen of Committees.

Mr. Dickey moved that the eighth Resolution, for granting £15 to Margaret Nickerson, be not received by the House: which being seconded and put and the House dividing thereon, passed in the negative.

Motion against Grant to Margt. Nickerson negatived.

Mr. Dickey then moved that the ninth Resolution, for granting £15 to Rebecca Langley, be not received by the House: which being seconded and put, and the House dividing thereon, passed in the negative.

Motion against Grant to Rebecca Langley negatived.

Mr. Harrington moved that the tenth Resolution for granting £250 Sterling to the Lieutenant Governor for a Private Secretary for the present year be not received by the House—which being seconded and put, and the House dividing thereon, there appeared for the motion, seventeen; against it, twenty-four.

Motion against Grant for Gov's Secretary negatived.

For the motion—

Mr. Campbell, Mr. Crow,
 " Thorne, " Budd,
 " Taylor, " Hall,
 " Ryder, " Munro,
 " Dickey, " Beckwith.
 " Blackadar,
 " Harrington,
 " Fulton,
 " Moore,
 Hon. Mr. Johnston,
 Mr. Freeman,
 " Snow,

Against the motion—

Mr. Comeau, Hon. Atty. General,
 " Martell, Mr. Robertson,
 " Killam, " Ernst,
 " Archibald, Hon. Mr. Doyle,
 " Kedy, Mr. McDonald,
 " Creelman, " Dimock,
 " Henry, " Smyth,
 " Bourneuf, " McDougall,
 " Sangster, " McKenna,
 " Mignowitz, " Brown,
 " Marshall, Hon. Mr. Young,
 " Fraser, " Prov. Sec.

So it passed in the negative.

Mr. Dickey moved that the fourteenth Resolution for granting a Drawback on Officers' Wines be not received by the House—which being seconded and put, and the House dividing thereon, there appeared for the motion, thirteen; against it, twenty-seven.

Motion against Drawback on Officer's Wines, negatived.

For the motion—

Mr. Campbell,
 " Ryder,
 " Dickey,
 " Harrington,
 " Fulton,
 Hon. Mr. Johnston,
 Mr. Sangster,
 " Kedy,
 " Budd,
 " Creelman,
 " Archibald,
 " Comeau,
 " Beckwith.

Against the motion—

Mr. Crow, Mr. Blackadar,
 " Martell, Hon. Mr. Doyle,
 " Killam, Mr. Ernst,
 " Hall, " McDonald,
 " Munro, " Dimock,
 " Snow, " Moore,
 " Henry, " McDougall,
 " Bourneuf, " Taylor,
 " Freeman, Hon. Prov. Sec.
 " Mignowitz, " Mr. Young,
 " Marshall, Mr. McKenna,
 " Fraser, " Thorne,
 Hon. Atty. General, " Brown.
 Mr. Robertson,

So it passed in the negative.

The

Resolutions agreed to. The said several Resolutions were then, upon the question put thereon, respectively agreed to by the House.

Sent to Council. *Ordered*, That the Clerk do carry the Resolutions (with the exception of ordinary Votes not usually sent) to the Council, and desire their concurrence.

Motion for Com. of Supply to make Grant to Wm. T. Waterman, negatived. Mr. Freeman moved that the House do now again resolve itself into a Committee of Supply, for the purpose of granting Ten Pounds to William Thomas Waterman, to assist him in keeping a House of Entertainment for Travellers, on the Road from Liverpool to Nictaux—which being seconded and put, and the House dividing thereon, there appeared for the motion twenty; against it, twenty-four.

For the motion—		Against the motion—	
Mr. Brown,	Mr. Fulton,	Mr. Comeau,	Mr. Fraser,
“ Thorne,	Hon. Mr. Johnston,	“ Mignowitz,	Hon. Atty. General.
“ McKenna,	Mr. Freeman.	“ Martell,	Mr. Robertson,
“ Taylor,	“ Henry,	“ Killam,	“ Ernst,
“ Campbell,	“ Kedy,	“ Hall,	“ McDonald,
“ Ryder,	“ Budd,	“ Munro,	“ Dimock,
“ Marshall,	“ Snow,	“ Creelman,	“ McDougall,
“ Blackadar,	“ Crow,	“ Mott.	“ Smyth,
“ Harrington,	“ Beckwith,	“ Bourneuf,	“ Card,
“ Moore,	Hon. Mr. Doyle.	“ Archibald,	Hon. Prov. Sec.
		“ Sangster,	“ Mr. Young,
		“ Dickey,	Mr. McLeod.

So it passed in the negative.

Com. on Bills. On motion the House resolved itself into a Committee on Bills.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. Thorne took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

Report without amendment Saint Andrew's Church and Hx. Mechanics' Institute Bill. And Vacating Seats Bill, and School Lands Bill, with amendts. The Chairman reported from the Committee that they had gone through the Bill to Incorporate the Trustees of St. Andrew's Church at Sydney, Cape Breton, in connection with the Free Church of Scotland; and the Bill to Incorporate the Halifax Mechanics' Institute, and had directed him to report the same to the House without any amendment. And that they had also gone through the Bill to enable Members of the House of Assembly to vacate their seats therein; and the Bill concerning School Lands and the appointment of Trustees therefor—and had made amendments thereto respectively, which they had directed him to report to the House with the Bills—and he delivered the Bills with the amendments to the two last mentioned in at the Clerk's Table.

Orders for engrossing. *Ordered*, That the Bills with the amendments be engrossed.

Ordered, That the Bills reported without amendment be engrossed.

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

TUESDAY, 26TH FEBRUARY, 1850.

PRAYERS.

Postal Bill read 3d. time.

An Engrossed Bill to enable the Governor in Council to make Orders for establishing a uniform rate of Postage in Nova Scotia, and for regulating a Postal arrangement with other Countries, was read a third time.

Passed.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and that the title be, an Act to enable the Governor

Governor, in Council, to make Orders for establishing an uniform Rate of Postage in Nova Scotia, and for regulating a Postal arrangement with other Countries.

An Engrossed Bill relating to the Court House and Jail at Kentville was read a third time. Kentville Court House
Bill read 3rd time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and that the title be, an Act relating to the Court House and Jail at Kentville. Passed.

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

A Message from the Council by Mr. Halliburton :

Message from Council.

Mr. Speaker—

The Council have agreed to the Resolution of this Honorable House for granting the sum of £20,000 for the service of Roads and Bridges for the present year. Agree to Road Grant.

And then the Messenger withdrew.

On motion of the Hon. the Provincial Secretary—

Division of Road
Grant.

Resolved, That the sum of £20,000 granted for the service of Roads and Bridges in the present year, be applied as follows—

For the County of Yarmouth,	£1,000
“ “ Shelburne,	1,000
“ “ Digby,	1,000
“ “ Sydney,	1,000
“ “ Guysborough,	1,000
“ “ Queen’s,	1,000
“ “ Richmond,	1,000
“ “ Halifax,	1,520
“ “ Hants,	1,400
“ “ Inverness,	1,380
“ “ Cape Breton,	1,460
“ “ King’s,	1,100
“ “ Pictou,	1,460
“ “ Colchester,	1,200
“ “ Cumberland,	1,200
“ “ Lunenburg,	1,240
“ “ Annapolis,	1,040

Ordered, That the several Members from the respective Counties do prepare and report to this House, on or before Monday the 11th day of March next, Scales of subdivision of the Road Money allotted to each County out of the sum of £20,000 granted for the service of Roads and Bridges. Order for Road
Scales.

Ordered, That the several ordinary Petitions for aid to Roads and Bridges presented this Session (and by the course and practice of the House placed on the File of Road Petitions without being entered on the Journal at the time of presentation) be referred to the several Members from the Counties respectively from which the same have been sent. Road Pets. ref. to
Members.

For a list of such Petitions—

(See Appendix No. 40.)

Mr. Freeman reported from the Committee to whom was referred the Accounts and Statements relative to the Poors’ Asylum at Halifax for the last year—and Report from Com. on
Poor House Accs.

he read the Report in his place and then delivered it in at the Clerk's Table, where it was again read.

(See Appendix No. 41.)

Received, and ref. in part to Supply.

Ordered, That the Report be received, and that so much thereof as recommends a Grant of Money be referred to the Committee of Supply.

Order of Day—

The Order of the Day being read—

Com. on Reciprocal Trade.

The House resolved itself into a Committee on the subject of Reciprocal Trade between this Province and the United States of America.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. Dimock took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

Report progress.

The Chairman reported from the Committee that they had made some progress in the consideration of the subject, and had directed him to move for leave to sit again on the consideration thereof.

Made further Order.

Ordered, That the House do To-morrow again resolve itself into a Committee on the same subject.

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

WEDNESDAY, 27TH FEBRUARY, 1850.

PRAYERS.

Public Subscriptions Bill.

Mr. Hall, pursuant to leave given, presented a Bill for enforcing performance of Engagements in aid of Public Works—and the same was read a first time and ordered to be read a second time.

Report from Com. on Trans. Poor.

Mr. Dickey reported from the Committee on the claims for expenses of Transient Paupers—and he read the Report in his place and then delivered it in at the Clerk's Table, where it was again read.

(See Appendix No. 42.)

Ref. to Supply.

Ordered, That the Report be received, and that so much thereof as recommends Grants of Monies be referred to the Committee of Supply.

Report from Com. on Hx. Incorporation Bill.

Mr. McLeod reported from the Committee to whom was referred the Bill for altering the Halifax Incorporation Act—and he read the Report in his place and then delivered it, with the Bill, in at the Clerk's Table, where it was again read.

(See Appendix No. 43.)

Bill read 2nd time. Committed.

The Bill was then read a second time.

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

Pictou Academy Bill.

The Hon. Mr. Young, pursuant to leave given, presented a Bill relating to the Pictou Academy—and the same was read a first time and ordered to be read a second time.

Colonial Customs Bill.

The Hon. the Attorney General, pursuant to leave given, presented a Bill for the management of the Colonial Customs and Excise—and the same was read a first time and ordered to be read a second time.

A Petition of Inhabitants of the Township of Arisaig, in the County of Sydney, was, by special leave, presented by Mr. Henry, and read, praying that the new Line of Road from Antigonish to New Glasgow, running through the back settlements of Merigomishe, Marshy Hope and Addington, may not be opened until the present Line of Road shall be completed and put in such a state of repair that it may be kept up by the expenditure of small sums annually in addition to the Statute Labor.

Pet. against New Road, Antigonish to N. Glasgow.

Ordered, That the Petition do lie on the Table.

A Petition of Inhabitants of Lower Londonderry, in the County of Colchester, was, by special leave, presented by Mr. Creelman, and read, praying that the House will not continue Legislative aid to Sectarian Institutions of Learning; but that one Central Institution may be endowed—and further, that the School Lands may be made available for the general purposes of Education.

Pet. against Sec. Colleges.

Ordered, That the Petition do lie on the Table.

A Message from the Council by Mr. Haliburton:

Message fm. Council.

Mr. Speaker—

The Council have agreed to the Bill entitled, an Act to Incorporate the Carpenters' Society of Halifax, without any amendment.

Agree to Carpenters' Society Bill.

And then the Messenger withdrew.

The Order of the Day being read—

Order of Day—

The House again resolved itself into a Committee on the subject of Reciprocal Trade with the United States.

Com. on Reciprocal Trade.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. Dimock took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chairman reported from the Committee that they had made further progress in the consideration of the subject, and had directed him to move for leave to sit again on the consideration thereof.

Report progress.

Ordered, That the House do To-morrow resolve itself into such Committee.

Further Order.

Ordered, That Mr. McKeagney's leave of absence be continued for the remainder of the Session on account of severe domestic affliction.

Continued leave to Mr. McKeagney.

Ordered, That the Hon. Mr. Doyle be substituted for Mr. McKeagney on the Committee on the subject of the Mines and Minerals of the Province.

Substitution on Com. on Mines and Minerals.

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

THURSDAY, 28th FEBRUARY, 1850.

PRAYERS.

On motion the House again resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill for Revising and Consolidating the Provincial Statutes.

Com. on Revised Laws.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. Thorne took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chairman reported from the Committee that they had gone through three further Chapters of the Bill, viz: Chapter 71, Of Commissioners of Sewers, and

Report Chapters with amendments, viz: Sewers,

the

- Commons, and—
Common Fields. the regulating of Diked and Marsh Lands; Chapter 72, Of Commons; and Chapter 73, Of Common Fields—and had made amendments thereto, respectively, which they had directed him to report to the House with the Chapters; and he delivered the Chapters and amendments in at the Clerk's Table.
- To be engrossed. *Ordered*, That the Chapters with the amendments be engrossed.
- Report from Com. on
Printing, Mr. Mignowitz reported from the Committee on Public Printing, and he read the Report in his place and then delivered it in at the Clerk's Table, where it was again read.
- (See Appendix No. 44.)
- Ref. to Supply. *Ordered*, That the Report be received and referred to the Committee of Supply.
- Sydney, C. B. Temp.
Hall Co. Bill. Mr. Munro, pursuant to leave given, presented a Bill to Incorporate a Temperance Hall Company at Sydney, Cape Breton—and the same was read a first time and ordered to be read a second time.
- Bills read 2nd time—
Public Subscriptions,
Pictou Academy,
Col. Duties. The following Bills were severally read a second time, viz :
A Bill for enforcing performance of Engagements in aid of Public Works.
A Bill relating to the Pictou Academy; and—
A Bill for the management of the Colonial Customs and Excise.
Ordered, That the Bills be committed to a Committee of the whole House.
- Message fm. Council, A Message from the Council, by Mr. Haliburton :
Mr. Speaker—
- Agree to Census Bill,
with amndts. The Council have agreed to the Bill entitled, an Act to provide for taking the Census of this Province and obtaining Statistical Information therein, with amendments, to which they desire the concurrence of this Honorable House.
And then the Messenger withdrew.
- Orders of Day—
Elective Franchise
postponed. The Orders of the Day being read—
Ordered, That the House do to-morrow resolve itself into a Committee on the subject of the Elective Franchise.
- Com. on Reciprocal
Trade, Then, pursuant to order, the House again resolved itself into a Committee on the subject of Reciprocal Trade.
Mr. Speaker left the Chair.
Mr. Dimock took the Chair of the Committee.
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.
- Report Resolutions. The Chairman reported from the Committee that they had gone through the subject under consideration and had come to three Resolutions which they had directed him to report to the House—and he delivered the same in at the Clerk's Table.
- Report postponed. *Ordered*, That the Report of the Resolutions be received To-morrow.
- Then the House adjourned until To-morrow, at one of the clock.

FRIDAY, 1ST MARCH, 1850.

PRAYERS.

- An engrossed Bill to enable Members of the House of Assembly to vacate their seats therein, was read a third time. Bills read 3rd time—
Vacating Seats,
- Resolved*, That the Bill do pass, and that the title be, an Act to enable Members of the House of Assembly to vacate their seats therein. Passed.
- An engrossed Bill concerning School Lands and the appointment of Trustees therefor, was read a third time. School Lands,
- Resolved*, That the Bill do pass, and that the title be, an Act concerning School Lands and the appointment of Trustees therefor. Passed.
- An engrossed Bill to Incorporate the Halifax Mechanics' Institute, was read a third time. Hx. Mechanics' Institute Incorporation,
- Resolved*, That the Bill do pass, and that the title be, an Act to Incorporate the Halifax Mechanics' Institute. Passed.
- Ordered*, That the Clerk do carry the Bills to the Council and desire their concurrence. Sent to Council.
- The Hon. Mr. Johnston, pursuant to leave given, presented a Bill to Incorporate the Halifax and Dartmouth Mutual Insurance Company—and the same was read a first time. Mutual Insurance Bill,
- Ordered*, That the Bill be referred to Mr. Fraser, the Hon. Mr. Johnston, the Hon. Mr. Young, Mr. Mott, and Mr. Bent, to examine and report upon, with amendments or otherwise. Ref. to Sel. Com.
- Mr. Harrington moved for leave to introduce a Bill to repeal the Act to regulate the Inspection of Pickled Fish, so far as the same relates to the County of Richmond—which being seconded and put, and the House dividing thereon, passed in the negative. Leave refused to present Bill relative to Pickled Fish Inspection.
- The Hon. the Provincial Secretary, by command of His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor, presented to the House—
A Report of the Central Board of Agriculture for the year 1849.
And the same was read by the Clerk. Report of Central Board of Agriculture.
- (See Appendix No. 45.)
- Also—Certain Accounts and Vouchers connected therewith. Accounts, &c.
- Ordered*, That the Report and accompanying Accounts and Vouchers be referred to the Committee on Agriculture.
- Also—An Account of expenses incurred by the Commissioners of the Poores' Asylum in Halifax, in connection with the Small Pox Hospital on the Peninsula. Small Pox Hospital Accounts.
- Ordered*, That the same be referred to the Committee on the Expenses of Sick Immigrants, &c.
- On motion of the Hon. Mr. Young—
Resolved, That it is the opinion of this House, that all expenses incurred under the authority and direction of the Board of Health, for cases of Small Pox during the past year, be paid out of the Treasury—it being clearly understood that the expenses for Vaccination are to be provided for out of the County Funds. Small Pox Resolution.

Pet. for Lunatic Asylum.

A Petition of Inhabitants of the County of Colchester was, by special leave, presented by Mr. Creelman, and read, praying for the establishment of a Provincial Lunatic Asylum.

Ref. to Com.

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

Report from Committee on Trade.

Mr. Fraser reported from the Committee on Trade and Manufactures—and he read the Report in his place, and then delivered it in at the Clerk's Table, where it was again read.

(See Appendix No. 46.)

Ref. to Supply.

Ordered, That the Report be received—and that so much thereof as recommends Grants of Money be referred to the Committee of Supply.

Report on Pet. relative to Dartmouth Water Lots.

The Hon. Mr. Johnston reported from the Committee, appointed on the 21st day of January last, to consider and report upon a Petition from Inhabitants of Dartmouth, relative to Water Lots there, that the Committee had considered the Petition and had prepared a Bill on the subject, which they had directed him to report to the House—and he accordingly presented to the House—

Dartmouth Town Property Bill.

A Bill concerning Town Property in Dartmouth—and the same was read a first time and ordered to be read a second time.

Report on Pet. of Jos. Wickens.

Mr. Campbell reported from the Committee appointed on the 5th day of February last, on the Petition of Joseph Wickens, of the Mud Islands, and he read the Report in his place and then delivered it in at the Clerk's Table, where it was again read.

(See Appendix No 47.)

Ordered, That the Report be received and do lie on the Table.

Powder Magazine Bill.

Mr. Mott, pursuant to leave given, presented a Bill relating to the Powder Magazine in Halifax—and the same was read a first time and ordered to be read a second time.

Orders of Day—
Elective Franchise postponed.

The Orders of the Day being read—

Ordered, That the House do To-morrow, resolve itself into a Committee on the subject of the Elective Franchise.

Reciprocal Trade Resolutions reported.

Then, pursuant to order, Mr. Dimock, the Chairman of the Committee of the House on the subject of Reciprocal Trade with the United States, reported the Resolutions passed by the Committee, and the same were read by the Clerk and are as follows :

Whereas, in consequence of the recent changes in the Navigation Laws and the Commercial Policy of the British Empire, it has become necessary to secure more extended markets for the natural Products of British North America, by a Reciprocal Free exchange of such Products with the United States, and to have the Coasting Trade arranged between this and the adjoining Provinces and the United States on fair and equitable terms, and to obtain from the Government of the United States such modification of their Laws as will admit Colonial built Vessels to the privileges of Registry :

1^o. *Resolved*, That the Lieutenant Governor be respectfully requested, and is hereby authorised, to take the necessary steps to obtain, through the proper authorities, the accomplishment of these desirable objects.

2^o. *Resolved*, That if the United States remove existing Duties on the following articles, the growth and production of British North America, the following articles be allowed to be imported into this Province from the United States Duty Free, viz :

Grain

Grain and Breadstuffs, of all kinds ; Potatoes, and other Vegetables ; Fruits, Seeds, Hay and Straw.

Animals, salted and fresh Meats ; Butter, Cheese, Lard, Tallow, Hides, Horns, Wool, undressed Skins, and Furs of all kinds.

Ores of all kinds—Iron in Pigs and Blooms, Copper, Lead in pigs.

Grindstones, and Stones of all kinds ; Earth, Coals, Lime, Ochres, Gypsum, ground or unground ; Rock Salt.

Wood—Timber and Lumber of all kinds ; Firewood, Ashes, Bark.

Fish, Fish Oil, Train Oil, Spermaceti Oil, Head Matter and Blubber, Fins and Skins, the produce of Fish or creatures living in the Water.

3^o. *Resolved*, That an Address be prepared to Her Majesty on the subject of the Coasting Trade of this Province, praying that the same may be opened to the people of the United States under the provisions of the amended Navigation Act, 12th and 13th Vic. Cap. 29, and the preceding Resolution.

The Resolutions being then read a second time, and the usual question being propounded from the Chair upon the first Resolution, that the same be agreed to, by the House—

Resolutions read 2nd time.

Mr. Freeman moved, by way of amendment, that the said first Resolution be amended by adding at the end thereof the following words :

Amndt. to 1st negatived.

“ Provided, that nothing contained in this Resolution shall empower or be so construed as to authorise His Excellency or any person to make any arrangements or so to negotiate with the American Government or any other Authorities, as to permit Citizens of the United States either to catch or cure Fish in any of the Harbors, or on the Coasts of this Province or of Cape Breton, within the limits now prescribed.”

Which proposed amendment being seconded and put, and the House dividing thereon, there appeared for the amendment eleven ; against it, thirty-five.

For the amendment—

Against the amendment—

Mr. Campbell,	Mr. Ryder,	Mr. Homer,	Mr. Archibald,
Hon. Mr. Johnston,	Hon. Mr. Doyle,	“ Bent,	“ Martell,
Mr. Freeman,	Mr. Comeau,	“ Henry,	“ McLeod,
“ Harrington,	“ Robertson,	“ Ernst,	Hon. Prov. Sec.
“ Snow,	“ Dickey,	“ Fraser,	“ Atty. General,
“ Wier,	“ Moore,	“ Beckwith,	Mr. Creelman,
“ Thorne,	“ Kedy,	“ Mott,	“ McDougall,
“ Munro,	“ Killam,	“ Sangster,	“ McKenna,
“ Budd,	“ Fulton,	“ Brown,	“ Mignowitz,
“ Taylor,	“ Crow,	“ McDonald,	Hon. Mr. Young,
“ Marshall.	“ Card,	“ Dimock,	Mr. Hall.
	“ Smyth,	“ Bourneuf,	

So it passed in the negative.

The question upon the said first Resolution, as originally propounded, being then put, and the House dividing thereon, there appeared for the Resolution thirty-eight ; against it, eight.

1st Resolution agreed to.

For the Resolution—		Against the Resolution—	
Mr. Harrington,	Mr. Card,	Mr. Bourneuf,	Mr. Campbell,
“ Wier,	“ Smyth,	“ Archibald,	Hon. Mr. Johnston,
“ Munro,	“ Homer,	“ Martell,	Mr. Freeman,
“ Ryder,	“ Bent,	“ McLeod,	“ Snow,
Hon. Mr. Doyle,	“ Henry,	Hon. Prov. Sec.	“ Thorne,
Mr. Comeau,	“ Ernst,	“ Atty. General,	“ Budd,
“ Robertson,	“ Fraser,	Mr. Creelman,	“ Taylor,
“ Dickey,	“ Beckwith,	“ McDougall,	“ Marshall.
“ Moore,	“ Mott,	“ McKenna,	
“ Kedy,	“ Sangster,	“ Mignowitz,	
“ Killam,	“ Brown,	Hon. Mr. Young,	
“ Fulton,	“ McDonald,	Mr. Hall.	
“ Crow,	“ Dimock,		

So it passed in the affirmative.

2nd Resolution agreed
to.

The second Resolution was then, upon the question put thereon, agreed to by the House.

Amndt. to 3rd Reso-
lution negatived.

The question being then propounded from the Chair upon the third Resolution that the same be agreed to by the House—

The Hon. Mr. Johnston moved that the Resolution be amended by leaving out the words “ and the preceding Resolution ” and inserting instead thereof at the end of such Resolution the following words :

“ Whenever the like privilege shall be conceded by the United States to this Province.”

Which proposed amendment being seconded and put, and the House dividing thereon, there appeared, for the amendment, seventeen ; against it, twenty-eight.

For the amendment—

Against the amendment—

Mr. Harrington,
Hon. Mr. Johnston,
Mr. Freeman,
“ Ryder,
“ Campbell,
“ Kedy,
“ Taylor,
“ Crow,
“ Thorne,
“ Snow,
“ Budd,
“ Munro,
“ Beckwith.
“ Hall,
“ Moore,
“ Wier,
“ Marshall.

Mr. Robertson,
“ Dickey,
“ Sangster,
“ Killam,
“ Mignowitz,
“ Bent,
Hon. Mr. Young,
Mr. McDonald,
“ Ernst,
“ Fulton,
“ Mott,
“ Card,
“ Fraser,
“ Bourneuf,
“ Henry,
Hon. Atty. General,
Mr. Brown,
Mr. Martell,
“ Dimock,
“ McDougall,
“ McKenna,
“ Smyth,
Hon. Prov. Sec.
Mr. Comeau,
“ Creelman,
“ McLeod,
Hon. Mr. Doyle,
Mr. Archibald.

So it passed in the negative.

3rd Resolution agreed
to on division.

The question upon the said third Resolution, as originally propounded, being then put, and the House dividing thereon, there appeared for the Resolution, twenty-nine ; against it, sixteen.

So it passed in the affirmative.

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The Hon. Mr. Johnston then moved that the House do come to the following Resolution—

Motion as to concession of Fisheries negatived.

Resolved, That the Provincial Government be not authorised, under the foregoing Resolutions, to concede to the United States the right of Fishing in the Harbors and on the shores of Nova Scotia within the existing limits, except in exchange for the several privileges and arrangements mentioned in the preamble and the first and second Resolutions.

Which being seconded and put, and the House dividing thereon, there appeared for the motion, sixteen; against it, twenty-nine.

For the motion—

Mr. Harrington,
Hon. Mr. Johnston,
Mr. Freeman,
" Ryder,
" Campbell,
" Taylor,
" Crow,
" Thorne,
" Snow,
" Budd,
" Munro,
" Beckwith,
" Hall,
" Moore,
" Wier,
" Marshall.

Against the motion—

Mr. Robertson,	Mr. Brown,
" Dickey,	" Martell,
" Sangster,	" Dimock,
" Killam,	" McDougall,
" Mignowitz,	" McKenna,
" Bent,	" Smyth,
Hon. Mr. Young,	Hon. Prov. Sec.
Mr. McDonald,	Mr. Comeau,
" Ernst,	" Creelman,
" Fulton,	" McLeod,
" Mott,	Hon. Mr. Doyle,
" Card,	Mr. Archibald,
" Fraser,	" Kedy.
" Bourneuf,	
" Henry,	
Hon. Atty. General,	

So it passed in the negative.

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

SATURDAY, 2ND MARCH, 1850.

PRAYERS.

The Hon. the Attorney General, by command of His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor, presented to the House—

Industrial Exhibition Papers.

Copy of a Despatch from Earl Grey to Sir John Harvey, dated 31st January, 1850, on the subject of the General Exhibition of Works of Industry of all Nations, to be holden in 1851, together with certain Enclosures therein referred to—and the same were read by the Clerk.

(See Appendix No. 48.)

Ordered, That the Despatch and accompanying Papers be referred to the Hon. the Attorney General, the Hon. Mr. Johnston, Mr. Fraser, Mr. Dickey, Mr. Dimock, the Hon. Mr. Young, and Mr. Smyth, to examine and report upon.

Ref. to Sel. Com.

Mr. Fraser reported from the Committee on the subject of Head Money paid on Immigrants per Barque "Ellen"—and he read the Report in his place and then delivered it in at the Clerk's Table where it was again read.

Report on Head Money, per barque "Ellen."

(See Appendix No. 49.)

Ordered, That the Report be received and adopted by the House.

Adopted.

Insurance Bill.

The Hon. Mr. Johnston, pursuant to leave given, presented a Bill concerning Insurance Offices, and the same was read a first time and ordered to be read a second time.

Com. of Supply.

On motion the House again resolved itself into a Committee of Supply.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. Dimock took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

Report.

The Chairman reported from the Committee that they had come to a Resolution which they had directed him to report to the House—and he delivered the same in at the Clerk's Table.

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

The Resolution reported from the Committee was then read a first and second time, and is as follows :

Grant of £4,000 Main Roads.

Resolved, That the sum of Four Thousand Pounds be granted and placed at the disposal of the Governor, to be expended on the Main Roads, as follows :

Halifax to Truro,	£500
Truro to Pictou,	200
Truro to New Brunswick Line,	300
Halifax to Windsor, including Bridges,	500
Windsor to Annapolis,	250
Gold River Hill,	250
Liverpool to Port Mutton,	250
Bear River to Clare,	250
New Glasgow to Antigonishe,	250
Guysborough Road,	250
Eastern Shores,	250
Stewiacke to Pictou,	250
Main Post Roads in the County of Cape Breton,	100
“ “ “ Inverness,	185
“ “ “ Richmond,	215
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	£4000

Motion for alteration as to Cape Breton, negatived on division.

And thereupon—

Mr. Harrington moved that the Resolution be referred back to the Committee of Supply for the purpose of reducing the amounts allowed to the Roads between Halifax and Truro and Halifax and Windsor £125 each, and adding the sum of £250 to the allowance to the different Counties in the Island of Cape Breton : which being seconded and put, and the House dividing thereon, there appeared for the motion twelve ; against it, thirty-two.

For the motion—

Mr. Comeau,
 “ McKenna,
 “ McLeod,
 “ Homer,
 “ Bourneuf,
 Hon. Mr. Young,
 Mr. Harrington,
 “ Martell,
 “ Smyth,
 “ Snow,
 “ Henry,
 “ Marshall.

Against the motion—

Mr. Ryder,	Mr. Fraser,
Hon. Mr. Johnston,	“ Robertson,
“ “ Doyle,	Hon. Prov. Sec.
Mr. Mott,	Mr. Killam,
“ Dickey,	“ Thorne,
“ Freeman,	“ McDougall,
Mr. Archibald,	“ Ernst,
“ Blackadar,	“ Mignowitz,
“ Card,	“ Fulton,
“ Beckwith,	“ Munro,
“ Campbell,	“ Sangster,
“ Taylor,	“ Crow,
“ Kedy,	“ Bent,
“ McDonald,	“ Wier,
“ Dimock,	“ Moore,
Hon. Atty. General,	“ Crehnan.

So it passed in the negative.

Mr. Ryder then moved that the Resolution be referred back to the Committee for the purpose of increasing the Grant £200, to be applied on the Main Roads in the Counties of Yarmouth and Shelburne, in equal proportions; which being seconded and put, and the House dividing thereon, passed in the negative.

Motion for addition for Counties of Yarmouth and Shelburne negatived.

The original Resolution was then, upon the question put thereon, agreed to by the House.

Resolution agreed to.

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

Sent to Council.

The Hon. Mr. Young, pursuant to leave given, presented a Bill to Incorporate a Company to build a Line of Electric Telegraph from Truro to Pictou—and the same was read a first time and ordered to be read a second time.

Truro and Pictou Electric Telegraph Bill.

The Order of the Day being read—

The House resolved itself into a Committee on the subject of the Elective Franchise.

Order of Day—
 Com. on Elective Franchise,

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. Dimock 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 consideration of the subject, and had directed him to ask for leave to sit again on the consideration thereof.

Report progress.

Ordered, That the House do on Monday next resolve itself into a Committee on the further consideration of the subject.

Then the House adjourned until Monday next, at one of the clock.

 MONDAY, 4TH MARCH, 1850.

PRAYERS.

Pictou Co. Municipal
Bill,

The Hon. Mr. Young, pursuant to leave given, presented a Bill to provide for the better Government of the County of Pictou and to create Local and Municipal Authorities therein—and the same was read a first time.

Ref. to Com. on Hx.
Bill

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the same Committee to whom on the 23rd day of February last was referred the Halifax Townships Municipal Bill, who are also to examine and report upon the present Bill, with amendments or otherwise.

Bills read 2nd time—

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

Sydney Temperance
Hall Co.

A Bill to Incorporate a Temperance Hall Company at Sydney, Cape Breton.

Dartmouth Town
Property.

A Bill concerning Town Property in Dartmouth.

Hx. Powder Magazine.

A Bill relating to the Powder Magazine in Halifax.

Insurance Offices.

A Bill concerning Insurance Offices ; and—

Truro and Pictou
Electric Telegraph.

A Bill to Incorporate a Company to build a Line of Electric Telegraph from Truro to Pictou.

Committed.

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

Com. on Gunpowder
importation.

On motion of Mr Fraser—

Resolved, That a Committee be appointed to consider and report upon the propriety of endeavouring to obtain the removal of the restriction on the importation of Gunpowder, with power to report by an Address to Her Majesty or otherwise.

Ordered, That Mr. Fraser, Mr. Mott, and Mr. Mignowitz, be a Committee for that purpose.

Masonic Hall Bill,

The Hon. the Attorney General, pursuant to leave given, presented a Bill to Incorporate the Trustees of the Masonic Hall in Halifax—and the same was read a first time.

Ref. to Sel. Com.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to Mr. Fraser, Mr. Dickey, and Mr. Blackadar, to examine and report upon with amendments or otherwise.

Message fm. Council,

A Message from the Council by Mr. Halliburton :

Mr. Speaker—

Agree to Bill to Natu-
ralize Joseph Skal-
lish without amend-
ment ; and—

The Council have agreed to the Bill entitled an Act to Naturalize Joseph Skallish, without amendment.

School Bill ; and—
Kentville Court House
Bill, with amndts.

The Council have also agreed to the Bill entitled, an Act for the encouragement of Education, with an amendment ; and to the Bill entitled an Act relative to the Court House and Jail at Kentville, with amendments—to which several amendments they desire the concurrence of this honorable House.

And then the Messenger withdrew.

Amendments to School
Bill read 1st time.

The amendment proposed by the Council to the Bill entitled an Act for the encouragement of Education, was read a first time and ordered to be read a second time.

Amendments to Kent-
ville Court House
Bill considered.

The amendments proposed by the Council to the Bill entitled an Act relating to the Court House and Jail at Kentville, were read a first time, and *nem. con.* a second time, and considered by the House.

And thereupon—

On

On motion of Mr. Hall, *resolved*, That the amendments be agreed to by the House. Agreed to.

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

The Hon. Mr. Johnston reported from the Committee to whom was referred the Bill to Incorporate the Kerosene Gas Light Company, that the Committee had considered the Bill and had made an amendment thereto, which they had directed him to report to the House with the Bill—and he delivered the Bill with the amendment in at the Clerk's table. Report from Com. on Kerosene Gas Light Bill,

The Bill was then read a second time with the amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill and amendment be committed to a Committee of the whole House. Bill, &c. read 2nd time, and—Committed.

Mr. Blackadar, pursuant to leave given, presented a Bill further to alter the Law making Lands liable for Debts—and the same was read a first time and ordered to be read a second time. Bill to alter Law making Lands liable for Debts.

The Hon. Mr. Young, by command of His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor, presented to the House— Report of Commissioners of Electric Telegraph,

A Report of the Commissioners for building the Line of Electric Telegraph from Halifax to the North Western Boundary of the Province, with an account of receipts and current expenses of the Line—and a statement in reference to its business.

Ordered, That the same be referred to the Committee on the subject of the Electric Telegraph. Ref. to Com.

On motion the House resolved itself into a Committee on Bills. Com. on Bills.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. Thorne took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chairman reported from the Committee that they had gone through the Bill to Incorporate the Halifax Association in aid of the Colonial Church Society; the Bill for settling Titles to Land in the Island of Cape Breton; the Bill to authorise certain expenditures upon Roads in the County of Cape Breton; the Bill for enforcing performance of Engagements in aid of Public Works; the Bill for the management of the Colonial Customs and Excise; the Bill to Incorporate a Temperance Hall Company at Sydney, Cape Breton; and the Bill concerning Town Property in Dartmouth—and had directed him to report the same to the House without amendment. And that they had also gone through the Bill to facilitate Legal proceedings against Companies doing business by Agents in this Province; and the Bill concerning Insurance Offices, and had made an amendment to each, which they had directed him to report to the House with the Bills—and he delivered the several Bills and amendments in at the Clerk's Table. Report without amdt., Hx. Col. Church Association, C. B. Land Titles, C. B. Road Expenditures, Public Subscriptions, Col. Customs; and Sydney Temp. Hall Co.

And with amdt., Companies' Agent, and—Insurance Offices Bills.

Ordered, That the last mentioned Bill with the amendment be engrossed. Orders for engrossing.

Ordered, That the Bills reported without amendment be engrossed.

The Hon. Mr. Johnston then moved that the Bill to facilitate Legal proceedings against Companies doing business by Agents in this Province, be recommitted to a Committee of the whole House, for the purpose of expunging the amendment made in Committee thereto, which amendment prevents the Bill from extending to existing causes of action; which being seconded and put, and the House dividing thereon, there appeared, for the motion, twenty; against it twenty-four. Motion to re-commit Companies Agents Bill negatived on division.

For the motion—		Against the motion—	
Mr. Thorne,	Mr. Kedy,	Hon. Atty. General,	Mr. Robertson,
" Taylor,	" Bent,	Mr. Martell,	Hon. Prov. Sec.
" Ryder,	" Moore,	" Munro,	Mr. Creelman,
" Blackadar,	" Budd,	" Homer,	" Bourneuf,
" Fulton,	" Snow,	" Smyth,	" Card,
Hon. Mr. Johnston,	" Campbell,	" Mignowitz,	" Archibald,
Mr. McLeod,	" Wier,	" Sangster,	" McKenna,
" Freeman,	" Dickey,	" Ernst,	" Comeau,
" Harrington,	" Beckwith,	" Henry,	" Brown,
" Crow,	" Hall.	Hon. Mr. Young,	" Mott,
		Mr. Dimock,	Hon. Mr. Doyle,
		" McDonald,	Mr. McDougall.

So it passed in the negative.

Order for engrossing.

Ordered, That the Bill with the amendment be engrossed.

Law Pleader Bill read
2nd time and com-
mitted.

A Bill to enable Her Majesty's subjects to Plead and reason for themselves and others in all Her Majesty's Courts of Record within this Province, was read a second time.

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

Cont. on Bills.

On motion the House again resolved itself into a Committee on Bills.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. Thorne took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

Report progress.

The Chairman reported from the Committee that they had made some progress in the consideration of Bills committed.

The Order of the Day being read—

Ordered, That the House do To-morrow again resolve itself into a Committee on the subject of the Elective Franchise.

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

TUESDAY, 5TH MARCH, 1850.

PRAYERS.

C. B. Road Expendi-
ture Bill read 3rd
time,
Passed.

An engrossed Bill to authorise certain Expenditures upon Roads in the County of Cape Breton, was read a third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and that the title be, an Act to authorise certain expenditures upon Roads in the County of Cape Breton.

St. Andrew's Free
Church Bill read 3d
time,

An engrossed Bill to Incorporate the Trustees of St. Andrew's Church at Sydney, Cape Breton, in connection with the Free Church of Scotland, was read a third time.

Passed.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and that the title be, an Act to Incorporate the Trustees of St. Andrew's Free Church, at Sydney, Cape Breton.

Col. Customs Bill
read 3d time,

An engrossed Bill for the management of the Colonial Customs and Excise, was read a third time.

Passed.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and that the title be, an Act for the management of the Colonial Customs and Excise.

Ordered,

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

On motion of the Hon. the Attorney General—

Resolved, That a Conference be desired with the Council by Committee on the General State of the Province, and that upon such Conference the Committee of this House do communicate to the Committee of the Council a copy of the Resolutions on the subject of Reciprocal Trade with the United States of America, passed by the House on the 1st day of March instant.

Resolution for Com. of Conference with Council on Reciprocal Trade Resolutions.

Ordered, That the Clerk do request such conference.

Mr. Hall reported from the Committee on the Petition of Mark P. Martin, of Londonderry, relative to damages for a new Road withheld from him by the Commissioner; and he read the Report in his place and then delivered it in at the Clerk's Table where it was again read.

Report from Com. on Pet. of Mark P. Martin,

(See Appendix No. 50.)

Ordered, That the Report be received and adopted by the House.

Adopted.

Mr. Mignowitz reported from the Committee to whom was referred the Bill to provide for the Custody of certain Documents relating to the Township of Chester, that they had considered the Bill and had made amendments thereto, which they had directed him to report to the House with the Bill—and he delivered the Bill and amendments in at the Clerk's Table.

Report from Com. on Chester Township Documents Bill.

The Bill was then read a second time with the amendments.

Bill, &c. read 2nd time and committed.

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

The amendment proposed by the Council to the Bill entitled, an Act for the Encouragement of Education, was read a second time and considered by the House and is as follows:

Council's amendt. to School Bill.

7TH CLAUSE.

7th line—After the word "School" insert the following words "and the average number of Scholars who have attended during the period since the last Return."

And thereupon—

Resolved, That the amendment be agreed to by the House.

Agreed to.

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

Bill, &c. sent back to Council.

The amendment proposed by the Council to the Bill, entitled, an Act respecting Vaccination, was read a second time and considered by the House:

Council's amendt. to Vaccination read 2nd time.

And thereupon—

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Young, *resolved*, That the further consideration of the Bill and amendment be deferred until this day three months.

Bill, &c. deferred.

The Hon. Mr. Young, pursuant to special leave given, presented a Bill to provide for Expenses of Boards of Health and of Vaccination—and the same was read a first, and *nem. con.*, a second time.

Board of Health Bill,

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

Committed.

The amendments proposed by the Council to the Bill, entitled, an Act for taking the Census of this Province and obtaining statistical information therein, were read a first time and are as follow:

Councils amendt. to Census Bill.

5TH CLAUSE.

3rd line—Leave out the word “present”.

4th line—After the word “year” insert the words “of our Lord One Thousand Eight Hundred and Fifty-one”.

6TH CLAUSE.

4th line—Leave out the words “or special”.

7TH CLAUSE.

2nd line—Leave out the words “or special”.

12TH CLAUSE.

3rd line—After the word “affirmation” insert the words “in cases where affirmation is allowed by Law”.

14TH CLAUSE.

2nd and 3rd lines—Leave out the words “by an assessment made on the County” and insert instead the words “out of the Provincial Treasury”.

8th line—After the word “purpose” insert the words “such sums of money as shall be agreed upon by the Justices of the Court of Sessions and the enumerators, and if the service shall be agreed to be done by days’ work, no greater sum shall be paid than”.

10th line—Instead of the word “he” insert the words “such enumerator.”

17th line—After the word “Board” leave out the remainder of the clause.

15TH CLAUSE.

5th line—Leave out the words “May in each” and insert instead the words “September in every year previous to any”.

16TH CLAUSE.

8th line—Before the word “died” insert the words “who have”.

18TH CLAUSE.

9th line—After the word “appropriated” insert the words “such return to be made”.

19TH CLAUSE.

5th line—After the word “all” insert the words “such Fines and”—After the word “Convictions” insert the words “and of all Fines and Convictions”.

6th line—Instead of the word “be” insert the words “have been imposed and”. Leave out the word “either”.

7th line—After the word “Sessions” leave out the remainder of the clause.

20TH CLAUSE.

14th line—After the word “taken” insert the words “or affirmation made”.

And thereupon—

Certain amndts. not considered, as against Privileges of House.

Resolved, That this House cannot consider the first proposed amendment to the 14th clause of the Bill as it relates to a Grant of money, and is therefore contrary to the privileges of this House.

And further—

Bill, &c. deferred.

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Young, *Resolved*, That the further consideration of the Bill and amendments be deferred until this day three months.

2nd Census,

The Hon. Mr. Young, pursuant to special leave given, presented a Bill for taking the Census of the Province and obtaining statistical information—and the same was read a first time, and *nem. con.*, a second time.

Committed.

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

Report. from Com. on Jury Laws, St. Mary’s Grand Jury Bill, without amndt. and—

Mr. Henry reported from the Committee on the Jury Laws, that the Committee had considered the Bill respecting the Grand Jury in the District of Saint Mary’s—and had directed him to report the same to the House without amendment ;

ment; and that they had also considered the Bill concerning the Act for the regulation of Juries, and had made amendments thereto, which they had directed him to report to the House with the Bill—and he delivered the Bills and amendments in at the Clerk's Table.

Bill concerning Jury Act, with amndts.

The first mentioned Bill was then read a second time.

Bills read 2nd time and committed.

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

The last mentioned Bill reported on was then read a second time with the amendments.

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

The Hon. Mr. Young reported from the Committee on Education, and he read the Report in his place and then delivered in at the Clerk's Table were it was again read.

Report from Com. on Education.

(See Appendix No. 51.)

Ordered, That the Report be received and adopted by the House—and that such parts thereof as recommends Grants of Money be referred to the Committee of Supply.

Adopted and referred to Supply.

The Hon. the Provincial Secretary moved that the House do come to a Resolution as follows:

Motion that damages on Great Roads be paid for by Counties.

Resolved, That hereafter all claims for Lands and Fencing on alterations of the Great Roads be provided for by assessment on the Counties through which they pass.

Which proposed Resolution being seconded—

Mr. Dickey moved, by way of amendment, for the special leave of the House, to present a Bill to alter and amend the present system of paying Damages for alterations on the Great Roads; which being seconded and put, and the House dividing thereon, passed in the affirmative.

Amndt. for Bill to alter Laws carried on division.

Ordered accordingly.

On motion of Mr. Marshall—

Resolved, That a Select Committee be appointed to consider the Poor Laws, with a view to the propriety of altering the mode by which the Poor are supported, with power to report by Bill or otherwise.

Com. on Poor Laws.

Ordered, That Mr. Marshall, Mr. Wier, and the Hon. Mr. Johnston, be a Committee for that purpose.

A Petition of a Committee appointed at a Public Meeting of the Inhabitants of the Township of Guysborough, held for the purpose of devising some more effectual mode of maintaining the Poor in the Township, was, by special leave, presented by Mr. Marshall, and read, praying for an alteration in the Poor Laws to enable the Township to assess itself for the support of the Poor in connection with an Institution in which they may be maintained and employed.

Pet. from Guysboro' relative to Township Poor Houses.

Ordered, That the Petition be referred to the Committee on the Poor Laws.

Ref. to Poor Law Com.

Ordered, That the Petition of Benjamin K. Dodge, presented to the House on the 4th day of February last, on the subject of the establishment of a Poors' Asylum in the County of Annapolis, be also referred to the Committee on the Poor Laws.

Pet. of B. K. Dodge referred to same Com.

The Hon. the Provincial Secretary, by command of His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor, presented to the House—

Quarantine Returns.

Various Returns made by Boards of Health in reference to Quarantine Fees paid at various Ports in the Province during the past year, with an abstract thereof.

Ordered, That the same do lie on the Table

Report of Com. on
Pet. from Sydney,
C. B. Agricultural
Society,

Mr. Munro reported from the Committee on the Petition of William Ousley, President of the Agricultural Society of Sydney, Cape Breton—and he read the report in his place and then delivered it in at the Clerk's Table, where it was again read, and is as follows—

“The Committee to whom was referred the Petition of William Ousley, Esq. President of the Agricultural Society at Sydney, C. B., beg leave to report—

“That your Committee have carefully examined the claims advanced by the Society, and are of opinion that they cannot recommend to the favorable consideration of the House the prayer of Petitioners.

“All which is respectfully submitted.

WM. HY. MUNRO, Chairman.
W. W. BENT,
C. F. HARRINGTON,
JOHN RYDER.”

Adopted.

Ordered, That the Report be received and adopted by the House.

Com. on Bills.

On motion the House resolved itself into a Committee on Bills.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. Thorne took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

Report Marriage and
Divorce Court Fees
Bill.

The Chairman reported from the Committee that they had gone through the Bill to regulate the Fees to be taken in the Court of Marriage and Divorce, and had directed him to report the same to the House without amendment.

To be engrossed.

Ordered, That the Bill be engrossed.

Order of Day—
Elective Franchise
postponed.

The Order of the Day being read—

Ordered, That the House do To-morrow resolve itself into a Committee on the subject of the Elective Franchise.

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

WEDNESDAY, 6TH MARCH, 1850.

PRAYERS.

Report from Com. on
Timber and Lum-
ber Bill.

Mr. Fraser reported from the Committee to whom was referred the Bill to amend the Law regulating the Survey of Timber, Lumber, and Shingles, that they had considered the same and had made amendments thereto, which they had directed him to report to the House with the Bill—and he delivered the Bill and amendments in at the Clerk's Table.

Bill, &c. read 2nd
time and committed.

The Bill was then read a second time with the amendments.

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

Pickled Fish Inspec-
tion Returns.

The Hon. the Provincial Secretary, by command of His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor, presented to the House—

An Abstract of Returns of Pickled Fish Inspected by different Chief Inspectors, and their Deputies, during the last Season.

Also—An Abstract of such Returns; and

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A Return of the Names of Inspectors of Pickled Fish, and of their Sureties, and of the amount of Security required from each.

For the two last Papers

(See Appendix No. 52.)

Ordered, That the Papers do lie on the Table.

A Bill further to alter the Law making Lands liable for Debts, was read a second time.

Land for Debts Bill read 2nd time and committed.

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

A Message from the Council by Mr. Halliburton :

Message fm. Council,

Mr. Speaker—

The Council have agreed to the Bill entitled, an Act to enable Members of the House of Assembly to vacate their seats therein ; and to the Bill entitled, an Act to enable the Governor, in Council, to make Orders for establishing an uniform Rate of Postage in Nova Scotia, and regulating a Postal arrangement with other Countries—severally without amendment.

Agree to Vacating Seats Bill ; and Postal Bill, without amndts. ; and

The Council have also agreed to the Bill entitled, an Act concerning School Lands and the appointment of Trustees therefor, with amendments—to which amendments they desire the concurrence of this Honorable House.

School Land Bill with amnds.

And then the Messenger withdrew.

The amendments proposed by the Council to the School Land Bill were read a first, and *nem. con.*, a second time, and considered by the House.

Amndts. to School Land Bill,

And thereupon—

On motion, *resolved*, that the amendments be agreed to.

Agreed to.

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

Bill, &c. sent back to Council.

The Hon. the Provincial Secretary, by command of His Excellency the Lieutenant Governornor, presented to the House—

Return of Flour and Meal.

A return of the quantity of Flour and Meal imported into the Port of Halifax between 5th January, 1849, and 5th January, 1850, and also of the quantity exported therefrom to Ports without the Province during the same period.

Ordered, That the same do lie on the Table.

Mr. McLeod reported from the Committee to whom was referred the Bill for quieting Titles to Land in the Island of Cape Breton, that they had considered the Bill, and had directed him to report the same to the House without amendment—and he delivered the Bill in at the Clerk's Table.

Report on C. B. Land Bill.

The Bill was then read a second time.

Bill read 2nd time and committed.

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

Mr. Henry reported from the Committee to whom was referred the Bill to Incorporate the Trustees of the Evangelical Lutheran Church at Lunenburg, that they had considered the Bill, and had directed him to report the same to the House without amendment—and he delivered the Bill in at the Clerk's Table.

Report from Com. on Lutheran Church Bill.

The Bill was then read a second time.

Bill read 2nd time and committed.

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

A Message from the Council by Mr Haliburton :

Message fm. Council,

Mr. Speaker—

The Council agree to the Conference desired by this Honorable House on the General

Agree to Conference.

General State of the Province, and the Committee of the Council are now ready to meet the Committee of this Honorable House.

And then the Messenger withdrew

Com. of Conference.

Ordered, That the Hon. the Attorney General, the Hon. Mr. Doyle, and Mr. Fraser, be a Committee to manage such Conference.

So they went to to the Conference.

Com. on Bills.

On motion the House resolved itself into a Committee on Bills.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. Thorne took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

Report without amnds.
Boards of Health Bill,
and—
Census Bill.

The Chairman reported from the Committee that they had gone through the Bill to provide for Expenses of Boards of Health and of Vaccination; and the Bill for taking the Census of the Province and obtaining Statistical Information—and had directed him to report the same to the House severally without amendment; and that they had also gone through the Bill concerning the Act for the regulation of Juries, and had made amendments thereto in addition to those recommended by the Select Committee; and that they had also gone through the Bill to provide for the Custody of certain Documents relating to the Township of Chester, and had made the amendments thereto recommended by the Select Committee—which several amendments they had directed him to report to the House with the Bills; and he delivered the several Bills, with the amendments to the two last mentioned, in at the Clerk's Table.

And with amnds.—
Jury Bill, and

Chester Documents
Bill.

To be engrossed.

Ordered, That the Bills with the amendments be engrossed.

Ordered, That the Bills reported without amendment be engrossed.

Adjournment.

Then the House adjourned until this day at half-past seven of the clock.

Meet again.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Report from Com. of
Conference.

The Hon. the Attorney General from the Committee of Conference held this day with a Committee of the Council on the General State of the Province reported that the Managers had been at the Conference and had complied with the instructions of the House.

Com. on Bills.

On motion the House resolved itself into a Committee on Bills.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. Thorne took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

Report Law Pleader
Bill, without amndt.

The Chairman reported from the Committee that they had gone through the Bill to enable Her Majesty's subjects to Plead and reason for themselves or others in all Her Majesty's Courts of Record within this Province, and had directed him to report the same to the House without amendment—and he delivered the Bill in at the Clerk's Table.

Ordered, That the Bill be engrossed.

Order of Day post-
poned.

The Order of the Day being read—

Ordered, That the House do To-morrow again resolve itself into a Committee on the subject of the Elective Franchise.

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

THURSDAY, 7TH MARCH, 1850.

PRAYERS.

An engrossed Bill to regulate the Fees to be taken in the Court of Marriage and Divorce, was read a third time. Bills read 3rd time viz: Marriage and Divorce Court Fees,

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and that the title be an Act to regulate the Fees to be taken in the Court of Marriage and Divorce. Passed.

An engrossed Bill for settling Titles to Land in the Island of Cape Breton, was read a third time. C. B. Land Title,

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and that the Title be an Act for settling Titles to Land in the Island of Cape Breton. Passed.

An engrossed Bill for enforcing performance of Engagements in aid of Public Works, was read a third time. Public Subscription,

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and that the Title be an Act for enforcing performance of Engagements in aid of Public Undertakings. Passed.

An engrossed Bill to Incorporate a Temperance Hall Company at Sydney, Cape Breton, was read a third time. Sydney Temperance Hall Co.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and that the Title be an Act to Incorporate a Temperance Hall Company at Sydney, Cape Breton. Passed.

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

The Hon. Mr. Young reported in part from the Committee on the expenses of Sick Immigrants, &c.—and he read the report in his place and then delivered it in at the Clerk's Table, where it was again read. Report from Immigrant Com.

(See Appendix No. 53.)

Ordered, That the Report be received and adopted by the House,—and that such parts thereof as recommend Grants of Money be referred to the Committee of Supply. Adopted and referred to Supply.

Mr. Killam reported, from the Committee to whom were referred the several Petitions of Patrick Gough, Chief Inspector of Pickled Fish, for Queen's County: and of Dr. Hoffman, Health Officer, Halifax, respectively praying reimbursement of Legal Expenses incurred in the execution of Office—and he read the report in his place and then delivered it in at the Clerk's Table, where it was again read. Report from Com. on Pets. of P. Gough and of Dr. Hoffman.

(See Appendix No. 54.)

Ordered, That the Report be received, and that so much thereof as recommends a Grant of Money to Dr. Hoffman be referred to the Committee of Supply. Received and referred to Supply.

Mr. Creelman reported from the Committee on Penitentiary Affairs, and he read the Report in his place and then delivered it in at the Clerk's Table, where it was again read. Report from Penitentiary Com.

(See Appendix No. 55.)

Ordered, That the Report be received and adopted by the House—and that so much thereof as recommends a Grant of Money be referred to the Committee of Supply. Adopted and referred to Supply.

Law Pleader Bill read
3rd time.

An engrossed Bill to enable Her Majesty's subjects to Plead and reason for themselves or others in all Her Majesty's Courts of Record within this Province was read a third time.

Motion to recommit
negated on divi-
sion.

And thereupon—

Mr. Hall moved that the Bill be recommitted to a Committee of the whole House for the purpose of substituting for the provisions thereof the following enacting clause—

“From and after the passing of this Act it shall be lawful for all subjects of Her Majesty throughout her Colonial dominions to advocate the cause of any client in Her Majesty's Courts of Common Law, Chancery or Probate in this Province, either as Barristers, Solicitors, or Proctors; but this privilege shall not extend to any person convicted of a felony or misdemeanor.”

Which being seconded and put, and the House dividing thereon, there appeared for the motion, eleven; against it, thirty-one.

For the motion—

Against the motion—

<i>Hon. Atty. General,</i>	<i>Mr. Brown,</i>	<i>Mr. Ernst,</i>	<i>Mr. Smyth,</i>
<i>Mr. Blackadar,</i>	<i>“ Marshall.</i>	<i>Mr. Kedy,</i>	<i>“ Archibald,</i>
<i>“ Comeau,</i>	<i>“ Budd,</i>	<i>“ Dimock,</i>	<i>“ Mignowitz,</i>
<i>“ Hall,</i>	<i>“ Wier,</i>	<i>“ Dickey,</i>	<i>“ Mott,</i>
<i>“ Harrington,</i>	<i>“ Bent,</i>	<i>“ Fraser,</i>	<i>“ Bourneuf,</i>
<i>“ Munro,</i>	<i>“ Henry,</i>	<i>“ Martell,</i>	<i>“ Card,</i>
<i>“ Killam,</i>	<i>“ Taylor,</i>	<i>Hon. Mr. Young,</i>	<i>“ McLeod,</i>
<i>“ Sangster,</i>	<i>“ Snow,</i>	<i>Mr. Robertson,</i>	<i>Hon. Prov. Sec.</i>
<i>“ Moore,</i>	<i>“ Thorne,</i>	<i>“ McDougall,</i>	<i>Mr. Creelman.</i>
<i>“ Beckwith,</i>	<i>“ Crow,</i>	<i>“ Ryder,</i>	
<i>Hon. Mr. Doyle.</i>	<i>“ Fulton,</i>	<i>“ McDonald,</i>	

So it passed in the negative.

Motion to defer nega-
tived on division.

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

For the motion—

Against the motion—

<i>Mr. McLeod,</i>	<i>Mr. Dickey,</i>	<i>Mr. Martell,</i>
<i>“ Campbell,</i>	<i>“ Brown,</i>	<i>Hon. Atty. General,</i>
<i>“ Ryder,</i>	<i>“ Marshall,</i>	<i>Mr. Robertson,</i>
<i>Hon. Mr. Young,</i>	<i>“ Wier,</i>	<i>Hon. Mr. Doyle,</i>
<i>Mr. Hall,</i>	<i>“ Beckwith,</i>	<i>Mr. McDougall,</i>
<i>“ Smyth,</i>	<i>“ Sangster,</i>	<i>“ McDonald,</i>
<i>“ Fraser,</i>	<i>“ Killam,</i>	<i>“ Comeau,</i>
<i>Hon. Mr. Johnston,</i>	<i>“ Munro,</i>	<i>“ Archibald,</i>
<i>Mr. Blackadar,</i>	<i>“ Harrington,</i>	<i>“ Mignowitz,</i>
<i>“ Henry,</i>	<i>“ Crow,</i>	<i>“ Mott,</i>
<i>“ Thorne,</i>	<i>“ Fulton,</i>	<i>Hon. Prov. Sec.</i>
<i>“ Snow,</i>	<i>“ Ernst,</i>	<i>Mr. Bourneuf,</i>
<i>“ Taylor,</i>	<i>“ Kedy,</i>	<i>“ Card,</i>
<i>“ Budd,</i>	<i>“ Dimock,</i>	<i>“ Creelman.</i>
<i>“ Moore,</i>		
<i>“ Bent.</i>		

So it passed in the negative.

Bill passed.

The usual question on the Bill being then propounded from the Chair:
Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and that the title be, an Act to authorise Her Majesty's

Majesty's subjects to Plead or reason for themselves and others in all Her Majesty's Courts within this Province.

An engrossed Bill to facilitate Legal Proceedings against Companies doing Business by Agents in this Province, was read a third time. Company's Agency
Bill read 3rd time.

And thereupon—

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Johnston, *resolved*, That the following clause do pass, and be added at the end of the Bill by way of Ryder, viz : Ryder added.

“ Nothing in this Act shall abridge or affect the operation of an Act passed in the fifth year of the reign of His late Majesty King William the Fourth, entitled, ‘ An Act concerning Suits against Foreign Bodies, Politic or Corporate.’ ”

And the said clause having been added accordingly—

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and that the title be, an Act to facilitate Legal Proceedings against Companies doing Business by Agents in this Province. Bill passed.

An engrossed Bill concerning Town Property in Dartmouth, was read a third time. Dartmouth Town
Property Bill read
3rd time,

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and that the title be, an Act concerning Town Property in Dartmouth. Passed.

An engrossed Bill concerning Insurance Offices, was read a third time. Insurance Bill read
3rd time,

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and that the title be, an Act concerning Insurance Offices. Passed.

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

Mr. Henry reported from the Committee on the subject of the Currency—and he read the Report in his place, and then delivered it in at the Clerk's Table, where it was again read and is as follows : Report from Com. on
Currency.

“ The Committee to whom was referred the subject of the Currency, beg leave to report as follows :

“ Your Committee have maturely considered the state of the Currency in this Province, and are of opinion that it is inexpedient at this Session to attempt any change in the Money of Account. They have, however, taken into consideration the fact, that the same Standard of the value of Coins is not to be found in any two of the British North American Colonies ; and are of opinion that it would be for the interests of those Colonies, and tend largely to the simplification of inter-Colonial accounts and dealings, if some uniform measure could be adopted.

“ Your Committee are of opinion that the Sterling Standard would be the most likely to meet the views of the Legislature and People of this Province and the neighboring Colonies.

“ Your Committee therefore recommend the House to take such measures, by resolution or otherwise, as may be necessary to bring this subject to the notice of the several Colonial Governments, in the hope that some uniform system may be adopted.

“ All which is respectfully submitted.

W. A. HENRY, Chairman.
GEO. R. YOUNG,
W. W. BENT,
W. B. TAYLOR,
THOMAS KILLAM.”

Ordered, That the Report be received and do lie on the Table.

Mr.

Report on Pet. of S.
Black.

Mr. McLeod reported from the Committee to whom was referred the Petition of Samuel Black, of Gay's River, and other papers connected with the withdrawal of Monies deposited the Savings' Bank, and he read the Report in his place and then delivered it in at the Clerk's Table where it was again read.

(See Appendix No. 56.)

Motion to refer to
Supply.

And thereupon—

Mr. McLeod moved that the Report be received and referred to the Committee of Supply; which being seconded—

Amendment nega-
tived.

Mr. Fraser moved, by way of amendment, that the Report be received and do lie on the table; which being seconded and put, passed in the negative.

Report referred to
Supply.

The original motion was then, upon the question put thereon, agreed to by the House; and accordingly—

Ordered, That the Report be received and referred to the Committee of Supply.

Com. on Savings'
Bank,

On motion of the Hon. the Provincial Secretary—

Resolved, That a Select Committee be appointed to consider and report upon the propriety of a revision of the Rules adopted in connection with the Savings' Bank.

Com. named.

Ordered, That Mr. Fraser, Mr. McLeod, the Hon. Mr. Johnston, the Hon. the Provincial Secretary, and the Hon. Mr. Young, be a Committee for that purpose.

Com on Bills.

On motion the House resolved itself into a Committee on Bills.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. Thorne took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

Report Lutheran
Church Bill with-
out amndt.; and

The Chairman reported from the Committee that they had gone through the Bill to Incorporate the Trustees of the Evangelical Lutheran Church at Lunenburg, and had directed him to report the same to the House without amendment; and that they had also gone through the Bill to amend the law regulating the Survey of Timber, Lumber and Shingles, and had made the amendments thereto recommended by the Select Committee, and which they had directed him to report to the House with the Bill—and he delivered the Bills, with the amendments to the last mentioned, in at the Clerk's Table.

Lumber Bill with
amndts.

Orders for engrossing.

Ordered, That the Bill with the amendments be engrossed.

Ordered, That the Bill reported without amendment be engrossed.

Order of Day post-
poned.

The Order of the Day being read—

Ordered, That the House do To-morrow resolve itself into a Committee on the subject of the Elective Franchise.

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

FRIDAY, 8TH MARCH, 1850.

PRAYERS.

Change of Appropria-
tion Cumberland
Roads,

On motion of Mr. Dickey—

Resolved, That the sum of Five Pounds granted in the Session of 1848, on the Road from Black Rock Road to Diligent River Road, in the County of Cumberland, and remaining undrawn, be expended on the Coal Mine Road one mile past Delany's.

Ordered,

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

Sent to Council.

A Message from the Council by Mr. Halliburton :

Message fm. Council,

Mr. Speaker—

The Council have agreed to the Bill entitled an Act to Incorporate the Halifax Mechanics' Institute, and the Bill entitled an Act to authorise the appointment of Trustees for the Public Burial Ground at Dartmouth—severally without amendment.

Agree to Hx. Mechanics' Institute Bill ; and Dartmouth Burial Ground Bill ; and to—
Grant of £4000 for Great Roads, and 17 other Money Resolutions.

The Council have also agreed to the Resolution for granting £4000 for the service of certain Great Roads, and to Seventeen other Resolutions for granting various sums of money, viz. :

- £5 Each, Ferrymen between McMillan's Point, C. B., and Auld's Cove, County of Sydney,
- 60 Robert Stone, Revenue Officer, Wilmot.
- 500 Schooner "Daring."
- 300 Indians.
- 50 Militia Services.
- 15 Margaret Nickerson.
- 15 Rebecca Langley.
- 40 Revenue Boat, Sydney, C. B.
- 30 " " Pictou.
- 15 The Speaker, to purchase Books.
- 10 Each to Chairmen of Committees.
- 40 Sterling, Clerk of the Crown.
- 460 " Clerks in the Provincial Secretary's Office.
- 100 " Contingencies of Secretary's Office.
- 510 Oat Mills.
- 300 Drawback on Officers' Wines.
- 1000 Casualties to Roads and Bridges.

And then the Messenger withdrew.

On motion the House resolved itself into a Committee on Bills.

Com. on Bills.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. Thorne took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chairman reported from the Committee that they had gone through the Bill in aid of Collegiate and Academic Education, and had made an amendment thereto, which they had directed him to report to the House with the Bill—and he delivered the Bill and amendment in at the Clerk's Table.

Report Collegiate and Academic Education Bill, with amtds.

And thereupon—

The Hon. Mr. Johnston moved that the Bill be recommitted for the purpose of striking out the Clause added in the Committee, which repeals the Grant to King's College, Windsor—which being seconded and put, and the House dividing thereon, there appeared for the motion seventeen ; against it, twenty-six.

Motion to re-commit negatived.

For the motion—

Mr. Hall,	Mr. Taylor,
" Freeman,	" Snow,
Hon. Atty. General,	" Bent,
Hon. Mr. Doyle,	" Budd,
Mr. Fraser,	" Crow,
" Moore,	" Campbell,
Hon. Mr. Johnston,	" Wier,
Mr. Marshall,	" Beckwith.
" Thorne,	

Against the motion—

Mr. McDougall,	Mr. Dickey,
" Creelman,	" Harrington,
" Sangster,	" Martell,
" Mignowitz,	" Archibald,
" Killam,	" Smyth,
" Robertson,	" Dimock,
Hon. Mr. Young,	Hon. Prov. Sec.
Mr. Brown,	Mr. McLeod,
" Kedy,	" Ryder,
" McDonald,	" Bourneuf,
" Fulton,	" Comeau,
" Mott,	" Card,
" Henry,	" Ernst.

So it passed in the negative.

2nd motion to re-
commit negatived.

Mr. Archibald then moved that the Bill be recommitted for the purpose of striking out the clauses relating to a Grant of £1200 for Collegiate and Academic Education—which being seconded and put, and the House dividing thereon, there appeared for the motion ten ; against it, thirty-three.

For the motion—

Mr. Archibald,
" Freeman,
Hon. Atty. General,
Mr. Harrington,
" Martell,
Mr. Brown,
" Henry,
" Creelman,
" McDougall,
" Killam.

Against the motion—

Mr. Campbell,	Mr. Taylor,	Mr. Hall,
" Beckwith,	" Thorne,	" Dimock,
" Wier,	" Kedy,	Hon. Prov. Sec.
" Budd,	" McDonald,	Mr. McLeod,
" Snow,	" Fulton,	" Ryder,
" Sangster,	" Mott,	" Bourneuf,
" Bent,	Hon. Mr. Johnston,	" Comeau,
" Mignowitz,	Mr. Dickey,	" Card,
" Crow,	" Fraser,	" Ernst,
" Robertson,	" Moore,	" Smyth,
Hon. Mr. Young,	" Marshall.	Hon. Mr. Doyle,

So it passed in the negative.

Motion not to receive
Report negatived.

Mr. Fulton then moved that the House do come to the following Resolution :
" Whereas the union of the clauses in this Bill, for repealing the Grant to King's College, and for granting the sum of £1200 in aid of Collegiate Education, is inexpedient and unwise—and it is desirable to separate the same into two distinct Bills ;

" Resolved therefore, That the Report be not received :"

Which being seconded and put, and the House dividing thereon, there appeared for the motion, eighteen ; against it, twenty-three.

For the motion—

Mr. Hall,	Mr. Taylor,
Hon. Atty. General,	" Bent,
Mr. Moore,	" Snow,
" Harrington,	" Crow,
" Freeman,	" Beckwith,
Hon. Mr. Johnston,	" Budd,
Mr. Fulton,	" Wier,
" Marshall,	" Campbell,
" Thorne,	" Fraser.

Against the motion—

Mr. Ryder,	Mr. McDonald,
" Munro,	" Henry,
" McDougall,	" Mignowitz,
" Card,	" Dickey,
" Brown,	" Mott,
" Comeau,	" McLeod,
" Sangster,	" Dimock,
" Archibald,	" Bourneuf,
" Robertson,	" Ernst,
" Killam,	" Smyth,
" Creelman,	Hon. Prov. Sec.
Hon. Mr. Young,	

So it passed in the negative.

Mr.

Mr. Freeman then moved that the Bill be recommitted for the purpose of specifically appropriating the sum of £1200 therein granted for Collegiate and Academic Education, instead of leaving the same at the disposal of the Governor in Council, as provided by the Bill—which being seconded and put, and the House dividing thereon, there appeared, for the motion, thirteen; against it, twenty-seven.

Another motion to re-commit negatived.

For the motion—

Mr. Freeman,
Hon. Mr. Johnston,
Mr. Harrington,
“ Beckwith,
“ Moore,
“ Taylor,
“ Bent,
“ Snow,
“ Thorne,
“ Crow,
“ Campbell,
“ Budd,
“ Wier.

Against the motion—

Mr. Marshall,	Mr. Mignowitz,
“ Dickey,	“ Brown,
“ Hall,	“ Fulton,
“ Munro,	“ Mott,
“ McDougall,	“ McLeod,
“ Card,	“ Dimock,
“ Comeau,	Hon. Mr. Young,
“ Sangster,	Mr. Fraser,
“ Archibald,	“ Bourneuf,
“ Robertson,	“ Ernst,
“ Killam,	“ Smyth,
“ Creelman,	Hon. Prov. Sec.
“ McDonald,	“ Atty. General.
“ Henry,	

So it passed in the negative.

Ordered, That the Bill be engrossed.

Order for engrossing.

On motion the House resolved itself into a Committee of Ways and Means for raising the Supply granted to Her Majesty.

Com. of Ways and Means.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. Dimock took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chairman reported from the Committee that they had made progress in the business referred to them and had come to four Resolutions, which they had directed him to report to the House, and he delivered the same in at the Clerk's Table.

Report Resolutions.

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

The Resolutions reported from the Committee were then read, and are as follow:

1°. Resolved, That the same system of imposition, collection, and regulation of the Colonial Duties of Impost and Excise as has been in operation for the past year be preserved and re-enacted for the year ending the 31st day of March, 1851, with such exceptions as may hereafter be determined on.

General Resolution.

2°. Resolved, That a Duty of Two and a half per cent *ad valorem* be imposed on Zinc Sheathing for Ships, and Zinc Nails.

Duty on Zinc Sheathing and Nails.

3°. Resolved, That a Duty of One Shilling Sterling per barrel be imposed on Wheat Flour.

On Flour.

4°. Resolved, That the Duties for the support of Light Houses shall remain the same for the ensuing year, ending the 31st day of March, 1851, as they have been for the current year.

Light House Duties.

The

- Resolutions agreed to. The said Resolutions having been again read, were, upon the question respectively put thereon, agreed to by the House.
- Com. to prepare Rev. Bills. *Ordered*, That Mr. Fraser, the Hon. the Attorney General, and Mr. Freeman be a Committee to prepare and report Revenue Bills in accordance with the foregoing Resolutions.
- Order of Day postponed. The Order of the Day being read—
Ordered, That the House do To-morrow resolve itself into a Committee on the subject of the Elective Franchise.
- Then the House adjourned until To-morrow, at eleven of the clock.

SATURDAY, 9TH MARCH, 1850.

PRAYERS.

- Engrossed Bills read 3rd time, viz :
 Juries,
 Passed. An engrossed Bill concerning the Act for the regulation of Juries, was read a third time.
Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and that the title be, an Act further concerning the Act for the regulation of Juries.
- Chester Public Documents,
 Passed. An engrossed Bill to provide for the Custody of certain Documents relating to the Township of Chester, was read a third time.
Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and that the title be, an Act to provide for the Custody of certain Documents relating to the Township of Chester.
- Boards of Health,
 Passed. An engrossed Bill to provide for Expenses of Boards of Health and of Vaccination, was read a third time.
Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and that the title be, an Act to provide for Expenses of Boards of Health and Vaccination.
- Census,
 Passed. An engrossed Bill for taking the Census of the Province and obtaining Statistical Information, was read a third time.
Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and that the title be, an Act for taking the Census of the Province and obtaining Statistical Information.
- Sent to Council. *Ordered*, That the Clerk do carry the Bills to the Council and desire their concurrence.
- Pugwash Fire Engine Bill. Mr. Fulton, pursuant to special leave given, presented a Bill to enable the Inhabitants of Pugwash to raise Money to procure a Fire Engine, and the same was read a first time and ordered to be read a second time.
- College Bill read 3rd time. An engrossed Bill in aid of Collegiate and Academic Education, was read a third time.
 And thereupon—
 Mr. Creelman moved that the following Proviso be added, by way of Ryder, to the third Clause of the Bill, viz. :
 “ *Provided always*, That no College or Academy of a Denominational character shall participate in the foregoing Grant of £1,200.”
 Which being seconded and put, and the House dividing thereon, there appeared for the motion, eighteen ; against it, twenty-two.
- Proviso against Denominational Colleges negatived.

For the motion—

Mr. Card,
 “ Ernst,
 “ Mignowitz,
 “ Henry,
 “ Archibald,
 “ Sangster,
 “ Kedy,
 Hon. Mr. Young,
 Mr. Munro,
 “ McDonald,
 “ Harrington,
 “ Creelman,
 “ Robertson,
 “ Martell,
 “ McDougall,
 “ Killam,
 “ Homer,
 “ Brown.

Against the motion—

Mr. Budd,
 “ Hall,
 “ Campbell,
 “ Bent,
 “ Dickey,
 “ Crow,
 “ Taylor,
 “ Wier,
 Hon. Mr. Johnston,
 Mr. Thorne,
 “ Snow,
 “ Moore,
 Hon. Atty. General
 Mr. Ryder,
 “ Fraser,
 “ Fulton,
 “ Freeman,
 “ Dimock,
 Hon. Prov. Sec.
 Mr. Bourneuf,
 “ Comeau,
 “ McLeod.

So it passed in the negative.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and the title be an Act in aid of Collegiate and Academic Education, and to repeal the Grant to King's College. Bill passed.

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

On motion the House resolved itself into a Committee on Bills. Comm. on Bills.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. Thorne took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chairman reported from the Committee that they had gone through the Bill concerning Registrars of Deeds, and had made amendments thereto, which they had directed him to report to the House with the Bill—and he delivered the Bill and amendments in at the Clerk's Table. Report Registrars of Deeds Bill.

And thereupon—

The Hon. Mr. Johnston moved that the House do come to the following Resolution : Motion to re-commit negatived.

Resolved, That inasmuch as it appears from Earl Grey's Dispatches, dated 7th March and 9th September, 1848, that the communications of the Provincial Government had led his Lordship to believe that if Sir Rupert George retained the Office of Registrar of Deeds; and performed it by Deputy, he would possess an income of not less than £800 a year, from the double source of his Pension as retired Secretary and his Emoluments as Registrar; and that his Lordship informed Sir John Harvey that he accepted his statement as conclusive, that this income would be well secured so as to leave Sir Rupert no ground for the very natural apprehension he exhibited as to the safety of his future position.

And as it also appears that by a temporary arrangement made with the Provincial Government, Sir Rupert George is now receiving the sum of £300, Sterling, in lieu of the Emoluments of the Registrar's Office—and that Sir John Harvey, in a Dispatch dated 10th November, 1848, enquired whether Sir Rupert George would consent to make that arrangement permanent; to which proposition Lord Grey, in a Dispatch dated 23rd February, 1849, communicated Sir Rupert George's assent.

Therefore, in the opinion of this House, the question has ceased to be one of a merely pecuniary nature; and it is now the duty of the House to maintain the honor of the Province with the Imperial Government and its old Public Servants, and to fulfil the expectations (reduced to £300 Sterling, by the assent of the Registrar of Deeds,) which the Provincial Government have led Her Majesty's Secretary of State, as well as the Registrar of Deeds, to entertain, in relation to the allowance to be made to that Officer, in consideration of his surrender of the Office of Registrar of Deeds, long held by him under patent from the Crown; and that the Bill be recommitted for the purpose of altering its provisions, in conformity with this Resolution.

Which proposed Resolution being seconded and put, and the House dividing thereon, there appeared for the motion, seven; against it, thirty-five.

For the motion—

Mr. Taylor,
" Freeman,
Hon. Mr. Johnston,
Mr. Snow,
" Thorne,
" Budd,
" Blackadar.

Against the motion—

Hon. Mr. Doyle,	Mr. Kedy,	Mr. McDonald,
" Atty. General,	" Hall,	" Bourneuf,
Mr. Munro,	" Harrington,	" McDougall,
" Ryder,	" Crow,	" Killam,
" Archibald,	" Fraser,	" Brown,
" Dickey,	" McLeod,	Hon. Prov. Sec.
" Fulton,	" Henry,	Mr. Dimock,
" Beckwith,	" Marshall,	" Homer,
" Wier,	" Creelman,	" Smyth,
" Bent,	" Mott,	Hon. Mr. Young,
" Martell,	" Ernst,	Mr. Comeau.
" Sangster,	" Card,	

So it passed in the negative.

2nd motion to re-commit carried.

The Hon. the Provincial Secretary then moved that the Bill be recommitted for the purpose of increasing the retired allowance of Sir Rupert D. George to Three Hundred Pounds, Currency.

Which being seconded and put, and the House dividing thereon, there appeared for the motion, twenty-two; against it, eighteen.

For the motion—

Hon. Mr. Young,	Mr. McDonald,
Mr. Homer,	" Hall,
Hon. Prov. Sec.	" Fraser,
Mr. Taylor,	" Snow,
" Freeman,	" Thorne,
Hon. Atty. General,	" Bent,
" Mr. Doyle,	" Crow,
Mr. Card,	" Dickey,
" Marshall,	" Budd,
Hon. Mr. Johnston,	" Wier,
Mr. Beckwith,	" Fulton.

Against the motion—

Mr. Martell,	Mr. Ernst,
" Sangster,	" Ryder,
" Kedy,	" Bourneuf,
" Harrington,	" McDougall,
" McLeod,	" Killam,
" Henry,	" Brown,
" Archibald,	" Dimock,
" Creelman,	" Smyth,
" Mott,	" Comeau.

So it passed in the affirmative.

And accordingly—

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

Com. on Bills,

On motion the House resolved itself into a Committee on the further consideration of the Bill.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. Thorne took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The

The Chairman reported from the Committee that they had again considered the Bill and had made a further amendment thereto, which they had directed him to report to the House with the Bill—and he delivered the Bill and amendment in at the Clerk's Table.

Report Bill with further amndt.

Mr. Henry moved that the Bill be amended by reducing the retiring allowance to Sir Rupert D. George from £300 Currency. to £200 Currency.

Motion to reduce allowance to Sir R. George.

Which being seconded and put, and the House dividing thereon, there appeared for the motion twenty-two ; against it, twenty-two.

For the motion—

Against the motion—

Mr. Comeau,	Mr. Henry,	Mr. Dickey,	Mr. Taylor,	Division.
" McDougall,	" Brown,	" Campbell,	" Fraser,	
" Card,	" Harrington,	" Wier,	Hon. Mr. Johnston,	
" Mignowitz,	" Dimock,	" Moore,	Mr. Hall,	
" Kedy,	" Robertson,	" Budd,	" Fulton,	
" Smyth,	" Killam,	" Crow,	" Blackadar,	
" Ernst,	" McLeod,	" Bent,	Hon. Mr. Young,	
" Ryder,	" McDonald,	" Thorne,	" Atty. General,	
" Mott,	" Martell,	" Freeman,	Mr. Homer,	
" Creelman,	" Sangster,	" Munro,	Hon. Prov. Sec.	
" Archibald,	" Bourneuf.	" Beckwith,	" Mr. Doyle.	

Whereupon Mr. Speaker gave his casting vote for the motion.

Speaker votes for motion.

So it passed in the affirmative.

And the Bill having been amended accordingly—

Bill amended.

Ordered, That the same be engrossed.

To be engrossed.

The Hon. the Provincial Secretary, by command of His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor, presented to the House—

Papers presented.

Copy of a Despatch from Earl Grey to Sir John Harvey, dated 18th February, 1850, in answer to the Address of the House in its last Session, and other Papers transmitted on the subject of Free Ports—and the same was read by the Clerk.

Free Ports.

(See Appendix No 57.)

Ordered, That the same do lie on the Table

Also—Copy of a Despatch from Earl Grey to Sir John Harvey, dated 20th February, 1850, on the subject of the transfer of the Post Office Establishment in the Colonies—and the same was read by the Clerk.

Postal arrangements.

(See Appendix No. 58.)

Ordered, That the same be referred to the Committee on Post Office Affairs.

Ref. to Post Office Com.

Mr. Killam moved that the House having already sanctioned the imposition of a Duty on Flour, do now again resolve itself into a Committee of Ways and Means, for the purpose of imposing a Duty of Two-pence Sterling per Bushel on Wheat imported ; which being seconded and put, and the House dividing thereon, there appeared for the motion, nineteen ; against it, twenty-two.

Motion for Duty on Wheat negatived.

So it passed in the negative.

The Hon. the Provincial Secretary, by command of His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor, presented to the House—

Report as to Road Appraisements, C. B.

A Report of John G. McKenzie, in relation to Appraisements of Damages on certain

certain

certain new lines of Road, in the County of Cape Breton, together with Papers connected therewith.

Ordered, That the same do lie on the Table.

Great Roads Bill,

Mr. Dickey, pursuant to leave given on a former day, presented a Bill for the laying out of certain Great Roads—and the same was read a first time, and ordered to be read a second time.

Report from Com. on
Pet. as to Botanic
system of Medicine.

The Hon. the Provincial Secretary reported from the Committee to whom was referred the Petition of Inhabitants of Rawdon and Douglas, relative to the Botanic system of Medicine—and he read the Report in his place, and then delivered it in at the Clerk's Table, where it was again read.

(See Appendix No. 59.)

Ordered, That the Report be received and do lie on the Table.

Order of Day postponed

The Order of the Day being read—

Ordered, That the House do on Monday next again resolve itself into a Committee on the subject of the Elective Franchise.

Then the House adjourned until Monday next, at three of the clock.

MONDAY, 11TH MARCH, 1850.

PRAYERS.

Engrossed Lumber
Bill read 3rd time.

An engrossed Bill to amend the Law regulating the Survey of Timber, Lumber and Shingles was read a third time :

And thereupon—

Amendmt. carried on
Division.

Mr. Mignowitz moved that the Bill be amended by expunging the last clause, and substituting therefor the following clause :

“ No Timber, Lumber, or Shingles shall be exposed for sale within the city of Halifax, either for home consumption or exportation, until the same shall have been surveyed and marked by a sworn Surveyor of the City, in conformity with this Act, without reference to the Supervisor of Lumber ; and if any sworn Surveyor shall refuse or neglect when called upon by the seller or buyer to survey any Lumber or Shingles, or violate any provisions of this Act, he shall forfeit and pay for every offence a sum not less than Forty Shillings, nor more than Five Pounds, to be sued for and recovered by any one who will sue for the same, before any one Justice of the Peace for the County, in like manner in other respects as ordinary debts are recovered ; but entire cargoes of Lumber, sea borne, may be disposed of wholesale without the intervention of a Surveyor between the first seller and buyer.”

Which being seconded and put, and the House dividing thereon, passed in the affirmative.

Bill amended.

And the Bill was amended accordingly.

Motion to defer nega-
tived on division.

Mr. Fraser then moved that the further consideration of the Bill, as amended, be deferred until this day three months—which being seconded and put, and the House dividing thereon, there appeared for the motion, fifteen ; against it, twenty-three.

So it passed in the negative.

Bill passed.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and that the title be an Act to amend the Law regulating the Survey of Timber, Lumber and Shingles.

Ordered,

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

A Message from the Council by Mr. Halliburton :

Message fm. Council,

Mr. Speaker—

The Council have agreed to the Bill entitled an Act for the Encouragement of Education ; the Bill entitled an Act concerning School Lands and the appointment of Trustees therefor ; and the Bill entitled, an Act relating to the Court House and Jail at Kentville—severally as amended. Agree to School Bill ;
School Lands Bill ;
and—
Kentville Court House
Bill, as amended.

The Council have also agreed to the Resolution of this Honorable House for changing an Appropriation of Five Pounds granted for the service of Roads and Bridges in the County of Cumberland. And to change of
Road Appropriation
Cumberland.

And then the Messenger withdrew

An engrossed Bill concerning Registrars of Deeds was read a third time.

Registrars of Deeds
Bill read 3rd time.

And thereupon—

Mr. Fraser moved that the Bill be recommitted to a Committee of the whole House for the purpose of increasing the retiring allowance to Sir Rupert D. George from £200 currency to £300 currency ; which being seconded— Motion to recommit.

Mr. Henry moved, by way of amendment, that the House do come to the following Resolution : Amndt. carried on
division.

“ *Whereas* in the Session of 1848, after the present Administration was formed, this House passed the following Resolution—

“ ‘ *Whereas* it is indispensable in order that the Departmental System of Government should be carried out in this Province in accordance with the enlightened views propounded by Her Majesty’s Government, that the office of Provincial Secretary should be held by a different tenure from that which has hitherto obtained—and whereas Sir Rupert D. George has resigned his seat in the Executive Council, and consequently vacated the office of Secretary of this Province.

“ ‘ *Resolved*, That it is the sense of this House that Four Hundred Pounds Sterling per annum, chargeable on the Casual and Territorial Revenue, be allowed him for and during his life, as a retirement ; and the further sum of One Hundred and Sixty Pounds, Sterling, should he resign the office of Registrar of Deeds, which this House contemplate arranging by Bill during the present Session of the Legislature.’

“ *And whereas*, the said Resolution was communicated to Her Majesty’s Colonial Secretary of State, and through him to Sir Rupert D. George, during that Session ; which resolution Sir Rupert D. George virtually ratified by his acceptance of Four Hundred Pounds Sterling, as his retiring allowance for the office of Provincial Secretary : *And whereas*, in the passage of the Registrars’ Bill now before the House, a majority both in Committee and in the House have twice confirmed the offer contained in the resolution hereinbefore mentioned as respects the grant of One Hundred and Sixty Pounds Sterling.

“ *Resolved*, That Seven Hundred Pounds, Currency, is an ample and liberal allowance for such Officer, under all the circumstances of his case as much as he is justly and fairly entitled to ; and beyond which a due and proper regard for the interests of the Country will not permit this House to go, and that the Bill do now pass.”

Which being seconded and put, and the House dividing thereon, there appeared for the amendment twenty-four ; against it, twenty-three.

For the Amendment—		Against the Amendment—	
Mr. McLeod,	Mr. Card,	Mr. Dickey,	Mr. Freeman.
" McKenna,	" Ernst,	" Campbell,	" Fraser,
" Comeau,	" Creelman,	" Beckwith,	Hon. Mr. Johnston,
" Archibald,	" Henry,	" Budd,	Mr. Marshall,
" Brown,	" Ryder,	" Bent,	" Moore,
" McDougall,	" Killam,	" Hall,	" Munro,
" Mignowitz,	" Mott,	" Homer,	Hon. Atty. General,
Hon. Mr. Young,	" McDonald,	" Crow,	Mr. Blackadar,
Mr. Kedy,	" Robertson,	" Snow,	" Taylor,
" Dimock,	" Martell,	" Thorne,	Hon. Prov. Sec.
" Sangster,	" Bourneuf,	" Fulton,	" Mr. Doyle.
" Smyth,	" Harrington.	" Wier,	

So it passed in the affirmative.

Bill passed.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and that the title be, an Act concerning Registrars of Deeds.

Sent to Council.

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

Report from Com. on Nav. Sec.

Mr. Killam reported from the Committee on Navigation Securities, and he read the Report in his place and then delivered it in at the Clerk's Table where it was again read.

(See Appendix No. 60.)

Ref. to Supply.

Ordered, That the Report be received, and that such parts thereof as recommend Grants of Money be referred to the Committee of Supply.

Pugwash Fire Engine and Great Roads Bills read 2nd time and committed.

A Bill to enable the Inhabitants of Pugwash to raise money to procure a Fire Engine; and—

A Bill for laying out of certain Great Roads:

Were severally read a second time.

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

Report from Com. on Casual Revenue Accounts.

Mr. Campbell reported from the Committee on the Accounts of the Casual and Territorial Revenues—and he read the Report in his place and then delivered it in at the Clerk's Table, where it was again read.

(See Appendix No. 61.)

Ordered, That the Report be received and do lie on the Table.

Report from Com. on Masonic Hall Bill,

Mr. Fraser reported from the Committee to whom was referred the Bill to Incorporate the Trustees of the Masonic Hall in Halifax, that the Committee had considered the Bill and had made amendments thereto, which they had directed him to report to the House with the Bill—and he delivered the Bill and amendments in at the Clerk's Table.

Bill, &c. read 2nd time. Committed.

The Bill with the amendments was then read a second time.

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

Report from Com. on Stud Horses.

Mr. Dickey reported further from the Committee on the subject of the Provincial Stud Horses—and he read the Report in his place and then delivered it in at the Clerk's Table where it was again read.

(See Appendix No. 62.)

Ordered, That the Report be received and do lie on the Table.

The

The Hon. Mr. Johnston reported from the Committee to whom was referred the Petition of the Grand Division of the Sons of Temperance, praying for an Act of Incorporation for the Order—and he read the Report in his place and then delivered it in at the Clerk's Table, where it was again read.

Report from Com. on Pet. of Grand Division of Sons of Temperance.

(See Appendix No. 63.)

Ordered, That the Report be received and do lie on the Table.

The Hon. Mr. Johnston, also from the same Committee, reported and presented to the House—

Sons of Temperance Incorporation Bill.

A Bill to Incorporate the Grand Division and subordinate Divisions of the order of the Sons of Temperance of Nova Scotia—and the same was read a first time, and ordered to be read a second time.

The Hon. the Provincial Secretary reported from the Committee to whom was referred the Halifax Townships' Municipal Bill, that the Committee had considered the Bill, and had made amendments thereto, which they had directed him to report to the House with the Bill—and he delivered the Bill and amendments in at the Clerk's Table.

Report from Com. on Hx. Township Municipal Bill,

The Bill was then read a second time with the amendments.

Bill, &c. read 2nd time. Committed.

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

On motion the House resolved itself into a Committee on Bills.

Com. on Bills.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. Thorne took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chairman reported from the Committee that they had gone through the Bill to enable the Inhabitants of Pugwash to raise Money to procure a Fire Engine, and had directed him to report the same to the House without amendment; that they had also gone through the Bill to divide the County of Halifax into Municipal Townships, &c.; and the Bill to Incorporate the Trustees of the Masonic Hall in Halifax, and had made the amendments thereto respectively recommended by the Select Committees to whom the same had been referred, and which they had directed him to report to the House with the Bills; and that they had also gone through the Bill for the laying out of certain Great Roads, and had made amendments thereto, which they had directed him to report to the House with the Bill—and he delivered the several Bills and amendments in at the Clerk's Table.

Report—Pugwash Fire Engine Bill without amndt. and—Hx. Township Municipal Bill, Masonic Hall Bill, and

Great Roads Bill with amndts.

Ordered, That the Bills with the amendments be engrossed.

Orders for engrossing.

Ordered, That the Bill reported without amendment be engrossed.

The Orders of the Day being read—

Orders of Day—

Ordered, That the House do To-morrow resolve itself into a Committee on the subject of the Elective Franchise.

Elective Franchise and Road Scales postponed.

Ordered, That the Scales of Sub-division of Road Monies be presented To-morrow.

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

 TUESDAY, 12TH MARCH, 1850.

PRAYERS.

- Sons of Temperance
Incorporation Bill
read 2nd time and
committed,
A Bill to Incorporate the Grand Division and Subordinate Divisions of the Sons of Temperance, of Nova Scotia, was read a second time.
Ordered, That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House.
- Liverpool Rivers Ob-
structions Bill,
Mr. Freeman, pursuant to special leave given, presented a Bill to provide for the removal of Obstructions from the Liverpool River—and the same was read a first time.
- Ref. to Sel. Com.
Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Hon. Mr. Doyle, Mr. Freeman, and Mr. Fraser, to examine and report upon with amendments or otherwise.
- Col. Church Society
Bill read 3rd time,
Passed.
An engrossed Bill to Incorporate the Halifax Association in aid of the Colonial Church Society, was read a third time.
Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and that the title be an Act to Incorporate the Halifax Association in aid of the Colonial Church Society.
- Lutheran Church Bill
read 3rd time,
Passed.
An engrossed Bill to Incorporate the Trustees of the Evangelical Lutheran Church at Lunenburg, was read a third time.
Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and that the title be an Act to Incorporate the Trustees of the Evangelical Lutheran Church at Lunenburg.
- Sent to Council.
Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bills to the Council and desire their concurrence.
- Pet. for Hx. and Que-
bec Railway.
A Petition of Magistrates, Freeholders, and Inhabitants of the District of Fort Lawrence, and part of the Township of Amherst, in the County of Cumberland, was, by special leave, presented by Mr. Dickey, and read, praying for aid and support to "The Canadian Land and Railway Association" in the formation of a Railway from Halifax to Quebec.
Ordered, That the Petition do lie on the Table.
- Report on Liverpool
Obstructions Bill.
The Hon. Mr. Doyle reported from the Committee to whom was this day referred the Liverpool River Obstructions Bill, that the Committee had considered the Bill and had directed him to report the same to the House without amendment—and he delivered the Bill in at the Clerk's Table.
- Message fm. Council.
A Message from the Council by Mr. Haliburton :
Mr. Speaker—
The Council have agreed to the Bill entitled, an Act for settling Titles to Land in the Island of Cape Breton ; the Bill entitled, an Act to Regulate the Fees to be taken in the Court of Marriage and Divorce ; the Bill entitled, an Act to Authorise certain Expenditures upon Roads in the County of Cape Breton ; and the Bill for the Management of the Colonial Customs and Excise—severally without amendment.
- Agree without amend-
ment to
C. B. Land Title,
Marriage and Divorce,
C. B. Road Expendi-
ture, and
Col. Customs Bills,
They have also agreed to the Bill entitled, an Act for Regulating the Anchorage of Vessels in the Harbor of Halifax, with amendments, to which amendments they desire the concurrence of this Honorable House.
- And with an amndt.
Hx. Harbor Bill.
The Council desire a further Conference, by Committee, with a Committee of this Honorable House on the General State of the Province.
- Request Conference.
And then the Messenger withdrew.

The amendments proposed by the Council to the Halifax Harbor Anchorage Bill, were read a first time and ordered to be read a second time.

Council's amdt. to Hx. Harbor Bill read.

On motion *resolved*, that the Conference desired by the Council be agreed to, and that the Clerk do acquaint the Council therewith.

Conference agreed to

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

Com. of Conference.

So they went to the Conference.

On motion the House resolved itself into a Committee on Bills.

Com. on Bills.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. Thorne took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chairman reported from the Committee that they had gone through the Bill to Incorporate a Company to build a Line of Electric Telegraph from Truro to Pictou, and had directed him to report the same to the House without amendment; and that they had also gone through the Bill to Incorporate the Kerosene Gas Light Company, and had made amendments thereto, which they had directed him to report to the House with the Bill—and he delivered the Bills, with the amendments to the last mentioned Bill, in at the Clerk's Table.

Report—
Pictou Electric Telegraph Bill without amndt. ; and—
Kerosene Gas Light Bill with amndts.

Ordered, That the Bill with the amendments be engrossed.

Orders for engrossing.

Ordered, That the Bill reported without amendment be engrossed.

Mr. Killam reported from the Committee on Harbor Masters and Pilotage—and he read the Report in his place, and afterwards delivered it in at the Clerk's Table where it was again read.

Report from Com. on Harbor Masters and Pilotage.

(See Appendix No. 64.)

Ordered, That the Report be received and do lie on the Table.

Mr. Killam also from the same Committee reported and presented to the House—
A Bill to amend the Law relating to the Harbor Master at Spanish River, Cape Breton—and the same was read a first time and ordered to be read a second time.

Sydney Harbor Master's Bill.

Mr. Killam also from the same Committee reported and presented to the House—

Hx. Pilotage Bill.

A Bill to amend the Law relating to Pilotage at Halifax—and the same was read a first time and ordered to be read a second time.

The Hon. the Attorney General reported from the Committee to whom was referred the Despatch and other Papers on the subject of the Fees in the Court of Vice Admiralty—and he read the Report in his place and then delivered it in at the Clerk's Table, where it was again read.

Report on Admiralty Fees.

(See Appendix No. 65.)

Ordered, That the Report be received and adopted by the House.

Adopted.

The Orders of the Day being read—

Ordered, That the House do To-morrow again resolve itself into a Committee on the subject of the Elective Franchise.

Orders of Day—
Elective Franchise and Road Scales postponed.

Ordered, That the Scales of Sub-division of Road Monies be presented To-morrow.

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

WEDNESDAY, 13TH MARCH, 1850.

PRAYERS.

- Masonic Hall Bill read 3rd time. An engrossed Bill to Incorporate the Trustees of the Masonic Hall in Halifax, was read a third time.
- Passed. *Resolved*, That the Bill do pass, and that the title be, an Act to Incorporate the Trustees of the Masonic Hall in Halifax.
- Sent to Council. *Ordered*, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Council and desire their concurrence.
- Bills read 2nd time—
 Liverpool Rivers Obstructions,
 Sydney, C.B., Harbor Master,
 Halifax Pilotage.
 Committed. The following Bills were severally read a second time, viz :
 A Bill to provide for the removal of Obstructions from the Liverpool River.
 A Bill to amend the Law relating to the Harbor Master at Spanish River, Cape Breton ; and—
 A Bill to amend the Law relating to Pilotage at Halifax.
Ordered, That the Bills be committed to a Committee of the whole House.
- Report from Com. on Pictou Co. Municipal Bill. The Hon. the Provincial Secretary reported from the Committee to whom was referred the Bill to provide for the better Government of the County of Pictou, and to create Local and Municipal authorities therein, that the Committee had considered the Bill and had made amendments thereto, which they had directed him to report to the House with the Bill—and he delivered the Bill and amendments in at the Clerk's Table.
- Bill, &c. read 2nd time. The Bill was then read a second time with the amendments.
 And thereupon—
- Motion to defer negatively. Mr. Blackadar moved that the further consideration of the Bill and amendments be deferred until the next Session : which being seconded and put, and the House dividing thereon, there appeared for the motion nineteen ; against it, twenty-one.
 So it passed in the negative.
- Bill committed. *Ordered*, That the Bill and amendments be committed to a Committee of the whole House.
- Report from Com. on License Laws, &c. The Hon. Mr. Johnston reported from the Committee on the License Laws, and the subject of Temperance generally—and he read the report in his place and then delivered it in at the Clerk's Table where it was again read.
 (*See Appendix No 66.*)
Ordered, That the Report be received and do lie on the Table.
- Licenses Bill. The Hon. Mr. Johnston, also from the same Committee, reported and presented to the House—
 A Bill for regulating Licenses for the sale of Spirituous Liquors—and the same was read a first time and ordered to be read a second time.
- Further Report from Immigrant Com. The Hon. Mr. Young reported further from the Committee on the Expenses of Sick Immigrants, &c.—and he read the Report in his place and then delivered it in at the Clerk's Table, where it was again read.
 (*See Appendix No. 67.*)
- Ref. to Supply. *Ordered*, That the Report be received and referred to the Committee of Supply.
- Report on Pet. from Preston for relief. Mr. Blackadar reported from the Committee on the Petition of Colored Inhabitants

bitants of Preston for relief—and he read the Report in his place and then delivered it in at the Clerk's Table, where it was again read.

(See Appendix No. 68.)

Ordered, That the Report be received and referred to the Committee of Supply. Ref. to Supply.

A Petition of William Higgins, of Musquodoboit, was, by special leave, presented by the Hon. the Provincial Secretary, and read, praying a reward for his services in killing a large number of Loup-cerviers. Pet. for reward for killing Loup-cerviers.

And thereupon—

The Hon. the Provincial Secretary moved that the Petition be referred to the Committee of Supply : which being seconded and put, passed in the negative. Motion to refer to Supply negatived.

Ordered, That the Petition do lie on the Table.

Ordered, That Mr. McLeod be substituted for Mr. McKeagney, on the Committee to whom, on the 29th day of January last, was referred the Petition of the Commissioners of Schools, at Sydney, C. B., relative to the repayment of School Monies advanced to relieve distress. Substitution on Com. on Pet. of Comms. of Schools, Sydney, C. B.

On motion the House resolved itself into a Committee on Bills. Com. on Bills.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. Thorne took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chairman reported from the Committee that they had gone through the Bill to Incorporate the Grand Division and Subordinate Divisions of the Sons of Temperance ; the Bill to provide for the removal of Obstructions from the Liverpool River ; and the Bill to amend the Law relating to Pilotage at Halifax ; and had directed him to report the said Bills to the House severally without amendment—that they had also gone through the Bill for quieting Titles to Land in the Island of Cape Breton, and had made an amendment thereto, which they had directed him to report to the House with the Bill ; and that they had also gone through the Bill to provide for the better Government of the County of Pictou and to create Local and Municipal Authorities therein, and had made the amendments thereto recommended by the Select Committee, and which they had directed him to report to the House with the Bill—and he delivered the several Bills and amendments in at the Clerk's Table. Report without amndt. Sons of Temperance, Liverpool River Obstructions, and Halifax Pilotage ; and— C. B. Land Title Bill, and Pictou Municipal Bill, with amndts.

Ordered, That the Bills with the amendments be engrossed. Orders for engrossing.

Ordered, That the Bills reported without amendment be engrossed.

Mr. Fraser reported from the Committee to whom was referred the Bill to Incorporate the Halifax and Dartmouth Mutual Insurance Company, that the Committee had considered the Bill and had made amendments thereto, which they had directed him to report to the House with the Bill—and he delivered the Bill and amendments in at the Clerk's Table. Report from Com. on Mutual Insurance Co. Bill.

The Bill was then read a second time with the amendments.

Ordered, That the Bill with the amendments be committed to a Committee of the whole House. Bill, &c. read 2nd time. Committed.

The Hon. the Attorney General, pursuant to special leave given, presented a Bill for abolishing arrest upon Mesne process except in certain cases—and the same was read a first time and ordered to be read a second time. Imprisonment for Debt Bill.

On

Revenue Officers Resolutions.

On motion of the Hon. the Attorney General, the House came to the following Resolutions :

Whereas, in consequence of the rapidly extending Trade of the Outports of the Province, as well as from the change in the Navigation Laws, it has become necessary to have a greater number of Revenue Officers appointed for the prevention of Smuggling and the more effectual collection of the Colonial Revenue :

And whereas, the Ports of Entry and Clearance now established in the Province under the Imperial Officers of Customs, are not found to afford sufficient accommodation to such altered Trade, inasmuch as they are in many cases so far distant from each other as to require parties to travel from twenty-five to thirty miles to Enter and Clear their Vessels ; and it is therefore desirable and necessary to have a greater number of Ports of Entry and Clearance appointed—

1^o. *Resolved*, That the Governor in Council be authorized to appoint such Provincial Officers as they may think advisable and necessary for the more effectual securing and collection of the Duties on Importations in the Out-ports, and that they have power to appoint such other Ports, in addition to those now existing, for the Entry and Clearance of Vessels, as may be deemed advisable to carry out the objects contemplated, and that the Officers appointed to such Ports of Entry and Clearance shall, if required, make a quarterly Return to the Controller of the Port of Halifax in the same form and manner as if they were appointed by the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Customs ; and that the Lieutenant Governor be respectfully requested, and is hereby authorized, to apply to Her Majesty's Government to have this measure carried into effect.

2^o. *Resolved*, That the Governor in Council shall have power to remunerate the Officers, to be appointed, by a Commission to be paid out of the Duties they collect, at such rate as they may deem right—subject to the approval of the Legislature at its next Session.

Change of Appropriation, King's Co.

On motion of Mr. Brown—

Resolved, That the sum of Fifty Pounds, undrawn from the King's County Road appropriation, for 1849, be appropriated to repay the like amount drawn from the Casualty Vote for the same year.

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

Orders of Day postponed.

The Orders of the Day being read—

Ordered; That the House do To-morrow again resolve itself into a Committee on the subject of the Elective Franchise.

Ordered, That the Scales of Sub-division of Road Monies be presented To-morrow.

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

THURSDAY, 14TH MARCH, 1850.

PRAYERS.

Bills read 3rd time, viz.—

Hx. Townships Municipal Bill.

Passed.

An engrossed Bill to divide the County of Halifax into Townships, and to confer certain Municipal privileges upon the Inhabitants thereof, was read a third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and that the title be an Act to divide the County of Halifax into Townships, and to confer certain Municipal privileges upon the Inhabitants thereof. An

An engrossed Bill for the laying out of certain Great Roads, was read a third time. Great Roads,

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and that the title be, an Act for the laying out of certain Great Roads. Passed.

An engrossed Bill to provide for the removal of Obstructions from the Liverpool River, was read a third time. Liverpool River Obstructions,

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and that the title be, an Act to provide for the removal of Obstructions from the Liverpool River. Passed.

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

The Hon. the Provincial Secretary, pursuant to special leave given, presented a Bill to amend the Act to Incorporate the Nova Scotia Horticultural Society—and the same was read a first time. Horticultural Society Bill,

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to Mr. Mott, Mr. Freeman, and Mr. Munro, to examine and report upon with amendments or otherwise. Ref. to Sel. Com.

A Message from the Council by Mr. Haliburton:

Mr. Speaker—

The Council have agreed to the Bill entitled, an Act for taking the Census of the Province, and obtaining statistical information; and the Bill entitled, an Act concerning Insurance offices—severally without amendment. Message from Council—
Agree to Census Bill, and Insurance Offices Bill.

And then the Messenger withdrew.

The Hon. the Attorney General reported from the further Committee of Conference, held with a Committee of the Council under Resolution of the 12th instant, that the Managers had been at the Conference and that the Committee of Conference on the part of the Council had handed to them the following Paper: Report from Com. of Conference.

“ Legislative Council Chamber, March, 1850.

On motion, *resolved*, That a further Conference be desired with the House of Assembly, by Committee on the General State of the Province, and that the Committee of this House do communicate to the Committee of the House of Assembly that this House has agreed to the Resolutions communicated to the Committee of Conference of this House, on the 6th instant, with the following amendment, viz:

In the 2nd Resolution add the word ‘Hops.’

By order;

JOHN C. HALIBURTON,
C. L. C.”

Council agree to Free Trade Resolutions with amndt.

Hops free of Duty:

On motion of Mr. Archibald—

Resolved, That the Petition of William T. Townsend, together with the report of the Select Committee thereon, be referred to the Committee of Supply. Pet. of W. T. Townsend and Report ref. to Supply.

On motion of the Hon. the Provincial Secretary—

Resolved, That the Account of the Surveyor General, for expenses incurred in obtaining information with respect to the School Lands; and also the Account of Thomas Logan, for Road Surveying in the County of Cumberland, under direction of the Government, respectively presented on a former day, be referred to the Committee of Supply. School Land Survey expenses, and Road Survey expenses ref to Supply.

Com. of Supply.

On motion the House resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. Dimock took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

Report Resolutions.

The Chairman reported from the Committee that they had come to several resolutions, which they had directed him to report to the House—and he delivered the same in at the Clerk's Table.

The Chairman also reported that the Committee had directed him to ask for leave to sit again on the consideration of the Supply, to which the House agreed.

The following resolutions reported from the Committee were then read, viz :

2511. 3 7 Trans. Poor

1^o. *Resolved*, That the sum of Two Hundred and Fifty-one Pounds Three Shillings and Seven Pence, be granted and paid to defray the several amounts following, pursuant to the Report of the Committee on the subject of expenses incurred for the support of Transient Paupers, viz :

To the Overseers of the Poor for the Township of Truro,	£8 17 8
Overseers of the Township of St. Mary's, Guysborough,	4 17 6
Doctor Bent, Cumberland,	12 0 0
Ebenezer Caldwell, Horton,	8 11 8
Overseers, Digby, first District,	3 5 4
Overseers of Yarmouth,	9 8 4
Overseers, Pictou, first Section,	41 17 0
Overseers of Dorchester, County of Sydney,	11 3 0
Overseers of Pictou, second Section,	10 3 6
Overseers of Granville,	14 12 2
Overseers of Chester,	4 13 6
Overseers of Barrington,	15 18 6
Overseers of Clements,	10 0 0
Alexander Buchanan, omitted in 1849,	3 15 6
Mary Dougherty, do. do.,	0 15 0
William Mortimer, Queen's County,	5 10 0
Patrick Flinn, do. do.,	3 0 0
Doctor Muir, Colchester,	7 0 0
Overseers of Cumberland, for Francis Bourgeois,	10 0 0
Doctor Tupper,	10 0 0
Overseers of Egerton, sixth Section,	19 15 11
Overseers Tatamagouche, for Doctor Creed,	2 10 0
Do. do. Board,	3 8 11
Doctor Buskirk, Queen's County,	2 10 0
Doctor Oakes' Estate, Bridgetown,	4 9 6
Doctor E. L. Brown, Horton,	6 11 4
Overseers of Horton, for Joseph Caldwell,	4 19 3
Do. do. for John Anderson,	11 10 0
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	£251 3 7

2511. 13 10 Immigrant expenses.

2^o. *Resolved*, That the sum of One Hundred and Fifty-one Pounds, Thirteen Shillings and Ten Pence be granted and placed at the disposal of the Governor, to defray the following amounts, pursuant to the Report of the Committee on Immigrant Expenses, viz :

Queen's County—

Dr. Wylobycki,

Wm. McGill,

£1 19 9

0 18 4

John

John Carten,	£3 0 0	
James Anderson,	1 0 0	
	—————	£6 18 1
County of Guysborough—		
Dr. John Fox,	7 0 0	
Dr. Wm. Carritt,	22 4 0	
	—————	29 4 0
County of Pictou—		
A. G. McKay and others, for Buoy,	1 5 0	
James Dawson, E. A. McDonald and others,	8 14 6	
	—————	9 19 6
County Richmond—		
Dr. A. W. Madden, in full, for his services as Health Officer,	12 10 0	
Dr. A. W. Madden, for two Boatmen employed by him, to be divided according to the service performed,	7 10 0	
	—————	20 0 0
Cape Breton—		
Richard Huntington, upon its being duly certified by the Clerk of the Board that the services were performed by the authority of the Board of Health, and that it had not been previously provided for,		3 0 0
Board of Health at Yarmouth for expenses in cases of Small Pox,		16 18 9
Board of Health, Windsor, to repay for expenditure of Henry Miller,		17 1 0
Commissioners of the Poor, Halifax, to pay expense of Pauper cases of Small Pox transferred to Small Pox Hospital—to include the balance of Three Pounds Seven Shillings and Ten pence, balance of Hospital Accounts,		22 1 4
Board of Health, Guysborough,		13 6 2
Halifax—		
Dr. Hoffman, for attendance on Robert Watson,	£6 15 0	
Do. for visiting Ships of War as Health Officer,	6 10 0	
	—————	13 5 0
		£151 13 10

3°. *Resolved*, That the sum of Three Pounds be granted and paid to Dr. A. McDonald, County of Sydney, for services in a case of Small Pox. 31. Dr. McDonald.

4°. *Resolved*, That the sum of Fifteen Pounds Five Shillings and Four Pence be granted and placed at the disposal of the Governor, to pay the following expenses incurred by the Board of Health in the County of Cape Breton, viz.—To the Proprietor of the Halifax House, 9s. 6d.; to W. C. McKinnon, £1; and Dr. Foreman, £13 15s. 10d. 15L. 5 4 Board of Health, C. Breton.

5°. *Resolved*, That the sum of Twenty Pounds be granted and paid the Board of Health of the Township of Barrington in full of the Accounts rendered in the case of Wm. Kenny, afflicted with Small Pox—to be distributed and applied by the Board. 20L. Board of Health, Barrington.

6°. *Resolved*, That the sum of Twelve Pounds Thirteen Shillings and Five Pence 12L. 13 5 Jas. G. McKeen, and 3l. Styles Hart.

Pence be granted and paid to James G. McKeen ; and the further sum of Three Pounds to Styles Hart, for services connected with cases of Small Pox at Guysborough.

- 16l. 6 7 G. C. Lawrence. 7^o. *Resolved*, That the sum of Nine Pounds and Fifteen Shillings be granted and paid to George C. Lawrence, of Inverness, to repay expenditures for the relief of the Crew of the Brig Philemon ; and also the further sum of Six Pounds Eleven Shillings and Seven Pence, for provisions and other outlays incurred for the Crew of the Schooner Clarinda, of Newcastle, New Brunswick.
- 5l. 12 Board of Health, Shelburne. 8^o. *Resolved*, That the sum of Five Pounds and Twelve Shillings be granted and placed at the disposal of the Governor, to defray the expense incurred by the Board of Health at Shelburne in the case of Andrew Hagan, afflicted with Small Pox.
- 3l. 2 10 John H. Freeman. 9^o. *Resolved*, That the sum of Three Pounds Two Shillings and Ten Pence be granted and paid to John H. Freeman, Collector of Colonial Duties at Liverpool, to reimburse him expense incurred in weighing Sugars for the purpose of ascertaining the Duties thereon.
- 7l. 10 T. E. Moberly. 10^o. *Resolved*, That the sum of Seven Pounds Ten Shillings be granted and paid to Thomas E. Moberly, Collector of Impost and Excise at Yarmouth, being the half of a fine paid by the Master of the Schooner Margaret and remitted to the Treasury.
- 14l. 1 3 Jos. Allison. 11^o. *Resolved*, That the sum of Fourteen Pounds One Shilling and Three Pence be granted and paid to Joseph Allison, of Windsor, being the amount of duties paid by him on Beef and Pork imported at Windsor, for and reshipped as Sea Stores in the Brig Eclipse, on a voyage to California.
- 4l. 11 10 John Akins. 12^o. *Resolved*, That the sum of Four Pounds Eleven Shillings and Ten Pence be granted and paid to John Akins, of Falmouth, being the amount of duties paid by him on Beef and Pork imported at Windsor, and reshipped as Sea Stores on board the Brig Corsair.
- 50l. James Dawson. 13^o. *Resolved*, That the sum of Fifty Pounds be granted and paid to James Dawson, of Pictou, as a remuneration to which he is equitably entitled for services rendered to the Province in securing property saved from the Brig Joseph.
- 1l. 9 6 C. B. Owen. 14^o. *Resolved*, That Charles B. Owen, Collector of Colonial Duties at Lunenburg, be allowed to retain in his hands the sum of One Pound Nine Shillings and Six Pence, being the amount of a seizure made by him at Lunenburg, to remunerate him for his expenses in securing the same.
- 20l. W.T. Townsend. 15^o. *Resolved*, That the sum of Twenty Pounds be granted and paid to William T. Townsend, in full, further amount allowed for his services connected with Sable Island affairs, pursuant to report of Committee.
- 10l. 12 Dr. Hoffman. 16^o. *Resolved*, That there be granted and paid to Dr. Matthias Hoffman the sum of Fifteen Pounds and Twelve Shillings, for the expenses incurred by him as Health Officer for the Port of Halifax, in defending a Suit brought against him by — Fitzgerald.
- 50l. Reporting Decisions. 17^o. *Resolved*, That the sum of Fifty Pounds be granted and placed at the disposal of the Governor, to be paid to such person as shall be appointed by His Excellency to report the Decisions of the Supreme Court, on its being made to appear.

appear to the satisfaction of His Excellency that such Reports have been duly made and published in a Pamphlet form, and that a copy thereof has been furnished to every Town Clerk in the different Counties in the Province—such Town Clerk being directed to keep the Reports at all times in their offices, and open at reasonable hours to the inspection of the public, free of charge.

18°. *Resolved*, That the sum of Eight Hundred and Fifty Pounds be granted and paid to the Commissioners of the Provincial Penitentiary, to defray the expenses of that Establishment for the present year, including Thirty-five Pounds for the Physician's Salary; and that the sum of Three Hundred and Four Pounds Six Shillings and Four Pence, consisting of Fifty-two Pounds Thirteen Shillings and Seven Pence in the hands of the Commissioners, and the sum of Two Hundred and Fifty-one Pounds Twelve Shillings and Nine Pence being the balance of former grants remaining undrawn, shall be expended by the Commissioners in building a Wall round the building, and other purposes connected with the Establishment—pursuant to the Report of the Committee on the Provincial Penitentiary.

8501. Commrs. of Penitentiary.

19°. *Resolved*, That the sum of Nine Hundred and Twenty-five Pound Nine Shillings and Two Pence be granted and placed at the disposal of the Governor, to repay advance made from the Treasury for public Printing, and to defray the amounts still due therefor—pursuant to the Report of the Committee on Public Printing, viz :

9251. 9 2 Public Printing.

Advanced on Vote of Credit of last Session,	£500 0 0
Due to William Annand,	15 13 6
English and Blackadar,	1 15 0
Colonist Office,	0 12 0
R. Nugent, balance,	42 10 10
J. S. Thompson, Queen's Printer, balance due;	364 17 10
	£925 9 2

And the said Resolutions having been read a second time, were, upon the question put thereon, respectively agreed to by the House.

Resolutions agreed to.

Ordered, That the remainder of the Resolutions reported from the Committee be read and considered at a future day.

Order as to remaining Resolutions.

Mr. Fulton reported from the Committee on the Petition of the Commissioners of Schools for Cape Breton—and he read the Report in his place and then delivered it in at the Clerk's Table where it was again read, and is as follows :

Report upon Pet. of Commissioners of Schools, C. B.

“The Committee to whom was referred the Petition of the Commissioners of Schools for the County of Cape Breton, praying that the sum of Two Hundred and Fifty Pounds, taken from the School Monies for that County and applied to the purchase of Seed, under the Act of last Session, may be deducted from the Road Money in that County the present year, and applied as originally intended, beg leave to report that they cannot recommend the prayer of the Petition.

“All which is respectfully submitted.

STEPHEN FULTON,
J. C. HALL,
JAMES McLEOD,
SAML. CREELMAN,
PETER SMYTH.”

Ordered, That the Report be received and adopted by the House.

Adopted.

Orders of Day postponed.

The Orders of the Day being read—

Ordered, That the House do To-morrow again resolve itself into a Committee on the subject of the Elective Franchise.

Ordered, That Scales of Sub-division of the Road Money be presented To-morrow.

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

FRIDAY, 15TH MARCH, 1850.

PRAYERS.

Report from Com. on Horticultural Society Bill.

Mr. Mott reported from the Committee to whom was referred the Bill to amend the Act to Incorporate the Nova Scotia Horticultural Society, that the Committee had considered the Bill and had made an amendment thereto, which they had directed him to report to the House with the Bill—and he delivered the Bill and amendment in at the Clerk's Table.

Bill, &c. read 2nd time. Committed.

The Bill was then read a second time with the amendment.

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

Report from Com. on Savings' Bank.

Mr. Fraser reported from the Committee on the subject of the management and regulations of the Savings' Bank—and he read the report in his place and then delivered it in at the Clerk's Table where it was again read.

(See Appendix No. 69.)

Adopted.

Ordered, That the Report be received and adopted by the House.

C. B. Land Title Bill, read 3rd time.

An engrossed Bill for quieting Titles to Land in the Island of Cape Breton, was read a third time.

Passed.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and that the title be, an Act to confirm Titles to Land in Cape Breton.

Pugwash Fire Engine Bill read 3rd time.

An engrossed Bill to enable the Inhabitants of Pugwash to raise Money to procure a Fire Engine, was read a third time.

Passed.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and that the title be, an Act to enable the Inhabitants of Pugwash to raise Money to procure a Fire Engine.

Hx. Pilotage Bill read 3rd time.

An engrossed Bill to amend the Law relating to Pilotage at Halifax, was read a third time.

Passed.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and that the title be, an Act to amend the Law relating to Pilotage at Halifax.

Sent to Council.

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

Message fm. Council.

A Message from the Council by Mr. Halliburton :

Mr. Speaker—

Agree without amdt. to Law Pleader Bill and with amdt. to

Companies Agency Bill, and

The Council have agreed to the Bill entitled, an Act to authorize Her Majesty's subjects to plead and reason for themselves and others in all Her Majesty's Courts within this Province, without amendment ; and to the Bill entitled an Act to facilitate Legal Proceedings against Companies doing business by Agents in this Province, with amendments—to which amendments they desire the concurrence of this Honorable House.

They

They have also agreed to the Resolution of this House for granting £250 for the Governor's Private Secretary, for the present year. £250 Governor's Sec.

The Council have passed a Bill entitled an Act to abolish the punishment of Death in certain cases, to which Bill they desire the concurrence of this honorable House. Have passed Death Penalty Abolition Bill.

And then the Messenger withdrew

The engrossed Bill from the Council entitled, an Act to abolish the punishment of Death in certain cases, was read a first time and ordered to be read a second time. Council's Death Penalty Bill read 1st time.

The amendments proposed by the Council to the Bill entitled, an Act to facilitate Legal Proceedings against Companies doing business by Agents in this Province, were read a first and second time and considered by the House, and are as follow : Amendments to Co. Agents Bill agreed to.

FIRST CLAUSE.

At the end of this clause add the following words—

“And any person so served may, during the first Term thereafter, come into Court and shew that he is not an Agent, and upon proof thereof he shall have judgment against the Plaintiff and costs of suit.”

THIRD CLAUSE.

11th Line—After the word “his” insert the words “Costs and”.

And thereupon—

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Johnston, *resolved*, That the amendments be agreed to.

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

Ordered, That the House do now proceed to consider the remainder of the Resolutions reported yesterday from the Committee of Supply. Further Resolutions from Com. of Supply considered.

And accordingly—

The same were read by the Clerk and are as follow :

20°. *Resolved*, That the sum of Twenty-five Pounds be granted and placed at the disposal of the Governor, to aid in completing a Block now in progress of erection in addition to the Breakwater at Hall's Harbor in the County of King's—to be drawn and applied for that purpose when it shall appear to the satisfaction of the Governor in Council that the sum of Seventy-five Pounds has been subscribed and expended thereon, so that the whole expenditure shall amount to One Hundred Pounds. 257. Breakwater Hall's Harbor

21°. *Resolved*, That the sum of Twenty Pounds be granted and placed at the disposal of the Governor to aid in erecting a Breakwater near the mouth of the Windsor River, in the County of King's, to be drawn and applied for that purpose when it shall appear to the satisfaction of the Governor in Council that the sum of Sixty Pounds has been subscribed and expended thereon, so that the whole expenditure thereon shall amount to Eighty Pounds, and that the site has been conveyed for the use of the public. 207. Breakwater Windsor River.

22°. *Resolved*, That the sum of Fifty Pounds be granted and placed at the disposal of the Governor to aid in the erection of a Breakwater at or near the land of George W. Troop, in the County of Annapolis—to be drawn and applied for that purpose when it shall appear to the satisfaction of the Governor, in Council, 507. Breakwater, Troop's Landing.

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cil, that the sum of One Hundred and Fifty Pounds has been subscribed and expended thereon, so that the whole expenditure shall amount to Two Hundred Pounds, and that the site has been conveyed for the use of the public.

257. Breakwater, Indian Harbor.

23°. *Resolved*, That the sum of Twenty-five Pounds be granted and placed at the disposal of the Governor, to aid in the erection of a Breakwater at Indian Harbor, in the County of Guysborough—to be drawn and applied for that purpose when it shall appear to the satisfaction of the Governor, in Council; that the sum of Seventy-five Pounds has been subscribed and expended thereon, so that the whole expenditure shall amount to One Hundred Pounds.

207. Wharf, Parrsboro'.

24°. *Resolved*, That the sum of Twenty Pounds be granted and placed at the disposal of the Governor to aid in the erection of a Wharf or Landing-place at or near Parrsborough, in the County of Cumberland, for the accommodation of Steamboats and other trade of the Basin of Minas—to be drawn and applied for that purpose when it shall appear to the satisfaction of the Governor, in Council, that the sum of Sixty Pounds has been subscribed and expended thereon, so that the whole expenditure shall amount to Eighty Pounds, and that the site has been conveyed for the use of the public.

107. Canal, George's Harbor to Canso.

25°. *Resolved*, That the sum of Ten Pounds be granted and placed at the disposal of the Governor to aid in opening a Channel or Canal from George's Harbor to Canso, in the County of Guysborough—to be drawn and applied for that purpose when it shall appear to the satisfaction of the Governor, in Council, that the sum of Thirty Pounds has been subscribed and expended thereon, so that the whole expenditure shall amount to Forty Pounds.

1007. Tracadie Harbor

26°. *Resolved*, That the sum of One Hundred Pounds be granted and placed at the disposal of the Governor to aid in opening a new Channel into the Harbor of Tracadie, in the County of Sydney—to be drawn and applied for that purpose when it shall appear to the satisfaction of the Governor, in Council, that the sum of Two Hundred Pounds has been subscribed and expended thereon, so that the whole expenditure shall amount to Three Hundred Pounds.

20007. Light Houses.

27°. *Resolved*, That the sum of Two Thousand Pounds be granted and placed at the disposal of the Governor for the purpose of causing to be erected during the ensuing season the several Light Houses herein mentioned, viz:—

A Light House either at Cape Sable or Baccaro Point, as the Governor, in Council, may direct.

A Beacon Light at the South entrance of the Gut of Canso.

A Beacon Light at the South entrance of the Grand Passage in the County of Digby.

A Beacon Light at Port Medway in Queen's County.

A Beacon Light at Horton Bluff in King's County.

The finishing and Lighting of the Beacon Light at Isle Madame.

507. Geo. B. Watson.

28°. *Resolved*, That the sum of Fifty Pounds being part of the sum of Seventy-five Pounds granted to George B. Watson in the last Session for his services as Teacher of the Nautical and Grammar School at Arichat, be paid to the said George B. Watson in full for such services for the year ending in May, 1848.

257. Chas. E. Ratchford.

29°. *Resolved*, That there be granted and paid to Charles E. Ratchford, of Amherst, the sum of Twenty-five Pounds, for this year only, to aid in the establishment of a Female Seminary at Amherst.

30°. *Resolved*, That the sum of Fifty Pounds be granted and placed at the disposal of the Governor, to be expended in affording relief to the Colored population of the County of Halifax, by purchasing Seed or Provisions as circumstances may require. 50l. Colored People.

31°. *Resolved*, That the sum of Ten Pounds be granted to each of the Counties of Hant's, Queen's, Yarmouth, Guysborough, Annapolis, Sydney, Shelburne, and Digby, to purchase Seed for distribution among the Colored Population in those Counties. 10l. each Colored Populations different Counties.

32°. *Resolved*, That the sum of Eighty Nine Pounds and Ten Pence be granted and paid to James Black, of Gay's River, being the amount of Money deposited by him in the Provincial Saving's Bank at Halifax, and fraudulently obtained therefrom by a person who absconded with the amount. 89l. 0 10 Jas. Black.

And the said Resolutions having been again read—

Mr. Archibald moved that the twenty-ninth Resolution, for granting £25 for a Female Seminary at Amherst, be not received by the House: which being seconded and put, and the House dividing thereon, there appeared for the motion eighteen; against it, twenty-six. Motion against 29th negatived.

For the motion—

Against the motion—

Mr. Homer,	Mr. McDonald,	Mr. Dickey,	Mr. Henry,
Hon. Prov. Sec.	" Kedy,	" Fraser,	" Snow,
Mr. Dimock,	" Taylor,	" Ryder,	Hon. Mr. Young,
" Card,	" Sangster,	" Munro,	Mr. Fulton,
" Brown,	" McKenna.	" McLeod,	" Beckwith,
" Archibald,		" Budd,	" Thorne,
" Mott,		" Moore,	Hon. Mr. Johnston,
" McDougall,		" Freeman,	Mr. Hall,
Hon. Mr. Doyle,		" Wier,	" Marshall,
Mr. Killam,		" Crow,	Hon. Atty. General,
" Comeau.		" Bent,	Mr. Creelman,
" Mignowitz,		" Harrington,	" Bourneuf,
" Ernst:		" Campbell,	" Blackadar.

So it passed in the negative.

Mr. Archibald then moved that the thirty-first resolution, for granting £10 each to various Counties for relief of the Colored Population be not received by the House: which being seconded and put, and the House dividing thereon, there appeared for the motion, fifteen; against it, twenty-nine. Motion against 31st Resolution negatived.

So it passed in the negative.

The said several Resolutions were then, upon the question put thereon, respectively agreed to by the House. Resolutions agreed to.

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

Mr. Henry, from the Committee on Reporting the Debates and Proceedings of the House, reported on the Petition of Alpin Grant, to them referred—and he read the Report in his place and then delivered it in at the Clerk's Table, where it was again read, and is as follows: Report on Pet. of A. Grant,

“The Petition to whom was referred the Petition of Alpin Grant, Publisher of

the 'Colonist' Newspaper, asking compensation for publishing the Debates of the House in 1849, beg leave to report as follows :

"Your Committee have considered the claim of the Petitioner, and are of opinion that he should be paid the sum of Twelve Pounds.

WM. A. HENRY, Chairman.
STEPHEN FULTON,
JOHN CAMPBELL."

Adopted.

And thereupon—

Mr. Henry moved that the Report be received and referred to the Committee of Supply : which being seconded and put, and the House dividing thereon, passed in the affirmative.

Ordered accordingly.

Report from Com. on
Deaf and Dumb.

The Hon. the Attorney General reported from the Committee on the subject of the Deaf and Dumb of the Province—and he read the Report in his place and then delivered it in at the Clerk's Table, where it was again read.

(See Appendix No. 70.)

And thereupon—

Motion to refer to
Supply negatived.

Mr. Brown moved that the Report be received and referred to the Committee of Supply : which being seconded and put, and the House dividing thereon, passed in the negative.

Ordered, That the Report be received and do lie on the Table.

Report from Com. on
Probate Laws.

Mr. Henry reported from the Committee on the Probate Laws, and he read the Report in his place and then delivered it in at the Clerk's Table, where it was again read.

(See Appendix No. 71.)

Leave for Bill.

Ordered, That the Report be received, and that Mr. Henry have leave to bring in a Bill founded thereon.

Resolution as to Horse
Norfolk.

Mr. Dickey moved that the House do come to a Resolution as follows :—

Resolved, That the Provincial Stud Horse "Norfolk" do stand during the ensuing season in the County of Cumberland, under the charge of Thomas Chapman and Joseph L. Embree, upon their guaranteeing to keep him free of expense to the Province, and return him at the expiration of a year from the date of receiving him, in as good order as when received, accidents only excepted :

Which being seconded—

Amndt. to sell Horse
carried.

The Hon. the Provincial Secretary moved, by way of amendment, that the Horse be sold, under such restrictions as may be hereafter imposed ; which being seconded and put, and the House dividing thereon, there appeared for the amendment twenty-one ; against it, eleven.

So it passed in the affirmative.

Council's amendmts.
to Hx. Harbor Bill
agreed to.

The amendments proposed by the Council to the Halifax Harbor Anchorage Bill were read a second time, and considered by the House.

And thereupon—

On motion of the Hon. the Attorney General, *resolved*, That the amendments be agreed to by the House.

Bill, &c. sent back to
Council.

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

Account of Expenses
of Passengers per
Barbara Ann,

The Hon. the Provincial Secretary, by command of His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor, presented to the House—

An

An Account of Expenses incurred by Simon Donovan, Esquire, in supporting certain Passengers, wrecked near Arichat, in the Schooner Babara Ann.

Ordered, That the Accounts be referred to the Committee on the Expenses of Sick Immigrants, &c.

Ref. to Immigrant Com.

The Orders of the Day being read—

Ordered, That the Order for considering the Elective Franchise be discharged.

Orders of Day—
Elective Franchise discharged.
Road Scales postponed.

Ordered, That Scales of Sub-division of the Road Monies be presented To-morrow.

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

SATURDAY, 16TH MARCH, 1850.

PRAYERS.

The Hon. Herbert Huntington, Financial Secretary, returned duly elected a Member for the County of Yarmouth, took the Oath of Allegiance before the Hon. Hugh Bell and the Hon. John Morton, Commissioners authorized to administer the same, and his seat as such Member.

Financial Secretary sworn in as member for Yarmouth.

Mr. McLeod reported finally from the Committee on the subject of a Lunatic Asylum—and he read the Report in his place, and then delivered it in at the Clerk's Table, where it was again read.

Report from Lunatic Com.

(See Appendix No. 72.)

Ordered, That the Report be received and do lie on the Table.

On motion the House resolved itself into a Committee on Bills.

Com. on Bills.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. Thorne took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chairman reported from the Committee that they had gone through the Bill for abolishing Arrest upon Mesne Process except in certain cases, and had directed him to report the same to the House without amendment; and that they had also gone through the Bill to amend the Act to Incorporate the Nova Scotia Horticultural Society, and had directed him to report the same as amended by the Select Committee thereon; and the Bill to Incorporate the Halifax and Dartmouth Mutual Insurance Company, and had made further amendments thereto in addition to those made by the Select Committee thereon, and which they had directed him to report to the House with the Bill—and he delivered the Bills, with the amendments to the two last mentioned Bills, in at the Clerk's Table.

Report Arrest for Debt Bill,

Horticultural Society, and—

Mutual Insurance Co. Bills,

Ordered, That the Bills with the amendments be engrossed.

To be engrossed.

Mr. Fulton moved that the Bill for abolishing Arrest upon Mesne Process, except in certain cases, be recommitted to a Committee of the whole House for the purpose of reducing the amount for which a Capias may be allowed from Ten Pounds to One Pound, and allowing the affidavit therefor to be taken before a Justice of the Peace: which being seconded and put, and the House dividing thereon, passed in the affirmative.

Motion to re-commit Imprisonment for Debt Bill carried.

And accordingly—

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

Bill re-committed.

Mr.

Report from Com. on
Importation of
Gunpowder.

Mr. Fraser reported from the Committee on the subject of the Importation of Gunpowder—and he read the Report in his place and then delivered it in at the Clerk's Table, where it was again read, and is as follows :

“The Committee appointed to consider the propriety of requesting from the Imperial Government the amendment of the Act of the British Parliament 8 and 9 Vic., cap. 93, which prohibits the Importation of Gunpowder into the British Possessions in America, &c., excepting from the United Kingdom, or some other British Possession, beg leave to report the following Resolution for adoption by this House :

Resolutions.

“Whereas, large quantities of Gunpowder are used within this Province in the Quarrying of Gypsum, Blasting of Rocks, and for other purposes.

“And whereas, the description of Powder used for these purposes is manufactured in the United States, of a quality and kind more suitable and of a price much less than this article can be obtained either from the United Kingdom or other British Possessions, therefore—

“Resolved, That His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor be respectfully requested to bring this subject under the notice of the Imperial Authorities, and to obtain from them a repeal of that portion of the aforementioned Act which includes the article of Gunpowder within the List of Prohibitions in the 6th Table of said Act.

JAMES D. FRASER, Chairman.
HENRY MIGNOWITZ,
H. Y. MOTT.”

Adopted.

Ordered, That the Report be received and adopted by the House.

Report of Rev. Bills,

Mr. Fraser reported from the Committee appointed to prepare the Revenue Laws, and thereupon presented to the House—

Impost Bill,

A Bill to continue and amend the Act for granting Duties of Impost for the support of Her Majesty's Government within this Province.

Revenue Acts,

A Bill to continue and further amend certain Acts relating to the Colonial Revenue ; and—

Trade,

A Bill to continue the Act in relation to the Trade between the British North American Possessions.

Read 1st and 2nd time
and committed.

The said Bills were read a first, and *nem. con.*, a second time.

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

Report from Com. on
Post Office Affairs,

The Hon. the Attorney General reported from the Committee on Post Office Affairs, and he read the Report in his place and then delivered it in at the Clerk's Table, where it was again read.

(See Appendix No. 73.)

Ref. to Supply.

Ordered, That the Report be received and referred to the Committee of Supply.

Chapters of Revised
Act read 3rd time.

The following Chapters of the Bill for Revising and Consolidating the General Statutes of Nova Scotia, were read a third time, viz. :

Chapter 71, Of Commissioners of Sewers, and the regulating of Diked and Marsh Lands ;

“ 72, Of Commons ;

“ 73, Of Common Fields.

Resolved, That the Chapters do pass.

Sent to Council.

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

On motion of Mr. Fraser—

Resolved, That a Select Committee be appointed to take into consideration the subject of the Printing of this House, and the distribution of the Journals thereof, and of the Laws of the Province.

Com. on Printing of House, &c.

Ordered, That Mr. Fraser, Mr. Mignowitz, Mr. Taylor, Mr. Beckwith, and Mr. Creelman be a Committee for that purpose.

The Order of the Day being read—

Ordered, That Scales of the Sub-division of the Road Monies be presented on Monday next.

Order of Day postponed.

Then the House adjourned until Monday next at twelve of the clock.

MONDAY, 18TH MARCH, 1850.

PRAYERS.

The engrossed Bill from the Council, entitled, an Act to abolish the punishment of Death in certain cases, was read a second time.

Death Penalty Bill read 2nd time.

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

Committed.

An engrossed Bill to Incorporate a Company to build a Line of Electric Telegraph from Truro to Pictou, was read a third time.

Truro and Pictou Electric Telegraph Bill read 3rd time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and that the title be, an Act for the Incorporation of a Company to build a Line of Electric Telegraph from Truro to Pictou.

Passed.

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

Sent to Council.

The Hon. the Provincial Secretary, by command of His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor, presented to the House—

Account of Expenses of Law Commrs.

An Account of Monies paid out by the Commissioners for revising and consolidating the Provincial Laws to their Clerk, together with their Stationery Account as Commissioners.

Ordered, That the same be referred to Mr. Henry, Mr. Marshall, and Mr. Bent, to examine and report upon.

Ref. to Sel. Com.

Mr. Henry, pursuant to leave given on a former day, presented a Bill further to amend the Law relating to Courts of Probate; and the same was read a first time and ordered to be read a second time.

Probate Bill.

The Hon. the Provincial Secretary, by command of His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor, presented to the House—

Return of Insolvent Magistrates.

A Return of the names of the Justices of the Peace who, within the last six years, have taken the benefit of the Insolvent Debtors' Act, or made an Assignment of their Property.

Ordered, That the same do lie on the Table

Mr. Marshall reported from the Committee on the Poor Laws, and presented to the House:

Guysboro' Poor House Bill.

A Bill to provide for a Poor House in the Township of Guysborough—and the same was read a first time and ordered to be read a second time.

The Hon. the Provincial Secretary, by command of His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor, presented to the House—

Abstract of Monies drawn for Damages on Great Roads.

A Return of Amounts paid from the Provincial Treasury for each County, for damage to Land occasioned by opening or altering Lines of Main Post Road, during six years, ending 31st December, 1849.

(See *Appendix No. 74.*)

Ordered, That the same do lie on the Table.

Message fm. Council,

A Message from the Council by Mr. Halliburton :

Mr. Speaker—

Agree to Masonic Hall
Great Roads,
Dartmouth Town
Property ; and
Juries Bill, without
amendment.

The Council have agreed to the Bill entitled, an Act to Incorporate the Trustees of the Masonic Hall in Halifax ; the Bill entitled, an Act for the laying out of certain Great Roads ; the Bill entitled, an Act concerning Town Property in Dartmouth ; and the Bill entitled, an Act further concerning the Act for the regulation of Juries—severally without amendment.

Flour Weighing, and
Vaccination, with
amndts.

They have also agreed to the Bill entitled, an Act for the Weighing of Flour in the City of Halifax ; and the Bill entitled, an Act to provide for Expenses of Boards of Health and Vaccination, with amendments thereto respectively—to which they desire the concurrence of this Honorable House.

Change of Appropria-
tion, Horton.

The Council have also agreed to the Resolution of this Honorable House for changing an appropriation of Fifty Pounds, granted for the Road Service in Horton.

And then the Messenger withdrew

Amndts. to Flour Bill
read.

The amendments proposed by the Council to the Flour Weighing Bill were read a first time and ordered to be read a second time.

Amendments to Vac-
cination Bill read.

The amendments proposed by the Council to the Boards of Health and Vaccination Bill were read a first time and ordered to be read a second time.

Com. on Bills.

On motion the House resolved itself into a Committee on Bills.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. Thorne took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

Report Revenue Bills,

Impost, without amdt.
and—

Regulating Acts, and

Inter-Colonial Trade,
with amndts.

The Chairman reported from the Committee that they had gone through the Bill to continue and amend the Act for granting Duties of Impost for the support of Her Majesty's Government within this Province, and had directed him to report the same to the House without amendment ; and that they had also gone through the Bill to continue and further amend certain Acts relating to the Colonial Revenue ; and the Bill to continue the Act in relation to the Trade between the British North American Possessions, and had made amendments thereto respectively, which they had directed him to report to the House with the Bills—and he delivered the several Bills, with the amendments to the two last mentioned, in at the Clerk's Table.

Orders for engrossing.

Ordered, That the Bills with the amendments be engrossed.

Ordered, That the Bill reported without amendment be engrossed.

Message fm. Council,

A Message from the Council by Mr. Haliburton :

Mr. Speaker—

Agree to Registrar's
of Deeds Bill.

The Council have agreed to the Bill entitled, an Act concerning Registrars of Deeds, without amendment.

And then the Messenger withdrew.

Order of Day post-
poned.

The Order of the Day being read—

Ordered, That Scales of the Sub-division of the Road Monies be presented
To-morrow. On

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Johnston—

Resolved, That the House do to-morrow resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House on the General State of the Province, for the purpose of taking into consideration the Office of Lieutenant Governor of this Province and the Constitution of the Legislative Council.

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

TUESDAY, 19TH MARCH, 1850.

PRAYERS.

An engrossed Bill to Incorporate the Halifax and Dartmouth Mutual Insurance Company, was read a third time. Bills read 3rd time,
Hx. and Dart. Mutual
Insurance Co.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and that the title be, an Act to Incorporate the Halifax and Dartmouth Mutual Insurance Company. Passed.

An engrossed Bill to amend the Act to Incorporate the Nova Scotia Horticultural Society, was read a third time. Horticultural Society,

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and that the title be, an Act to amend the Act to Incorporate the Nova Scotia Horticultural Society. Passed.

An engrossed Bill to continue and further amend certain Acts relating to the Colonial Revenue, was read a third time. Regulating Revenue.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and that the title be, an Act further to continue and amend certain Acts relating to the Colonial Revenue. Passed.

An engrossed Bill to continue the Act in relation to the Trade between the British North American Possessions, was read a third time. Inter-Colonial Trade.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and that the title be, an Act for regulating the Trade between the British North American Possessions. Passed.

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

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Johnston—

Resolved, That a Committee be appointed to search the Journals of the Council, to ascertain what proceedings have been had in the Council upon the Bill sent up this Session to provide for Collegiate and Academic Education, &c. Com. to search Coun-
cil Journals as to
College Bill.

Ordered, That the Hon. Mr. Johnston, the Hon. the Provincial Secretary, and Mr. Henry, be a Committee for that purpose. Com. named.

A Petition of Magistrates, Freeholders, and Inhabitants of Pugwash, was, by special leave, presented by Mr. Fulton, and read, praying the adoption of measures for opening the Halifax and Quebec Railway. Pet. for Halifax and
Quebec Railroad.

Ordered, That the Petition do lie on the Table.

Mr. Fulton reported from the Committee to whom were referred the Accounts of the Commissioners of Public Buildings—and he read the Report in his place, and then delivered it in at the Clerk's Table, where it was again read. Report from Com. on
Accs. of Commrs.
of Public Buildings.

(See Appendix No. 75.)

Ordered, That the Report be received and adopted by the House. Adopted.

Message fm. Council.

A Message from the Council, by Mr. Haliburton :

Mr. Speaker—

Agree to Money Resolutions.

The Council have agreed to Thirty-two Resolutions of this Honorable House for granting various sums of Money, viz.—

£251	3	7	Transient Poor Expenses.
151	13	10	Sick Immigrants, &c.
3	0	0	A. McDonald.
15	5	4	Board of Health, Cape Breton.
20	0	0	“ “ Barrington.
12	3	5	} Small Pox Expenses, Guysborough.
3	0	0	
9	15	0	} George C. Lawrence.
6	11	7	
5	0	0	Board of Health, Shelburne.
3	2	10	John H. Freeman.
7	10	0	Thomas E. Moberly.
14	1	3	Joseph Allison.
4	11	10	John Akins.
1	9	6	Charles B. Owen.
20	0	0	William T. Townsend.
15	12	0	Dr. Hoffman.
50	0	0	Reporting Decisions of Supreme Court.
850	0	0	Provincial Penitentiary.
925	9	2	Public Printing.
25	0	0	Breakwater, Hall's Harbor.
20	0	0	“ Mouth of Windsor River.
50	0	0	“ Troop's Landing, County of Annapolis.
25	0	0	“ Indian Harbor, Guysborough.
20	0	0	Wharf, Parrsborough.
10	0	0	Canal, Canso.
100	0	0	Channel, Tracadie Harbor.
2000	0	0	Light Houses.
50	0	0	George B. Watson.
50	0	0	James Dawson.
25	0	0	Female Seminary, Amherst.
50	0	0	Colored Population, Halifax County.
10	0	0	Each to 8 different Counties for relief of Colored Population.
89	0	10	James Black.

And then the Messenger withdrew.

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Johnston—

Resolved, That the Return relative to Road Commissioners, presented to the House on the 1st day of February last, be entered on the Appendix to the Journals.

For the same—

(See Appendix No. 76.)

Impost Bill read 3rd time.

An engrossed Bill to continue and amend the Act for granting Duties of Impost for the support of Her Majesty's Government within this Province, was read a third time.

Motion against Flour Duty negatived.

And thereupon—

Mr. Fraser moved that the clause imposing a Duty of One Shilling Sterling per-

per Barrel, on Wheaten Flour, be struck out of the Bill : which being seconded and put, and the House dividing thereon, there appeared for the motion twenty-one ; against it, twenty-two.

For the motion—

Mr. Taylor,	Mr. Snow,
" Comeau,	" Killam,
" Campbell,	" Homer,
" Fraser,	" Bourneuf,
Hon. Mr. Johnston,	" Freeman,
Mr. Ryder,	" Thorne,
" Harrington,	" Beckwith,
" Card,	" Budd,
" Martell,	" Dickey,
" Sangster,	" Marshall.
" Dimock,	

Against the motion—

Mr. Fulton,	Mr. Robertson,
" Brown,	" Creelman,
" McLeod,	Hon. Mr. Young,
" Bent,	Mr. Blackadar,
" Wier,	" Kedy,
" Mignowitz,	" McDonald,
" Ernst,	Hon. Prov. Sec.
" Crow,	Mr. Archibald,
" Mott,	Hon. Mr. Doyle,
" McDougall,	" Atty. General,
" Henry,	Mr. Smyth.

So it passed in the negative.

Mr. Freeman then moved that the following clause do pass, and be added by way of Ryder to the Bill, viz :

"The Privilege of taking Salted Beef and Pork out of Warehouse as Ships' Stores, as conferred by the Third section of the Act Twelfth Victoria, Chapter Ten, is hereby extended to all Decked Vessels engaged in the Fisheries, subject to the restrictions and provisions of such section."

Which being seconded and put, and the House dividing thereon, there appeared for the motion eighteen ; against it, twenty-seven.

Motion to add Clause as to Stores for Fisheries negatived.

For the motion—

Hon. Atty. General,	Mr. McDonald,
Mr. Taylor,	" Martell,
" Comeau,	" Snow,
" Campbell,	" Killam,
" Mignowitz,	" Homer,
" Freeman,	" Bourneuf,
" Kedy,	" Thorne,
" Ernst,	" Budd,
" Ryder,	" Marshall.

Against the motion—

Hon. Mr. Johnston,	Mr. Crow,
Mr. Sangster,	" Mott,
" Fulton,	" Hall,
" Brown,	" McDougall,
" McLeod,	" Henry,
" Bent,	" Robertson,
" Beckwith,	" Creelman,
" Wier,	Hon. Mr. Young,
" Moore,	Mr. Blackadar,
" Dickey,	" Card,
" Dimock,	" Fraser,
" Harrington,	Hon. Prov. Sec.
" Archibald,	" Mr. Doyle.
" Smyth,	

So it passed in the negative.

Mr. Henry then moved that the Bill be recommitted for the purpose of striking out of the Table of Exemptions, in the Act thereby continued, the articles of "Biscuit and Bread," so as to bring them under the non-enumerated articles in the Table of Duties paying six and a quarter per cent. *ad valorem* : which being seconded and put, and the House dividing thereon, passed in the negative.

Motion for imposition of Duty on Biscuit, &c.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and that the title be, an Act to continue and amend the Act for granting Duties of Impost for the support of Her Majesty's Government within this Province.

Bill passed.

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

Sent to Council.

Pictou Co. Municipal
Bill read 3rd time.

An engrossed Bill to provide for the better Government of the County of Pictou, and to create Local and Municipal Authorities therein, was read a third time.

Motion to defer nega-
tived on Division.

And thereupon—

Mr. Blackadar moved that the House do come to a Resolution as follows, viz :
“ *Resolved*, That as no Petitions have been presented from the County of Pictou praying for the very important changes in the Law that this Bill contemplates, and as the Members who represent the County and Township are not agreed as to the opinions entertained throughout that County on the subject, this Bill be deferred until next Session, in order to afford the inhabitants of the County of Pictou an opportunity of expressing their views in relation thereto.”

Which being seconded and put, and the House dividing thereon, there appeared for the motion, twenty-one ; against it, twenty-four.

For the motion—

Mr. Fraser,	Mr. Freeman,
“ Taylor,	“ Hall,
“ Marshall,	“ Snow,
“ Campbell,	“ Harrington,
Hon. Mr. Johnston,	“ Crow,
Mr. Kedy,	“ Bent,
“ Ernst,	“ Budd,
“ Ryder,	“ Thorne,
“ Blackadar,	“ Dickey,
“ Moore,	“ Archibald.
“ Wier,	

Against the motion—

Mr. Killam,	Hon. Mr. Young,
“ Brown,	Mr. Card,
“ Martell,	“ McDonald,
“ Fullon,	Hon. Atty. General,
“ Henry,	Mr. Robertson,
“ Mignowitz,	“ Comeau,
“ Sangster,	“ Bownuf,
“ Homer,	“ McLeod,
“ Mott,	“ Archibald,
“ McDougall,	“ Munro,
“ Dimock,	“ Smyth,
“ Creelman,	Hon. Prov. Sec.

So it passed in the negative.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and that the title be, an Act to provide for the better Government of the County of Pictou, and to create Local and Municipal Authorities therein.

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

Council's amendmt. to
Flour Weighing
agreed to,

The amendments proposed by the Council to the Flour Weighing Bill were read a second time and considered by the House.

And thereupon—

On motion of the Hon. the Attorney General, *resolved*, that the amendments be agreed to by the House.

Bill, &c. sent back to
Council.

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

Road Scales post-
poned.

The Order of the Day for the presentation of the Road Scales being read—
Ordered, That the same be presented to-morrow.

Motion for Despatches
as to Magistracy.

The Hon. Mr. Johnston moved that the House do come to a Resolution as follows :

“ *Resolved*, That His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor, by address of this House, be requested to cause to be laid before the House Copies of all Dispatches from the Provincial Government to the Imperial Government, transmitting or relating to Justices of the Peace excluded from office ; and also Copies of all Dispatches from the Imperial Government to the Provincial Government on the same subject, including Copies of Dispatches of the Lieutenant Governor and of the Secretary of State concerning the last Memorial from excluded Justices of the

the Peace in the County of Annapolis, requesting an answer to the Prayer of their former Memorial.”

Which being seconded—

The Hon. the Provincial Secretary moved, by way of amendment to the question, to leave out all the words of the proposed Resolution after the words “*Resolved, That*”, and to insert instead thereof the following words :

Amndmt. to go to Order of Day carried.

“ This House having reason to believe that the subject of the Magistracy is still under the consideration of the Provincial Government, and that the Correspondence in respect to a Memorial sent from the County of Annapolis to the Colonial Office, has not yet been brought to a close—do pass to the remaining Order of the day.”

Which proposed amendment being seconded and put, and the House dividing thereon, there appeared for the amendment, twenty-three ; against it, eighteen.

For the amendment—

Against the amendment—

<i>Mr. Bourneuf,</i>	<i>Mr. McDougall,</i>
“ <i>McLeod,</i>	“ <i>Killam,</i>
“ <i>Archibald,</i>	“ <i>McKenna,</i>
“ <i>Smyth,</i>	“ <i>Sangster,</i>
<i>Hon. Atty. General,</i>	“ <i>Dimock.</i>
<i>Mr. Martell,</i>	
“ <i>Brown,</i>	
“ <i>Comeau,</i>	
“ <i>Card,</i>	
“ <i>Kedy,</i>	
“ <i>Ernst,</i>	
“ <i>Mignowitz,</i>	
<i>Hon. Prov. Sec.</i>	
<i>Mr. McDonald,</i>	
“ <i>Henry,</i>	
<i>Hon. Mr. Young,</i>	
<i>Mr. Creelman,</i>	
“ <i>Robertson,</i>	

<i>Mr. Blackadar,</i>
“ <i>Wier,</i>
“ <i>Beckwith,</i>
“ <i>Fulton,</i>
“ <i>Budd,</i>
“ <i>Thorne,</i>
“ <i>Crow,</i>
“ <i>Hall,</i>
“ <i>Snow,</i>
“ <i>Ryder,</i>
<i>Hon. Mr. Johnston,</i>
<i>Mr. Freeman,</i>
“ <i>Fraser,</i>
“ <i>Campbell,</i>
“ <i>Harrington,</i>
“ <i>Taylor,</i>
“ <i>Munro,</i>
“ <i>Marshall.</i>

So it passed in the affirmative.

And accordingly—

The Order of the Day being read—

The House resolved itself into a Committee on the General State of the Province to consider of the office of Lieutenant Governor of the Province, and the Constitution of the Legislative Council.

Order of Day read, Com. on Gov. and Leg. Council.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair

Mr. Dimock 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 subject under consideration, and had directed him to move for leave to sit again on the consideration thereof.

Report progress.

Ordered, That the House do To-morrow again resolve itself into a Committee on the same subject

Further Order.

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

 WEDNESDAY, 20TH MARCH, 1850.

PRAYERS.

Probate Bill, and
Guysboro' Poor House
Bill, read 2nd time.

A Bill further to amend the Law relating to Courts of Probate; and—
A Bill to provide for a Poor House in the Township of Guysborough.
Were severally read a second time.

Committed.

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

Sons of Temperance
Incorporation Bill,

An engrossed Bill to Incorporate the Grand Division and Subordinate Divisions of the Sons of Temperance of Nova Scotia, was read a third time.

Re-committed.

And thereupon—

Resolved, That the Bill be recommitted to a Committee of the whole House.

Com. on Bills.

On motion the House resolved itself into a Committee on Bills.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. Thorne took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

Report Powder Maga-
zine Bill, without
amndmt., and

The Chairman reported from the Committee that they had gone through the Bill relating to the Powder Magazine in Halifax, and had directed him to report the same to the House without amendment; and that they had also gone through the Bill to alter the Halifax Incorporation Act, and the Bill to provide for a Poor House in the Township of Guysborough, and had made amendments there-to respectively, which they had directed him to report to the House with the Bills—and he delivered the several Bills, with the amendments to the two last mentioned Bills, in at the Clerk's Table.

Hx. Incorporation Bill
and
Guysboro' Poor House
Bill, with amdts.

Orders for engrossing.

Ordered, That the Bills with the amendments be engrossed.

Ordered, That the Bill reported without amendment be engrossed.

Report from Com. to
search Council
Journals as to Col-
lege Bill,

The Hon. Mr. Johnston reported from the Committee appointed to search the Journals of the Council to ascertain what proceedings had been had in the Council in reference to the Bill for Collegiate and Academic Education, &c., that the Committee had performed that duty, and had made a Minute of Proceedings of Council in relation to such Bill, and he read the Minute in his place, and then delivered it in at the Clerk's Table, where it was again read, and is as follows:

• Minute from Journal.

“ 18TH MARCH, 1850.

“ Mr. Almon, the Chairman of the Committee to whom a Bill entitled, an Act in aid of Collegiate and Academic Education, and to repeal the Grant to King's College, Windsor, was referred, reported that the Committee had examined the said Bill and that the majority of the Committee did not recommend it to the favorable consideration of the House.

“ The said Bill was read a second time.

“ Whereupon, Mr. Bell moved that the further consideration of the said Bill be deferred to this day three months—which being seconded and put, and the House dividing thereon, there appeared for the motion, twelve; against the motion, eight.

For the motion—

Mr. Cutler,
 “ Harris,
 “ Morton,
 “ Bell,
 “ Fairbanks,
 “ Pineo,
 “ Almon,
 “ Black,
 “ Crichton,
 “ Rudolf,

The President.

Against the motion—

Mr. McCully,
 “ McKeen,
 “ Grigor,
 “ McNab,
 “ McDougall,
 “ Stairs,
 “ Brown,
 “ Campbell.

So it passed in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Minute do lie on the Table.

A Message from the Council by Mr. Haliburton :

Message fm. Council.

Mr. Speaker—

The Council have agreed to the Bill entitled, an Act to divide the County of Halifax into Townships and to confer certain Municipal Privileges on the Inhabitants thereof; the Bill entitled, an Act to Incorporate the Halifax Association in aid of the Colonial Church Society; the Bill entitled, an Act to provide for the removal of Obstructions from the Liverpool River; the Bill entitled, an Act to Incorporate the Trustees of the Evangelical Lutheran Church at Lunenburg; the Bill entitled, an Act to Incorporate a Temperance Hall Company at Sydney, Cape Breton; the Bill entitled, an Act to Incorporate a Temperance Hall Company at Maitland; the Bill entitled, an Act to Incorporate the Trustees of Saint Andrew's Free Church at Sydney, Cape Breton; the Bill entitled, an Act to provide a Weighing Machine, Weights and Measures, for the Township of Chester; and the Bill entitled, an Act to provide for the Custody of certain Documents relating to the Township of Chester—severally without amendment.

Agree to Bills, viz :
 Hx. Municipal Incorporations Church Society,
 Liverpool River Obstructions,
 Lutheran Church,
 Sydney and Maitland Temperance Hall Companies,
 Sydney, C. B. Free Church,
 Chester Weighing Machine, and
 Chester Documents Bills, without amendment; and

The have also agreed to the Bill entitled, an Act to enable the Inhabitants of Pugwash to raise Money to procure a Fire Engine, with amendments—to which amendments they desire the concurrence of this Honorable House.

To Pugwash Fire Engine Bill, with amendment.

The Council have passed a Bill entitled, an Act to confirm the Will of James Dunn—to which Bill they desire the concurrence of this Honorable House.

Have passed Bill to confirm Will of Jas. Dunn.

And then the Messenger withdrew

The engrossed Bill from the Council to confirm the Will of James Dunn, was read a first time and ordered to be read a second time.

Council's Bill to confirm Jas. Dunn's Will read 1st time.

The Order of the Day for the presentation of the Road Scales being read—
Ordered, That such Scales be presented to-morrow.

Road Scales postponed.

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Johnston—

The Order of the Day for the House to resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House on the General State of the Province, to consider further as to the Office of Lieutenant Governor of this Province and the Constitution of the Legislative Council, was read; and thereupon—

Order of Day—
 Com. on General State of Province.

The House resolved itself into such Committee.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. Dimock took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chairman reported from the Committee that they had made further progress

Report progress.

gress in the consideration of the subject, and had directed him to move for leave to sit again on the consideration thereof.

Farther Order.

Ordered, That the House do To-morrow again resolve itself into a Committee on the further consideration of the subject.

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

THURSDAY, 21ST MARCH, 1850.

PRAYERS.

Report from Com. on Fisheries.

The Hon. the Attorney General reported from the Committee on the Fisheries—and he read the Report in his place and then delivered it in at the Clerk's Table, where it was again read.

(See Appendix No. 77.)

Ordered, That the Report be received and do lie on the Table.

Bill to amend Pickled Fish Inspection Act,

The Hon. the Attorney General also, from the same Committee, reported and presented to the House :

A Bill to amend the Act to regulate the Inspection of Pickled Fish—and the same was read a first time, and *nem. con.*, a second time.

Committed.

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

Free Trade Bill,

The Hon. the Attorney General also, pursuant to special leave given, presented a Bill for establishing Free Trade in certain articles between the United States and the British North American Provinces—and the same was read a first and, *nem. con.*, a second time.

Committed.

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

Resolution for Com. of Conference.

On motion of the Hon. the Attorney General—

Resolved, That a Conference be desired, by Committee, with a Committee of the Council, on the General State of the Province ; and that the Committee on the part of this House be instructed to suggest to the Committee of the Council the propriety of a Joint Address to Her Majesty being concurred in by the two Branches, in reference to the Coasting Trade of the Province.

Ordered, That the Clerk do request such Conference.

Stewiacke Meeting House Bill,

Mr. Creelman, pursuant to special leave given, presented a Bill to authorize the Congregation of the Presbyterian Meeting House at Middle Stewiacke, to sell the same—and the same was read a first, and *nem. con.* a second time.

Committed.

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

Report from Com. on Silas Bishop's claim,

The Hon. the Attorney General reported from the Committee to whom were referred the several Petitions relative to a loss sustained by Silas Bishop, of Cornwallis, by the destruction of his Cloth Manufactory by Fire—and he read the Report in his place and then delivered it in at the Clerk's Table, where it was again read.

(See Appendix No. 78.)

Ref. to Supply.

Ordered, That the Report be received and referred to the Committee of Supply.

A Petition of Merchants, General Dealers, Grocers, and others, residing in the City of Halifax, was, by special leave, presented by the Hon. the Attorney General, and read, praying that the House will not sanction the contemplated changes in the Law regulating Licenses for the sale of Spirituous Liquors.

Pet. against change in License Law.

Ordered, That the Petition do lie on the Table

On motion of Mr. Killam—

Resolved, That the several Petitions presented to this House on the 7th day of February last, on the subject of the extension of Telegraphic Communication to Yarmouth, be referred to the Committee on the subject of the Electric Telegraph.

Yarmouth Telegraph Pets. ref. to Com.

An engrossed Bill to provide for a Poor House for the Township of Guysborough, was read a third time.

Guysboro' Poor House Bill read 3rd time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and that the title be, an Act relative to the Support of the Poor.

Passed as a general measure.

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

Sent to Council.

An engrossed Bill relating to the Powder Magazine in Halifax, was read a third time.

Powder Magazine Bill read 3rd time.

And thereupon—

Mr. Mignowitz moved that the Bill be amended by raising the rate of Storage from a Farthing to a Half-penny per Pound, and allowing the article to continue in Store for two Years at that rate: which being seconded and put, and the House dividing thereon, there appeared for the motion three; against it, twenty-one.

Motion to amend negatived.

For the motion—

Against the motion—

Mr. Robertson,	Mr. Freeman,	Mr. Bent,	Hon. Prov. Sec.
" Mignowitz,	" Fulton,	" Kedy,	" Mr. Young,
" Dickey.	" Ryder,	" McDonald,	Mr. Taylor,
	" Harrington,	" Archibald,	" Blackadar,
	Hon. Mr. Johnston,	" Bourneuf,	" Comeau,
	Mr. Martell,	" Smyth,	" Hall,
	" Crow,	" Mott,	" Killam.

So it passed in the negative.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and that the title be, an Act relating to the Powder Magazine in Halifax.

Bill passed.

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

Sent to Council.

A Petition of Freeholders and Inhabitants of the County of Pictou was, by special leave, presented by the Hon. Mr. Young, and read, praying that the House will not sanction the passage of an Act for the division of that County.

Pet. against division of Co. of Pictou.

Ordered, That the Petition do lie on the Table.

The Hon. the Provincial Secretary, by command of His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor, presented to the House, the Blue Book for 1848.

Blue Book.

Ordered, That the same do lie on the Table.

A Petition of Traders, General Grocers, and others, residing in the Township of Dartmouth, was, by special leave, presented by the Hon. the Provincial Secretary,

Pet. from Dartmouth against change in License Law.

tary, and read, praying that the House will not sanction the contemplated changes in the Law regulating Licenses for the Sale of Spirituous Liquors.

Ordered, That the Petition do lie on the Table.

Report from Com.
relative to Grants
of Sea Shore,

Mr. Hall reported from the Committee to whom, on the 11th day of February last, was referred the Petition of Inhabitants of Yarmouth, relative to Grants of the Sea Shore—and he read the report in his place and then delivered it in at the Clerk's Table, where it was again read.

(See Appendix No. 79.)

Adopted.

Ordered, That the Report be received and adopted by the House.

Bill to confirm James
Dunn's Will de-
ferred.

The engrossed Bill from the Council to confirm the Will of James Dunn, was read a second time :

And thereupon—

On motion of Mr. Henry, *resolved*, that the further consideration of the Bill be deferred until this day three months.

Council's amend-
ments to Boards of
Health Bill disa-
greed to.

The amendments from the Council to the Bill entitled, an Act to provide for Expenses of Boards of Health and of Vaccination, were read a second time and considered by the House :

And thereupon—

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Young, *resolved*, that the said amendments be not agreed to by the House.

Bill, &c. sent back to
Council.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill and amendments back to the Council and acquaint them with the foregoing Resolution.

Com. on Bills,

On motion the House resolved itself into a Committee on Bills.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. Thorne took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

Report—

The Chairman reported from the Committee that they had again gone through the Bill to Incorporate the Grand Division and Subordinate Divisions of the Sons of Temperance of Nova Scotia, and had directed him to report the same to the House without amendment ; and that they had also gone through the Bill relating to the Pictou Academy ; the Bill to amend the Act to regulate the Inspection of Pickled Fish ; the Bill for establishing Free Trade in certain articles between the United States and the British North American Provinces ; and the Bill to authorise the Congregation of the Presbyterian Meeting House at Middle Stewiacke to sell the same—and had directed him to report the same to the House severally without amendment ; and he delivered the said Bills in at the Clerk's Table.

Ordered, That the Bills be engrossed.

Message fin. Council.

A Message from the Council by Mr. Halliburton :

Mr. Speaker—

Agree to Conference.

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

And then the Messenger withdrew.

Ordered, That the Hon. the Attorney General, Mr. Fraser, and Mr. Henry, be a Committee to manage the Conference on the part of this House.

So they went to to the Conference.

And

And being returned--

The Hon. the Attorney General reported that the Managers had been at the Conference, and had complied with the instructions of the House.

Report.

Mr. Harrington reported from the Committee on the Expenditure of Monies granted for the purchase of Seeds and the relief of the Destitute—and he read the Report in his place and then delivered it in at the Clerk's Table, where it was again read.

Report from Seed Com.

(See Appendix No. 80.)

Ordered, That the Report be received and adopted by the House.

Adopted.

The Hon. the Attorney General reported from the Committee to whom was referred the Petition of Fishermen of Chedabucto Bay and the Gut of Canso, relative to the Fisheries and Crown Grants of Fishing Stations—and he read the Report in his place and then delivered it in at the Clerk's Table, where it was again read.

Report from Com. on Pet. of Fishermen of Chedabucto Bay, &c.

(See Appendix No. 81.)

Ordered, That the Report be received and adopted by the House.

Adopted.

The Orders of the Day being read—

Ordered, That Scales of Sub-division of the Road Monies be presented To-morrow.

Orders of Day—
Road Scales postponed.

Then, pursuant to Order, the House again resolved itself into a Committee on the General State of the Province, to consider of the Office of Lieutenant Governor, and the Constitution of the Legislative Council.

Com. on General State of Province.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair

Mr. Dimock took the Chair of the Committee

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair

The Chairman reported from the Committee that they had made further progress in the business under consideration, and had directed him to move for leave to sit again on the consideration thereof.

Report progress.

Ordered, That the House do To-morrow again resolve itself into such Committee.

Further Order.

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

FRIDAY, 22ND MARCH, 1850.

PRAYERS.

An engrossed Bill relating to the Pictou Academy, was read a third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and that the title be, an Act relating to the Pictou Academy.

Engrossed Bills read 3rd time, viz :
Pictou Academy,
Passed.

An engrossed Bill to amend the Act to regulate the Inspection of Pickled Fish, was read a third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and that the title be, an Act to amend the Act to regulate the Inspection of Pickled Fish.

Pickled Fish Inspection,
Passed.

An engrossed Bill for establishing Free Trade in certain articles between the United States and the British North American Provinces, was read a third time.

Reciprocal Free Trade

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and that the title be, an Act for establishing

Passed.

Free Trade in certain cases between the United States and the British North American Provinces.

Stewiacke Meeting House,

An engrossed Bill to authorise the Congregation of the Presbyterian Meeting House at Middle Stewiacke to sell the same, was read a third time.

Passed.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and that the title be, an Act to authorise the Congregation of the Presbyterian Meeting House at Middle Stewiacke to sell the same.

Sent to Council.

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

Sons of Temperance Bill read 3rd time.

An engrossed Bill to Incorporate the Grand Division and Subordinate Divisions of the Sons of Temperance of Nova Scotia, was read a third time :

Motion as to liability negatived on division.

And thereupon—

Mr. Henry moved that the ninth clause of the Bill, which provides that the property of Subordinate Divisions should alone be liable for their debts, be expunged ; which being seconded and put, and the House dividing thereon, there appeared for the motion, eleven ; against it, twenty-nine.

For the motion—

Against the motion—

Mr. Comeau,	Mr. Card,	Mr. Snow,	Mr. Dimock,
" McLeod,	" Dickey,	" Campbell,	Hon. Mr. Johnston,
" Smyth,	" Fraser,	" Beckwith,	Mr. Fulton,
" Ernst,	" Homer,	" Budd,	" Ryder,
" Mott,	" Wier,	" Moore,	" Archibald,
" Mignowitz,	" Thorne,	" Taylor,	" Kedy,
" McDougall,	" Martell,	" Bent,	" Creelman,
" Robertson,	" Crow,	" Freeman,	" Killam,
" Henry,	" Munro,	" McDonald,	" Bourneuf.
" McKenna,	Hon. Atty. General, Hon. Prov. Sec.		
" Sangster.			

So it passed in the negative.

Bill passed.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and that the title be, an Act to Incorporate the Grand Division and Subordinate Divisions of the Sons of Temperance of Nova Scotia.

Sent to Council.

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

Kerosene Gas Light Bill read 3rd time,

An engrossed Bill to Incorporate the Kerosene Gas Light Company, was read a third time.

Passed.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and that the title be, an Act to Incorporate the Kerosene Gas Light Company.

Sent to Council.

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

Report from Com. on Contingencies.

Mr. Mignowitz reported from the Committee on the subject of the Contingencies of the House—and he read the Report in his place and then delivered it in at the Clerk's Table, where it was again read.

Ref. to Supply.

Ordered, That the Report be received and referred to the Committee of Supply.

Com. of Ways and Means.

On motion the House again resolved itself into the Committee of Ways and Means.

Mr.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. Dimock took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

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

5°. *Resolved*, That the several Duties imposed upon Licenses for Public Houses and Shops for the Sale of Spirituous Liquors generally, and on Sales by Auction, in Halifax, be continued in the same manner and at the same Rates as during the past year, subject to the exception in the next Resolution.

6°. *Resolved*, That in future General Licenses for the sale of intoxicating Liquors be discontinued.

And the said Resolutions being again read, were, upon the question respectively put thereon, agreed to by the House.

Ordered, That the Committee on the Revenue Laws do prepare and report to the House, a Bill in accordance with the foregoing Resolutions.

And accordingly—

Mr. Fraser, from such Committee, reported and presented to the House—

A Bill further to continue and amend certain Acts relating to the Sale of Spirituous Liquors generally, and Sales by Auction, in Halifax—and the same was read a first, and *nem. con.*, a second time.

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

A Message from the Council, by Mr. Haliburton:

Mr. Speaker—

The Council have agreed to the Bill entitled, an Act for regulating the Trade between the British North American Possessions; the Bill entitled, an Act further to continue and amend certain Acts relating to the Colonial Revenue; and the Bill entitled, an Act to amend the Act to Incorporate the Nova Scotia Horticultural Society—severally without amendment.

They have also agreed to the Bill entitled, an Act for regulating the Anchorage of Vessels in the Harbor of Halifax; the Bill entitled, an Act to facilitate Legal Proceedings against Companies doing business by Agents in this Province; and the Bill now entitled, an Act for the Weighing of Flour—severally as amended.

The Council desire a Conference, by Committee, with a Committee of this Honorable House, on the General State of the Province.

And then the Messenger withdrew.

On motion of the Hon. the Attorney General—

Resolved, That the Conference desired by the Council on the General State of the Province be agreed to, and that the Clerk do acquaint the Council therewith.

Ordered, That the Hon. the Attorney General, Mr. Henry, and Mr. McLeod, do manage such Conference.

So they went to the Conference.

And being returned—

The Hon. the Attorney General reported that the Managers had been at the Conference, and that the Committee of Conference on the part of the Council had handed to them a Paper suggesting a Money Grant, which the Committee of this House do not conceive themselves at liberty to report to the House, as being contrary to its privileges.

Halifax Incorporation
Bill read 3rd time.

An engrossed Bill to alter the Halifax Incorporation Act, was read a third time :

Motion to re-commit
carried.

And thereupon—

Mr. Mignowitz moved that the Bill be recommitted for the purpose of providing for the Election of the Mayor by the Inhabitants qualified to vote for Aldermen at the Annual City Elections in October, instead of leaving the appointment vested in the City Council as at present : which being seconded and put, and the House dividing thereon, there appeared for the motion twenty-four ; against it, twenty-two.

For the motion—

Hon. Atty. General, Mr. Ernst,
" Mr. Johnston, " Martell,
Mr. Bourneuf, " Mignowitz,
Hon. Mr. Doyle, " Beckwith,
Mr. Henry, " Bent,
Hon. Prov. Sec. " Ryder,
Mr. Smyth, " Hall,
" Taylor, " Harrington,
" Homer, " Crow,
" McDougall, " Moore,
" Fruser, " Munro,
" Dickey, " Marshall.

Against the motion—

Mr. Brown, Mr. McKenna,
" Sangster, " Mott,
" Comeau, Hon. Mr. Young,
" Killam, Mr. Dimock,
" Campbell, " Creelman,
" Snow, " Freeman,
" Budd, " McDonald,
" Wier, " Card,
" Robertson, " Blackadar,
" Archibald, " McLeod,
" Fulton, " Thorne.

So it passed in the affirmative.

Bill re-committed.

And accordingly—

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

Com. of Supply.

On motion the House again resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. Dimock took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

Report Resolutions.

The Chairman reported from the Committee that they had come to several Resolutions, which they had directed him to report to the House—and he delivered the same in at the Clerk's Table.

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

The Resolutions reported from the Committee were then read, and are as follow—

50. Silas Bishop.

1^o. Resolved, That the sum of Fifty Pounds be granted and paid to Silas Bishop, of Cornwallis, being in full of return of Duties on Machinery imported for the purposes of a Cloth Manufactory, which has recently been destroyed by Fire.

24 5 10 H. Lawson.

2^o. Resolved, That the sum of Twenty-four Pounds Five Shillings and Ten Pence be granted and paid to Henry Lawson, to compensate him for damage sustained in consequence of the escape of certain Prisoners from the Provincial Penitentiary in May last.

107. Michael Cody.

3^o. Resolved, That the sum of Ten Pounds be granted and paid to Michael Cody, a Courier between Terfry's and Walton, in the County of Hants, for additional services beyond his Contract, during the past year.

407. Mail Brookfield
to Lawrencetown.

4^o. Resolved, That such sum be granted and placed at the disposal of the Governor.

Governor as will enable him to extend the Mail Communication from Brookfield to Lawrencetown—provided the expense do not exceed Forty Pounds per annum.

- 5°. *Resolved*, That the sum of Four Hundred Pounds be granted and paid to the Commissioners of Sable Island, for the support of that establishment for the present year. 400l. Sable Island.
- 6°. *Resolved*, That the sum of Ten Pounds each be granted and paid to John Pernette and Charles Pernette, for keeping up the Ferry over LaHave River. 10l. each J. & C. Pernette.
- 7°. *Resolved*, That the sum of Ten Pounds each be granted to such persons as shall respectively keep up a Ferry at the mouth of the Harbor of Port L'Herbert, provided a Boat be kept to convey horses and cattle across the Harbor—such sums to be paid on the Certificate of the General Sessions of the Peace for the County of Shelburne, that the Boat has been properly kept and run under their regulations. 10l. Ferrymen Port L'Herbert.
- 8°. *Resolved*, That such sum be granted and placed at the disposal of the Governor as will be sufficient to repay the amount advanced from the Treasury to defray the expense of Postage of the Public Departments during the past year. Post Office Advances.
- 9°. *Resolved*, That the sum of One Thousand Three Hundred and Seven Pounds Eight Shillings and Ten-pence be granted and paid to the Commissioners of Public Buildings, to defray the balance of Expenses incurred by them during the last year. 1307l. 8 10 Commissioners of Public Buildings.
- 10°. *Resolved*, That the sum of Five Hundred Pounds be granted and placed at the disposal of the Governor, to be from time to time paid to the Commissioners of Public Buildings, in order to the more economical expenditure of the funds required to be expended thereon, by the payment of ready money and otherwise. 500l. Commissioners Public Buildings.
- 11°. *Resolved*, That the sum of Eight Hundred and Seventy Pounds Seventeen Shillings and Six-pence be granted and paid to defray the expenses of the Legislative Council for the present year. 870l. 17 6 Council's Expenses.
- 12°. *Resolved*, That the sum of Two Hundred and Thirty-four Pounds and Fifteen Shillings be granted and paid to Messrs. A. & W. McKinlay, in full of their account; for Stationery and Binding for the House of Assembly, for the past year. 234l. 15 0 Stationery of House.
- 13°. *Resolved*, That the sum of Two Hundred and Six Pounds Seven Shillings and Five Pence be granted and paid to the Clerk of the House of Assembly, to defray the Expenses of Extra Messengers and other services, and to pay for Fuel and other articles for the House during the present Session, pursuant to the Report of the Committee on Contingencies. 206l. 7 5 Contingencies of House.
- 14°. *Resolved*, That the sum of One Hundred Pounds each be granted and paid to the Clerk and Clerk Assistant of the House of Assembly, for their extra services during the present Session. 100l. each Clerk and Clerk Assistant.
- 15°. *Resolved*, That the sum of Thirty Pounds Sterling, be granted and paid to the Master of the Rolls, the Judge of Vice Admiralty, and the Judge of Probate at Halifax, for Fuel and Criers of their Courts for the present year. 30l. Stg. Fuel and Crier of Courts.

And the said Resolutions having been again read, were, upon the question put thereon, respectively agreed to by the House. Agreed to.

Despatch as to Free
Ports, &c.

The Hon. the Attorney General, by command of His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor, presented to the House—

Copy of a Dispatch from Earl Grey to Sir John Harvey, dated 25th February, 1850, on the subject of the operation of the recent Navigation Act, and the appointment of Provincial in place of Imperial Officers at certain Ports—and the same was read by the Clerk.

(See Appendix No. 82.)

Ordered, That the copy of Despatch do lie on the Table.

Loan Bill,

The Hon. the Attorney General, pursuant to special leave given, presented a Bill to authorise a Loan for the use of the Province; and the same was read a first, and *nem. con.* a second time.

Committed.

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

Judges' Evidence Bill,

Mr. McLeod, pursuant to special leave given, presented a Bill to enable Suitors in the Supreme Court to obtain the Testimony of the Judges thereof—and the same was read a first time, and *nem. con.* a second time.

Committed.

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

Orders of Day postponed.

The Orders of the Day being read—

Ordered, That the Road Scales be presented To-morrow.

Ordered, That the House do To-morrow again resolve itself into a Committee on the General State of the Province to consider of the Office of Lieutenant Governor, &c.

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

SATURDAY, 23RD MARCH, 1850.

PRAYERS.

Message fm. Council.

A Message from the Council, by Mr. Haliburton:

Mr. Speaker—

Agree to Insurance
Co. Bill, and

The Council have agreed to the Bill entitled, an Act to Incorporate the Halifax and Dartmouth Mutual Insurance Company; and the Bill entitled, an Act for the Incorporation of a Company to build a Line of Electric Telegraph from Truro to Pictou—severally without amendment.

Truro and Pictou Electric
Telegraph Co.
Bills, without amdt.
Ask further Confer-
ence.

The Council desire a further Conference, by Committee, with a Committee of this Honorable House, on the General State of the Province.

And then the Messenger withdrew.

Conference agreed to.

On motion *resolved*, That the Conference desired by the Council be agreed to; and that the Clerk do acquaint the Council therewith.

Com. named.

Ordered, That the Hon. the Attorney General, Mr. Fraser, and Mr. Killam do manage such Conference.

So they went to to the Conference.

Report from Com. on
Electric Telegraph.

Mr. Fraser reported from the Committee on the subject of the Electric Telegraph—and he read the Report in his place and then delivered it in at the Clerk's Table, where it was again read.

For the same, together with the Report and Account Current of the Commissioners—

(See Appendix No. 83.)

Ordered, That the Report be received and do lie on the Table.

Mr.

Mr. Henry reported from the Committee on Indian Affairs, and he read the Report in his place and then delivered it in at the Clerk's Table, where it was again read.

Report from Com^r on Indian Affairs.

(See Appendix No. 84.)

Ordered, That the Report be received and adopted by the House.

Adopted.

On motion of Mr. Henry—

Resolved, That all claims hereafter preferred to this House, for Medical attendance upon, and for Medicines furnished to Sick Indians, shall set forth the date, items, price and nature of the service, duly attested before a Justice of the Peace—with a certificate from the Overseers of the Poor for the Township, the Board of Health, or from one or more of the Commissioners on Indian Affairs, shewing that the service has been authorized by them—and that publication hereof be made in two or more of the Halifax Papers circulating in the Country.

Resolution as to Medical Accounts for attendance upon Indians.

On motion of Mr. Fraser—

Resolved, That no Grant in aid of Packets, Ferries or Establishments at the Seal and Mud Islands, shall be drawn until after the 31st day of December then next following; and the same shall be deemed the Grant for the year then ended.

Resolution as to Grants to Ferries, &c.

The Hon. the Provincial Secretary, by command of His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor, presented to the House—

Further Papers as to Customs Establishment.

A Letter from Henry Trew, Esquire, Controller of Customs and Navigation Laws at Halifax, to the Provincial Secretary, dated this day, and transmitting certain Documents on the subject of the Imperial Customs Establishment to be maintained in this Province—and the same were read by the Clerk.

(See Appendix No. 82.)

Ordered, That the Letter and accompanying Papers do lie on the Table.

On motion the House resolved itself into a Committee on Bills.

Com. on Bills.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. Thorne took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chairman reported from the Committee that they had again gone through the Bill to alter the Halifax Incorporation Act, and had directed him to report the same to the House without further amendment; and that they had also gone through the Bill further to continue and amend certain Acts relating to the Sale of Spirituous Liquors generally, and Sales by Auction in Halifax; the Bill to authorise a Loan for the use of the Province; and the Bill to enable Suitors in the Supreme Court to obtain the Testimony of the Judges thereof, and had directed him to report the same to the House severally without amendment—and he delivered the said several Bills in at the Clerk's Table.

Again report Halifax Incorporation Bill; and also—

Liquor License,

Loan, and

Judges Testimony Bill, without amdt.

Ordered, That the Bills be engrossed, and *nem. con.*, be read a third time this day.

Order for Engrossing.

An engrossed Bill to alter the Halifax Incorporation Act, was read a third time:

Bills read 3rd time, Halifax Incorporation,

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and that the title be, an Act to alter the Halifax Incorporation Act.

Passed.

An engrossed Bill further to continue and amend certain Acts relating to the Sale of Spirituous Liquors generally, and Sales by Auction, in Halifax, was read a third time.

License Bill,

Resolved,

- Passed. *Resolved*, That the Bill do pass, and that the title be, an Act further to continue and amend certain Acts relating to the Sale of Spirituous Liquors generally, and Sales by Auction, in Halifax.
- Provincial Loan. An engrossed Bill to authorise a Loan for the use of the Province, was read a third time.
- Passed. *Resolved*, That the Bill do pass, and that the title be, an Act to authorise a Loan for the use of the Province.
- Judges Testimony. An engrossed Bill to enable Suitors in the Supreme to obtain the Testimony of the Judges thereof, was read a third time.
- Passed. *Resolved*, That the Bill do pass, and that the title be, an Act to enable Suitors in the Supreme Court to obtain the Testimony of the Judges thereof.
- Sent to Council. *Ordered*, That the Clerk do carry the Bills to the Council and desire their concurrence.
- Report from Com. on Chezetcook Dike Bill. Mr. Hall, from the Committee to whom was referred the Chezetcook Dike Bill, reported that the Committee had considered the Bill, and had directed him to report the same to the House without amendment—and he delivered the Bill in at the Clerk's Table.
- Bill read 2nd time and committed. The Bill was then read a second time.
- Com. on Bill. *Ordered*, That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House.
On motion the House resolved itself into a Committee on such Bill.
Mr. Speaker left the Chair.
Mr. Thorne took the Chair of the Committee.
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.
- Reported with amds. The Chairman reported from the Committee that they had gone through the Bill, and had made amendments thereto, which they had directed him to report to the House with the Bill—and he delivered the Bill and amendments in at the Clerk's Table.
Ordered, That the Bill with the amendments be engrossed.
- Report from Com. of Conference. The Hon. the Attorney General reported from the further Committee of Conference held this day with the Council on the General State of the Province, that the Committee had been at the Conference, and that the Committee of the Council had thereat handed them the following written paper :
- Extract from Council Journals. “ *Legislative Council Chamber, 23rd March, 1850.*
“ On motion, *resolved*, That this House will join the House of Assembly in an Address to Her Majesty on the subject of the Coasting Trade.
“ *Ordered*, That Mr. Bell, Mr. Almon, and Mr. Morton be a Committee of this House to join a Committee of the House of Assembly in preparing the said Address.
“ On motion, *resolved*, That a further Conference be desired with the House of Assembly, by Committee, on the General State of the Province, and that the Committee of this House do communicate to the Committee of the House of Assembly the foregoing Resolution.
“ JOHN C. HALIBURTON, C. L. C.”
- Ordered*, That the Papers do lie on the Table
- Com. to prepare Joint Address. *Ordered*, That the Committee who managed the last Conference be a Committee to join the Committee of the Council in preparing the Address.

On motion of Mr. Harrington—

Resolved, That the sum of Twenty Pounds (No. 32,) appropriated in the Road Scale of Richmond County in 1849, towards erecting a Slip on the North side Grand Dique Ferry, and yet undrawn, be expended on the Main Post Road, from the Bridge East of McNab's to Duncan Campbell's, Red Island.

Change of Road Appropriation, Richmond.

On motion of Mr. Martell—

Resolved, That the sum of Nine Pounds granted in the Session of 1849, to erect Slips on the South side of Grand Dique Ferry, in the County of Richmond, and undrawn, be expended to cut the Hill at Grand Dique, near Mrs. Woods', towards Arichat, on the Main Post Road.

2nd change of Appropriation Road Monies, Richmond.

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

Sent to Council.

On motion, *resolved*, That a Committee be appointed to examine and report upon the Scales of Subdivision of Road Monies to be presented in the present Session.

Com. to examine Road Scales.

Ordered, That Mr. Fraser, Mr. Fulton, and Mr. Killam be a Committee for that purpose.

On motion the House again resolved itself into a Committee on Bills.

Com. on Bills.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. Thorne took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chairman reported from the Committee that they had gone through the Bill further to amend the Law relating to Courts of Probate, and had made an amendment thereto which they had directed him to report to the House with the Bill—and he delivered the Bill and amendment in at the Clerk's Table.

Report Probate Bill with an amendmt.

Ordered, That the Bill with the amendment be engrossed.

The Orders of the Day being read—

Ordered, That the presentation of the Road Scales be postponed until Monday next.

Orders of Day—Road Scales postponed.

Then, pursuant to Order, the House again resolved itself into a Committee on the consideration of the Office of Lieutenant Governor, &c.

Com. on General State of Province.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. Dimock took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chairman reported from the Committee that they had made further progress in the consideration of the subject, and had directed him to move for leave to sit again on the consideration thereof, to which the House agreed.

Report progress.

Then the House adjourned until this day at a quarter to eight of the clock.

House adjourn.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Meet again.

On motion the House again resolved itself into a Committee on the consideration of the Office of Lieutenant Governor, &c.

Com. on General State of Province.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair

Mr. Dimock took the Chair of the Committee

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair

Report progress.

The Chairman reported from the Committee that they had made further progress in the consideration of the subject, and had directed him to move for leave to sit again on the consideration thereof.

Further Order.

Ordered, That the House do on Monday next again resolve itself into a Committee on the same subject.

Then the House adjourned until Monday next at eleven of the clock.

MONDAY, 25TH MARCH, 1850.

PRAYERS.

Chezetcook Dike Bill
read 3rd time.

An engrossed Bill to provide for the erection of a Dike across Chezetcook Harbour, was read a third time.

Passed.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and the title be, an Act to provide for the erection of a Dike across Chezetcook Harbor.

Probate Law read
3rd time.

An engrossed Bill further to amend the Law relating to Courts of Probate, was read a third time.

Passed.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and that the title be, an Act further to amend the Law relating to Courts of Probate.

Sent to Council.

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

Change of Appropriation.

On motion of Mr. Munro—

Resolved, That the sum of Forty-two Pounds Four Shillings and Two-pence reported by the Committee on Public Accounts to be undrawn, under Commissions numbers forty-seven and one hundred and one, in the year 1847; and numbers three, seventy, six, seventy-one and seventy-two, in 1846, be appropriated for the service of Roads and Bridges in the County of Cape Breton during the year 1850.

Sent to Council.

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

Final Report from
Com. on Immigrant
Expenses.

The Hon. Mr. Young reported finally from the Committee on the subject of the expenses of Sick Immigrants, &c.—and he read the Report in his place and then delivered it in at the Clerk's Table, where it was again read.

(See Appendix No. 85.)

Ref. to Supply.

Ordered, That the Report be received and referred to the Committee of Supply.

Report from Com. on
Industrial Exhibitions,
Despatch, &c.

The Hon. the Attorney General reported from the Committee to whom was referred the Dispatch and other Papers on the subject of the General Exhibition of Works of Industry of all Nations—and he read the Report in his place and then delivered it in at the Clerk's Table, where it was again read.

(See Appendix No. 86.)

Adopted.

Ordered, That the Report be received and adopted by the House.

Report from Com. on
Pet. of Jonathan
Archibald.

Mr. Henry reported from the Committee, appointed on the 31st day of January last,

last, on the Petition of Jonathan Archibald—and he read the Report in his place and then delivered it in at the Clerk's Table, where it was again read.

(See Appendix No. 87.)

Ordered, That the Report be received and do lie on the Table.

The Hon. Mr. Young reported from the Committee on the subject of the Mines and Minerals of the Province—and he read the Report in his place and then delivered it in at the Clerk's Table, where it was again read.

Report from Com. on Mines and Minerals

(See Appendix No. 88.)

Ordered, That the Report be received and do lie on the Table.

Mr. Henry reported from the Committee to whom were referred certain Accounts of the Commissioners for revising and consolidating the Provincial Laws—and he read the Report in his place and then delivered it in at the Clerk's Table, where it was again read.

Report from Com. on Accounts of Law Commissioners.

(See Appendix No. 89.)

Ordered, That the Report be received and referred to the Committee of Supply.

Ref. to Supply.

A Message from the Council by Mr. Halliburton :

Message fin. Council

Mr. Speaker—

The Council have agreed to the Bill entitled, an Act to continue and amend the Act for granting Duties of Impost for the support of Her Majesty's Government within this Province ; the Bill entitled, an Act to confirm Titles to Land in the Island of Cape Breton ; and the Bill entitled, an Act to authorize the Congregation of the Presbyterian Meeting House at Middle Stewiacke to sell the same—severally without amendment.

Agree to Bills—

Impost,
C. B. Land Titles,
and—
Stewiacke Meeting House, without amendment.

The Council adhere to the amendments proposed by them to the Bill entitled, an Act to provide for the expenses of Boards of Health and of Vaccination.

Adhere to amndts. to Boards of Health Bill.

And then the Messenger withdrew.

On motion the House resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

Com. of Supply.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. Dimock took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chairman reported from the Committee that they had gone through the business referred to them, and had come to eighteen Resolutions, which they had directed him to report to the House—and he delivered the same in at the Clerk's Table.

Report finally.

The following Resolutions reported from the Committee were then read, viz :

1°. Resolved, That the sum of Two Hundred Pounds be granted and placed at the disposal of the Governor, for the purpose of improving the Main Post Roads in the Counties of Yarmouth and Shelburne, to be divided equally between such Counties.

200l. Main Roads Yarmouth and Shelburne.

2°. Resolved, That the sum of Twenty-eight Pounds Sixteen Shillings and One Penny be granted and paid to Simon Donovan, of Arichat, to repay him the balance of expenses incurred in assisting Immigrants per Schooner Barbara Ann.

28l. 16 s. Donovan.

- 100/. Silas Bishop. 3^o. *Resolved*, That the sum of One Hundred Pounds be granted to aid Silas Bishop in the rebuilding and setting in operation a Cloth Manufactory in Cornwallis—to be paid when it shall appear to the satisfaction of the Governor, in Council, that he has expended the sum of Five Hundred Pounds in such undertaking.
71. 10 0 Isaac McAnn. 4^o. *Resolved*, That the sum of Seven Pounds Ten Shillings, money due to Isaac McAnn, for allowance as a School Teacher in Granville, not paid over to him by the Commissioners in consequence of one of the Trustees having refused to sign his Certificate, be paid by the Commissioners out of the money for Schools in their hands, not otherwise appropriated; and for want of such money now in hand, that the same be paid by the Commissioners out of the School Money of the County of Annapolis for the present year, on condition that the Commissioners be satisfied that the amount is justly due.
- 20/. Ferries, County Halifax. 5^o. *Resolved*, That the sum of Twenty Pounds be granted and placed at the disposal of the Governor to provide for the establishment of Ferries across Sheet Harbor and the mouth of the North West Arm.
- 15/. Revenue Boat, Sydney. 6^o. *Resolved*, That the sum of Fifteen Pounds be granted and placed at the disposal of the Governor to repair and rig the Revenue Boat at Sydney, Cape Breton.
31. 4 0 E. Creelman. 7^o. *Resolved*, That the sum of Three Pounds Four Shillings be granted and paid to Eliakim Creelman, of Halifax, in full of his account for keeping the Stud Horse Bell-Founder Morgan.
- 15/. 16 0 Samuel Creelman. 8^o. *Resolved*, That the sum of Fifteen Pounds and Sixteen Shillings be granted and paid to Samuel Creelman, Esquire, being amount of his account for keeping Stud Horse Bell-Founder Morgan.
- 15/. Jas. Sangster. 9^o. *Resolved*, That the sum of Fifteen Pounds be granted and paid to James Sangster, Esquire, for expenses incurred in keeping the Stud Horse Norfolk during the Winter 1849-50.
- 25/. Richard Meagher. 10^o. *Resolved*, That the sum of Twenty-five Pounds be granted and placed at the disposal of the Governor, to be devoted to the aid of Richard Meagher (being afflicted with Blindness), in order that means may be adopted to enable him to acquire the means of independent support—this grant not to be drawn into a precedent.
- 50/. Jas. Stephens. 11^o. *Resolved*, That the sum of Thirty Pounds be granted and placed at the disposal of the Governor for the purpose of paying the debts due by James Stephens, the father of a deaf and dumb boy, to the Asylum in Scotland where he is being educated.
- £61. 18 6 Government Liabilities. 12^o. *Resolved*, That the sum of One Hundred and Nine Pounds Eighteen Shillings and Sixpence be granted and placed at the disposal of the Governor to defray the following amounts due for services performed under sanction of the Government, viz :—

Surveyor General's Account connected with School Lands Returns,
 Thomas Logan's Account for Surveying in Cumberland,
 Small Pox Hospital, Halifax,

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13°. *Resolved*, That the sum of Five Thousand Two Hundred and Seventy-one Pounds Five Shillings and Four Pence be granted and placed at the disposal of the Governor to defray the following amounts advanced from the Treasury, viz :—

52711. 5 4 Government Advances.

Commissicners of Electric Telegraph,	£4248	5	10
Expenses of Bell-Founder Morgan—			
S. Cumminger's Account,	£6	0	0
Wm. Davy's,	9	12	2
Robert Woodill's,	3	1	6
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Thomas Logan, Report on Crown Lands investigation,	10	0	0
Transient Poor, Dorchester,	14	17	5
Doctor Hoffman,	9	15	0
John H. Darby, Passage of W. H. Townsend,	5	0	0
Purchase of Shubenacadie Canal Company Property on assign- ment of a Judgment against the Company,	1200	0	0
Testimonial to Boudrot and others,	25	2	8
W. Taylor, Investigation against Brymer,	12	15	0
Captain Boudrot and others,	17	10	0
Annapolis Indians affected with Small Pox,	18	16	6
Commissioners of Poor, in full for Expenses of Waterloo Hos- pital, to 31st December, 1849,	87	4	10
Lithographed Plans of Windsor Rail Road,	44	16	6
E. Boudrot,	8	7	11
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14°. *Resolved*, That the sum of Three Hundred Pounds be granted and placed at the disposal of the Governor, to be applied towards expenses incurred in the execution of the Commission for Revising and Consolidating the Laws of the Province, pursuant to the Report of the Committee on that subject.

3001. Law Comms.

15°. *Resolved*, That the sum of Twelve Pounds be granted and paid to Alpin Grant, in full of his claim for Publishing the Debates of the House of Assembly, during the last Session, in the British Colonist Newspaper.

121. Alpin Grant.

16°. *Resolved*, That the sum of Three Hundred Pounds be granted and placed at the disposal of the Governor, to pay for Reporting and Publishing the Debates and Proceedings of this House, during the present Session—to be applied in such manner as shall be directed by a Committee to be hereafter appointed by the House of Assembly.

3001. Reporting De-
bates.

17°. *Resolved*, That the sum of One Thousand Three Hundred and Fifty Pounds be granted and placed at the disposal of the Governor, for the support of the transient Poor, for the present year—to be paid to the Commissioners of the Poor at Halifax.

13501. Trans. Poor,
Halifax.

And the said several Resolutions being again read, were, upon the question put thereon, respectively agreed to by the House.

Resolutions agreed to.

Ordered, That the remaining Resolution reported from the Committee be read and considered To-morrow.

The Hon. the Attorney General reported from the Joint Committee of the Legislative Council and this House, appointed to prepare a Joint Address of the two Branches.

Report from Com. to
prepare Address on
Coasting Trade.

Branches to Her Majesty on the subject of the Coasting Trade of the Province, that the Committee had performed the duty assigned them, and had prepared the draft of an Address, which they had directed him to report to the House—and he delivered the same in at the Clerk's Table, where it was read, and is as follows :

TO THE QUEEN'S MOST EXCELLENT MAJESTY.

Joint Address.

The Joint Address of the Legislative Council and House of Assembly of the Province of Nova Scotia, in General Assembly now convened.

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR MAJESTY—

We Your Majesty's faithful subjects, the Legislative Council and House of Assembly, now convened in General Assembly, have had under consideration the Act passed by the Imperial Parliament, entitled, "An Act to amend the Laws in force for the Encouragement of British Shipping and Navigation," by which the Legislature of this Province is authorised, by Address, to pray Your Majesty to open the Coasting Trade of Nova Scotia under certain provisions; and after due and deliberate reflection we have passed the following Resolution: "Whereas, in consequence of the recent changes in the Navigation Laws, and the Commercial policy of the British Empire, it has become necessary to secure more extended Markets for the natural products of British North America by a reciprocal free exchange of such products with the United States; and to have the Coasting Trade arranged between this and the adjoining Provinces and the United States on fair and equitable terms—and to obtain from the Government of the United States such modification of these Laws as will admit Colonial built Vessels to the privileges of Registry: *Resolved*, That the Lieutenant-Governor be respectfully requested—and he is hereby authorised—to take the necessary steps to obtain, through the proper authorities, the accomplishment of these desirable objects; and that an Address be prepared to Her Majesty on the subject of the Coasting Trade of this Province, praying that the same may be opened to the people of the United States under the provisions of the Act 12th and 13th Vict., cap. 29."

May it therefore please Your Majesty favorably to consider this our humble Address, and grant an Order in-Council to authorise or permit the conveyance of Goods and Passengers from one part of the Province to another part thereof in other than British Ships, on such terms and under such conditions as to Your Majesty shall seem good.

And as in duty bound we, Your Majesty's faithful subjects in Nova Scotia, will ever pray, &c.

And the said Address having been again read—

Resolved, That the said Address do pass and be engrossed.

Passed.

Report of Address to Governor.

The Hon. the Attorney General also, from the same Committee, reported a Joint Address to His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor, on the same subject—and he delivered the same in at the Clerk's Table, where it was read, and is as follows :

TO HIS EXCELLENCY LIEUTENANT GENERAL
SIR JOHN HARVEY,

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

The Joint Address of the Legislative Council and House of Assembly of the Province of Nova Scotia.

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY,—

The Legislative Council and House of Assembly have passed the accompanying Address to Her Majesty, on the subject of opening the Coasting Trade of this Province to the United States of America, and they pray that Your Excellency will be pleased to transmit the same, with Your Excellency's favorable recommendation, to Her Majesty's Principal Secretary of State for the Colonies, to be laid at the foot of the Throne.

And the said Address being again read—

Resolved, That the Address do pass and be engrossed.

Passed.

Mr. Dickey moved that the House do come to a Resolution as follows :

Resolved, That a Committee be appointed to carry out the Resolution of the House in its present Session relative to the Provincial Stud Horse "Norfolk," by making sale of him, under such restrictions as they may deem advisable."

Resolution as to sale of Norfolk carried on division.

Which being seconded and put, and the House dividing thereon, there appeared for the motion, twenty-three ; against it, twenty.

For the motion—

Against the motion—

Mr. Brown,	Mr. Kedy,	Mr. Marshall,	Hon. Mr. Young,
Hon. Mr. Doyle,	" Creelman,	" Taylor,	Mr. Robertson,
" Prov. Sec.	" Killam,	" Crow,	" Dimock,
Mr. Mott,	" Campbell,	" Bent,	Hon. Atty. General,
" McDougall,	" Beckwith,	" Sangster,	Mr. Hall,
" Homer,	" Snow,	" Ernst,	" McLeod,
" Smyth,	" Budd,	" Martell,	" McDonald,
" Comeau,	" McKenna,	" Mignowitz,	" Blackadar.
" Archibald,	" Munro,	" Card,	
" Ryder,	" Thorne,	" Henry,	
" Dickey,	" Moore.	" Harrington,	
" Bourneuf,		" Fulton,	

So it passed in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Hon. the Attorney General, Mr. Mott, and the Hon. the Provincial Secretary be a Committee for that purpose.

Com. named.

The Orders of the Day being read—

Ordered, That the Road Scales be presented To-morrow.

Orders of Day postponed.

Ordered, That the House do To-morrow resolve itself into a Committee on the General State of the Province for the purpose of further considering of the Office of Lieutenant Governor, &c.

Then the House adjourned until this day at eight of the clock.

Adjourn.

The

Meet again.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Com. on Halifax and Windsor Railroad.

On motion of the Hon. the Provincial Secretary—

The House resolved itself into a Committee on the consideration of the subject of the formation of a Rail Road from Halifax to Windsor.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. Dimock took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

Report progress.

The Chairman reported from the Committee that they had made progress in the business referred to them, and had directed him to move for leave to sit again on the consideration thereof.

Further order.

Ordered, That the House do To-morrow again resolve itself into a Committee on the consideration of such subject.

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

TUESDAY, 26TH MARCH, 1850.

PRAYERS.

Resolution as to sale of Norfolk rescinded.

Mr. Henry moved that the Resolution passed yesterday in reference to the Sale of the Provincial Stud Horse "Norfolk," be rescinded : which being seconded and put, and the House dividing thereon, passed in the affirmative.

College Grant reported.

The Order of the Day for the consideration of the remaining Resolution, reported yesterday from the Committee of Supply, being read—

The Resolution was read a first time, as is as follows :

18°. *Resolved*, That the allowances now made to the Collegiate and Academic Institutions be continued under the existing conditions for the period of the School Act.

And the Resolution being again read, and the usual question propounded from the Chair, that the same be agreed to by the House—

Motion not to receive negatived on division.

Mr. Mignowitz moved, by way of amendment, that the Report be not received : which being seconded and put, and the House dividing thereon, there appeared for the amendment twenty two ; against it, twenty-four.

For the amendment—

Mr. Henry,	Mr. Mignowitz,
" McDougall,	" Creelman,
Hon. Prov. Sec.	" Brown,
Mr. Comeau,	" Card,
" Archibald,	" McDonald,
" Martell,	" Harrington,
" Kedy,	" Robertson,
" Ernst,	" Munro,
Hon. Mr. Young,	" McKenna,
Mr. Mott,	" Sangster,
" Killam,	" Homer.

Against the amendment—

Mr. Marshall,	Mr. Bent,
" Ryder,	" Taylor,
" Beckwith,	" Crow,
" Moore,	" Fulton,
" Hall,	" Smyth,
" Thorne,	Hon. Mr. Johnston,
" Dickey,	Mr. Fraser,
" Campbell,	" Dimock,
" Budd,	" Blackadar,
" Freeman,	Hon. Atty. General,
" Snow,	Mr. Bourneuf,
Hon. Mr. Doyle,	" McLeod.

So it passed in the negative.

2nd amndt. not to receive negatived on division.

The Hon. Mr. Young then moved, by way of amendment, that the House do come to the following Resolution :

"Resolved,

“Resolved, That the Report be not received, in consequence of the vote having been decided by the casting vote of the Chairman, in Committee.”

Which being seconded and put, and the House dividing thereon, there appeared for the amendment, twenty; against it, twenty-six.

For the amendment—

Mr. Henry,	Mr. Mignowitz,
“ McDougall,	“ Creelman,
“ Comeau,	“ Brown,
“ Archibald,	“ Card,
“ Martell,	“ McDonald,
“ Kedy,	“ Robertson,
“ Ernst,	“ Munro,
Hon. Mr. Young,	“ McKenna,
Mr. Mott,	“ Sangster,
“ Killam.	“ Homer,

Against the amendment—

Hon. Prov. Sec.	Hon. Mr. Doyle,
Mr. Harrington,	Mr. Bent,
“ Marshall,	“ Taylor,
“ Ryder,	“ Crow,
“ Beckwith,	“ Fulton,
“ Moore,	“ Smyth,
“ Hall,	Hon. Mr. Johnston,
“ Thorne,	Mr. Fraser,
“ Dickey,	“ Dimock,
“ Campbell,	“ Blackadar,
“ Budd,	Hon. Atty. General,
“ Freeman,	Mr. Bourneuf,
“ Snow,	“ McLeod,

So it passed in the negative.

Mr. Henry then moved, by way of amendment, that the Resolution be amended by leaving out the concluding words thereof “of the School Act,” and inserting instead thereof the words “of one year only”: which being seconded and put and the House dividing thereon, there appeared for the amendment twenty-three: against it, twenty-two.

Resolution to amend by limiting time carried on division.

For the amendment—

Mr. Bourneuf,	Mr. Mignowitz,
“ Killam,	“ Henry,
“ McLeod,	“ Creelman,
Hon. Mr. Doyle,	“ Dimock,
Mr. McDougall,	“ Brown,
“ Comeau,	“ Card,
“ Archibald,	“ McDonald,
“ Martell,	“ Robertson,
“ Kedy,	“ Munro,
“ Ernst,	“ Mott,
Hon. Mr. Young,	“ McKenna.
Mr. Sangster,	

Against the amendment—

Hon. Atty. General,	Mr. Bent,
Mr. Marshall,	“ Taylor,
“ Ryder,	“ Crow,
“ Beckwith,	“ Harrington,
“ Hall,	“ Fulton,
“ Thorne,	“ Smyth,
“ Dickey,	Hon. Mr. Johnston,
“ Campbell,	Mr. Fraser,
“ Budd,	“ Freeman,
“ Moore,	“ Blackadar,
“ Snow,	Hon. Prov. Sec.

So it passed in the affirmative.

And the Resolution having been amended accordingly, and the question being again propounded that the same as amended be agreed to by the House—

Resolution amended.

Mr. Killam moved, by way of further amendment, that the House do come to the following Resolution:

Further amndt. negatived on division.

“Resolved, That the sums voted for Acadia College, St. Mary’s College, Pictou Academy, and Sackville Academy, be reduced One Hundred Pounds each, in consequence of the School Act passed by this House having granted One Hundred Pounds to each County, for the support of Academies or Grammar Schools.”

Which being seconded and put, and House dividing thereon, there appeared for the amendment nineteen; against it, twenty-six.

So it passed in the negative.

Further amndt. to ex-
cept Pictou Acade-
my negatived on di-
vision

The Hon. the Provincial Secretary then moved that the Resolution be further amended by inserting, after the words "Institutions," the following words, "except the Pictou Academy": which being seconded and put, and the House dividing thereon, there appeared for the amendment fifteen; against it, twenty-eight.

For the Amendment—

Hon. Prov. Sec.
" Mr. Doyle,
Mr. McLeod,
" Bourneuf,
" Mott,
" Freeman,
" Kedy,
" McDonald,
" Munro,
" Sangster,
" Dickey,
" Ryder,
" McKenna,
" Campbell,
" Beckwith.

Against the Amendment—

Mr. Hall,
" Mignowitz,
" Taylor,
" Marshall,
" Thorne,
" Homer,
" Budd,
" Moore,
" Snow,
" Bent,
" Crow,
Hon. Mr. Young,
Mr. Harrington,
" Smyth,
Hon. Mr. Johnston,
Mr. Robertson,
" Fulton,
" Fraser,
" Dimock,
" Ernst,
" Henry,
" Creelman,
Hon. Atty. General,
Mr. Comeau,
" McDougall,
" Archibald,
" Blackadar,
" Martell.

So it passed in the negative.

Original question
agreed to.

The question as originally propounded from the Chair being then put, was agreed to by the House; and accordingly—

Amended Resolution.

Resolved, That the Allowance now made to the Collegiate and Academical Institutions, be continued under the existing conditions for the period of One Year only.

Sent to Council.

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

Despatch and Act of
N. E. on Inter-Co-
lonial Trade.

The Hon. the Attorney General, by command of His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor, presented to the House—

A copy of Dispatch from Sir Edmund Head, Lieutenant-Governor of New Brunswick, to Sir John Harvey, dated 20th March, 1850, with copy of an Act passed by the Legislature of New Brunswick, relating to Inter-Colonial Trade—and the same were read by the Clerk.

(See Appendix No. 90.)

Ordered, That the Papers do lie on the Table.

Road Scales, presen-
ted,

The Order of the Day for the presentation of Road Scales being read—

The undermentioned Members, from the several Counties, presented to the House, Scales of Sub-divisions of the sums allotted to the said Counties respectively, out of the sum of £20,000 granted for the service of Roads and Bridges in the present year, that is to say:

Hon. the Provincial Secretary, for the County of Halifax,		
Mr. McDougall,	"	" Hants,
" Hall,	"	" King's,
" Thorne,	"	" Annapolis,
" Budd,	"	" Digby,
" Ryder,	"	" Yarmouth,
" McKenna,	"	" Shelburne,

Mr.

Mr. Campbell,	for the County of	Queen's,
" Mignowitz,	"	Lunenburg,
" Creelman,	"	Colchester,
Hon. Mr. Young,	"	Pictou,
Mr. Fulton,	"	Cumberland,
" Henry,	"	Sydney,
" McDonald,	"	Guysborough,
" Munro,	"	Cape Breton,
" Smyth,	"	Inverness,
" Harrington,	"	Richmond.

And the same were read by the Clerk.

(See Appendix No. 91.)

Ordered, That the Scales be referred to the Committee appointed to examine and report thereon. Ref. to Com.

Mr. Fraser reported from the Committee on the subject of Consular Fees— and he read the Report in his place and then delivered it in at the Clerk's Table, where it was again read. Report from Com. on Consular Fees.

(See Appendix No. 92.)

Ordered, That the Report be received and adopted by the House—and that the attention of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor be respectfully requested to the subject matter thereof. Adopted, and attention of Governor requested thereto.

Ordered, That Mr. Fraser and Mr. Beckwith have leave of absence to return home after this day. Leaves of absence.

The amendments proposed by the Council to the Boards of Health and Vaccination Bill, which were disagreed to by this House and adhered to by the Council, were again read and considered by the House; and thereupon—

On motion of Mr. Fraser—

Resolved, That this House do now agree to the amendments. Agreed to.

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

Mr. Hall reported from the Committee on Agriculture—and he read the Report in his place and then delivered it in at the Clerk's Table, where it was again read. Report from Com. on Agriculture.

(See Appendix No. 93.)

Ordered, That the Report be received and adopted by the House. Adopted.

On motion of Mr. Mignowitz—

Resolved, That His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor be authorised and respectfully requested to direct advances from the Treasury, of such sums as may be required towards defraying the expenses of Public Printing, provided that no greater sum be advanced in the whole than Five Hundred Pounds, and this House will provide for the same at its next Session. Advance for Printing.

On motion of the Hon. the Attorney General—

Resolved, That His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor be authorised and respectfully requested, to direct such advances of Monies from the Treasury as may be necessary to keep up the Post Office Communication throughout the Province, for the current year, and this House will provide for the same at its next Session. Advance for Post Office.

Ordered,

Sent to Council.

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

Message fm. Council.

A Message from the Council by Mr. Halliburton :

Mr. Speaker—

Agree to Bills, viz :

Reciprocal Trade,

Pictou Academy,

Pickled Fish, and

Powder Magazine,

without amndt. ;

and—

Poor with amndts.

The Council have agreed to the Bill entitled, an Act for establishing Free Trade in certain articles between the United States and the British North American Provinces ; the Bill entitled, an Act relating to the Pictou Academy ; the Bill entitled, an Act to amend the Act to regulate the Inspection of Pickled Fish ; and the Bill entitled, an Act relating to the Powder Magazine in Halifax—severally without amendment.

They have also agreed to the Bill entitled, an Act relative to the support of the Poor, with amendments—to which amendments they desire the concurrence of this Honorable House.

And to Changes of
Appropriation and
Money Resolutions.

The Council have also agreed to Three Resolutions of this Honorable House for changing the appropriation of Monies granted for the Road service, and to Thirty Resolutions for granting sums of Money for various services, viz :

£42	4	0	Change of appropriation, County of Cape Breton.
20	0	0	“ “ “ Richmond.
9	0	0	“ “ “ “
50	0	0	Silas Bishop.
24	5	10	Henry Lawson.
10	0	0	Michael Cody.
40	0	0	Mail, Brookfield to Lawrencetown.
10	0	0	Each J. and C. Pernette.
			Advance for Postage of Public Departments.
1307	8	10	Balance due Commissioners of Public Buildings.
500	0	0	Advance to “ “
870	17	6	Expenses of Legislative Council.
234	15	0	Stationery, &c. of House of Assembly.
206	7	5	Contingencies of do.
100	0	0	Each to Clerks of do.
30	0	0	Stg. Fuel and Criers of Courts of Vice Admiralty, &c.
200	0	0	Main Roads Yarmouth and Shelburne.
28	16	1	Simon Donovan.
100	0	0	Silas Bishop.
7	10	0	Isaac McAnn.
20	0	0	Ferries, Halifax County.
3	4	0	Eliakim Creelman.
15	16	0	Samuel Creelman.
15	0	0	James Sangster.
25	0	0	Richard Meagher.
109	18	6	Government Liabilities.
5271	5	4	“ Advances.
300	0	0	Expenses of Law Commission.
12	0	0	Alpin Grant.
300	0	0	Reporting Debates of House of Assembly.
1350	0	0	Transient Poor, Halifax.
			Extension of Collegiate and Academic Grants.

And then the Messenger withdrew.

Message fm. Council.

A Message from the Council by Mr. Haliburton :

Mr. Speaker—

The

The Council have agreed to the Resolution of this Honorable House for granting the sum of Fifteen Pounds to repair the Revenue Boat at Sydney, Cape Breton.

Agree to Vote for
Rev. Boat, Sydney.

And then the Messenger withdrew.

On motion of Mr. Henry—

Resolution on Cur-
rency.

Resolved, that the Report of the Committee on the subject of the Currency be communicated to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, and that His Excellency be respectfully requested to take the necessary steps for bringing the suggestions contained in that Report to the notice of the Governments of Canada, New Brunswick, Newfoundland and Prince Edward's Island, during the recess, in order that, if possible, an uniform action may be had thereon during the next Session of the several Legislatures.

The Order of the Day for the further consideration in Committee on the General State of the Province, of the office of Lieutenant-Governor, &c., being read—

Order of Day—
Com. on Gen. State of
Province postponed.

Ordered, That the subject be further considered To-morrow.

The Order of the Day for the House again to resolve itself into a Committee on the subject of the Halifax and Windsor Rail Road being read—

Order of Day—
House in Com. on Ha-
lifax and Windsor
Railroad.

The House resolved itself into such Committee.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. Dimock took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chairman reported from the Committee that they had gone through the subject under consideration, and had come to a Resolution in relation thereto, which they had directed him to report to the House—and he delivered the same in at the Clerk's Table, where it was read, and is as follows :

Report

“ *Whereas*, the construction of a Rail Road between Halifax and Windsor would stimulate the Industry, develop the Resources, and elevate the character of this Province ; therefore—

Resolution.

“ *Resolved*, That whenever a Company shall be formed for the construction of such Rail Road, the Executive Government shall be, and is hereby authorised, to subscribe for one-half the necessary Stock, under such guards and restrictions as may appear to the Governor in Council judicious, or as may be hereafter prescribed by the Legislature.”

And the said Resolution being again read, was, upon the question put thereon, agreed to by the House.

Agreed to.

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

Sent to Council.

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

WEDNESDAY, 27th MARCH, 1850.

PRAYERS.

A Message from the Council by Mr. Haliburton.

Message fm. Council.

Mr. Speaker—

The Council have agreed to the Bill entitled, an Act to provide for the erection of a Dyke across Chezetcook Harbor ; the Bill entitled, an Act to authorise a Loan for the use of the Province ; and the Bill entitled, an Act to Incorporate the Kerosene Gas Light Company—severally without amendment.

Agree to—
Chezetcook Dike,
Poor Law, and
Kerosene Gas Light
Co. Bills, without
amndt. ; and to—

They

- License, and
Judges' Testimony
Bills, with amndts.
- They have also agreed to the Bill entitled, an Act to continue and amend certain Acts relating to the sale of Spirituous Liquors generally, and Sales by Auction in Halifax ; and the Bill entitled, an Act to enable Suitors in the Supreme Court to obtain the Testimony of the Judges thereof, with amendments thereto respectively—to which amendments they desire the concurrence of this Honorable House.
- Post Office and Printing
Advances.
- The Council have also agreed to the Resolutions of this Honorable House, authorising advances for the Post Office service and for Public Printing during the present year.
- And then the Messenger withdrew.
- Report from Com. on
Pet. of Admx. of E.
Morton.
- Mr. Marshall reported from the Committee on the Petition of the administratrix of Elkana Morton, late Collector of Excise at Digby—and he read the Report in his place and then delivered it in at the Clerk's Table, where it was again read.
- (See Appendix No. 94.)
- Adopted.
- Ordered*, That the Report be received and adopted by the House.
- Com. on Report of
Reporting Com.
- On motion of Mr. Henry—
Resolved, That a Committee be appointed in conformity with the Report of the Committee on Reporting and Publishing the Debates of this House—the Debates to be Reported and Published to the satisfaction of the said Committee before payment be made for any portion thereof.
- Ordered*, That Mr. Mignowitz, the Hon. the Provincial Secretary, Mr. Mott, the Hon. Mr. Young, and the Hon. Mr. Doyle, be a Committee for that purpose.
- Amndts. to Judges'
Evidence Bill dis-
agreed to.
- The amendment proposed by the Council to the Judges' Testimony Bill were read a first and second time, and considered by the House : and thereupon—
On motion of the Hon. the Attorney General, *resolved*, that the amendments be not agreed to by the House.
- Bill, &c. sent back to
Council.
- Ordered*, That the Clerk do carry the Bill and amendments back to the Council, and acquaint them that this House have not agreed to the amendments.
- Amndts. to License
Bill cannot be con-
sidered.
- The amendments proposed by the Council to the License Bill were read a first time ; and thereupon—
On motion of the Hon. the Attorney General, *resolved*, that this House cannot consider the amendments, as they relate to taxation, and are therefore inconsistent with the privileges of this House ; and further—
- Bill, &c. deferred.
- Resolved*, That the further consideration of the Bill and amendments be deferred until this day three months.
- Motion for leave for
License Bill carried.
- The Hon. the Attorney General moved for the special leave of the House to present a Bill further to continue certain Acts relating to the Sale of Spirituous Liquors generally, and Sales by Auction in Halifax : which being seconded and put, and the House dividing thereon, there appeared for the motion seventeen ; against it, thirteen.

For the motion—

Mr. McLeod, Mr. Dimock,
 " Card, " Ernst,
 " Creelman, " Blackadar,
 " McDougall, " Mignowitz,
 Hon. Prov. Sec. Hon. Mr. Young,
 Mr. Comeau, Mr. Mott,
 " Robertson, " Henry,
 Hon. Atty. General, " Thorne.
 Mr. Taylor,

Against the motion—

Mr. Marshall, Mr. McDonald,
 " Freeman, Hon. Mr. Johnston,
 " Archibald, Mr. Killam,
 " Campbell, " Ryder,
 " Bent, " Kedy,
 " Harrington, " Bourneuf.
 " Dickey,

So it passed in the affirmative.

And the said Bill having been presented was read a first, and *nem. con.*, a second time. Bill read 1st and 2nd time.

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

The amendments proposed by the Council to the Bill entitled, an Act relative to the support of the Poor, were read a first and second time, and considered by the House ; and thereupon— Council's amndts. to Poor Bill agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Marshall, *resolved*, that the amendments be agreed to by the House.

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

The Hon. the Provincial Secretary moved that the House do come to the following Resolution : Motion for Vote of Credit for Mr. Fairbanks.

" *Resolved*, That His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor be respectfully requested to advance a sum not exceeding One Hundred and Fifty Pounds to pay S. P. Fairbanks, Esquire, in full for past services :"

Which being seconded and put, and the House dividing thereon, there appeared for the motion sixteen ; against it, seventeen.

For the motion—

Hon. Prov. Sec. Mr. Bent,
 Mr. Blackadar, " Budd,
 " Fulton, " Campbell,
 Hon. Mr. Johnston, " Thorne,
 " Atty. General, " Munro,
 Mr. Harrington, " Hall,
 " Dickey, " Crow,
 " Freeman, " Taylor.

Against the motion—

Mr. Henry, Mr. Smyth,
 " Kedy, Hon. Mr. Young,
 " Ernst, Mr. Creelman,
 " Dimock, " Archibald,
 " McDonald, " Robertson,
 " Mignowitz, " Card,
 " Sangster, " McDougall,
 " McKenna, " Bourneuf.
 " Killam,

So it passed in the negative.

Mr. Henry then moved that the House do come to the following Resolution :

" *Resolved*, That His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor be respectfully requested to advance the sum of One Hundred Pounds to pay to S. P. Fairbanks, Esquire, in full for past services :"

Which being seconded and put, and the House dividing thereon, there appeared for the motion twenty ; against it, sixteen. Vote of Credit £100 S. P. Fairbanks.

For the motion--

Hon. Prov. Sec. Mr. *Dickey*,
 " *Atly. General*, " *Bent*,
 Mr. *Blackadar*, " *Freeman*,
 " *Hall*, " *Budd*,
 " *Henry*, " *Fulton*,
 " *McLeod*, " *Thorne*,
Hon. Mr. Johnston, " *Ryder*,
 Mr. *Moore*, " *Campbell*,
 " *Harrington*, " *Crow*,
 " *Munro*, " *Taylor*.

Against the motion--

Mr. *Kedy*, *Hon. Mr. Young*,
 " *Ernst*, Mr. *Bourneuf*,
 " *Dimock*, " *Creelman*,
 " *McDonald*, " *Archibald*,
 " *Mignowitz*, " *Robertson*,
 " *Sangster*, " *Comeau*,
 " *McKenna*, " *Card*,
 " *Smyth*, " *McDougall*.

So it passed in the affirmative.

Sent to Council.

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

Resolution as to
 Agricultural Grant
 for 1851.

On motion of Mr. Hall—

Resolved, That the Central Board of Agriculture be authorised to draw during the present year, such portion of the Agricultural Grant placed at their disposal for 1851, as may be necessary, in addition to the Grant for the present year, to carry out the views of the Committee on Agriculture, in reference to the importation of Stock.

Sent to Council.

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

Rep. on Road Scales.

Mr. *Fulton* from the Committee to whom the Road Scales were referred, reported thereon—and he read the Report in his place, and then delivered it in at the Clerk's Table, where it was read again.

(See Appendix No. 95.)

Adopted.

Ordered, That the Report be received and adopted by the House.

Scales agreed to.

Resolved, That the said several Scales of Sub-division of Road Money be agreed to, and do pass as separate Resolutions for each of the Counties respectively.

Sent to Council

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry to the Council the Resolution passed on the 26th day of February last, for the General Division of the sum of £20,000, granted for the service of Roads and Bridges, together with the foregoing Resolutions, and desire their concurrence thereto respectively.

Com. on License Bill

On motion the House resolved into a Committee on the License Bill.

Mr. *Speaker* left the Chair.

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

Mr. *Speaker* resumed the Chair.

Report Bill without
 amendment.

The Chairman reported from the Committee that they had gone through the Bill and had directed him to report the same to the House without amendment.

Motion to recommit
 negatived.

And thereupon—

The *Hon. Mr. Johnston* moved that the Bill be recommitted to a Committee of the whole House, for the purpose of inserting a clause providing that no General Licenses shall be hereafter granted : which being seconded and put, and the House dividing thereon, there appeared for the motion thirteen ; against it, twenty-two.

For the motion—

Mr. Creelman,
 “ Archibald,
 “ Ryder,
 “ Brown,
 Hon. Mr. Johnston,
 Mr. Moore,
 “ Harrington,
 “ Kedy,
 “ Killam,
 “ Crow,
 “ Bent,
 “ Budd,
 “ Fulton,

Against the motion—

Hon. Atty. General, Mr. Thorne,
 Mr. Marshall, “ Smyth,
 “ Blackadar, Hon. Mr. Young,
 “ Hall, Mr. McDonald,
 “ Mott, “ Bourneuf,
 “ Henry, “ Taylor,
 “ Ernst, “ McLeod,
 “ Dimock, “ McKenna,
 “ Sangster, Hon. Prov. Sec.
 “ Comeau,
 “ Card,
 “ Robertson,
 “ Mignowitz,

So it passed in the negative.

Ordered, That the Bill be engrossed, and *nem. con.*, be now read a third time.

Bill engrossed,
 Read 3rd time,

And the same having been engrossed was read a third time accordingly.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and that the title be, an Act further to continue certain Acts relating to the sale of Spirituous Liquors generally, and Sales by Auction in Halifax.

Passed.

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

Sent to Council.

Ordered, That Mr. Creelman have leave of absence after this day, to return home on urgent private business.

Leave of absence.

A Message from the Council by Mr. Haliburton:

Message fm. Council.

Mr. Speaker—

The Council have agreed to the Bill entitled, an Act to provide for expenses of Boards of Health and of Vaccination, as amended:

Agree to—
 Vaccination Bill as amended; and to Halifax Incorporation and Probate Bills, with amendments.

The Council have also agreed to the Bill entitled, an Act to alter the Halifax Incorporation Act, with an amendment; and to the Bill entitled, an Act further to amend the Law relating to Courts of Probate, with amendments—to which amendments respectively they desire the concurrence of this Honorable House.

And then the Messenger withdrew.

A Message from the Council, by Mr. Haliburton:

Message fm. Council.

Mr. Speaker—

The Council have agreed to the Bill entitled, an Act further to continue certain Acts relating to the Sale of Spirituous Liquors generally, and Sales by Auction, in Halifax, without amendment.

Agree to—
 License Bill without amndt.; and to

They have also agreed to the Bill entitled, an Act relative to the Support of the Poor, as amended.

Poor Bill as amended.

The Council do not adhere to the amendments proposed by them to the Bill entitled, an Act to enable Suitors in the Supreme Court to obtain the Testimony of the Judges thereof, but agree to the Bill as originally sent up.

Do not adhere to amndts. to Judges' Testimony Bill.

They have also agreed to Eighteen Resolutions of this Honorable House, for dividing and sub-dividing the sum of £20,000, granted for the service of Roads and Bridges; and to three Resolutions for the following purposes, viz:

Agree to Resolutions, viz.:
 Sub-division of Road Monies,

In relation to the proposed Rail Road from Halifax to Windsor.

Windsor Railroad,
 Vote to S. P. Fairbanks,

For advance of £100 to S. P. Fairbanks:

Agricultural Grant.

“ “ Agricultural Grant for 1851.

And then the Messenger withdrew.

Council's amndt. to
Halifax Incorporation
Bill agreed to.

The amendment proposed by the Council to the Bill to alter the Halifax Incorporation Act, was read a first and second time and considered by the House.
And thereupon—

On motion, *resolved*, That the amendment be agreed to.

Bill, &c. sent back to
Council.

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

Council's amndts. to
Probate Bill agreed
to.

The amendments proposed by the Council to the Bill further to amend the Probate Laws, were read a first and second time, and considered by the House:
And thereupon—

On motion, *resolved*, That the amendments be agreed to.

Bill, &c. sent back to
Council.

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

Adjournment.

Then the House adjourned until this day at a quarter to Eight of the clock.

Meet again.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Resolution moved as
to Lt. Gov. and
Leg. Council.

The Hon. Mr. Johnston moved that the House do come to the following Resolution:

“ *Whereas*, the self-Government extended to the British North American Provinces by the Secretary of State for the Colonies, having placed the Local affairs of the Province in the hands of the Executive Council unrestrained by any control on the part of the Lieutenant Governor or the Imperial Government, it is necessary to correct the anomalies and inconveniencies unavoidable in the application of Imperial usages to a Colony; and a common duty is created, irrespective of party interests, to cast the Institutions of the Province into such forms as may unite the freest operation of the public sentiment with the most efficient, upright and economical exercise of the Executive, Legislative and Municipal functions: nor is it less obligatory on this House to obtain more perfect stability and certainty for the principles of Provincial Government that can now be relied on—the present Secretary of State for the Colonies having, both in declarations and acts, shewn that a Minister of the Crown in the administration of Colonial affairs may hold himself free to disallow what a predecessor in the exercise of his official functions had established.

“ *And whereas*, First: *As regards the Lieutenant Governor*—This officer while in theory possessed of the Executive authority has been in reality denuded of all power, and should he attempt to exercise an independent control over the affairs of the Province he would disturb the principle of responsibility under which the Executive Council are now called to administer the functions of Government.—Hence so long as the Lieutenant Governor shall continue to be viewed as the head of the Provincial administration, he must either sink into insignificance or become the instrument of Executive obstruction; in the one case the reverence due the Sovereign being insensibly diminished by the contempt engendered for the office of Her Representative; in the other the harmony of the Province being endangered by the violation of a principle which the British Government in the last two years has affirmed, and Earl Grey as Colonial Secretary has sealed by acts of unmistakeable significancy.

“ *And whereas*, Secondly: *As regards the Legislative Council*—The construction of the Legislative Council is inconsistent with the harmonious working of the present mode of Government and its useful influence as a Legislative Body; With a majority created by the Government of the day for securing party measures, the Legislative Council is for most essential purposes but the subservient instrument

instrument of the Provincial Government. The same majority on a change of parties would make it an obstructive Body opposed to the existing Administration and the wishes of the people as expressed by their Representatives in this House.

“ *Resolved therefore*, That to avert the evils of renewing questions of Government which, after years of agitation and uncertainty, have been established by Imperial authority, it is proper that the Lieutenant Governor of this Colony should be unquestionably recognized as an Imperial functionary, charged with the protection of National interests and as the official organ of communication between the Parent State and the Colony, but holding no relation to Colonial affairs beyond the ceremonials of office ; That to fix this character to the Office it is proper the Lieutenant Governor should be paid entirely by the Imperial Government ; That if this Province shall be required to contribute any portion of the Lieutenant Governor’s Salary, the sum of £1000 would fully meet the just proportion of this Colony and the value of his services under the present system—this House deeming it unjust that so large a sum as £3000 Sterling should be now paid by the Province, and absurd that £250 Sterling, or any sum, should be granted for the Private Secretary of an Officer who himself has but to subscribe the documents that others are required to prepare.

“ *And further*, that for the evils now existing in the constitution of the Legislative Council, the most efficient remedy is to be found in the Election of the Legislative Council by the people for a limited period—the Members going out by sections periodically : Thus the Body would be brought nearer to the feelings and would more perfectly reflect the opinions of the Country, while the periodical infusion of new Members would enable the people to correct the inconveniences that occasionally might arise from its composition, and would tend to weaken the influences that result in mere party adhesions.”

Which being seconded—

On motion of the Hon. the Provincial Secretary, *resolved*, that the House do resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House for the purpose of considering the following amendment to such Resolution :

“ *Whereas*, The forms of Government and modes of Administration which exist in this Province, have been established and adopted, after ten years’ discussion and conflict, with the full knowledge and approval of the People of Nova Scotia as expressed at the Hustings and with the sanction of their Sovereign, conveyed in the Despatches from the Right Honorable the Secretary of State.

“ *And whereas*, the same system of Government, has, with equal deliberation, and after many sacrifices been established by the People of Canada and New-Brunswick, while it is eagerly sought by the Inhabitants of Prince Edward Island and Newfoundland.

“ *And whereas*, it would be unwise, while designing men are seeking in other Colonies to unsettle the minds of Her Majesty’s subjects and to renounce their allegiance, to afford to them the slightest countenance by applying at this moment for any fundamental change.

“ *And whereas*, the Salary of the Lieutenant Governor was fixed in the Civil List Bill and formed part of a compromise, by which the Casual and Territorial Revenues of the Crown were transferred to this Province, and any breach of that compact would be dishonorable to the People and Legislature of Nova Scotia.

“ *And whereas*, the Lieutenant Governor of Nova Scotia, venerable by his age, distinguished by his Military achievements and by the successful administration of affairs in three other neighboring Colonies, is possessed in the administration of our Local Government, of the same Constitutional prerogatives and powers, that Her Gracious Majesty enjoys in England : *and whereas*, in obedience to the instructions

instructions of his Sovereign and in accordance with the well understood wishes of the people, His Excellency has so governed this Province, as to secure the confidence and esteem of its Inhabitants.

"*Therefore resolved*, That having recorded its sentiments on these important topics, this Assembly does not deem it expedient to suggest any change in the Institutions of this Province."

And accordingly—

House in Com.

The House resolved itself into such Committee.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair

Mr. Dimock took the Chair of the Committee.

And the Committee having continued to set until after one of the clock on Thursday morning—

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Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

Report Resolutions.

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

"*Whereas*, the forms of Government and modes of Administration which exist in this Province, have been established and adopted, after ten years' discussion and conflict, with the full knowledge and approval of the People of Nova Scotia, as expressed at the Hustings and with the sanction of their Sovereign, conveyed in the Despatches from the Right Honorable the Secretary of State.

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"1^o. *Therefore resolved*, that having recorded its sentiments on these important topics, this Assembly does not deem it expedient to suggest any change in the Institutions of this Province."

"*And whereas*, the Legislative Council, as now constituted, has exercised its power in co-operation with this House, so as to secure our confidence, and the question of an Elective Council for a Colony having been recently suggested for the first time by the Ministers of the Crown in the House of Commons, and the views that may be ultimately sanctioned in the Imperial Parliament and the Home Government being as yet unknown—

“2^o. *Therefore resolved*, that it would be premature in this House to express any opinion on so material a change in our Provincial Constitution, and that the sentiments of the People thereon ought to be first of all ascertained.”

And the first Resolution having been again read—

The Hon. Mr. Johnston moved that the same be amended by leaving out all the words thereof after the first word “Whereas,” and inserting instead thereof the following words after the said word “Whereas,” viz :

“The self-Government extended to the British North American Provinces by the Secretary of State for the Colonies, having placed the Local affairs of the Province in the hands of the Executive Council unrestrained by any control on the part of the Lieutenant Governor or the Imperial Government, it is necessary to correct the anomalies and inconveniencies unavoidable in the application of Imperial usages to a Colony ; and a common duty is created, irrespective of party interests, to cast the Institutions of the Province into such forms as may unite the freest operation of the public sentiment with the most efficient, upright and economical exercise of the Executive, Legislative and Municipal functions : nor is it less obligatory on this House to obtain more perfect stability and certainty for the principles of Provincial Government that can now be relied on—the present Secretary of State for the Colonies having, both in declarations and acts, shewn that a Minister of the Crown in the administration of Colonial affairs may hold himself free to disallow what a predecessor in the exercise of his official functions had established.

“*And whereas*, First : *As regards the Lieutenant Governor*—This officer while in theory possessed of the Executive authority has been in reality denuded of all power, and should he attempt to exercise an independent control over the affairs of the Province he would disturb the principle of responsibility under which the Executive Council are now called to administer the functions of Government.—Hence so long as the Lieutenant Governor shall continue to be viewed as the head of the Provincial administration, he must either sink into insignificance or become the instrument of Executive obstruction ; in the one case the reverence due the Sovereign being insensibly diminished by the contempt engendered for the office of Her Representative ; in the other the harmony of the Province being endangered by the violation of a principle which the British Government in the last two years has affirmed, and Earl Grey as Colonial Secretary has sealed by acts of unmistakeable significancy.

“*And whereas*, Secondly : *As regards the Legislative Council*—The construction of the Legislative Council is inconsistent with the harmonious working of the present mode of Government and its useful influence as a Legislative Body ; With a majority created by the Government of the day for securing party measures, the Legislative Council is for most essential purposes but the subservient instrument of the Provincial Government. The same majority on a change of parties would make it an obstructive Body opposed to the existing Administration and the wishes of the people as expressed by their Representatives in this House.

“*Resolved therefore*, That to avert the evils of renewing questions of Government which, after years of agitation and uncertainty, have been established by Imperial authority, it is proper that the Lieutenant Governor of this Colony should be unquestionably recognized as an Imperial functionary, charged with the protection of National interests and as the official organ of communication between the Parent State and the Colony, but holding no relation to Colonial affairs beyond the ceremonials of office ; That to fix this character to the Office it is proper the Lieutenant Governor should be paid entirely by the Imperial Government ; That if this Province shall be required to contribute any portion of the

Amndt. to 1st Resolution negatived.

Lieutenant Governor's Salary, the sum of £1000 would fully meet the just proportion of this Colony and the value of his services under the present system—this House deeming it unjust that so large a sum as £3000 Sterling should be now paid by the Province, and absurd that £250 Sterling, or any sum, should be granted for the Private Secretary of an Officer who himself has but to subscribe the documents that others are required to prepare.

“*And further*, that for the evils now existing in the constitution of the Legislative Council, the most efficient remedy is to be found in the Election of the Legislative Council by the people for a limited period—the Members going out by sections periodically : Thus the Body would be brought nearer to the feelings and would more perfectly reflect the opinions of the Country, while the periodical infusion of new Members would enable the people to correct the inconveniences that occasionally might arise from its composition, and would tend to weaken the influences that result in mere party adhesions.”

Which proposed amendment being seconded and put, and the House dividing thereon, there appeared for the amendment fourteen ; against it, twenty-six.

For the amendment—

Mr. Harrington,
 “ Blackadar,
 “ Campbell,
 Hon. Mr. Johnston,
 Mr. Freeman,
 “ Marshall,
 “ Crow,
 “ Bent,
 “ Moore,
 “ Snow,
 “ Budd,
 “ Thorne,
 “ Dickey,
 “ Ryder.

Against the amendment—

Mr. Henry,
 Hon. Mr. Doyle,
 “ Atty. General,
 Mr. Munro,
 “ Sangster,
 “ Comeau,
 “ McLeod,
 “ Robertson,
 “ Bourneuf,
 “ Smyth,
 “ Kedy,
 “ Hall,
 Hon. Prov. Sec.

Mr. McKenna,
 “ McDonald,
 “ Ernst,
 “ Martell,
 “ Mignowitz,
 “ Card,
 Hon. Mr. Young,
 Mr. Fulton,
 “ Archibald,
 “ McDougall,
 “ Mott,
 “ Dimock,
 “ Brown.

So it passed in the negative.

2nd amndt. negatived.

Mr. Fulton then moved that such first resolution be amended by leaving out all the words thereof after the first word “Whereas,” and inserting instead thereof the following words after the said word “Whereas,” viz :

“ The self-Government now extended to the Colonies by the Imperial Authorities has placed the local affairs of this Province, to a large extent, in the hands of the Executive Council, and has, consequently, a tendency greatly to diminish the control formerly exercised by the Lieutenant Governor and the Imperial Government in relation thereto ;

“ *And whereas*, under the existing principles of Provincial Administration, it is extremely desirable that the construction of the Legislative Council should be so far modified as to make that Branch of the Legislature fully efficient to discharge the duties incumbent on it as a Body alike independent of this House and of the Lieutenant Governor.

And whereas, the present mode of appointing to seats in that Body by the Lieutenant Governor, subject to Imperial sanction, is inefficient to effectuate this object :

“ *Therefore resolved*, That in the opinion of this House the most efficient remedy is to be found in a reconstruction of that Branch of the Legislature and the introduction

roduction of a system by which its members or a large proportion thereof, shall be elected by the people for a fixed period, but under such an arrangement as will ensure a frequent appeal to the constituencies of a certain portion of those previously elected by them."

Which proposed amendment being seconded and put, and the House dividing thereon, there appeared for the amendment five; against it, thirty-four.

For the amendment—

Against the amendment—

" <i>Fulton,</i>	<i>Mr. Thorne,</i>	<i>Mr. McLeod,</i>	<i>Hon. Mr. Young,</i>
" <i>Hall,</i>	" <i>Budd,</i>	" <i>Robertson,</i>	<i>Mr. Campbell,</i>
" <i>Moore,</i>	" <i>Snow,</i>	" <i>Bourneuf,</i>	" <i>Archibald,</i>
" <i>Dickey,</i>	<i>Hon. Mr. Johnston,</i>	" <i>Bent,</i>	" <i>McDougall,</i>
" <i>Ryder.</i>	" <i>Mr. Doyle,</i>	" <i>Blackadar,</i>	" <i>Mott,</i>
	<i>Mr. Harrington,</i>	" <i>Freeman,</i>	" <i>Dimock,</i>
	<i>Hon. Atty. General,</i>	" <i>McKenna,</i>	<i>Hon. Prov. Sec.</i>
	<i>Mr. Kedy,</i>	" <i>McDonald,</i>	<i>Mr. Brown,</i>
	" <i>Crow,</i>	" <i>Ernst,</i>	" <i>Henry,</i>
	" <i>Munro,</i>	" <i>Martell,</i>	" <i>Smyth.</i>
	" <i>Sangster,</i>	" <i>Mignowitz,</i>	
	" <i>Comeau,</i>	" <i>Card,</i>	

So it passed in the negative.

The question being then propounded from the Chair, that the said first Resolution be agreed to, the House divided thereon, when there appeared for agreeing to the Resolution twenty-three; against it, fifteen.

1st Resolution agreed to on division.

For the Resolution—

Against the Resolution—

<i>Mr. Henry,</i>	<i>Mr. McKenna,</i>	<i>Mr. Ryder,</i>	<i>Mr. Campbell,</i>
" <i>Brown,</i>	" <i>McDonald,</i>	" <i>Crow,</i>	" <i>Harrington,</i>
<i>Hon. Prov. Sec.</i>	" <i>Martell,</i>	" <i>Marshall,</i>	" <i>Blackadar.</i>
<i>Mr. Card,</i>	" <i>Kedy,</i>	" <i>Moore,</i>	
<i>Hon. Mr. Doyle,</i>	" <i>Smyth,</i>	" <i>Thorne,</i>	
<i>Mr. Archibald,</i>	" <i>Comeau,</i>	" <i>Snow,</i>	
" <i>Dimock,</i>	" <i>Bourneuf,</i>	" <i>Budd,</i>	
" <i>Mott,</i>	" <i>Munro,</i>	" <i>Bent,</i>	
" <i>McDougall,</i>	<i>Hon. Atty. General,</i>	" <i>Freeman,</i>	
<i>Hon. Mr. Young,</i>	<i>Mr. Sangster,</i>	" <i>Fulton,</i>	
<i>Mr. Mignowitz,</i>	" <i>Robertson.</i>	" <i>Hall,</i>	
" <i>Ernst,</i>		<i>Hon. Mr. Johnston,</i>	

So it passed in the affirmative.

The second Resolution reported from the Committee was then read a second time, and the usual question being propounded from the Chair that the same be agreed to, the House divided thereon, when there appeared for agreeing to the Resolution twenty-three; against it, fifteen.

2nd Resolution agreed to on division.

For the Resolution—		Against the Resolution—	
Mr. Henry,	Mr. McKenna,	Mr. Ryder,	Mr. Campbell,
" Brown,	" McDonald,	" Crow,	" Harrington,
Hon. Prov. Sec.	" Martell,	" Marshall,	" Blackadar.
Mr. Card,	" Kedy,	" Moore,	
Hon. Mr. Doyle,	" Smyth,	" Thorne,	
Mr. Archibald,	" Comeau,	" Snow,	
" Dimock,	" Bourneuf,	" Budd,	
" Mott,	" Munro,	" Bent,	
" McDougall,	Hon. Atty. General,	" Freeman,	
Hon. Mr. Young,	Mr. Sangster,	" Fulton,	
Mr. Mignowitz,	" Robertson.	" Hall,	
" Ernst,		Hon. Mr. Johnston,	

So it passed in the affirmative.

Then the House adjourned until this day at eleven of the clock.

THURSDAY, 28th MARCH, 1850.

PRAYERS.

Order for Appropriation Bill.

Ordered, That the Clerk do prepare and present to the House an engrossed Bill for appropriating such part of the Supplies, granted in the present Session, as are not already appropriated by Acts of the General Assembly.

Presented.

And accordingly—

The Clerk presented an engrossed Bill for applying certain Monies therein mentioned, for the service of the Year of Our Lord One Thousand Eight Hundred and Fifty, and for other purposes—and the same was read a first, and *nem. con.*, a second time.

Passed.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and that the title be, an Act for applying certain Monies therein mentioned for the service of the Year of Our Lord One Thousand Eight Hundred and Fifty, and for other purposes.

Sent to Council.

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

Resolution as to Norfolk being stationed in Cumberland.

Mr. Fulton moved that the House do come to a Resolution as follows :

Resolved, That the Provincial Stud Horse Norfolk do stand during the ensuing season in the County of Cumberland, under the charge of Thomas Chapman and Joseph L. Embree, upon their guaranteeing to keep him free of expense to the Province under all circumstances ; and to return him at the expiration of a year from the date of receiving him, in as good order as when received, accidents only excepted.

Amndt. for Pictou and Sydney Counties negatived.

Which being seconded—

The Hon. Mr. Young moved, by way of amendment, that the Horse be stationed in the Counties of Pictou and Sydney for the season, upon a similar guarantee being given to that proposed by the Resolution : which being seconded and put, and the House dividing thereon, there appeared for the amendment seventeen ; against it, eighteen.

So it passed in the negative.

Amndt. for sale negatived.

The Hon. the Provincial Secretary then moved, by way of amendment, that the Horse be immediately sold under the direction of the Government : which
being

being seconded and put, and the House dividing thereon, passed in the negative.

Mr. Henry then moved, by way of amendment, that the Horse be stationed for the season in the County of Sydney, upon a guarantee being given similar to that in the proposed Resolution; which being seconded and put, and the House dividing thereon, passed in the negative.

Amndt. to stand in Sydney Co. negatived.

The original Resolution was then, upon the question put thereon, agreed to by the House.

Original Resolution carried.

The Hon. Mr. Young moved that the House do now resolve itself into a Committee on the General State of the Province, to consider the following Resolutions:

Resolutions on subject of Coal Mines moved.

1^o. *Resolved*, That this House are of opinion that the present Superintendent of the Mines at Sydney be removed, solely in consequence of his advanced age, and inability therefrom to perform the duties of his office.

2^o. *Resolved*, That in the opinion of this House it is necessary and expedient that competent Officers be appointed, to Superintend the operations of the General Mining Association, both at Pictou and Sydney, and to ensure an effective and practical check upon the sales, exports and returns, made by the Association.

3^o. *Resolved*, That His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor be respectfully requested to nominate and appoint a Commission, to prepare a statement of the points in controversy between the Province and the General Mining Association, relative to the alleged title of such Association to our Mines and Minerals, in order that the same may be annexed to a Petition to be passed and presented to both Houses of the Imperial Parliament; and also a case for the Judicial Committee of Her Majesty's Privy Council, if it be deemed expedient to prepare the same.

4^o. *Resolved*, That the sum of £500 Sterling be placed at the disposal of His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor, to meet the outlay and expense of conducting a legal enquiry before the Judicial Committee of the Privy Council, in relation to the alleged title of the General Mining Association to the Mines and Minerals of this Province, when deemed expedient so to do.

Which being seconded—

The Hon. Mr. Johnston moved, by way of amendment, that the further consideration of such Resolutions be deferred until the next Session: which being seconded and put, passed in the affirmative.

Amndt. to defer carried.

And accordingly—

Ordered, That the further consideration of the Resolutions be deferred until the next Session.

Resolutions deferred.

Mr. Mignowitz reported from the Committee on the subject of the Printing for the House—and he read the Report in his place and then delivered it in at the Clerk's Table, where it was again read, and is as follows:

Report from Com. on Printing for House.

“The Committee appointed to consider the subject of Printing for this House, beg to recommend that the Clerk, under the sanction of the Speaker, be instructed to enter into a Contract with Mr. R. Nugent, for the Printing of the House up to the commencement of the Session of 1852, on the same terms as at present,

except that the Journals shall be printed on Paper of the same quality as that used during the present Session, and that a proper allowance be made therefor. All which is respectfully submitted.

HENRY MIGNOWITZ,
W. B. TAYLOR,
M. BECKWITH.

Committee Room, March 27th, 1850.

Adopted.

Ordered, That the Report be received and adopted by the House.

Resolution as to Quarantine Fees.

On motion of Mr. Blackadar, *resolved* as follows :

“ *Whereas*, by the Returns on the Table of the House, in relation to Quarantine enforced by the Proclamation of Government during the last Summer, the Trade of this Province was burthened with a heavy Tax : *And whereas* there appears, by the said Returns, to have been no instance of sickness being on board of any Vessel, excepting one (that of a Vessel arriving at the Port of Pictou, in which case the Captain deposited sufficient money to pay the expense attendant thereon) :

“ *Therefore resolved*, That it is the opinion of this House that the Table of Fees allowed to the Health Officers ought to be reduced, if the Executive Government deem it advisable, upon enquiry, so to do.”

Resolution for Printing Pictou Incorporation Bill.

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Young—

Resolved, That Two Hundred Copies of the Bill passed by this House in its present Session, for the Incorporation of the County of Pictou, be published.

Report from Com. as to Canadian Library.

The Hon. the Provincial Secretary, from the Committee to whom was referred the Communication from the Honorable the Speaker of the Legislative Assembly of Canada, in reference to the formation of a new Library, reported that the Committee had procured copies of some Works which they thought might be useful in the formation of such Library—and that they would, in conjunction with the Honorable the Speaker of this House, endeavour to procure additions thereto during the recess.

Ordered, That the Report be received.

Resolution as to Sup. Court Room.

On motion of Mr. Hall—

Resolved, That it is the opinion of this House, that the exclusive use of the Committee Room of this House, commonly called the Supreme Court Room, is indispensable for the convenient conducting of the Public Business of the Legislature—and that the Commissioners of Public Buildings, in conjunction with the Hon. the Speaker, be instructed to take such steps as may be necessary, in order to the carrying out the views of this House at its next Session.

Message fm. Council.

A Message from the Council by Mr. Haliburton :

Mr. Speaker—

Agree to—
Appropriation,

The Council have agreed to the Bill entitled, an Act for applying certain Monies therein mentioned, for the service of the Year of our Lord One Thousand Eight Hundred and Fifty, and for other purposes, without any amendment.

His Incorporation,
and
Probate Bills.

They have also agreed to the Bill entitled, an Act to alter the Halifax Incorporation Act ; and the Bill entitled, an Act further to amend the Law relating to Courts of Probate, severally as amended.

And then the Messenger withdrew.

Message from Governor.

A Message from His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, by the Gentleman Usher of the Black Rod :

Mr. Speaker—

His

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

Commands attendance of House.

Accordingly Mr. Speaker, with the House, attended His Excellency in the Council Chamber, when His Excellency was pleased to give his Assent to sixty-one Bills, severally entitled as follows :

House attend.

Governor assents to Bills.

An Act to authorize the sale of the Land on which the Port Hood Academy now stands, and the purchase of a new site therefor.

An Act to enable Thomas Robson to obtain Letters Patent for the invention of a Fog Bell.

An Act to provide a Lock-up-House in Clare.

An Act to Incorporate the Commercial Wharf Company of Yarmouth.

An Act to prevent the introduction of Convicted Felons into this Province.

An Act to enable the inhabitants of the Township of Maxwelton to build a Lock-up-House.

An Act to repeal so much of the Act relating to Commissioners of Streets as extends the same to Antigonishe.

An Act to Incorporate the Carpenters' Society of Halifax.

An Act to Naturalize Joseph Skallish.

An Act to enable Members of the House of Assembly to vacate their Seats therein.

An Act to enable the Governor and Council to make Orders for establishing an uniform Rate of Postage in Nova Scotia, and regulating a Postal Arrangement with other Countries.

An Act to authorize the appointment of Trustees for the Public Burial Ground at Dartmouth.

An Act to Incorporate the Halifax Mechanics' Institute.

An Act relating to the Court House and Jail at Kentville.

An Act concerning School Lands and the appointment of Trustees therefor.

An Act for the Encouragement of Education.

An Act for the management of Colonial Duties.

An Act to authorize certain expenditures upon Roads in the County of Cape Breton.

An Act to regulate the Fees to be taken in the Court of Marriage and Divorce.

An Act for settling Titles to Land in the Island of Cape Breton.

An Act for taking the Census of this Province and obtaining Statistical Information.

An Act concerning Insurance Offices.

An Act to authorize Her Majesty's Subjects to Plead and Reason for themselves or others, in all Her Majesty's Courts within this Province.

An Act further concerning the Act for the regulation of Juries.

An Act concerning Town Property at Dartmouth.

An Act to Incorporate the Trustees of the Masonic Hall in Halifax.

An Act for the laying out of Great Roads.

An Act concerning Registrars of Deeds.

An Act to provide for the custody of certain documents relating to the Township of Chester.

An Act to provide a Weighing Machine, Weights and Measures, for the Township of Chester.

An Act to Incorporate a Temperance Hall Company at Maitland.

An Act to Incorporate the Trustees of St. Andrew's Free Church at Sydney, Cape Breton.

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An Act to Incorporate a Temperance Hall Company at Sydney, Cape Breton.
 An Act to Incorporate the Trustees of the Evangelical Lutheran Church at Lunenburg.

An Act to provide for the removal of Obstructions from the Liverpool River.

An Act to Incorporate the Halifax Association in aid of the Colonial Church Society.

An Act to divide the County of Halifax into Townships, and to confer certain Municipal privileges on the Inhabitants thereof.

An Act for the Weighing of Flour.

An Act to facilitate Legal Proceedings against Companies doing business by Agents in this Province.

An Act for regulating the Anchorage of Vessels in the Harbor of Halifax.

An Act further to continue and amend certain Acts relating to the Colonial Revenue.

An Act for regulating the Trade between the British North American Possessions.

An Act to amend the Act to Incorporate the Nova Scotia Horticultural Society.

An Act to Incorporate the Halifax and Dartmouth Mutual Insurance Company.

An Act for the Incorporation of a Company to build a Line of Electric Telegraph from Truro to Pictou.

An Act to authorize the Congregation of the Presbyterian Meeting House at Middle Stewiacke to sell the same.

An Act to continue and amend the Act for granting Duties of Impost for the support of Her Majesty's Government within this Province.

An Act to confirm Titles to Land in the Island of Cape Breton.

An Act to amend the Act to regulate the Inspection of Pickled Fish.

An Act relating to the Pictou Academy.

An Act for establishing Free Trade in certain articles between the United States and the British North American Provinces.

An Act relating to the Powder Magazine in Halifax.

An Act to authorize a Loan for the use of the Province.

An Act to provide for the erection of a Dyke across the Chezetcook Harbor.

An Act to Incorporate the Kerosene Gas Light Company.

An Act to provide for Expenses of Boards of Health and of Vaccination.

An Act relative to the support of the Poor.

An Act to enable Suitors in the Supreme Court to obtain the Testimony of the Judges thereof.

An Act further to continue certain Acts relative to the Sale of Spirituous Liquors generally, and Sales by Auction in Halifax.

An Act further to amend the Law relating to the Courts of Probate.

An Act to alter the Halifax Incorporation Act.

After which Mr. Speaker spake as follows :

May it please Your Excellency—

Your Excellency having been graciously pleased to give your assent to all the Bills passed in this present Session, it becomes my agreeable duty, on behalf of Her Majesty's dutiful and loyal subjects, Her faithful Commons of Nova Scotia, to present to your Excellency, a Bill for appropriating the Supplies granted in the present Session, for the support of Her Majesty's Government during the present year, and to request your Excellency's assent to the same. His

His Excellency was then pleased to give his assent to the Bill following, viz :
 An Act for applying certain Monies therein mentioned for the service of the Year of our Lord One Thousand Eight Hundred and Fifty, and for other purposes.

Governor assents to
 Appropriation Bill.

His Excellency was then pleased to make the following

Speech of Lieut. Gov.

SPEECH :

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

Having discharged with great assiduity your Legislative duties, it gives me pleasure, while relieving you from further attendance, to record my approval of the general results of your deliberations.

The Consolidation of the Laws—the wider diffusion of Education—the extension of Municipal privileges—the collection of Statistics—and the munificent provision made for internal improvements, are gratifying features of the Session we are about to close.

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

In the Queen's name I thank you for the Supplies which you have granted for the support of Her Government, and for every branch of the Public Service.

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

I have marked with great satisfaction, the enlightened principles of Commercial policy which you have adopted, the loyal sentiments you have expressed, and the steadiness with which you have guarded the Constitution established by the struggles and sacrifices of the past.

The best guarantee that the Sovereign can have for the peaceful improvement of this fine Province, will be found in the assurance that they who so judiciously fulfil their public obligations, are no less competent, on returning to their homes, to form the sentiments and advance the prosperity of the districts in which they reside.

After which the Hon. the President of the Legislative Council, by His Excellency's command, said—

Prorogation of Assembly.

GENTLEMEN—

It is the pleasure of His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor, that this General Assembly be prorogued to Thursday, the Twenty-third day of May next—and this General Assembly is accordingly prorogued to Thursday the Twenty-third day of May next, to be then here held.

JOSEPH WHIDDEN, }
Clerk of the House of Assembly. }

APPENDIX

TO THE

JOURNAL

OF THE

HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY,

OF THE

PROVINCE OF NOVA SCOTIA.

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**FOR THE SESSION,**

Commencing the 17th January, and ending the 29th March, 1850.



# APPENDIX.

No. 1.

COPY.

No. 162.

*Downing Street, 4th May, 1849.*

SIR—

An Act passed by the Legislature of Nova Scotia, entitled, "No. 2813, An Act to provide for the more accurate Audit and Inspection of Public Accounts in this Province, and for the appointment of certain Public Officers therein," having been referred by the Queen in Council to the Lords of the Committee of Privy Council for Trade and Foreign Plantations, that Committee have reported to Her Majesty in Council, their opinion that the said Act should be specially confirmed and finally enacted.

I have the honor to transmit herewith an Order of Her Majesty in Council, dated the 1st instant, approving that Report.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient Servant,

(Signed) GREY.

Lieut. Governor Sir John Harvey, Nova Scotia.

*At the Court at Buckingham Palace, 1st day of May, 1849.*

PRESENT—

THE QUEEN'S MOST EXCELLENT MAJESTY,  
&c. &c. &c.

WHEREAS the Lieutenant Governor of Her Majesty's Province of Nova Scotia, with the Council and Assembly of the said Province, did, in the month of April, 1848, pass an Act, which has been transmitted, entitled as follows, viz :

No. 2813. An Act to provide for the more accurate Audit and Inspection of Public Accounts in this Province, and for the appointment of certain Public Officers therein.

And whereas the said Act has been referred to the Committee of the Lords of Her Majesty's Most Honorable Privy Council, appointed for the consideration of

of all matters relating to Trade and Foreign Plantations, and the said Committee have reported, as their opinion to Her Majesty, that the said Act should receive Her Majesty's special confirmation—Her Majesty was thereupon this day pleased, by and with the advice of Her Privy Council, to declare her special confirmation of the said Act, and the same is hereby specially confirmed, ratified, and finally enacted accordingly—whereof the Governor, Lieutenant Governor, or Commander in Chief for the time being, of Her Majesty's Province of Nova Scotia, and all other persons whom it may concern, are to take notice, and govern themselves accordingly.

(Signed) WM. L. BATHURST.

No. 2.

COPY.

No. 179.

*Downing Street, 6th July, 1849.*

SIR—

Two Acts passed by the Legislature of Nova Scotia in the months of April, 1848, and March, 1849, and entitled respectively, No. 2816, "An Act relating to the Crown Land Department of this Province," and No. 2878, "An Act for transferring the Crown Revenues of Nova Scotia, and providing for the Civil List thereof," having been referred by the Queen, in Council, to the Lords of the Committee of Privy Council for Trade and Foreign Plantations, that Committee have reported to Her Majesty in Council their opinion, that the said Acts should be specially confirmed and finally enacted.

I have the honor to transmit herewith an Order from Her Majesty in Council, dated 29th of June, approving that Report.

I am,

Sir,

Your most obedient Servant,

(Signed) GREY.

Lieut. Governor Sir John Harvey.

*At the Court at Buckingham Palace, the 29th day of June, 1849.*

PRESENT—

THE QUEEN'S MOST EXCELLENT MAJESTY,  
&c. &c. &c.

WHEREAS the Lieutenant Governor of Her Majesty's Province of Nova Scotia, with the Council and Assembly of the said Province, did, in the months of April, 1848, and March, 1849, pass two Acts, which have been transmitted, entitled as follows, viz :

No. 2816. An Act relating to the Crown Land Department of this Province.

No.



No. 2878. An Act for transferring the Crown Revenues of Nova Scotia, and providing for the Civil List thereof.

And whereas the said Acts have been referred to the Committee of the Lords of Her Majesty's Most Honorable Privy Council, appointed for the consideration of all matters relating to Trade and Foreign Plantations, and the said Committee have reported, as their opinion to Her Majesty, that the said Acts should receive Her Majesty's special confirmation—Her Majesty was thereupon this day pleased by and with the advice of Her Privy Council, to declare Her special confirmation of the said Acts, and the same are hereby specially confirmed, ratified, and finally enacted accordingly—whereof the Governor, Lieutenant Governor, or Commander in Chief for the time being, of Her Majesty's Province of Nova Scotia, and all other persons whom it may concern, are to take notice, and govern themselves accordingly.

(Signed) WM. L. BATHURST.

No. 3.

COPY.

No. 180.

*Downing Street, 6th July, 1849.*

SIR—

An Act passed by the Legislature of Nova Scotia in the month of March last, and entitled, "No. 2879, An Act to enable the Commissioners for erecting and building the Trunk Line of Railway from Halifax to Quebec, to construct the same within the limits of this Province," having been referred by the Queen in Council to the Lords of the Committee of Privy Council for Trade and Foreign Plantations, that Committee have reported to Her Majesty in Council their opinion that the said Act should be left to its operation.

I have the honor to transmit herewith an Order of Her Majesty in Council, dated 29th June, approving that Report.

I am,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

(Signed) GREY.

Lieut. Governor Sir John Harvey.

*At the Court at Buckingham Palace, the 29th day of June, 1849.*

PRESENT—

THE QUEEN'S MOST EXCELLENT MAJESTY,

&c

&c.

&c.

WHEREAS the Lieutenant Governor of Her Majesty's Province of Nova Scotia, with the Council and Assembly of the said Province, did, in the month of March, 1849, pass an Act, which has been transmitted, entitled as follows, viz:

No.

No. 2879. An Act to enable the Commissioners for erecting and building the Trunk Line of Railway from Halifax to Quebec, to construct the same within the limits of this Province.

And whereas the said Act has been referred to the Committee of the Lords of Her Majesty's Most Honorable Privy Council, appointed for the consideration of all matters relating to Trade and Foreign Plantations, and the said Committee have reported, as their opinion to Her Majesty, that the said Act should be left to its operation, Her Majesty was thereupon this day pleased, by and with the advice of Her Privy Council, to approve the said Report—whereof the Governor, Lieutenant Governor, or Commander in Chief for the time being, of Her Majesty's Province of Nova Scotia, and all other persons whom it may concern, are to take notice and govern themselves accordingly.

(Signed) WM. L. BATHURST.

No. 4.

COPY.

No. 195.

*Downing-Street, 10th October, 1849.*

SIR—

Eighty Acts passed by the Legislature of Nova-Scotia in the month of March, 1849, having been referred by the Queen, in Council, to the Lords of the Committee of Privy Council for Trade and Foreign Plantations, that Committee have reported to Her Majesty, in Council, their opinion that the said Acts should be left to their operation.

I have the honor to transmit to you herewith an Order of Her Majesty in Council, dated the 6th instant, approving that Report.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient.

Humble Servant,

(Signed) GREY.

Lieut. Governor Sir John Harvey, K. C. B., &c. &c. &c., Nova Scotia.

*At the Court at Osborne House, Isle of Wight, the 6th day of October, 1849.*

PRESENT—

THE QUEEN'S MOST EXCELLENT MAJESTY,  
&c. &c. &c.

WHEREAS the Lieutenant Governor of Her Majesty's Province of Nova Scotia, with the Council and Assembly of the said Province, did, in the month of March, 1849, pass Eighty Acts, which have been transmitted, entitled as follows, viz :

No.

No. 2880. An Act for the amendment of the Law, and the better advancement of Justice.

No. 2881. An Act to amend the Law relating to the appointment of Sheriffs.

No. 2882. An Act to extend to the Town of Sydney the several Acts respecting Firewards.

No. 2883. An Act to extend to the Town of Sydney an Act relating to Streets and Highways.

No. 2884. An Act in further amendment of the Act respecting County Rates.

No. 2885. An Act to continue the several Acts to provide for the Accommodation and Billeting of Her Majesty's Troops, or of the Militia, when on their march from one part of the Province to another.

No. 2886. An Act for applying certain monies therein mentioned for the Service of the year of Our Lord One Thousand Eight Hundred and Forty-nine, and for other purposes.

No. 2890. An Act in further amendment of the Acts for the more easy Redemption and Foreclosure of Mortgages.

No. 2891. An Act to consolidate the Acts respecting the Incorporation of the City of Halifax.

No. 2893. An Act for the Division of Districts for the Support of the Poor.

No. 2894. An Act to amend the Acts concerning the performance of Statute Labor on Highways.

No. 2895. An Act further in addition to the Act relating to Highways, Roads and Bridges.

No. 2896. An Act to Incorporate a Temperance Hall Company in Windsor.

No. 2898. An Act for Improving the Law of Evidence.

No. 2899. An Act further to improve the Administration of the Law.

No. 2900. An Act relative to the rendering by Bail of their Principal.

No. 2901. An Act concerning the Act for the Regulation of Juries.

No. 2902. An Act to enable the inhabitants of the County of King's County to rebuild their Court House and Jail, lately destroyed by Fire.

No. 2904. An Act respecting Suits against Collectors of Poor Rates.

No. 2905. An Act to abolish Fees of the Clerks of the Peace.

No. 2906. An Act further to amend the Act for the appointment of Commissioners of Sewers.

No. 2907. An Act relating to the Roman Catholic Cemetery in Halifax.

No. 2909. An Act to authorize the Sale of the Court House and Jail Grounds at Shelburne, and the purchase of a new site therefor.

No. 2911. An Act additional to the Act for providing Fire Engines for the Town of Yarmouth.

No. 2912. An Act to authorize Assessments for the support of Ferries.

No. 2913. An Act to raise Funds in the County of Pictou.

No. 2914. An Act to authorize a Loan for the use of the Province.

No. 2915. An Act to Incorporate the Chebucto Marine Insurance Company.

No. 2916. An Act to Incorporate the British North American Electric Telegraph Association in the Province of Nova Scotia.

No. 2917. An Act in addition to the Act to Incorporate the Nova Scotia Horticultural Society.

No. 2918. An Act to Incorporate the Digby Water Company.

No. 2919. An Act for the regulation of Benefit Building Societies.

No. 2920. An Act to naturalize Calvin P. Soule.

No. 2921. An Act to naturalize William Doat.

No. 2922. An Act concerning the Halifax Steamboat Company.

No. 2923. An Act to regulate the Pier or Wharf at Everett's Landing, in the Township of Weymouth.

No. 2924. An Act concerning a Baptist Meeting House at Bridgewater.

No. 2925. An Act to continue the Act in relation to Promissory Notes or Undertakings, payable in Produce, or otherwise than in money.

No. 2926. An Act to continue the Act for relieving Insolvent Debtors from Imprisonment.

No. 2927. An Act to continue the Acts for the Summary Trial of Actions before Justices of the Peace.

No. 2929. An Act to continue the Act in relation to the Trade between the British North American Possessions.

No. 2930. An Act to continue the Acts relative to the disposal of Crown Lands.

No. 2931. An Act to continue the Act to revive the Act to amend the Act to regulate the Assize of Bread.

No. 2932. An Act to continue the Act to regulate the Weighing and Selling of Beef.

No. 2933. An Act to continue and amend the Acts for regulating the Militia.

No. 2934. An Act to continue the Act for the Suppression of Lotteries.

No. 2935. An Act to continue the Acts for the government and regulation of the Provincial Penitentiary.

No. 2936. An Act to continue the Acts for granting Duties on Licenses for the Sale of Spirituous Liquors.

No. 2937. An Act to continue the Acts for granting Duties on Licenses for the Sale of Spirituous Liquors, and Sales by Auction in Halifax.

No. 2938. An Act to continue the Acts for appointing Supervisors to take charge of Public Grounds, and for other purposes.

No. 2939. An Act to continue the Acts in amendment of the Act relating to Highways, Roads and Bridges.

No. 2940. An Act to continue the Acts to prevent Disorderly Riding, and to regulate the driving of Carriages on the Streets of Halifax or other Towns, or on the Public Roads of this Province.

No. 2941. An Act to continue the Act for the better regulation of Sable Island in this Province.

No. 2942. An Act to continue the Act for the encouragement of Agriculture and Rural Economy in this Province.

No. 2943. An Act to continue the Act for making regulations relative to the setting of Snares for catching Moose.

No. 2944. An Act to continue the Act for the preservation of Moose.

No. 2945. An Act to continue the Act in amendment of the Act for the Settlement of the Poor in the several Townships within this Province.

No. 2946. An Act to continue the Act respecting the collection of Poores' Rates of Pictou, as amended.

No. 2947. An Act to continue the Acts in amendment of the Acts for the choice of Town Officers and regulating of Townships.

No. 2948. An Act to continue the Act to extend to the Township of Egerton the Act respecting the collection of Poores' Rates of Pictou, and to amend the said Act.

No. 2949. An Act to continue the Act for setting off part of the Township of Egerton as a separate District for the support of the Poor.

No. 2950. An Act to continue the Acts for dividing the Township of Pictou into separate Districts for the support of the Poor.

No. 2951. An Act to continue the Acts to divide the Township of Maxwelton into separate Districts for the support of the Poor.

No. 2952. An Act to continue the Act for setting off a part of the Township of Sherbrooke, in the District of St. Mary's, as a separate District for the support of the Poor.

No. 2953. An Act to continue the Act for dividing the Township of Douglas into separate Districts for the support of the Poor.

No. 2954. An Act to continue the Act in relation to the Gathering of Sea Manure in the Township of Chester.

No. 2955. An Act to continue the Act to regulate Immigrant Vessels and Passengers.

No. 2956. An Act to continue the Act to regulate certain Landings in the County of King's County.

No. 2957. An Act to continue the Acts to prevent the spreading of Contagious Diseases and for the performance of Quarantine.

No. 2958. An Act to continue the Acts more effectually to provide against the introduction of Infectious or Contagious Diseases, and the spreading thereof in this Province.

No. 2959. An Act to continue the Act to regulate the Public Landing at Windsor.

No. 2960. An Act to continue the Act to prevent injuries to the Fisheries within the County of Lunenburg, by Mill Dams or any other obstruction.

No. 2961. An Act to continue the Act to prevent damage to the Nets of Fishermen by Coasting Vessels.

No. 2962. An Act to continue the Act for the Regulation of the Fisheries in the County of Richmond.

No. 2963. An Act to continue the Act for the Regulation of the Fisheries at Chedabucto Bay.

No. 2964. An Act to continue the Acts for Rugulating the Fishery in the River Shubenacadie.

No. 2965. An Act to continue the Act to preserve and regulate the Navigation of the Harbour of Antigonish.

No. 2966. An Act to continue the Acts to Regulate the Pilotage of Vessels at Sydney, Cape-Breton.

No. 2967. An Act to continue the Acts to make provision for a Harbour Master at Spanish River, Cape-Breton.

No. 2968. An Act to continue the Act for establishing a Harbour Master at Bridgeport, in the Island of Cape-Breton.

And whereas the said Acts have been referred to the Committee of the Lords of Her Majesty's Most Honorable Privy Council, appointed for the consideration of all matters relating to Trade and Foreign Plantations, and the said Committee have reported, as their opinion to Her Majesty, that the said Acts should be left to their operation—Her Majesty was thereupon this day pleased, by and with the advice of Her Privy Council to approve the said Report—whereof the Governor, Lieutenant-Governor, or Commander in Chief for the time being, of Her Majesty's Province of Nova Scotia, and all other persons whom it may concern, are to take notice and govern themselves accordingly.

(Signed)

WM. L. BATHURST.

No. 5.

COPY.

No. 196.

*Downing Street, 10th Oct., 1849.*

SIR—

The Act (No. 2910) to alter the Representation of the County of Colchester, passed by the Legislature of Nova Scotia in the month of March last, having been referred by the Queen in Council to the Lords of the Committee of Privy Council for Trade and Foreign Plantations, that Committee have reported to Her Majesty in Council their opinion that the said Act should be specially confirmed and finally enacted.

I have the honour to transmit to you herewith, an Order of Her Majesty in Council approving that Report.

I have, the honor to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient, humble Servant,

(Signed) GREY.

Lieut. Governor Sir John Harvey, K. C. B., &c. &c. &c., Nova Scotia.

*At the Court at Osborne House, Isle of Wight, the 6th day of October, 1849.*

PRESENT—

THE QUEEN'S MOST EXCELLENT MAJESTY,

&amp;c.

&amp;c.

&amp;c.

WHEREAS the Lieutenant-Governor of Her Majesty's Province of Nova Scotia, with the Council and Assembly of the said Province, did, in the month of March, 1849, pass an Act, which has been transmitted, entitled as follows, viz :

No. 2910. An Act to alter the Representation of the County of Colchester.

And whereas the said Act has been referred to the Committee of the Lords of Her Majesty's Most Honorable Privy Council, appointed for the consideration of all matters relating to Trade and Foreign Plantations, and the said Committee have reported, as their opinion to Her Majesty, that the said Act should receive Her Majesty's specially confirmation—Her Majesty was thereupon this day pleased, by and with the advice of Her Privy Council, to declare Her special confirmation of the said Act, and the same is hereby specially confirmed, ratified, and finally enacted accordingly—whereof the Governor, Lieutenant Governor, or Commander in Chief for the time being, of Her Majesty's Province of Nova Scotia, and all other persons whom it may concern, are to take notice and govern themselves accordingly.

(Signed)

WM. L. BATHURST.

No. 6.

(See page 424.)

COPY.

No. 200.

*Downing Street, 10th Novr., 1849.*

SIR—

With reference to my Despatch, No. 199, of the 1st instant, I have the honor to transmit herewith, an Order of Her Majesty in Council, specially confirming the Act passed by the Legislature of Nova Scotia in the month of March last, entitled, An Act to Incorporate the Roman Catholic Bishop in Halifax.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient humble Servant,

(Signed) GREY.

Lieut. Governor Sir John Harvey. K. C. B., &amp;c. &amp;c. &amp;c., Nova Scotia.

*At the Court at Windsor, the 6th day of November, 1849.*

PRESENT—

THE QUEEN'S MOST EXCELLENT MAJESTY,  
&c. &c. &c.

WHEREAS the Lieutenant Governor of Her Majesty's Province of Nova Scotia, with the Council and Assembly of the said Province, did, in the month of March, 1849, pass an Act, which has been transmitted, entitled as follows, viz :  
No. 2908. An Act to Incorporate the Roman Catholic Bishop in Halifax.

And whereas the said Act has been referred to the Committee of the Lords of Her Majesty's Most Honorable Privy Council, appointed for the consideration of all matters relating to Trade and Foreign Plantations, and the said Committee have reported, as their opinion to Her Majesty, that the said Act should receive Her Majesty's special confirmation—Her Majesty was thereupon this day pleased, by and with the advice of Her Privy Council, to declare her special confirmation of the said Act, and the same is hereby specially confirmed, ratified, and finally enacted accordingly—whereof the Governor, Lieutenant Governor, or Commander in Chief for the time being, of Her Majesty's Province of Nova Scotia, and all other persons whom it may concern, are to take notice, and govern themselves accordingly.

(Signed) C. GREVILLE.

No. 7.

(See page 424.)

COPY.

No. 202.

*Downing Street, 10th Nov., 1849.*

SIR—

Five Acts passed by the Legislature of Nova Scotia in the month of March last, having been referred by the Queen in Council to the Lords of the Committee of Privy Council for Trade, that Committee have reported to Her Majesty in Council their opinion that the said Acts should be left to their operation.

I have the honor to transmit herewith an Order of Her Majesty in Council, dated the 6th instant, approving that Report.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient.

Humble Servant,

(Signed) GREY.

Lieut. Governor Sir John Harvey, K. C. B., &amp;c. &amp;c. &amp;c., Nova Scotia.

*At the Court at Windsor, the 6th day of November, 1849.*

PRESENT—

THE QUEEN'S MOST EXCELLENT MAJESTY,

&amp;c.

&amp;c.

&amp;c.

WHEREAS the Lieutenant Governor of Her Majesty's Province of Nova Scotia, with the Council and Assembly of the said Province; did, in the month of March, 1849, pass Five Acts, which have been transmitted, entitled as follows, viz:

No. 2887. An Act for granting Duties of Impost for the support of Her Majesty's Government within this Province.

No. 2888. An Act to continue and amend certain Acts relating to the Colonial Revenue.

No. 2889. An Act further to provide for the Collection of the Revenue.

No. 2892. An Act to regulate the Inspection of Pickled Fish.

No. 2897. An Act to continue and amend the Law regulating the Survey of Timber, Lumber, and Shingles.

And whereas the said Acts have been referred to the Committee of the Lords of Her Majesty's Most Honorable Privy Council, appointed for the consideration of all matters relating to Trade and Foreign Plantations, and the said Committee have reported, as their opinion to Her Majesty, that the said Acts should be left to their operation—Her Majesty was thereupon this day pleased, by and with the  
advice



advice of Her Privy Council, to approve the said Report—whereof the Governor, Lieutenant Governor, or Commander in Chief for the time being, of Her Majesty's Province of Nova Scotia, and all other persons whom it may concern, are to take notice, and govern themselves accordingly.

(Signed) C. GREVILLE.

No. 8.

(See page 424.)

COPY.

No. 166.

*Downing Street, 10th May, 1849.*

SIR—

I have the honor to enclose some Letters which have been transmitted to me by the Duke of Sutherland, in which you will find it stated, that certain Emigrants, bound to Prince Edward's Island, having landed for a few hours at Pictou, the Emigrant Tax was levied on them there, owing probably to its not having been set forth with sufficient distinctness in the Passenger List, that they were destined to Prince Edward's Island, and that upon their reaching the latter place they were subjected to a fresh demand for Head Money, and have only been hitherto exempted from its payment in consideration of their having entered into Bond for producing it if ultimately required.

As it would evidently appear as a hardship, and cannot be supposed to have been really designed by the Legislature, that persons who land only for a few hours in their transit to other Colonies should be subject to the payment of Emigrant Tax, I should wish you to consult your Law Advisers on this question, and to transfer, if it be competent to you so to do, the amount of the Head Money levied on these Passengers to the Government of Prince Edward's Island.

I am,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

(Signed) GREY.

Lieut. Governor Sir John Harvey.

COPY.

*London, 5th May, 1849.*

MY LORD—

I take the liberty of appealing to Your Lordship on behalf of some poor Emigrants from Sutherland, who have been put to very great distress by what certainly seems an act of very serious oppression. On account of the destitution on the West Coast of Sutherland, which, in consequence of total failure of the Potatoe crop, equalled that experienced on the West of Ireland—these poor people were desirous to emigrate, some having had acquaintance in Nova Scotia, and

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in Prince Edward Island, preferred those Colonies, and as their poverty prevented their defraying the necessary expenses, I chartered last year three vessels, and paid the whole expenses for 1176 persons, including women and children. They all had prosperous voyages, and the Emigrants, in two of the Ships, bound to Canada, have there succeeded, as on a former occasion in the preceding year, as well as possible ; but these unfortunate people having, on the contrary, met with unkind, and, in their case, really cruel treatment, on the part of persons under Government authority in Prince Edward Island, are in greater distress than could have been apprehended for them. Even supposing they should have been led by mistake to pay at a wrong time and place, this might surely have been set right without subjecting them to the privation, while this already paid Tax was kept still suspended over them without mercy for months in the beginning of their unhappy course, I can have no doubt that the Colonial Government will satisfy the urgent request for consideration, the poor people are in the mean time suffering very severely. I trust that Your Lordship will excuse my thus troubling you, as I feel compelled by the urgency of their case to do.

I send copies of Letters which have been forwarded to me by Mr. McIver, my Factor on the West Coast of Sutherland, and of an extract of the Colonial Act relating to the subject.

I have, &c.,

(Signed)

SUTHERLAND.

The Right Hon. Earl Grey, &c. &c. &c.

COPY.

Evander McIver, Esquire, to James Loch, Esquire.

*Scourie, 28th April, 1849.*

DEAR SIR—

I regret to trouble you with the enclosed documents relative to some of our poor Emigrants who went to Pictou last year ; but as it appears to me to be a case of extreme hardship and injustice, I venture to send them, in the hope you may induce the authorities at the Colonial Office to interfere in the matter.

The Barque "Ellen," chartered by the Duke of Sutherland to land Emigrants at Pictou, was, on her arrival there, strictly subjected to the regulations of the Colony, and the Head Money, amounting to Ten Shillings each, paid by the Captain for every soul on board. Several families, intending to settle in Prince Edward's Island, took passage from Pictou in a Packet, and on their arrival, the authorities there insisted for payment of Head Money, which having been paid at Pictou, these poor people refused, consequently their luggage was seized, and only given up to them on condition that they became bound to pay if the Assembly decided they should have to do so.

If you will take the trouble to read the enclosed, you will know what is the easiest and simplest mode of interfering on their behalf.

I have, &c.,

(Signed)

EVANDER McIVER.

James Loch, Esq, M. P.

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Evander McIver, Esquire, to Mr. A. McKay.

*Scourie, by No. 12, 9th February, 1849.*

SIR—

Having last year chartered as Factor in this district of the Estate of Sutherland, the Barque "Ellen" to carry Emigrants from this coast to Pictou, and having had some correspondence with one of the Emigrants, Hector Falconer, who after this ship's arrival proceeded to Prince Edward's Island, I find that he and others received much attention and sympathy at your hands, and therefore deem it proper to express to you my sincere and best thanks for your kind and feeling interest in these poor people, in whose welfare and prosperity you may naturally suppose I am much interested.

Falconer writes me, that on their arrival at Prince Edward's Island, they were charged with Head Money, although all the legal charges had been previously paid at Pictou—which I know to be the case, as I gave money for this special purpose to the Captain. Falconer further states, that he came back to Pictou, and got a Certificate from the Custom House Authorities that his Head Money had been paid them for his Family and all those who had accompanied them—that on returning to Prince Edward's Island with this Certificate it would not satisfy the Authorities there—that their luggage was arrested, and they had to sign a Bond agreeing to pay the amount within six months, and that until the Assembly met, he knew not how they were to be dealt by.

This appears a very strange business, and I suppose that Falconer, owing to some ignorance of the necessary forms, did not comply with the Custom House Regulation—still as he was a very decent, honest fellow, I think there must be some truth in his statement, and for the sake of others I am anxious to ascertain the truth. You will therefore add to the obligations you have already conferred on these men, and upon me, by letting me know what you know of the matter, and what is my best plan in case I may be chartering a ship again, to prevent the recurrence of such annoying treatment. If the Authorities at Prince Edward's Island are to blame, you will please to let me know in what respect. Such harsh, unfair treatment of poor people, would not be tolerated in Britain.

I must apologize for thus troubling you, and again thanking you for your generous conduct to these poor people in their difficulties.

I remain, &amp;c.

(Signed) EVANDER McIVER.

Mr. Alexr. G. McKay, Custom House, Pictou, Nova Scotia.

COPY.

Mr. Alexander G. McKay to Evander McIver, Esquire.

*Pictou, Nova Scotia, 31st March, 1849.*

SIR—

Immediately after receipt of yours, of date the 9th February last, I put myself in communication with his Excellency Sir Donald Campbell, the Lieutenant Governor of Prince Edward's Island, through the Hon. T. H. Haviland, the Colonial

lonial Secretary, touching the subject to which your Letter refers, and I now transmit unto you his answer, being the original, relative thereto. It is correct, as Mr. Falconer stated in his Letter to you, that Captain McLauchlan paid the Head Money for all his Passengers here, together with all other legal charges here, and acted indeed unto one and all of them more like the head of a family than a Shipmaster. No praise that they can bestow upon him can be too great. The Passengers having landed here, our Collector refused to refund the same, and subsequently remitted the amount to the Customs Department in Halifax; where, as you will perceive by the Colonial Secretary's Letter to me, it awaits the decision of the two Governments. As you mention in your Letter the probability of Emigrants embarking from your quarter for Nova Scotia, during the ensuing Summer, I took the trouble of seeking information for your future guidance from our Member of Parliament, at present in Halifax, and he has forwarded unto me a copy of the Immigration Law, which I also enclose. I may here mention, that at the time of the Immigrants leaving Scotland, if the place of their destination accompanied their names on the Ship's Manifest, a similar difficulty might be avoided, as it would only be collected in the quarter where they are bound for. I shall at all times take great pleasure in furthering the interest of my countrymen on their arrival here, and I trust you will appreciate the manner in which I have acted since receipt of yours. In consequence of the destitution which prevails here at present owing to the failure of the Crops during the past year, I think at present it would be an imprudent step to send out Immigrants for some time at least, and do assure you that those who arrived by the "Ellen" would find it a great relief if a small amount were sent to the head of each family to enable them to purchase seed.

I remain, &c.,

(Signed) ALEX. G. McKAY.

COPY.

Hon. T. H. Haviland, Colonial Secretary, Charlotte Town, to Mr. Alexander McKay.

*Secretary's Office, Charlotte Town, April 22nd, 1849.*

SIR—

I have received and laid before His Excellency Sir Donald Campbell, your communication of the 12th instant, as also the enclosed from Mr. McIver, relative to the Immigrants who arrived here from Scotland via Pictou, in the early part of the last Summer, and whose luggage was detained for the payment of the Head Money to which they were rendered liable by law, until released by His Excellency upon their entering into a bond to await the decision of the Legislature in their peculiar case.

I am desired by His Excellency to acquaint you, for the information of Mr. McIver, that the Legislature, which is now in Session, has not yet expressed any opinion upon the question, although there can be no doubt of the legal responsibility of the Immigrants to pay the amount of the Head Money demanded of them upon their landing here, although they have just cause to complain of a law which compelled them to pay Head Money in Pictou, where they remained, as His Excellency understood; but a few hours; the object of the law; which is general throughout

throughout the British North American Colonies, is to protect each Colony against the evil consequences of the introduction of Pauper Immigrants, by raising a fund out of which to provide for the necessities of those who may become chargeable to the Colony in which they locate themselves,—consequently as the ultimate destination of the Immigrants referred to by Mr. McIver was this Colony, the right to demand Head Money upon their arrival here was indisputable, and I would recommend Mr. McIver, in any future arrangements he may make for sending out Emigrants to this part of the world, to cause them to be landed in the Colony which they propose to make their home, and thus prevent a recurrence of the vexatious proceeding to which the Emigrants by the *Ellen* were subjected.

I have, &c.,

(Signed)

T. H. HAVILAND,

Colonial Secretary.

COPY.

H. Blackadar, Esqr., Member for the Township of Pictou, to Mr. Alexander McKay.

SIR—

I herewith enclose to you a copy of the Act, passed during the last Session, regulating the arrival of Emigrants in this Province from any part of the United Kingdom. This Act is in no way changed or altered by any Legislation during the present Session; such, therefore, as wish to emigrate to Nova Scotia will see what they will have to provide for.

I am, &c.

(Signed)

H. BLACKADAR,

Member for the Township of Pictou.

*Section XIV. of an Act to regulate Immigrant Vessels and Passengers.*

“XIV. And be it enacted, That it shall be lawful for the Governor in Council, on the arrival of any Ship or Vessel, at any Port or Place in this Province with Passengers or Immigrants, and liable to the Quarantine or Head Money by the Second Section of this Act imposed, to relieve the Owner, Charterer, Captain, or Agent of said Ship or Vessel from the payment of the said Quarantine or Head Money, in whole or in part, as to the said Governor in Council as aforesaid may appear just and reasonable, and on such terms as they may think it necessary to impose.”

COPY.

No. 97.

*Custom House, Halifax, 6th June, 1849.*

SIR—

With reference to your Letter of the 28th ultimo, relative to certain Emigrants brought to this Province in the Barque “*Ellen*,” from Scotland, I have the honor  
herewith

herewith to enclose a Letter I have this day received from Mr. Robertson, the Controller of Customs at Pictou. I beg leave to state, that the original List alluded to by Mr. Robertson, was transmitted by me, with the payment of the money, to Mr. Fairbanks, the Receiver General.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient and humble Servant,

(Signed) HENRY TREW, *Controller.*

To the Honorable Joseph Howe, &c. &c. &c.

COPY.

No. 21.

*Custom House, Pictou, 2d June, 1849.*

SIR—

In obedience to your Letter of the 28th ultimo, respecting certain Emigrants brought to this Port in the Barque "Ellen," McLachlan, Master, from Loch Luxford, Scotland, I beg to report, for the information of His Excellency the Governor, that the Barque "Ellen," D. McLachlan, Master, arrived here on the 29th June, 1848, and landed all the Passengers, being in number, with the exception of two families transhipped into the Mail Packet "Peri," Captain Davis, and in the following two weeks four families embarked for the same destination, making in all six families—a few of the Passengers went to Cape Breton, and the remainder located in different parts of the Province.

The Ellen cleared out and sailed from hence on the 3d July for Buctouche, N. B., in Ballast, leaving all the Passengers behind.

From the Victualling Bill brought by Captain McLachlan, (which I enclosed and returned to him,) it would appear that the vessel cleared for Liverpool "to take on board passengers at Loch Luxford," which will be shown by the List transmitted to you on the 18th January last, No. 3, and the amounts of Head Money collected in virtue of the Provincial Act, amounting to £63 5s., being for 126½ adults at 10s. each, was remitted on the same date per my Letter No. 2.

I may remark that the Ellen was not bound to Prince Edward Island, but to this Port, being the agreement entered into between the Master and the Duke of Sutherland's Agent before the embarkation of the Emigrants at Loch Luxford.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient Servant,

(Signed) WM. ROBERTSON,  
Contoller.

Henry Trew, Esq., Controller Customs and Navigation Laws, Halifax.

COPY.

COPY.

No. 121.

*Government House, Halifax, June 13, 1849.*

MY LORD—

Referring to Your Lordship's Despatch, No. 166, of the 10th of May, accompanied by a Letter addressed to Your Lordship by His Grace the Duke of Sutherland, I have now the honor to report, that immediately on the receipt of those documents, I called upon the Controller of Customs to direct the proper Officer at the Port of Pictou, to explain the circumstances under which Head Money was collected from the Passengers landed at that Port from the Barque "Ellen," and subsequently transhipped to Prince Edward Island.

Enclosures—  
1. Letter Mr. Trow.  
2. Letter Mr. Robertson.

2. From the document enclosed, it will appear that the "Ellen" cleared for Pictou, and not for Prince Edward Island—that four days after her arrival she sailed for a Port in New Brunswick, leaving all her Passengers, in number 126 adults, behind—that of these, but six families subsequently removed to Prince Edward Island in other vessels. Under these circumstances, no legal claim to Head Money could be established, and however hardly the double payment exacted in the Sister Colony may have borne upon these poor people in this instance, I humbly conceive that very great inconvenience would result if Emigrants landing in one Province and subsequently dispersing into others, were encouraged to reclaim the Head Money paid at the Port of landing, where in a great majority of cases they would, from the prevalence of poverty and disease, be chiefly burthensome. Less difficulty would arise if each Colony collecting from ships entering its ports from the long voyage, would permit Emigrants once landed in either, to pass freely into all others.

3. One of the Vessels to which the Duke of Sutherland refers, landed at Pictou last Season a cargo of Emigrants affected with Confluent Small Pox. At a very heavy expense to this Government they were maintained in Hospital for many weeks, under the care of the Provincial Health Officers,—28 died, and late in the Autumn, finding that the greater portion of the Survivors were bound for Prince Edward Island and Cape Breton, I directed Vessels to be hired, at the Public Expense, to convey them thither, and was compelled to advance to those going to Prince Edward Island £112 10s. out of the Treasury to pay their Head Money in that Colony, a sum which the Authorities of the Island declined to repay.

4. Should Your Lordship, with those explanations, still think that the Head Money paid by the six families who have complained should be refunded, I will, on the receipt of Your Lordship's further instructions, submit the question to the Council.

I have, &amp;c.,

(Signed)

J. HARVEY.

The Rt. Honorable Earl Grey, &amp;c. &amp;c.

COPY.

No. 185.

*Downing Street, 1st August, 1849.*

SIR—

I have to acknowledge your Despatch, No. 121, of the 12th June last, containing a further Report on the subject of the Head Money levied on certain Emigrants at Pictou, landed from the Barque Ellen on the 29th June, 1848.

2. Your Report and its enclosures appear to shew that, under the existing Law, this Head Money was properly levied from the Emigrants in question, with the exception of two Families, who were transhipped for Prince Edward Island without landing; but whether or not the Head Money was levied from these two Families it is impossible to ascertain from the enclosures to your Despatch, as this is nowhere directly stated or denied, and the total number of Emigrants is left in blank in the copy of the Controller's Letter.

3. I am thus left without accurate information as to a point, which however minute in itself, is of some importance towards satisfying the parties who have made complaints to me in the present instance. If the Head Money was in fact levied from these two Families, you will probably agree with me that an illegal act was inadvertently committed, and that the amount ought to be remitted to Sir Donald Campbell, for the benefit of the two families in question.

4. With respect to the Nova Scotia Law itself, I would observe, that in the Act passed by the Legislature of Prince Edward Island for the same purpose, there is an exception in favor of Emigrants who merely touch at the Island without any intention of remaining there; there is no such provision in the Nova Scotia Act as regards British Emigrants, although I find in it an exception of the same kind in favor of parties landing from the other North American Colonies. I wish to bring this omission to your notice, as it must occasionally, as in the present instance, cause some hardships to the poorer class of British Emigrants; but it is possible that reasons of which I am not aware may have operated to prevent the introduction of such a provision.

I am, Sir,

Your most obedient Servant,

(Signed)

GREY.

Lieut. Governor, Sir John Harvey, &c. &c.

COPY.

*Government House, Halifax, August 15, 1849.*

SIR—

It appearing by Correspondence and Documents transmitted to me through the Right Honorable the Secretary of State for the Colonies, that two poor families landed from the Bark "Ellen" at Pictou, and subsequently transhipped to Prince Edward Island, had paid Head Money in both Provinces, I have to request that you will direct the proper officer to draw upon the Receiver General of this Province for the amount of the Head Money paid at Pictou, transmitting at the same time a Memorandum shewing the numbers and names included in each family, for whose benefit the amount is to be applied.

I have, &c.

(Signed)

J. HARVEY.

His Excellency Sir Donald Campbell, Bart.

Lieut. Governor, P. E. Island, &c. &c. &c.

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COPY.

No. 134.

*Government House, Halifax, August 15, 1849.*

MY LORD—

I have had the honor to receive Your Lordship's Despatch, No. 185, of the 1st of August, on the subject of Head Money paid by two families landed at Pictou from the Barque "Ellen," and who had been, on reaching their port of destination, compelled to give Bonds for Head Money to the Authorities of Prince Edward Island. Regretting the trouble which has been given to Your Lordship in reference to this matter, I have determined to direct that any amount paid in this Province by those poor people should be remitted for their benefit, leaving the general principles raised by the case, and the correspondence which has grown out of it, to the revision of the Legislature at its next Session.

I have, &amp;c.,

(Signed)

J. HARVEY.

The Right Hon. Earl, Grey, &amp;c. &amp;c.

No. 9.

(See page 424.)

COPY.

No. 170.

*Downing Street, 11th May, 1849.*

SIR—

I transmit for your information and guidance copies of correspondence which has passed between this Department and the Boards of Treasury and Admiralty, relative to the establishment of a revised Table of Fees for the Vice Admiralty Court at Quebec, together with a copy of the joint Report of the Queen's Advocate, the Advocate of the Admiralty, and Mr. Rothery, on this subject.

Treas. 11th Dec. '49.  
Admiralty, 2nd April,  
1849.

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The result is that the Table of Fees, (of which I enclose a printed copy,) has been recently established at Quebec, under the authority of an order of Her Majesty, in Council, dated the 2d of March, 1848.

You will bring these documents under the consideration of your Executive Council, with a view to the adoption of any measures which the Legislature of Nova Scotia may deem expedient for making the same scale of fees applicable to the Courts of the Province under your Government.

I am, Sir,

Your most obedient Servant,

(Signed)

GREY.

Lieut. Governor Sir John Harvey.

COPY.

*Treasury Chambers, 11th December, 1847.*

SIR—

With reference to the communications made to this Board by direction of Earl Grey, on the 26th August, 1846, and 17th June last, respecting the establishment of

of a Tariff of Fees for the Vice Admiralty Court at Quebec, and to the previous correspondence on that subject, I am commanded by the Lords Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury to transmit to you the enclosed Report from the Queen's Advocate, the Advocate of the Admiralty, the Registrar of the High Court of Admiralty, and Mr. Rothery; and I am to request that in submitting the same for the consideration of Lord Grey, you will observe to His Lordship, that as the arrangement for remunerating the Judge, and partly remunerating the Registrar and Marshal of the Court, by salaries to be provided for by the Provincial Government, and also the Tariff of Fees submitted in this Report, are, with very trifling exceptions, in conformity with propositions of the Committee of the Canadian Executive Council, approved by the late Governor General, Lord Grey may possibly not deem it necessary that the subject should be further referred to the authorities in Canada; and in such case my Lords would be prepared to cause the Report to be forwarded to the Lords of the Admiralty, in order that the requisite steps may be taken for the establishment of the Table of Fees by the authority of Her Majesty in Council, as provided for by the Act of 2d and 3d Wm. IV. Cap. 51.

Adverting also to the propositions which have been submitted to the Secretary of State for modification of the Fees levied in other Vice Admiralty Courts in the N. American Provinces, I am to request you will further move Lord Grey to cause my Lords to be informed whether His Lordship is prepared to make any reference on the subject to the Governments of those Colonies, which would seem a requisite preliminary to the establishment in them of a similar Tariff, inasmuch as the adoption of such Tariff would involve the necessity for provision, as in the case of Canada, for the payment from Colonial Funds of Salaries to the Judges and other officers of the respective Courts.

I have, &c.,

(Signed)

C. E. TREVELYAN.

B. Hawes, Esq., &c. &c. &c.

#### VICE ADMIRALTY COURT OF QUEBEC.

In obedience to the reference made to us, respecting the Establishment of a Table of the Fees to be taken by the Officers and Practitioners of this Vice Admiralty Court, we have taken into our consideration the Table of Fees framed and established under the Act of the 2d of Wm. IV. C. 51; also the Order of Her Majesty in Council, dated the 20th of November, 1835, which annulled and revoked such Table of Fees so far as it had been made applicable to this Vice Admiralty Court. We have also had reference to a variety of documents connected with this subject, and to a Form of Table of Fees submitted by us in August, 1843, for the consideration of Her Majesty's Secretary of State for the Colonies, and we have also perused and fully considered the Letters from the Colonial Office to the Treasury, respectively dated the 26th of August, 1846, and the 17th of June, 1847, together with the several documents transmitted with the said Letters; and we have moreover especially directed our attention to the Report of a Committee appointed by His Excellency Lord Metcalfe, late Governor General of Lower Canada, for the purpose of revising the aforesaid proposed Form of Table of Fees; and we have also taken into our consideration the whole of the evidence given before the said Committee, together with the Report of a Committee of the Honorable the Executive in Council of Lower Canada,—and we are

are of opinion that, as it has been customary for the Judge of this Vice Admiralty Court to receive a Salary for the performance of his official duties, and as we are further instructed that such Judge has hitherto invariably united in his person a higher and more lucrative Judicial appointment, together with that of Judge of this Vice Admiralty Court, we concur in the opinion expressed by the Committee of the Honorable the Executive in Council, that the Judge of this Vice Admiralty Court should be paid a Salary of Two Hundred Pounds per annum out of the Provincial Funds of the Colony, and not be permitted to receive any Fees from any of the suitors in the Court.

We are further of opinion, that the Registrar and Marshal should be paid partly by Salary, and partly by a reduced or moderate Scale of Fees. And we think that the Salary of the Registrar should be One Hundred Pounds per annum, and that of the Marshal should be Fifty Pounds per annum, in addition to the Fees to which they will respectively be entitled for the duties they may have to perform.

We advert to that part of the Report of the Committee which alludes to the Merchant Seaman's Act, the 7th and 8th of Victoria, Cap. 112, wherein they express their regret that the Jurisdiction of this and other Courts of Admiralty in respect to Seamen's Wages, in cases under £20, had been taken from those Courts, and transferred to Magistrates; and the Commissioners suggest the repeal of this part of the Seaman's Act. We consider, however, that it would not be within the scope of our reference to give any opinion on this subject; but we think it right to direct attention to that part of the Commissioners' Report which states that this Act will have the effect of taking away the greater part of the Fees proposed to be taken by the Officers of this Court of Vice Admiralty.

We also think it advisable to refer to that part of Lord Cathcart's Letter of the 28th of July, 1846, which transmits several of the documents to which we have adverted, in order, as His Lordship states, "that they may be submitted to the proper Officers, before the final enactment of Her Majesty in Council, of a Tariff of Fees for the several Courts of Vice Admiralty in British North America," and to observe that the Vice Admiralty Court at Quebec is the only Court to which the several documents we have had before us in any manner relate, and inasmuch as it is the only Court where the Fees established by the said Act of the 2nd and 3rd of Wm. IV., Cap. 51, have been annulled and revoked by order in Council—consequently the Table of Fees to be taken in all the other Vice Admiralty Courts in British North America must be made conformably to that Act of Parliament, until such Act be revoked by order of Her Majesty in Council. On this point, however, we think our safer course is to refer to that part of the Report of the Committee wherein they state, "we have not failed to advert to the desire which has been expressed, that if practicable, a Tariff should be framed applicable to all Colonies in North America; but in the absence of information as to the practice and the relative position of the different Officers of the Vice Admiralty Courts of the other Colonies, compared with that of Canada, we have felt that we best discharged the duty imposed upon us by confining ourselves to suggesting what we conceived to be the most desirable for the Vice Admiralty Court of this Province."

The following is the proposed Table of Fees to be taken by the Officers and Practitioners of the Vice Admiralty Court at Quebec.

JUDGE.

No Fees to be allowed to the Judge. His Salary to be, in lieu  
of all Fees,

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## BY THE SURROGATE.

*Fees in the progress of a Suit or Cause.—Sterling Money.*

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| For administering an Oath, as to a witness or party in a Cause ;<br>taking Bail, whether by one or more persons ; Decreeing<br>Monition, Commission, Attachment, or for any other in-<br>strument ; or for any Judicial Act done before or after<br>the hearing of a Cause. | £0 1 6 |
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## BY THE REGISTRAR.

1. *Fees on Instruments prepared by the Registrar.*

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| For Drawing and Ingrossing—                                                                                                                                                                        |       |
| Warrant to arrest Ship, Goods, or Person,                                                                                                                                                          |       |
| Copy and filing Affidavit,                                                                                                                                                                         | 0 4 6 |
| Bail Bond,                                                                                                                                                                                         | 0 4 6 |
| Monition, Commission, or Decree, whether of Unlivery, Ap-<br>praisement, or Sale, or otherwise,                                                                                                    | 0 9 0 |
| Writ, or Instrument of Restitution,                                                                                                                                                                | 0 9 0 |
| Compulsory or Subpœna against Witnesses,                                                                                                                                                           | 0 3 0 |
| Writ of Attachment,                                                                                                                                                                                | 0 9 0 |
| If either of the preceding Instruments exceed in length ten folios,<br>for every folio beyond ten,                                                                                                 | 0 1 0 |
| NOTE.—The folio mentioned throughout this Table of Fees must<br>contain 90 words, reckoning each figure as a word.                                                                                 |       |
| Should the Registrar be required to prepare any other Document,<br>Instrument, or matter whatsoever, not specified in this<br>Table, he will be entitled to the same charge as a Proctor,<br>viz : |       |
| For drawing, for every folio,                                                                                                                                                                      | 0 1 0 |
| For fair copying or engrossing, for every folio,                                                                                                                                                   | 0 0 6 |

2. *Fees on Documents not prepared by the Registrar, but by the Proctor,  
Solicitor, or Advocate in a Cause.*

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| On a Decree pronouncing for the interest of a party proceeding<br>in pœnam, being signed by the Judge, including the draw-<br>ing the Act, | 0 6 0 |
| On filing Affidavit or Protest of a Master or Mariners, without<br>reference to the number of persons making the same,                     | 0 1 6 |
| On filing Libel, Information, Claim, Proxy, or similar document,                                                                           | 0 2 3 |
| On filing Exhibit annexed thereto, or to any Affidavit,                                                                                    | 0 0 6 |
| On signing and filing personal answers of a party in a Suit, in-<br>cluding drawing the Act,                                               | 0 3 0 |

3. *Fees on taking the Examination of Witnesses.*

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| On the Examination of every Witness, on an Information, Libel,<br>Interrogatories or Plea, whether <i>viva voce</i> or otherwise, a<br>Fee of | 0 4 6 |
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| For each folio to which the Examination shall extend, if in English, | £0 | 1 | 0 |
| If by Interpretation, Interpreter included,                          | 0  | 2 | 0 |

NOTE—It should be understood that the Registrar, or whoever acts as the Examiner for him, should take Depositions in chief of the Witnesses, on the Libel, Information, or Plea itself, without written Interrogatories, putting such relevant questions *viva voce*, as may suggest themselves, and care should be taken not to lead the Witness. The Libel, Information, or Plea, should therefore always be drawn sufficiently precise and full to enable the Examiner to take the Examinations accordingly.

The Cross Examinations must of course be taken in written Interrogatories.

#### 4. Fees on Office Copies of Papers or Proceedings.

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| For Office Copy of Sentence or Interlocutory Decree certified under seal,                                                                                       | 0 | 6 | 0 |
| For Office Copy of any Affidavit, Examination, answers of a party, or other Document, or proceedings in a Cause, or Extract therefrom, if under 12 folios,      | 0 | 4 | 6 |
| If exceeding 12 folios, for each folio beyond 12,                                                                                                               | 0 | 0 | 6 |
| Office Copies of Papers and Proceedings to form a process to be transmitted to the Court of Appeal, or for any other purpose, for each folio contained therein, | 0 | 0 | 6 |

5. Fees on Translation of Papers,—where papers are translated the Registrar should charge the Disbursement actually made to the Translator, with an addition of one-fourth to compensate himself for his trouble, advance, &c.

#### 6. Incidental Fees in the progress of a Cause.

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| On subduction of an Action,                                                                                                                               | 0 | 4 | 6 |
| For entering every ordinary Act of Court, not specified in this Table,                                                                                    | 0 | 1 | 0 |
| On every Default pronounced against parties in contempt in cases proceeding in <i>pœnam</i> ,                                                             | 0 | 4 | 6 |
| On every Interlocutory Decree or Sentence, including drawing the Act, to be paid by the party succeeding,                                                 | 0 | 9 | 0 |
| For every attendance before a Judge or Surrogate, at which any Decree is made other than an Interlocutory or Sentence, including the Act drawing the Act, | 0 | 4 | 6 |
| For a receipt for Original Documents delivered out of the Registry,                                                                                       | 0 | 1 | 6 |
| On a Search or Examination of the Records by any person, not being a party in the cause in which the Search is made,                                      | 0 | 1 | 0 |
| NOTE.—No Fee to be charged to a party in the Cause, or to any Seaman applying for a Search.                                                               |   |   |   |
| For advertising an intermediate or extra Court day, in addition to the sum paid for the Advertisement,                                                    | 0 | 4 | 6 |

#### 7. On paying out Money.

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| For preparing Receipt for Money to be paid out of the Registry,       | 0 | 1 | 6 |
| Poundage on Money paid out of the Registry for every Pound, Sterling, | 0 | 0 | 2 |

8.

8. *Taxing Costs.*

For taxing a Bill for Costs, if under six folios, from the party at whose instance the taxation takes place, £0 4 6'

9. *References of Accounts, &c., by the Judge to the Registrar and Merchants.*

To the Registrar, 2 2 0  
 To the Assistant Merchant, 2 2 0  
 If two Merchants two Guineas each.

## BY THE MARSHAL.

For arresting a Vessel, Goods, or Person, 0 18 0

For keeping possession of a Vessel and Cargo jointly, or either of them singly, when the same are not under the responsible charge and custody of the Officers of the Customs, for each day in which they remain in the Marshal's charge, exclusive of charge for Keepers when necessary, 0 3 0

NOTE—This Fee not to be chargeable in cases where the Goods have been put into Store or Warehouse.

For enquiring into and certifying the sufficiency of persons proposed as Sureties in any Suit, 0 2 3

For release of a Vessel, Goods, or Person, from arrest, 0 2 3

For executing any Monition or Decree for answers of a party or compulsory, or other instrument not specified, 0 4 6

For any Default or Decree pronounced for the interest of a party proceeding in penam, 0 3 0

For every attendance in Court when a Sentence or Interlocutory Decree is pronounced, 0 4 6

For executing every Decree or Commission of Appraisement, exclusive of the Appraiser's Fees, but including the making of the Inventory, if the value should not exceed £500 Sterling, 1 1 0

For the like duty when the value exceeds £500 Sterling, 1 16 0

For executing every Decree or Commission of Sale of Ships or Goods by Public Auction, when the gross proceeds are under £200 Sterling, 1 1 0

And in every additional £100 Sterling, 0 10 6

On attending the execution of a Decree or Commission, or unlivery of Cargo, (when not done for the purpose of Sale,) per day, 0 16 0

For taking a person in execution after sentence, if the sum due from such person does not exceed £20 Sterling, 0 18 0

For the like duty when the sum is above £20 and under £50 Sterling, 1 16 0

For the like duty when the sum is above £50 and under £100 Sterling, for every Pound Sterling due, 0 1 0

And on every additional Pound Sterling after the first £100, 0 0 6

NOTE.—Should it be necessary for the Marshal to go any distance to execute any of the above duties, there should be paid to him for the loss of time and travelling expenses, in addition to the preceding Fees, the following :

If

|                                                                                                                                                                              |        |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------|
| If the distance exceed four and be under six miles,                                                                                                                          | £0 1 1 |
| If the distance be still greater the allowance to be increased by an addition of Two Shillings and Three Pence for each additional league, and his reasonable disbursements. |        |

## BY THE ADVOCATES.

As the profession of Advocate and Proctor are not as yet separated in Lower Canada, the Fees of both are inserted under the following head

## BY THE ADVOCATES AND PROCTORS.

|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |        |
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| Retaining Fee, Instructions to prosecute or defend,                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               | 0 10 6 |
| For attending before the Judge or Judge Surrogate, either in Court or Chambers,                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   | 0 6 0  |
| On extracting any Warrant, Monition, Commission, Writ, or other Instrument,                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       | 0 6 0  |
| Drawing Libel, Information, Claim, and Affidavit, Act or Petition, Responsive Plea, (or Replication,) to Libel or Information, or Act on Petition,                                                                                                                                                                                                                                | 0 18 0 |
| Engrossing Copies, each,                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          | 0 9 0  |
| Drawing Interrogatories, Answers, Affidavits, or any other proceedings, whatever, not herein specified, for each folio,                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           | 0 1 0  |
| Fair Copying or Engrossing, for every folio,                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      | 0 0 6  |
| NOTE.—It should be understood that in preparing Interrogatories for the cross examination of witnesses, they are not to be drawn separately for each witness to whom the same are to be administered, but that when practicable, as in most instances will be the case, one set of Interrogatories should be prepared generally applicable to all the witnesses.                  |        |
| For consultation with party for the purpose of taking instructions for the Libel, Information Plea, Act on Petition, or for any other important purpose during the dependence of a Suit,                                                                                                                                                                                          | 0 6 0  |
| The Fee for the final hearing must depend upon the length of the Evidence, and the importance and difficulties of the Cause, but in cases of no great intricacy the Fee should be from two to three Guineas, and not to exceed the latter sum, unless where the proceedings are voluminous or unusually important or difficult, and in this last case not to exceed five Guineas. |        |
| For any necessary attendance on the Registrar, or on the adverse Proctor during the progress of a Cause, to adjust any incidental point in the Suit, or on the Marshal to instruct him as to the service of any Instrument, reporting Bail, &c.                                                                                                                                   | 0 4 6  |
| On all Office Copies of Depositions, &c., obtained from the Registrar, one-third of actual sum paid at the Registry is to be added for trouble of collating and extracting the same.                                                                                                                                                                                              |        |

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| For perusing and considering any Papers, Exhibits, or Documents, furnished or introduced into a Cause by the adverse party to his own Proctor, for the purpose of being brought forward as Evidence in the Suit, if not exceeding 12 folios, | £0 3 0 |
| For every additional 12 folios,                                                                                                                                                                                                              | 0 1 6  |
| For attending Informations on the final hearing of a Cause when it occupies only a short time,                                                                                                                                               | 0 10 0 |
| If a few hours,                                                                                                                                                                                                                              | 0 16 8 |
| If a whole day,                                                                                                                                                                                                                              | 1 6 8  |

In some of the Vice Admiralty Courts, Proceedings for the forfeiture of Ships or Goods, and for the recovery of Penalties consequent thereon, have, in some instances, been carried on by two separate Suits, one for the condemnation of the property, and the other for the penalties. This mode of proceeding should be discontinued, one suit only being necessary to accomplish both objects.

In all cases under £20 sterling, wherein the Judge shall see fit to order that the Proceedings be Summary, and the Evidence taken *viva voce*, the Fees to be taken by the several Officers of the Court shall become half of the foregoing Fees, and no more, save and except as to the Fee for the Warrant of Arrest, Arrest, and Bail Bond, which shall remain as above.

So also as to cases under £20 sterling, settled before the return of the Warrant.

#### SUPPLEMENTARY RULES.

The Rules and Regulations established by the King's Order in Council of the 27th of June, 1832, are not to be construed to have set aside the former practice in the Courts of Vice Admiralty, of allowing the Defendant to require from the Promoter to Libel with Sureties unless the Promoter should be admitted by the Court to his juratory caution.

From the shortness of the Season of the Navigation at the Port of Quebec, and the danger and risk to ships towards the close of the Navigation in the Autumn from even so short as twenty-four hours notice of Bail to answer an Action, this period of notice of Bail, as provided by the Eleventh Section of the above Rules and Regulations, shall not be required, where the parties who are proposed as the Bail make oath that they are respectively worth more than the amount for which they are proposed as Bail or Security, over and above their just debts.

(Signed)

**J. DODSON,  
JOSEPH PHILLIMORE.  
WM. ROTHERY,  
H. B. SWABEY.**

COPY.

*Admiralty, 4th April, 1849.*

SIR—

I am commanded by my Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty, to transmit to you, for the information of Earl Grey, the enclosed copy of the Table of Fees of the Vice Admiralty Court at Quebec.

(Signed)

**W. A. B. HAMILTON.**

H. Merivale, Esqr.

COPY.



COPY.

*Downing Street, 21st April, 1849.*

SIR—

I am directed by Earl Grey, to acknowledge the receipt of your Letter of the 4th instant, transmitting by command of the Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty, a copy of the Table of Fees of the Vice Admiralty Court at Quebec.

Lord Grey requests to be informed, whether the Table of Fees thus communicated to him in copy has been forwarded by the Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty to Canada, and if so, at what period it was so sent. His Lordship also wishes to be informed, whether the Table has been confirmed by an Order of the Queen in Council, and if so, of the date which that Order bears.

I have, &amp;c.,

(Signed) J. C. MERIVALE.

Capt. W. A. B. Hamilton, R. N.

COPY.

*Admiralty, 25th April, 1849.*

SIR—

With reference to your Letter of the 21st instant, I am commanded by my Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty to request that you will acquaint Earl Grey that a copy of the Table of Fees of the Vice Admiralty Court at Quebec was sent from this Office to the Judge of the Vice Admiralty Court at Quebec, on the 30th May, 1848, and that the Order in Council, establishing these Fees, was dated 2d March, 1848.

(Signed) W. A. B. HAMILTON.

H. Merivale, Esqr.

## TABLE OF FEES,

*To be taken by the Judge, Registrar, Marshal, Advocates, and Proctors of the Vice Admiralty Court, Quebec.*

Sterling Money.

## JUDGE.

No Fees to be allowed to the Judge. His Salary to be, in lieu of all Fees,

£200 0 0

## BY THE SUBROGATE.

*Fees in the progress of a Suit or Cause.*

For administering an Oath, as to a witness or party in a Cause; taking Bail, whether by one or more persons; Decreeing Monition, Commission, Attachment, or for any other instrument; or for any Judicial Act done before or after the hearing of a Cause.

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## BY THE REGISTRAR.

1. *Fees on Instruments prepared by the Registrar.*

## For Drawing and Ingrossing—

|                                                                                                                                                                                           |    |   |   |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----|---|---|
| Warrant to arrest Ship, Goods, or Person,                                                                                                                                                 | £0 | 4 | 6 |
| Copy and filing Affidavit,                                                                                                                                                                |    |   |   |
| Bail Bond,                                                                                                                                                                                | 0  | 4 | 6 |
| Monition, Commission, or Decree, whether of Unlivery, Appraisement, or Sale, or otherwise,                                                                                                | 0  | 9 | 0 |
| Writ, or Instrument of Restitution,                                                                                                                                                       | 0  | 9 | 0 |
| Compulsory or Subpœna against Witnesses,                                                                                                                                                  | 0  | 3 | 0 |
| Writ of Attachment,                                                                                                                                                                       | 0  | 9 | 0 |
| If either of the preceding Instruments exceed in length ten folios, for every folio beyond ten,                                                                                           | 0  | 1 | 0 |
| NOTE.—The folio mentioned throughout this Table of Fees must contain 90 words, reckoning each figure as a word.                                                                           |    |   |   |
| Should the Registrar be required to prepare any other Document, Instrument, or matter whatsoever, not specified in this Table, he will be entitled to the same charge as a Proctor, viz : |    |   |   |
| For drawing, for every folio,                                                                                                                                                             | 0  | 1 | 0 |
| For fair copying or engrossing, for every folio,                                                                                                                                          | 0  | 0 | 6 |

2. *Fees on Documents not prepared by the Registrar, but by the Proctor, Solicitor, or Advocate in a Cause.*

|                                                                                                                                    |   |   |   |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---|---|---|
| On a Decree pronouncing for the interest of a party proceeding in pœnam, being signed by the Judge, including the drawing the Act, | 0 | 6 | 0 |
| On filing Affidavit or Protest of a Master or Mariners, without reference to the number of persons making the same,                | 0 | 1 | 6 |
| On filing Libel, Information, Claim, Proxy, or similar document,                                                                   | 0 | 2 | 3 |
| On filing Exhibit annexed thereto, or to any Affidavit,                                                                            | 0 | 0 | 6 |
| On signing (or filing) personal answers of a party in a Suit, including drawing the Act,                                           | 0 | 3 | 0 |

3. *Fees on taking the Examination of Witnesses.*

|                                                                                                                                         |   |   |   |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---|---|---|
| On the Examination of every Witness, on an Information, Libel, Interrogatories or Plea, whether <i>viva voce</i> or otherwise, a Fee of | 0 | 4 | 6 |
| For each folio to which the Examination shall extend, if in English,                                                                    | 0 | 1 | 0 |
| If by Interpretation, Interpreter included,                                                                                             | 0 | 2 | 0 |

NOTE—It should be understood that the Registrar, or whoever acts as the Examiner for him, should take Depositions in chief of the Witnesses, on the Libel, Information, or Plea itself, without written Interrogatories, putting such relevant questions *viva voce*, as may suggest themselves, and care should be taken not to lead the Witness. The Libel, Information, or Plea, should therefore always be drawn sufficiently precise and full to enable the Examiner to take the Examinations accordingly.

The Cross Examinations must of course be taken in written Interrogatories.

4. *Fees on Office Copies of Papers or Proceedings.*

|                                                                                                                                                                 |        |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------|
| For Office Copy of Sentence or Interlocutory Decree certified under seal,                                                                                       | £0 6 0 |
| For Office Copy of any Affidavit, Examination, answers of a party, or other Documents, or proceedings in a Cause, or Extract therefrom, if under 12 folios,     | 0 4 6  |
| If exceeding 12 folios, for each folio beyond 12,                                                                                                               | 0 0 6  |
| Office Copies of Papers and Proceedings to form a process to be transmitted to the Court of Appeal, or for any other purpose, for each folio contained therein, | 0 6 0  |

5. *Fees on Translation of Papers,—where papers are translated the Registrar should charge the Disbursement actually made to the Translator, with an addition of one-fourth to compensate himself for his trouble, advance, &c.*

6. *Incidental Fees in the progress of a Cause.*

|                                                                                                                                                           |       |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------|
| On subduction of an Action,                                                                                                                               | 0 4 6 |
| For entering every ordinary Act of Court, not specified in this Table,                                                                                    | 0 1 0 |
| On every Default pronounced against parties in contempt in cases proceeding in pœnam,                                                                     | 0 4 6 |
| On every Interlocutory Decree or Sentence, including drawing the Act, to be paid by the party succeeding,                                                 | 0 9 0 |
| For every attendance before a Judge or Surrogate, at which any Decree is made other than an Interlocutory or Sentence, including the Act drawing the Act, | 0 4 6 |
| For a receipt for Original Documents delivered out of the Registry,                                                                                       | 0 1 6 |
| On a Search or Examination of the Records by any person, not being a party in the cause in which the Search is made,                                      | 0 1 0 |
| NOTE.—No Fee to be charged to a party in the Cause, or to any Seaman applying for a Search.                                                               |       |
| For advertising an intermediate or extra Court day, in addition to the sum paid for the Advertisement,                                                    | 0 4 6 |

7. *On paying out Money.*

|                                                                       |       |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------|-------|
| For preparing Receipt for Money to be paid out of the Registry,       | 0 1 6 |
| Poundage on Money paid out of the Registry for every Pound, Sterling, | 0 0 2 |

8. *Taxing Costs.*

|                                                                                                              |       |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------|
| For taxing a Bill for Costs, if under six folios, from the party at whose instance the taxation takes place, | 0 4 6 |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------|

9. *References of Accounts, &c., by the Judge to the Registrar and Merchants.*

|                                    |       |
|------------------------------------|-------|
| To the Registrar,                  | 2 2 0 |
| To the Assistant Merchant,         | 2 2 0 |
| If two Merchants two Guineas each. |       |

## BY THE MARSHAL.

|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |         |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------|
| For arresting a Vessel, Goods, or Person,                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 | £0 18 0 |
| For keeping possession of a Vessel and Cargo jointly, or either of them singly, when the same are not under the responsible charge and custody of the Officers of the Customs, for each day in which they remain in the Marshal's charge, exclusive of charge for Keepers when necessary, | 0 3 0   |
| NOTE.—This Fee not to be chargeable in cases where the Goods have been put into Store or Warehouse.                                                                                                                                                                                       |         |
| For enquiring into and certifying the sufficiency of persons proposed as Sureties in any Suit,                                                                                                                                                                                            | 0 2 3   |
| For release of a Vessel, Goods, or Person, from arrest,                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   | 0 2 3   |
| For executing any Monition or Decree for answers of a party or compulsory, or other instrument not specified,                                                                                                                                                                             | 0 4 6   |
| For any Default or Decree pronounced for the interest of a party proceeding in pœnam,                                                                                                                                                                                                     | 0 3 0   |
| For every attendance in Court when a Sentence or Interlocutory Decree is pronounced,                                                                                                                                                                                                      | 0 4 6   |
| For executing every Decree or Commission of Appraisement, exclusive of the Appraiser's Fees, but including the making of the Inventory, if the value should not exceed £500 Sterling,                                                                                                     | 1 1 0   |
| For the like duty when the value exceeds £500 Sterling,                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   | 1 16 0  |
| For executing every Decree or Commission of Sale of Ship or Goods by Public Auction, when the gross proceeds are under £200 Sterling,                                                                                                                                                     | 1 1 0   |
| And in every additional £100 Sterling,                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    | 0 10 6  |
| On attending the execution of a Decree or Commission of unlivery of Cargo, (when not done for the purpose of Sale,) per day,                                                                                                                                                              | 0 16 0  |
| For taking a person in execution after sentence, if the sum due from such person does not exceed £20 Sterling,                                                                                                                                                                            | 0 18 0  |
| For the like duty when the sum is above £20 and under £50 Sterling,                                                                                                                                                                                                                       | 1 16 0  |
| For the like duty when the sum is above £50 and under £100 Sterling, for every Pound Sterling due,                                                                                                                                                                                        | 0 1 0   |
| And on every additional Pound Sterling after the first £100,                                                                                                                                                                                                                              | 0 0 6   |
| NOTE.—Should it be necessary for the Marshal to go any distance to execute any of the above duties, there should be paid to him for loss of time and travelling expenses, in addition to the preceding Fees, the following :                                                              |         |
| If the distance exceed four and be under six miles,                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       | 0 1 1   |
| If the distance be still greater the allowance to be increased by an addition of Two Shillings and Three Pence for each additional league, and his reasonable disbursements.                                                                                                              |         |

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| Retaining Fee, Instructions to prosecute or defend,                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               | £0 10 6 |
| For attending before the Judge or Judge Surrogate, either in Court or Chambers,                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   | 0 6 0   |
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| For consultation with party for the purpose of taking instructions for the Libel, Information Plea, Act on Petition, or for any other important purpose during the dependence of a Suit,                                                                                                                                                                                          | 0 6 0   |
| The Fee for the final hearing must depend upon the length of the Evidence, and the importance and difficulties of the Cause, but in cases of no great intricacy the Fee should be from two to three Guineas, and not to exceed the latter sum, unless where the proceedings are voluminous or unusually important or difficult, and in this last case not to exceed five Guineas. |         |
| For any necessary attendance on the Registrar, or on the adverse Proctor during the progress of a Cause, to adjust any incidental point in the Suit, or on the Marshal to instruct him as to the service of any Instrument, reporting Bail, &c.                                                                                                                                   | 0 4 6   |
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| For perusing and considering any Papers, Exhibits, or Documents, furnished or introduced into a Cause by the adverse party or furnished by a party to his own Proctor, for the purpose of being brought forward as Evidence in the Suit, if not exceeding 12 folios,                                                                                                              | 0 3 0   |
| For every additional 12 folios,                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   | 0 1 6   |
| For attending Informations on the final hearing of a Cause when it occupies only a short time,                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    | 0 10 0  |
| If a few hours,                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   | 0 16 8  |
| If a whole day,                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   | 1 6 8   |

NOTE.

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So also as to cases under £20 sterling, settled before the return of the Warrant.

### SUPPLEMENTARY RULES.

The Rules and Regulations established by the King's Order in Council of the 27th of June, 1832, are not to be construed to have set aside the former practice in the Courts of Vice Admiralty, of allowing the Defendant to require from the Promoter to Libel with Sureties unless the Promoter should be admitted by the Court to his juratory caution.

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(Signed)

**J. DODSON,  
JOSEPH PHILLIMORE,  
WM. ROTHERY,  
H. B. SWABEY.**

No. 10.

(See page 424.)

COPY.

No. 101.

*Government House, Halifax, April 6, 1849.*

MY LORD—

I have the honor to transmit a copy of an Act passed during the recent Session, entitled, "An Act to enable the Commissioners for erecting and building the Trunk Line of Railway from Halifax to Quebec, to construct the same within this Province," with Addresses from the Legislative Council and House of Assembly on the same subject, which those Bodies respectfully request may be laid at the foot of the Throne.

I do not abstain from expressing to Your Lordship my satisfaction at the manner in which this great question has been dealt with by the Legislature of Nova Scotia.

I have, &c.,

(Signed)

**J. HARVEY.**

The Right Hon. Earl, Grey, &c. &c.

COPY.

**Enclosures—**

1. Railway Act.
2. Address of Leg. Council.
3. Address of House of Assembly.

COPY.

No. 174.

*Downing Street, 1st June, 1849.*

SIR—

I have to acknowledge the receipt of your Despatch, No. 101, of the 6th of April last, transmitting an Act passed by the Provincial Legislature, to enable the Commissioners for erecting and building the Trunk Line of Railway from Halifax to Quebec, to construct the same within the limits of this Province, accompanied by Addresses from the Legislative Council and Assembly.

You will acquaint the Members of the two Branches of the Legislature, that I have laid these Addresses before the Queen, and that Her Majesty was pleased to receive them very graciously.

You will further state to them, that while Her Majesty's Government are most anxious to promote the proposed undertaking, they are not yet prepared to submit to Parliament any measure for that purpose, and without in any degree abandoning the hope that means may ultimately be found of executing so important a National Work, they cannot disguise from themselves that the difficulties to be overcome are very great.

The Order of Her Majesty in Council, leaving the Act to its operation, will be forwarded to you by an early opportunity.

I am, Sir,

Your most obedient Servant,  
(Signed)

GREY.

Lieut. Governor Sir John Harvey.

No. 11.

(See page 424.)

COPY.

No. 100.

*Government House, Halifax, April 5, 1849.*

MY LORD—

I have the honor to transmit and to recommend to Her Majesty's favorable consideration the enclosed Address, passed by the House of Assembly, praying for a reduction of the Fees charged upon Colonial Shipping by British Consuls in Foreign Ports.

Enclosure—Address

I have, &amp;c.,

(Signed) J. HARVEY.

The Rt. Honorable Earl Grey, &amp;c. &amp;c.

COPY:

No. 283.

*Downing Street, 19th July, 1849.*

SIR—

I have received your Despatch of the 5th of last April, No. 100, transmitting and recommending to Her Majesty's favorable consideration an Address from the  
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House

House of Assembly of Nova Scotia to the Queen, praying for a reduction of the Fees charged upon the Vessels of that Province by British Consuls in the United States of America.

Previously to submitting this Address to Her Majesty, I thought it right to refer it to the Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, and the answer, (of which I enclose herewith a copy,) which I have received from him, appearing to show that there must have been some great mistake committed in the statement of facts contained in the Address, I have now to desire that you will furnish me with any explanation which it is in your power to afford of this apparent error, in order that I may be able to judge in what terms it will be right that Her Majesty should be advised to answer the application made to her.

I am, Sir,

Your most obedient Servant,

(Signed)

GREY.

Lieut. Governor, Sir John Harvey, &c. &c.

COPY.

*Foreign Office, July 14, 1849.*

SIR—

I have laid before Viscount Palmerston your Letter of the 8th May, enclosing an Address to the Queen from the House of Assembly of Nova-Scotia, praying for a reduction of the Fees charged upon Colonial Shipping by British Consuls in the United States, and I am directed by His Lordship to state to you, that he apprehends that the grounds upon which this request is made are not sufficient to call for the suggested alteration, inasmuch as it is assumed in the Address that Fees to the amount of Eight Thousand Seven Hundred and Fifty Pounds are levied annually by British Consuls on Nova-Scotia Ships, whereas the total sum received by Her Majesty's Consuls in the United States during the last three years, in the shape of Fees, averaged only Three Thousand Eight Hundred and Ninety-six Pounds a year; and these Fees have been levied not on Nova-Scotia Ships only, but upon the whole of the British Trade with the United States, including Shipping from the Ports of all Countries, and including also various services not affecting Shipping. Moreover, owing to the demand for American Corn, the average of the last three years is unusually high—the average of Fees for the last *five* years being Three Thousand Three Hundred and Two Pounds, and for the *ten* years preceding, only One Thousand Seven Hundred and Twenty-eight Pounds.

It is further to be observed, that the number of Nova Scotia Ships trading annually with the United States is stated to be about 1000, their tonnage being 100,000; and it is further stated that these Ships make ten voyages a year, thus increasing the number of Nova Scotia Ships to 10,000 annually, and the tonnage to 1,000,000. Now by the best published Returns up to the 31st December, 1847, it appears that the whole of the Foreign Shipping arriving at all Ports of the United States, amounted in that year only to 6268 Ships of 1,176,605 tons; and it is scarcely to be supposed that the Province of Nova Scotia should supply a larger number of Ships than the number published by the United States as the total number of Ships arriving in the United States from all parts of the world, and little less than the whole of the Foreign tonnage.

I have, &c.,

(Signed)

H. U. ADDINGTON,

H. Merivale, Esq., &c. &c. &c.

No.



No. 12.

(See page 425.)

COPY.

No. 112.

*Government House, Halifax, May 2, 1849.*

MY LORD—

Referring to my Despatch (No. 35) of the 25th May, 1848, and to Your Lordship's (No. 100) of the 20th of June, in reply thereto, I have now the honor to transmit an Address, passed unanimously by the House of Assembly, on the subject of the Coal Mines, with certain Documents appended.

Enclosure—Assembly's Address.

The concurrence of all parties in the adoption of this Address, shews how general the opinion it embodies are entertained in this country, and I shall be glad if any means can be devised for further opening up its resources, without prejudice to the interests of the Mining Association.

I have, &amp;c.

(Signed) J. HARVEY.

The Right Hon. Earl Grey, &amp;c. &amp;c. &amp;c.

COPY.

No. 187.

*Downing Street, 16th August, 1849.*

SIR—

I have to acknowledge your Despatch, No. 112, of 2nd of May last enclosing an Address, passed unanimously by the House of Assembly, on the subject of the General Mining Association, with the Report of a Committee of that Body and Resolutions founded thereupon.

2. I have delayed answering this Despatch in hopes that some arrangement, such as is desired by the Assembly, might yet be effected; but I cannot, at present, see any prospect of such a termination, and I am bound, in justice to the General Mining Association, to state, that independently of the reluctance felt by them to compromise what they regard as their right, a further difficulty in the way of such an arrangement has been suggested to me, which was not present to my mind when I addressed you my Despatch of the 20th June, 1848. By a very recent agreement, effected after much litigation, under the superintendence of the Treasury, between the General Mining Association and the Representatives of His late Royal Highness the Duke of York, the former are bound to pay certain dues to the Crown, and certain other dues to the other parties in question; but these are in fact the whole body of the creditors of His late Royal Highness. As the fund out of which these dues are paid would be liable to diminution through any cession of its territorial claims by the Association, they must be parties to such an agreement, and this could not be effected without negotiation, which it is wholly out of my power to undertake.

3. I am therefore under necessity of referring you to my former Despatch already cited, and to the Minute of the Lords of the Treasury, enclosed in Lord Stanley's Despatch of the 18th January, 1845, as comprising my answer to the present application. It is with regret that I do so, because I am strongly opposed

to any privilege or concession which may have the effect of raising the price of important articles of Commerce and general consumption. I can only, however, hope that this is not practically the case to any extent—that the views expressed in a former Report of a Committee of the Assembly in 1839, are well founded—and that the Association has really done the Colony service instead of injury, by the capital which it has introduced, and the industry which it has fostered.

4. On the legal question of the extent and validity of the privileges of that Body, I must decline, as on a former occasion, to express any opinion, as it is one on which a competent legal tribunal can alone decide. I cannot consent to its being deprived of any advantages of which it is now in possession, until the decision of such a tribunal, adverse to the Company, has been obtained, nor can the Crown initiate any proceedings against it; but if you should be called upon by an Address from the Legislature, to sanction the institution of legal proceedings by the Attorney General of the Province, in order to set aside the claims of the Company, I should not consider it necessary to object to your doing so.

5. If no such proceedings should be considered to be advisable on behalf of the Province, or if in the event of their being instituted, the rights placed by the Association should be pronounced valid by a competent tribunal, I trust that the Provincial Government and Legislature will feel that the benefit which the Province could derive from nullifying a lawful agreement which they regard as prejudicial to their interests, would be as nothing compared with the general injury which would result from such an invasion of the common rights of property, and the loss of confidence which must ensue on the part of all those who might otherwise be disposed to invest Capital in Nova Scotia.

I am, Sir,

Your most obedient Servant,

(Signed)

GREY.

Lieut. Governor Sir John Harvey, &c. &c. &c.

No. 13.

COPY:

No. 145.

*Government House, Halifax, October 10, 1849.*

MY LORD—

I have the honor to enclose, for the information of Her Majesty's Government, a Copy of a Minute of Council, passed on the 24th ultimo, revoking the Regulations under which the Grants of Crown Lands in this Province have heretofore been made to Officers of Her Majesty's Army and Navy.

This policy, Your Lordship will perceive, has been adopted in all the other Colonies in which the Crown Estate has passed by Legislative enactment; but I shall take care that those Officers who have come into Nova Scotia, or whose Papers have been lodged on the faith of the Regulations heretofore existing, shall have their equitable claims respected.

I have, &c.,

(Signed)

J. HARVEY.

The Right Hon. Earl Grey, &c. &c.

*At*

*At a Council held at the Government House, on the 24th day of September, 1849.*

PRESENT—

**HIS EXCELLENCY THE LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR,**  
&c. &c. &c.

It is ordered, that the Regulation of this Board, heretofore in force, authorising the free grant of Crown Lands to Officers of Her Majesty's Army and Navy settling in this Colony, be, and the the same is hereby revoked; and that public notice hereof be given in the Royal Gazette.

No. 14.

(See page 425.)

COPY.

No. 186.

*Downing Street, 16th August, 1849.*

SIR—

I transmit herewith, for your information and guidance, the copy of a Letter from the Board of Treasury, relative to the payment of the amounts of Surplus Postage Revenue due to the Provinces of Canada, Nova Scotia, and New Brunswick.

I am, Sir,

Your most obedient Servant,

(Signed)

GREY.

Lieut. Governor Sir John Harvey.

COPY.

*Treasury Chambers, 6th August, 1849.*

SIR—

With reference to the communication from this Department of the 23d May last, and to your reply of the 5th June, I am commanded by the Lords Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury to acquaint you, for the information of Earl Grey, that my Lords have directed a Warrant to be prepared, authorizing the Postmaster General to cause payment to be made to the Receiver General of Canada, of the sum of £5405 7s. 6d.; to the Receiver General of Nova Scotia of the sum of £285 7s. 9d.; and to the Receiver General of New Brunswick of the sum of £872 10s. 1d., being the amount of surplus Postage accruing in those respective Colonies, during the year ended the 5th July, 1848, and remaining applicable to the Public Service therein, under the provisions of the Act 7 and 8 Victoria, Cap. 49.

I am, &c.,

(Signed)

W. G. HAYTER.

H. Merivale, Esq., &c. &c. &c.

No. 15.

(See page 425.)

TO HIS EXCELLENCY LIEUTENANT GENERAL

SIR JOHN HARVEY, K. C. B.,

*Lieutenant Governor of the Province of Nova Scotia,*  
&c. &c. &c.*The Report of the undersigned Commissioners appointed by Your Excellency to Consolidate and Simplify the Laws of the Province :*

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY—

The following Preamble and Resolutions having been passed by the House of Assembly and concurred in by the Legislative Council at the last Session, to wit :

“ WHEREAS, it has become indispensable in order to avoid litigation and simplify the Administration of the Law, that the Statutes of this Province should be amended and improved, so as to render the same more intelligible.

1st. *Resolved unanimously*, That the said Statutes be consolidated, simplified in their language, and republished in one uniform code.

2nd. *Resolved unanimously*, That His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor, be respectfully requested, forthwith to employ a sufficient number of competent persons, not to exceed five, for the purpose of carrying into effect the foregoing Resolution without delay, so as to have the said code prepared and submitted to the Executive Government at least one month before the next Session of the Legislature, in order that the same may be submitted at the opening thereof, this House undertaking to provide for the necessary expense, such expense, however, before payment, to be previously submitted to the House.

3rd. *Resolved unanimously*, That His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor be also respectfully requested to convene the next Session of the Legislature, not less than fourteen days earlier than its accustomed time, in order that such period should be “ exclusively devoted to the consideration and passage of such revised code :”

And Your Excellency having done us the honor of entrusting to our care this responsible and important duty, we held several meetings shortly after receiving the Commission, in order to consider and settle the general principles, on which it was most adviseable to proceed.

The Statutes of the Province having undergone no systematic revision since the origin of the Legislature nearly a century ago ; having been published successively in four volumes reaching to the year 1834-5, and the subsequent enactments affording ample materials for a fifth ; and a great variety of minds having been engaged from time to time in framing these enactments, it is not to be wondered at that every trace of simplicity and uniformity of system has long since disappeared, and that on many subjects it is next to impossible to find out the law as it is, or when it is found, to understand it. So many of the earlier Statutes have been repealed or modified, that of the first volume, extending from 1758 to 1804, not more than one-fifth part is in force, and large proportions of the other volumes that were subsequently published under the authority of the Legislature, have in like manner ceased to be law. Every variety of style too, is to be found in the Statutes that remain in force, from the terseness and vigour which distinguish some few of the enactments, to the verbiage and interminable periods, which  
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render it a hopeless task to find out the meaning of too many of the others.— With the knowledge of these evils, which are almost universally admitted, and of the unanimous desire of the Legislature that they should no longer disfigure our Provincial Statutes, we had to consider how far it was possible for us to undertake and accomplish a task of no ordinary difficulty—and involving great labour and still greater responsibility. We might have contented ourselves with going over the whole of the existing Laws, and having ascertained all that are actually in force, we might have pruned some excrescences—arranged them in chronological order, and presented them to the Legislature. This of itself would have been an improvement, but it would have fallen far short of what the Legislature obviously contemplated and we ourselves desired. It was incompatible with the order and system which ought at least to be attempted, and though it is all that has been hitherto effected in some of our Sister Colonies, we rejected it as wholly inadequate to our wants.

The second plan that occurred to us was to preserve the frame-work of the present Laws, to expunge some of the more useless expletives and phrases, and to methodize and arrange them as much as possible without aiming at any material change; but in reducing this idea to practice, we found that it would be impossible to make even the approach to a philosophical and comprehensive arrangement, or to weed out the innumerable errors and inconsistencies which run through our Provincial Acts.

After full enquiry, therefore, and a discussion of the whole subject-matter at several meetings, we decided on a bolder and more ambitious attempt, which we have succeeded in partly accomplishing—but are far from thinking that the Acts we have prepared are not still susceptible of amendments and improvement. It will be for the wisdom of the Legislature to deal with them as they shall think fit. It is our duty respectfully to present to Your Excellency the outlines of the plan for their information and revisal.

In the year 1836, the Revised Statutes of the State of Massachusetts were published in one portable and convenient volume, founded on the model which had been furnished by the State of New York in 1828, and has been still further improved in two subsequent editions, the last published in 1846. The revision in Massachusetts set out with the repeal of an immense number of Statutes, passed between the years 1790 and 1835, the Titles of which occupy twenty-two closely printed pages—and arranged the whole of the State Law into Parts, Titles and Chapters,—these last being one hundred and forty-six in all, subdivided into numerous sections. The language throughout is plain and intelligible,—expressions of a doubtful meaning, and of a technical character, not familiar to the whole people, are avoided,—and the result is, a body of law which any man of ordinary good sense can easily understand. This, as it appeared to us, was what we should aim at: and although in the details and drafting of the several chapters, the Laws of New York and Massachusetts have afforded us little or no assistance, we have adhered as much as possible to the general principles of which we approved.

A material difficulty was to be disposed of at the outset. There are a large number of what may be termed private Acts in our Statute Book, which could not be touched without interfering with vested rights, such as the various Acts for incorporating Banks, Insurance and Manufacturing Companies, and others of the like kind. To apply any new system of phraseology or arrangement to these Statutes would lead to endless questions and complaints, and therefore we have not touched them at all, presuming that the Legislature, without passing them anew, would direct them to be printed as they are in a separate volume.

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Taking then the laws of general application, we arranged them into four parts, viz.—“ Part 1st. Of the Internal Administration of the Government.” “ Part 2d. Of the acquisition, transmission and enjoyment of property, real and personal. The domestic relations and other matters connected with private rights. Part 3rd. Of Courts and Judicial Officers, and proceedings in civil cases. Part 4th. Of the Criminal Law and the administration of Criminal Justice.

Part 1st, comprehends twenty-three Titles and one hundred and five Chapters ; Part 2nd, six Titles and Eighteen Chapters ; Part 3rd, six Titles and twenty-three Chapters ; Part 4th, two Titles and fourteen Chapters—making one hundred and sixty Chapters in all, numbered from 1 to 160 for the facility of reference, and each Chapter subdivided into sections. The accompanying Analysis of the whole will shew the subject matter of each Chapter, and distinguish such as are ready for the action of the Legislature from such as are incompatible or have been not yet undertaken.

Title first, chapter first, of the Promulgation and Construction of Statutes, is the ground-work of the whole. We have there defined a multitude of Terms, in order to avoid repetition, and with the same view have incorporated a great variety of general rules, such as the collection and appropriation of penalties, and the principles of construction applicable to the whole code. In the subsequent Chapters we have made it the rule to strike out every word that was not essential to the meaning, and every direction that could be conveniently transferred to the Chapter of general Construction. That the Laws will be greatly abbreviated and simplified by this method, will be seen at a glance. In some cases, indeed, whole pages have been compressed into a few lines, and we believe that the meaning has been, notwithstanding, conveyed. It will be incumbent on the Legislature, however, to exercise a watchful care over our labors, least their intentions should have been occasionally misapprehended or unintentionally defeated.

Some difference of opinion arose among the Commissioners as to the extent of their authority. Although the Preamble of the Resolutions contemplates the amendment and improvement of the Statutes, the four Commissioners who unite in this Report were satisfied that the Legislature did not intend to intrust them with the power of introducing any material changes, but on the contrary expected that the new code should present the law, in all essential particulars, as it was.—Many alterations, however, and modifications of the existing Statutes became unavoidable in the progress of the work ; but all of these have been carefully noted in the margin of the original Drafts, and will be brought under the notice of the Council and Assembly by the Commissioners who are members.

The Commissioners regret that they found it totally impossible, with their other avocations, to finish the work in one year. It will require the continued labor of themselves or their successors for another year—which will be amply sufficient, however, to complete it. By far the greater part is done, as far as the Commissioners can do it, or drafted, in order that it may be taken up either by ourselves or by suitable Committees.

Of the Titles and Chapters that the Commissioners report as done, and to the consideration of which the Legislature may proceed immediately, if they deem it expedient, the following may be enumerated :

The whole of the Criminal Law, in the preparation of which the Commissioners have been aided by the code adopted in New Brunswick at the last Session of their Legislature :

The whole of the Election Law with the Law of Controverted Elections :

The Laws touching the Appointment and Salaries of Public Officers :

The whole of the Law touching Counties and County Officers, including Sheriffs and Coroners :

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The Laws for the support of Public Worship;  
 The Laws of Shipping and Seamen, of Partnership, of Interest and Currency,  
 and of Bills of Exchange:

The Law of Wrecks:

The Laws touching the Supreme Court, its Officers, Pleadings and Practice:

The Laws regulating the proceedings against Absent or Absconding Debtors;  
 of Suits against Joint Debtors; the limitation and commencement of Actions and  
 Arbitrations.

Of the Titles and Chapters which are drafted, but have not undergone our  
 revision, may be enumerated:

The Laws for the collection and preservation of the Public Revenue, including  
 the Casual and Territorial Revenue, and Light House and Excise Duties:

The Laws of Public Highways, Landings and Ferries:

The Laws of Sewers, Commons, and Common Fields:

The Laws of Pilotage, of Harbors and Harbor Masters, of Factors and Agents,  
 of Mills and Millers, of the Inspection of Provisions, of Weights and Measures:

The Laws for the support of the Poor:

The Laws of Fires and Firewards, of Lumber, of Hawkers and Pedlars, of  
 Stray Cattle—and others forming a general Title, under the head of "Municipal  
 Regulations":

The Law of Wills:

The Laws regulating the descent of Real and Personal Property, and the set-  
 tlement of the Estates of deceased persons:

The Laws regulating the Court of Chancery, of Escheat, Marriage and Di-  
 vorce, and Probate; of the Jurisdiction of Justices of the Peace in Civil Actions,  
 Witnesses and Evidence, Juries and Insolvent Debtors, Forcible Entry and De-  
 tainer, and the partition of Lands.

Of the Titles and Chapters which have not yet been touched, the most promi-  
 nent are as follows:

Public Health—including the Laws of Quarantine, Nuisances, and Infectious  
 Diseases:

Immigrants and Passengers:

Public Instruction—which the Commissioners have refrained from touching,  
 as it is to occupy the attention of the Legislature in the ensuing Session:

The Law of Corporations:

The Registry of Deeds:

The Sale of Lands for Debt and the Foreclosure of Mortgages:

The Statute of Frauds and Perjuries:

The Domestic Relations—including the Law of Marriage, of Guardians and  
 Wards, Masters, Apprentices and Servants:

Trespasses on Real Estate.

Some of the minor Titles have been omitted in these enumerations, but they  
 afford a general view of what has been accomplished, in whole or in part, and  
 what is yet to be done.

Under these circumstances it will be for Your Excellency and the other two  
 Branches of the Legislature to decide what it is expedient to do in the ensuing  
 Session with that portion which may be now accounted, or easily made, ready  
 for Legislative action. Some plan will probably be suggested by which the la-

bor of considering and passing the new Laws may be materially lightened, and the whole of the code published in one volume in the course of the year 1851.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

WILLIAM YOUNG,  
J. McCULLY,  
J. W. RITCHIE,  
JOS. WHIDDEN.

No. 16.

(See page 430.)

COPY.

No. 171.

*Downing Street, 12th May, 1849.*

SIR—

I herewith transmit for Your Excellency's information the copy of a Letter, and of its enclosure, from the Board of Treasury, on the subject of the Rates of Postage to be charged upon Letters between the United States and the British North American Provinces, and I have to request that you will bring this subject under the consideration of your Executive Council, and report to me your opinion as to the course which it may be expedient to adopt on the question raised by the Lords Commissioners of the Treasury.

I am, Sir,

Your most obedient Servant,

GREY.

Lieut. Governor, Sir John Harvey &c.

COPY.

*Treasury Chambers, May 4th, 1849.*

SIR—

I am commanded by the Lords Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury to transmit herewith for the consideration of Earl Grey, copy of a Letter from the Post Master General, dated 26th ultimo, and of its enclosure, on the subject of the Rates of Postage to be charged on Letters between the United States and the British North American Provinces, and I am to request that you will move His Lordship to communicate on the subject with the Colonial authorities, and decide whether a Warrant shall at once be prepared, fixing the low uniform rate of Postage proposed in Lord Clanricarde's letter, for Letters between the United States and British North America, or whether it will be more expedient to defer the settlement of the question and the execution of the additional articles to the recent Convention between the United States and this country relative to those Letters, until the Posts shall have been transferred to the Provincial Govern-  
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ments, and they shall have an opportunity of considering the amount of the rate which they deem consistent with the interests of the several Provinces.

I have, &c.

(Signed) J. PARKER.

B. Hawes, Esquire.

*To the Right Honorable the Lords Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury.*

MY LORDS—

I have the honor to transmit to Your Lordships the copy of a Letter from Mr Bourne, the Officer recently despatched from this Department to Washington to arrange with the United States Post Office the additional Articles to the Postal Convention between Her Majesty and the United States of America, dated the 15th December, 1848.

Mr. Bourne reports that the additional Articles, so far as the International Correspondence is concerned, may be considered as almost concluded; but that much difficulty presents itself in arranging the details relating to the Correspondence between the United States and the British North American Provinces, owing to the complicated instructions which it will be necessary to issue to the Post Masters in the United States (nearly 17000 in number), with respect to the varying rates of Postage chargeable on Letters sent to and received from British North America.

Mr. Bourne and Major Hobbie, acting on behalf of the United States Post Office, have come to the conclusion that as it is almost impracticable to carry into operation the provisions of the convention in this respect, as it now stands, the only course to pursue will be to agree to an *uniform* rate upon such Letters, both in the United States and in British North America; and they propose a rate of Seven and a half Cents for the United States, being the average of their two rates of five and ten Cents—the former being chargeable for any distance not exceeding 300 miles, and the latter for any distance exceeding 300—and Three Pence Currency, or Five Cents for the British North American Provinces.

This sum of Three Pence Currency, is the rate which has been generally fixed upon in the British Provinces as the uniform charge for Letters sent by their Internal Posts, whereon by the transfer of the control of the Posts to the Colonial Governments, they may be enabled, by local Legislation, to carry into effect a reduction of Postage. Still I am of opinion, that it would be unwise, at the present moment, without previous communication with the Colonial Authorities, to adopt this proposed rate of Three Pence Currency, for Letters transmitted between the British North American Provinces and the United States, and thus put it out of the power of the Colonies to establish a higher rate hereafter upon this class of Correspondence, should a further consideration of the subject lead them to the belief that this sum of Three Pence is lower than circumstances require or justify.

The *lowest* existing rate in British North America is Four Pence Half-penny Currency, and consequently an uniform rate of Three Pence Currency would be an immense reduction.

Looking therefore at the difficulty which has arisen in arranging for the collection in the United States of the varying British Colonial Rates, and also at the objection

objection which exists to the establishment, without further enquiry, of a low uniform rate in lieu of such varying rates, I have considered it the best course to instruct Mr. Bourne to introduce a clause into the additional Articles, by which the provisions of Articles 13 and 14 of the Convention shall be suspended until the two countries can agree upon uniform rates for the correspondence in question. This will, in point of fact, be leaving matters in their present state, with respect to Letters passing between the United States and British North America, forced payment to the frontier continuing to be the rule on both sides, while the remaining points of the Convention will be satisfactorily arranged without further delay.

Under the circumstances represented, I trust that the instructions I have given will meet with the approval of your Lordships.

I now beg leave to propose that this matter be brought under the consideration of Her Majesty's Secretary of State for the Colonies, with a request that he will communicate on the subject with the Colonial Authorities, and decide whether a Warrant shall at once be prepared, fixing the low uniform rate of Postage recommended for Letters between the United States and British North America, or whether it will be more expedient to defer the settlement of the question, and the execution of the additional Articles relative to those Letters, until the Posts shall have been transferred to the Provincial Governments, and they shall have had an opportunity of considering the amount of the rate which they deem consistent with the interests of the several Provinces.

I have, &c.

(Signed) CLANRICARDE.

COPY.

*Washington, 31st March, 1849.*

SIR—

Since I transmitted my Report, dated 17th instant, I have been engaged almost daily with Major Hobbie, in arranging the additional Articles for carrying out the Convention with the United States, and as far as the international Correspondence is concerned, they may be considered as almost settled, but I am sorry to say that the details relating to the Correspondence passing between the United States and British North America are so complex that the final arrangement must be greatly impeded.

I have not yet received the necessary information from Mr. Stayner, but I had a Letter from him on the 26th instant, in which he enclosed copy of a Report which he addressed to you, dated 1st instant, relative to closed Mails with the European correspondence being forwarded to and from Kingston and Queenston, by way of New York and Boston, the power to do which the Postmaster General possesses under the Convention, any reference thereto in the additional Articles will therefore be unnecessary.

Mr. Stayner says that he is preparing Tables of the rate of Postage chargeable from the respective offices of Exchange, and adds, addressing myself, "You appear already to have arrived at the conviction (inevitable to any one who has considered the subject deliberately) that whilst the present system obtains in the Provinces, of rating according to mileage, it is idle to expect anything like accuracy on the part of the great majority of Officers in the United States (the collective

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tive number being, I believe, some fifteen or sixteen thousand\*) in collecting our Postage." This is certainly my conviction, and also the conviction of Major Hobbie—Mr. Howe, in his Report, expresses the same opinion, and I have no doubt you will have already come to the same conclusion.

\*There are nearly  
17,000.  
H. B.

Under these circumstances, before concluding the additional Articles, I feel it my duty to bring the subject of an uniform rate for the whole of the Provinces before the Postmaster General as the only means by which the stipulations contained in Articles 13 and 14 of the Convention can be satisfactorily carried out.

It has formed the subject of the greatest consideration on the part of Major Hobbie and myself, and we have drawn up Articles to suit the case as it stands, but to bring them into operation seems almost impracticable.

I had an interview with Mr. Collamer, the Postmaster General, yesterday, upon the subject. Major Hobbie is of opinion that the Postmaster General has the power, without going to Congress, to adopt the medium rate  $7\frac{1}{2}$  cents, as an uniform rate for the whole of the United States.

Mr. Collamer promised to lay the subject before the Cabinet, if I in the mean time would submit an uniform rate for the Provinces.

Nothing but necessity would induce me to take this step as it must delay the settlement of the additional Articles, however the arrangements respecting the international correspondence being actually in operation, a little delay, for the sake of a satisfactory conclusion, I trust will be excused. Major Hobbie justly observes that the present high rates will totally preclude the United States from availing themselves of the provisions of the 6th Article of the Convention, that is, of sending closed Mails through the Provinces, for where they would charge us 10 cents per oz. with the addition of 25 per cent., making  $12\frac{1}{2}$  cents, we should charge them 40 cents, with 25 per cent. added, or 50 cents per oz., being four times as much for the same distance—therefore Article VI. as far as the United States are concerned, is a nullity under existing circumstances.

Mr. Stayner, in his Report dated 22nd January, 1848, says, "with reference to a general reduction in our rates in the Provinces, I would suggest that this uniform and aggregate rate should be  $12\frac{1}{2}$  cents or  $7\frac{1}{2}$ d. currency, of which  $7\frac{1}{2}$  cents, or  $4\frac{1}{2}$ d. currency, shall represent the proportion due to the United States; and 5 cents, or 3d. currency, the proportion due to Canada." It will be seen that  $7\frac{1}{2}$  cents is the rate which Major Hobbie considers may be adopted without the sanction of Congress, as being the average of their two rates, or 5 and 10 cents, which with 5 cents or 3d. currency, will form a combined rate of  $12\frac{1}{2}$  cents, or  $7\frac{1}{2}$ d. currency, as recommended by Mr. Stayner, and which appears to me to be a fair and convenient rate.

The reduction would be considered a great boon on both sides of the frontier, but especially so by the inhabitants of the Provinces, and I hope the proposition will meet with a favorable reception from His Lordship the Postmaster General.

I enclose a copy of the Article which we have drawn up with a view to carry out the arrangements with the existing rates, and annexed thereto is an Article which I should propose to substitute for it in the event of an uniform rate being adopted. I beg to add that unless an uniform rate be levied in both Countries, the 17,000 Postmasters in the United States must be supplied with lists of places in the Provinces, shewing the distances and rates of Postage from each Frontier Office, which particulars must be written in, as they will differ in almost every case, and each Postmaster in the Provinces must be supplied with a similar list of places in the United States. I shall be glad to be informed whether it is intended to reduce the rate of 1s. on Letters conveyed by Packet between Halifax and the United States, and if so, what the rate will be, as it is necessary to insert

the rate in the additional Articles. Should 3d. Currency be adopted as an uniform rate in the case under consideration, it seems advisable to make it also applicable to Letters conveyed between Halifax and the United States by Sea.

The earliest decision possible is necessary upon this important question, in order that the additional Articles may be completed and brought into operation forthwith.

I am, &c. &c.,

(Signed) H. BOURNE.

*Copy of the Article proposed to be inserted in the additional Articles providing for the Rates of Postage to be taken on Letters passing between the United States and British North America, according to the existing Regulations in each Country.*

#### ARTICLE.

The United States' Rates of Postage to be taken on Letters forwarded between the United States and the British North American Provinces under Article 13 of the Convention of December 5th, 1848, shall be as follows:—

On any Letter not exceeding  $\frac{1}{2}$  oz. in weight, conveyed or to be conveyed any distance within the United States, not exceeding 300 miles, a rate of 5 cents, and for any distance exceeding 300 miles a rate of 10 cents.

When the United States' Rates of Postage are collected in British North America, five cents shall be considered equivalent to 3d., and ten cents to 6d., British Provincial Currency.

The Provincial Rates of Postage to be taken under the provisions of the same Article, shall be as follows:

On any Letter not exceeding  $\frac{1}{2}$  oz. in weight conveyed or to be conveyed any distance within British North America, not exceeding 60 miles, a rate of four-pence sterling, or 8 cents.

Above 60 miles but not exceeding 100 miles, a rate of 6d. stg., or 12 cents.

Above 100 miles but not exceeding 200 miles, a rate of 8d. stg., or 16 cents.

Above 200 miles but not exceeding 300 miles, a rate of 10d. stg., or 20 cents, and so on an additional rate of two-pence sterling, or 4 cents, for every distance not exceeding 100 miles.

The foregoing Rates of Postage, when paid in British North America, shall be collected in Provincial Currency, in sums equivalent to the Rates in Sterling above specified.

*Article to be substituted for the above in the event of uniform Rates of Postage being taken in the United States, and in British North America.*

#### ARTICLE.

The Rates of Postage to be taken under the provisions of Article 13 of the Convention of December 15, 1848, shall be as follows:

There shall be charged by the Post Office of the United States upon all Letters, not exceeding half an ounce in weight, posted in the United States and forwarded

warded to British North America, or brought from British North America and delivered in the United States, an uniform rate of  $7\frac{1}{2}$  cents, or  $4\frac{1}{2}$ d. currency, and there shall be charged by the Post Offices in British North America upon all Letters not exceeding  $\frac{1}{2}$  oz. in weight, posted in British North America, and forwarded to the United States, or brought from the United States, and delivered in British North America, an uniform rate of            currency or            cents.

NOTE.—The above is drawn up in form similar to Article 2 in the Convention. The Article which will follow in the additional Articles will provide for the two rates being combined as stipulated in Article 14 of the Convention.

COPY.

No. 126.

*Government House, Halifax, July 24, 1849.*

MY LORD—

In reply to Your Lordship's Despatch, No. 171, of the 12th May last, relating to the subject of the Postage of Letters passing between the United States and the British North American Provinces, I have the honor to state, that the question submitted has been carefully considered by the Members of my Council, and that they entirely approve of the substituted Article referred to in Mr. Bourne's Letter to the Right Honorable the Lords Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury, of which a copy is annexed to Mr. Parker's Letter to B. Hawe's, Esquire, dated Treasury Chambers, 4th of May last. They are unanimously of opinion that the charge of  $7\frac{1}{2}$  cents for all Letters not exceeding half an ounce in weight posted and transmitted to and from the Provinces, to and from the United States, and of 5 cents, or 3d, for each Letter for Postage to and from any part of these Provinces, will be approved of by our Legislature, and will be in accordance with that policy which the Assembly has for some years past avowed in favour of a cheap and uniform Rate of Postage. They will be glad to see the same regulations extended to the Postage of all Letters passing between the United States and these Provinces in vessels by sea, and earnestly hope that it will also embrace the Letters conveyed by Mails which pass to and from the Post Offices at Halifax, Boston, and New York, by the Steamers.

The substituted Article does not embrace the Postage on Newspapers and Literary productions; the Members of my Council feel anxious that some similar agreement should now be made by Treaty as regards them, and will be prepared to confirm and to assume the responsibility of carrying through the Legislature any suitable agreement in relation thereto.

I have, &c. &c.,

(Signed)

J. HARVEY.

The Right Hon. Earl Grey, &c. &c. &c.

COPY.

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(Circular.)

Downing Street, 10th August, 1849.

SIR—

I transmit herewith, for your information and guidance, copies of an Act which has recently received the Royal Assent, for enabling Colonial Legislatures to establish Inland Posts.

I am, Sir,

Your most obedient Servant,

(Signed)

GREY.

Lieut. Governor Sir John Harvey.

*Imperial Act. (Cap. LXVI.) An Act for enabling Colonial Legislatures to establish Inland Posts.*

[28th July, 1849.]

Whereas under or by virtue of an Act passed in the Fifth year of His late Majesty King George the Third, intituled, An Act to alter certain Rates of Postage, and to amend, explain, and enlarge several Provisions in an Act made in the Ninth year of the Reign of Queen Anne, and in other Acts, relating to the Revenue of the Post Office, and an Act passed in the First year of Her present Majesty, intituled. An Act for the Management of the Post Office, and an Act passed in the Fourth year of Her present Majesty, intituled An Act for the Regulation of the Duties of Postage, and an Act passed in the Eighth year of Her present Majesty, intituled An Act for the better Regulation of Colonial Posts, Her Majesty's Postmaster General has, by himself or his Deputies, the exclusive privilege of establishing Posts, collecting, conveying, and delivering Letters, and collecting Postage, within Her Majesty's Colonies, and the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury have authority from time to time to fix the Rates of Postage to be charged within such Colonies: And whereas the said Postmaster General and Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury respectively have, in exercise of such privilege and authority, established Posts and fixed Rates of Postage in certain of such Colonies: And whereas it is expedient to authorize the establishment of Posts and Postage Rates in Her Majesty's Colonies by the Legislatures of such Colonies: Be it enacted, therefore, by the Queen's Most Excellent Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Lords Spiritual and Temporal, and Commons, in this present Parliament assembled, and by the authority of the same, That it shall be lawful for the Legislatures or proper Legislative Authorities of Her Majesty's Colonies, or any of them, by Acts, Laws, or Ordinances, to be from time to time for that purpose made and enacted in the manner and subject to the conditions by Law required in respect of Acts, Laws, or Ordinances of such Legislatures or Legislative Authorities, to make such provisions as such Legislatures or Legislative Authorities may think fit for and concerning the establishment, maintenance, and regulation of Posts or Post Communications within such Colonies respectively, and for charging Rates of Postage for the conveyance of Letters by such Posts or Post Communications, and for appropriating the Revenue to be derived therefrom.

II. Provided always, and be it enacted, That where in any Colony Her Majesty's

jesty's Postmaster General shall have actually established any Post or Post Communication, and his powers and privileges in relation to such Post or Post Communication shall not have determined under this Act, no such Act, Law, or Ordinance of the Legislature or Legislative Authority of such Colony in relation to the matters aforesaid, or any of them, shall take effect, unless the same shall be assented to by Her Majesty, with the advice of Her Privy Council, nor until the time when such assent shall be proclaimed in the Colony, or such subsequent time as in the Order of Her Majesty in Council by which the assent to such Act, Law, or Ordinance, may be signified shall be fixed in this behalf.

III. And be it enacted, That where, under the provision herein contained, the assent of Her Majesty in Council is required to such Act, Law, or Ordinance, the Rates of Postage charged in such Colony under the Acts hereinbefore referred to, or any of them, or under any Warrant or Warrants of the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury issued in pursuance of such Acts or any of them, and the authority of such Commissioners to fix the Rates of Postage to be charged in such Colony, and the powers and privileges of Her Majesty's Postmaster General, his Deputies, Servants, and Agents, in relation to the Posts or Post Communications within such Colony, shall, from the time at which such Act, Law, or Ordinance shall take effect, cease and determine; and, save as aforesaid, the authority, powers, and privileges aforesaid shall cease and determine upon the passing of such Act, or Ordinance, unless Her Majesty shall think fit to disallow the same.

IV. Provided always, and be it enacted, That no such Act, Law, or Ordinance as aforesaid shall affect the privileges, powers, or authorities of Her Majesty's Postmaster General, his Deputies, Servants, or Agents, or the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury, otherwise than as respects the Posts or Post Communications within the limits of the Colony by the Legislature or Legislative Authority of which such Act, Law, or Ordinance shall be made and enacted, and the rates of Postage to be charged for the transmission or conveyance of Letters within such limits.

V. Provided also, and be it enacted, That nothing herein contained shall affect the provisions of an Act of the Tenth year of Her Majesty, intituled, An Act to make further provision for the Government of the New Zealand Islands, or of any Act passed or to be passed in the present Session of Parliament, "for the better Government of Her Majesty's Australian Colonies," empowering the General Assemblies to be established or convened under such respective Acts to make Laws for regulating the Post Offices within and the carriage of Letters between the said Islands and Colonies respectively, which should control and supersede any Laws, Statutes, or Ordinances repugnant thereto enacted by the Assemblies of the separate Provinces of the said Islands or by the separate Legislatures of the said Colonies respectively.

VI. And be it enacted, That in this Act the expression "Her Majesty's Colonies," shall be interpreted according to the meaning assigned to that expression by the said Act passed in the Fourth year of Her present Majesty; and the term "Letters" shall include Letters and Packets, Newspapers, Pamphlets, and other printed Papers.

VII. And be it enacted, That this Act may be amended or repealed in the present Session of Parliament.

No. 17.

*(See page 435.)*

COPY.

*Secretary's Office, Fredericton, 31st July, 1849.*

SIR—

By direction of His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor, I have the honor to enclose herewith a Minute of Council, passed this day, with a view of effecting some united action of the Provinces, whereby such measures may be devised as will be best adapted to acquire and carry into effect a full reciprocity of Trade between the whole of the British North American Provinces and the United States.

For this purpose the Hon. L. A. Wilmot, and myself, have been appointed to meet such persons as may be deputed from the Sister Colonies of Canada, Nova Scotia, Newfoundland, and Prince Edward Island, at Halifax, on the first day of September next.

Trusting that the scheme will meet with the approval of your Government, I have to request that you will submit this communication to their consideration, and favor me with an answer so soon as it may be in your power.

I have, &amp;c.

(Signed)

J. R. PARTELOW.

Hon. Joseph Howe, Provincial Secretary, &amp;c. &amp;c. &amp;c.

COPY.

*In Council, 31st July, 1849.*

PRESENT—

HIS EXCELLENCY THE LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR,

&amp;c.

&amp;c.

&amp;c.

Whereas, the Commercial depression prevailing in the British North American Provinces, imperatively requires that the respective Governments should immediately adopt some united action, for the purpose of devising such remedial measures as may be considered necessary.

The Government of New Brunswick would propose that a Conference should be held at Halifax, at as early a day as practicable, to consist of two Members from each Government—to deliberate upon the Commercial Interests of the Colonies, and to devise such measures as in their opinion may be best suited to the present emergency.

That the result of such Conference be reported to the respective Governments, and, if approved, transmitted to the Secretary of State for the Colonies.

That this Government, impressed with the value and importance of a reciprocal trade with the United States, would, if necessary for its attainment, readily consent to such modification of the existing treaties relating to the Fisheries as would admit the United States to a full participation therein. [Extract from the Minutes.]

(Signed)

R. FULTON.

The Provincial Secretary was instructed to transmit Copies of the Correspondence to the Secretaries of Canada, Newfoundland, and Prince Edward Island.

COPY.



COPY.

*Provincial Secretary's Office, Halifax, August 8, 1849.*

SIR—

I have had the honor to receive your Letter of the 31st July, and the Minute of Council, which accompanied it, and by command of the Lieut. Governor inclose a Minute of Council in reference thereto.

Be assured that the Members of Administration in Nova Scotia, are duly sensible of the advantage they will derive from the free communication, upon topics of inter-Colonial interest, of the views and opinions of Mr. Wilmot and yourself.

I have, &amp;c.

(Signed)

JOSEPH HOWE.

Hon. J. R. Partelow, &amp;c., &amp;c., &amp;c.

COPY.

*At a Council held at the Government House, at Halifax, on the Eighth day of August, A. D. 1849.*

PRESENT—

**HIS EXCELLENCY THE LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR,**  
&c. &c. &c.

His Excellency having laid before the Council a Letter, addressed to the Provincial Secretary by the Provincial Secretary of New Brunswick, enclosing a Minute of Council passed in that Province, suggesting a conference to be held at Halifax, on the first of September next, to consider whether any and what measures can be devised to revive and extend the trade of the North American Provinces.

The Provincial Secretary is instructed to acquaint Mr. Partelow that the Government of Nova Scotia assent to the Conference proposed, and will be prepared to enter upon the discussion of inter-Colonial questions in a fair and friendly spirit, but that in assenting to such Conference it must be clearly understood that no pledge is given by the Government of Nova Scotia to approve the policy of throwing open the Fisheries as the price of reciprocal Trade with the United States.

*Provincial Secretary's Office, Halifax, August 8, 1849.*

SIR—

As it is probable that copies of the communications to which the enclosed Minute of Council refers were forwarded to Canada, I have it in command from the Lieutenant Governor of Nova Scotia, to transmit for the information of your Government, the answer returned from this Province.

I have, &amp;c.

(Signed)

JOSEPH HOWE.

The Provincial Secretary, Canada.

Similar Letters, same date, addressed to the Provincial Secretaries of Newfoundland and Prince Edward Island.

COPY.

COPY.

*Secretary's Office, Montreal, 22nd Aug., 1849.*

SIR—

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your Letter of the 8th instant, transmitting a copy of the reply of the Executive Council of the Province of Nova Scotia, to a Minute of the Executive Council of the Province of New Brunswick, upon the subject of a proposed Conference to be held at Halifax.

His Excellency the Governor General of British North America commands me to transmit to you, for the information of the Government of Nova Scotia, a copy of the answer returned by the Government of Canada to a communication from the Secretary of New Brunswick, upon the subject of the aforesaid Minute of Council.

I have, &amp;c.

(Signed)

J. LESLIE,  
Secretary.

Hon. Joseph Howe, &amp;c. &amp;c. &amp;c.

COPY.

*Secretary's Office, Montreal, 22nd August, 1849.*

SIR—

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your Letter of the 31st ult., enclosing a copy of a Minute of the Executive Council of the Province of New Brunswick, of the same date, suggesting that a Conference should be held at Halifax, to consist of two Members from each of the respective Governments of British North America, to deliberate upon the Commercial interests of those Provinces, with a view to some united action being taken by their Governments for the removal of the Commercial depression now prevailing throughout British North America.

His Excellency the Governor General of British North America commands me to acquaint you (for the information of the Government of New Brunswick) that he approves of the suggestion contained in their Minute in Council, already referred to; and that two of the Members of the Executive Government of Canada will proceed to Halifax for the purpose of assisting at the proposed Conference to be held, as stated in your Letter, on the 1st proximo.

I have, &amp;c.

(Signed)

J. LESLIE,  
Secretary.

Hon. J. R. Partelow, &amp;c. &amp;c. &amp;c.

COPY.

*Secretary's Office, Charlottetown, August 17, 1849.*

SIR—

I have had the honor to receive and to lay before the Lieutenant Governor of this Island, your Letter of the 8th instant, enclosing a Minute of Council passed in the Province of Nova Scotia, in answer to a suggestion on the part of the Executive

Executive Government of New Brunswick, that a Conference be held at Halifax, on the first of September next, to deliberate upon the Commercial interests of the British North American Provinces, a Communication of a similar nature having been submitted to the Government of this Island. I have received His Excellency's instructions to transmit for the information of the Government of Nova Scotia, the reply which has been returned thereto.

I have, &c.

(Signed) T. H. HAVILAND,  
Secretary.

Hon. Joseph Howe, &c. &c. &c.

*Council Chamber, August 16, 1849.*

*At a Meeting of Council.*

PRESENT—

HIS EXCELLENCY THE LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR,

&c. &c. &c.

His Excellency having submitted to the Council a communication addressed to the Provincial Secretary by the Provincial Secretary of New Brunswick, transmitting a Minute of Council passed in that Province, on the 31st ultimo, suggesting a Conference to be held at Halifax, to deliberate upon the commercial interests of the British North American Provinces, and to devise such measures as in the opinion of the Conference may be best suited to revive and extend their trade, the result of such Conference to be subject to the approval of the respective Governments; the Provincial Secretary is instructed to acquaint Mr. Partelow that the Government of Prince Edward Island assents to the Conference proposed by the Government of New Brunswick, with the hope that by a union of action on the part of the respective Governments, means may be devised to relieve the North American Colonies from the present Commercial depression.

[A true extract.]

(Signed) T. H. HAVILAND.

*Secretary's Office, 22nd August, 1849.*

SIR—

I beg to acknowledge the receipt of your Letter of the 8th instant, enclosing a Minute of Council of the Government of Nova Scotia on the subject of a proposed Meeting at Halifax, on the 1st proximo, to consider measures for carrying into effect a full reciprocity of Trade between the British Provinces of North America and the United States of America, and I have now the honor by direction of His Excellency the Governor to transmit to you the enclosed Minute made on this proposition, by the Council of this Government.

I have, &c.,

(Signed) JAS. CROWDY.

The Hon. Joseph Howe, &c., &c., &c.

COPY.

*At a Council held at the Government House, Newfoundland, the 22nd August, 1849.*

His Excellency lays before the Council, Letters from the Provincial Secretaries of the Provinces of Nova Scotia and New Brunswick, accompanied by Minutes of the Executive Councils of those Provinces, requesting the concurrence of the Government of this Colony in a Conference to be held at Halifax, on the 1st proximo, for the purpose of devising such measures as may be best adapted for carrying into effect a full reciprocity of Trade, between the whole of the British North American Provinces and the United States of America.

It appearing to the Council that the Commercial Interests of Newfoundland do not, in any manner, call for the adoption of the course suggested by the Council of New Brunswick—and, no opinion having been at any time expressed on this question, by the Legislature on the trade of this Island, the Council recommend to His Excellency to instruct the Colonial Secretary to apprize the Provincial Secretaries of the respective Provinces of Nova Scotia and New Brunswick, in reply to their Letters, that this Government declines joining in the proposed Conference to be held at Halifax, on the 1st of September next.

The Council at the same time beg to express their entire conviction that no advantage, to be derived from a reciprocal free trade with the United States of America, would compensate for the concession to the citizens of that Republic of a participation in the Fisheries of this Colony. [Extract from the Minutes.]

(Signed) JAS. CROWDY.

COPY.

At a Conference of Delegates from the Executive Governments of the Provinces of Canada, New Brunswick, and Prince Edward's Island, held in Halifax, on the 3rd and 4th Sept., 1849, in compliance with a proposition forwarded by the Government of New Brunswick on the 31st of July, at which the Members of the Executive Council of Nova Scotia were present, the following Resolutions were passed.

PRESENT—

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| The Hon. Mr. Lafontaine, | The Hon. Mr. McNab, |
| “ “ Merritt,             | “ “ Tobin,          |
| “ “ Wilmot,              | “ “ Howe,           |
| “ “ Partelow,            | “ “ Huntington,     |
| “ “ Hensley,             | “ “ Bell,           |
| “ “ Thornton,            | “ “ Young.          |
| “ “ Uniacke,             |                     |

1. *Resolved*, That in consequence of the recent changes in the Commercial policy of the British Empire, it is the opinion of this Meeting that it has become necessary to obtain a more extended Market for the natural products of the British North American Colonies, and that a reciprocal free exchange of such products between those Colonies and the United States of America, would be highly advantageous to both.

2. *Resolved*, That Her Majesty's Government be moved to negotiate with that  
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of the United States, for the removal of existing duties on certain articles the growth and production of the British North American Colonies, allowing the like articles to be imported from the United States into those Colonies duty free.

3. *Resolved*, That the following be the articles to be so imported, viz :

Grain and Breadstuffs of all kinds.

Animals—salted and fresh Meats, Butter, Cheese, Lard, Tallow, Hides, Horns, Wool, undressed Skins, and Furs of all kinds.

Ores—of all kinds, Iron in Pigs and Blooms, Copper, Lead in Pigs.

Grindstones and Stones of all kinds, Earth, Coals, Lime, Ochres, Gypsum, ground or unground ; Rock Salt.

Wood—Timber and Lumber, of all kinds ; Firewood, Ashes.

Fish—Fish Oil, viz : Train Oil, Spermaceti Oil, Head Matter and Blubber, Fins and Skins, the produce of Fish or creatures living in the water.

4. *Resolved*, That it be recommended to the respective Colonial Governments of British North America to propose to the Legislatures the removal of all duties on their natural products, as above enumerated.

(Signed)

L. H. LAFONTAINE, President.  
JOSEPH HOWE, Secretary.

COPY.

No. 133.

*Government House, Halifax, August 10, 1849.*

MY LORD—

I have the honor to transmit Copies of an Official Letter from the Provincial Secretary of New Brunswick, addressed to the Secretary of this Province, accompanied by a Minute of Council, suggesting a friendly Conference, by Delegates from the North American Governments, to be holden at Halifax, on the first September next. I also enclose a Copy of the Minute of Council adopted by my Government, on receipt of those Communications, and shall give Your Lordship the earliest information of any measures which may result from the deliberations proposed.

I have, &c.,

(Signed)

J. HARVEY.

The Right Hon. Earl Grey, &c. &c. &c.

Enclosures—  
1. Letter from Mr. Partelow, with Minute of Council.  
2. Minute of Council of Nova Scotia.

COPY.

No. 139.

*Government House, Halifax, September 7, 1849.*

MY LORD—

Referring to my Despatch No. 133, of the 10th of August, and its enclosures, I have now the honor to transmit a Copy of the proceedings of the Conference therein reported. The gentlemen present represented the Governments of Canada, New Brunswick and Prince Edward Island, that of Newfoundland declining to send delegates.

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As regards myself, I have no further interfered with the late discussions, than to suggest to the Members of my own Council on no account to give a premature assent to any Resolutions, which might, before Her Majesty's Government and the Provincial Legislature were consulted, pledge this Province to the surrender of rights involving the security of a staple trade, and perhaps a question of national importance.

I have, &c.,

(Signed)

J. HARVEY.

The Right Hon. Earl Grey, &c. &c. &c.

No. 18:

(See page 439.)

*Memorial to the Honorable the Legislative Assembly of the Province of Nova Scotia, and its Dependencies.*

GENTLEMEN,—

Your Memorialist respectfully asks attention, in your Legislative capacity, to a subject embracing the welfare of a numerous and fast increasing class of your fellow-citizens, who, through want of appropriate care under the access of a terrible malady, are in many instances suffering severe hardships and aggravated miseries, and who are not only in bondage to a disqualifying physical illness preventing the right use of those functions through which the mind finds expression, but in not unfrequent cases are subject to the outward bondage of cords and straps, chains and fetters; incarcerated in filthy, unventilated apartments, cold, comfortless huts and cabins, and in dreary cells and dungeons; not seldom fed and sheltered with less care than the brutes, and Pariah-like, cast beyond the pale of respect, affection, and sympathy.

I refer to the Insane of all classes and ages, and of both sexes, numbered now by hundreds, in the Province of Nova Scotia and its Dependencies.

I am aware that this subject, appealing to your humane sensibilities, and your judgment, is not now for the first time presented for your consideration; that the just claims of the afflicted do not now for the first time demand Legislative action and Executive sanction in your country.

I have seen that so early as February, 1846, a Commission designated under the authority of His Excellency, the late Lieutenant Governor, Viscount Falkland, and created in accordance with a request emanating from the House of Assembly, communicated a comprehensive and able Report in favour of establishing a Hospital for the relief and cure of the Insane in the Province, &c.—And further, it will be recollected that His Excellency Viscount Falkland, in conformity with a Resolution of the House of Assembly, resulting from facts communicated in the above named Report, appointed a second Commission, consisting of five competent members, viz: the Hon. Hugh Bell, John E. Fairbanks, Alexander Sawers, A. M. Uniacke, and Charles Twining, whose duty it was made to determine the most suitable site in the Province for the erection of a Lunatic Asylum, and for ascertaining the probable expense of founding and sustaining such an establishment, and to report the same to the House during the Session next ensuing, together with approved plans and specifications."

A special Report (see House Journal, Appendix No. 11, January, 1847,) based upon inquiries and estimates conducted with good judgment and fidelity to the cause, was communicated to His Excellency Sir John Harvey, and by his command transmitted to the Legislature. This document bears date 1st January, 1847, but it does not appear that any measures have been seriously proposed and supported for assuring the result recommended and urged by the Commission, and which was earnestly represented as of great necessity.

I find, it is true, in a volume of your Acts, a series of Documents bearing date severally, January 21st, 1847—and from which I ask permission to make full extracts of such passages as bear upon the subject in question. In the opening Speech before the Provincial Parliament, his Excellency Sir John Harvey, in a manner which illustrates at once his good judgment and humane dispositions, calls attention to the obligation of providing suitably for the Insane, as follows :

“ There is another matter which has constituted to me a subject of the most painful interest in all the Colonies with which I have hitherto been connected, and which presents itself to me in a no less distressing aspect in this. I allude to the absence of suitable arrangements for the reception and treatment, with a view to relief or cure, of that class of unhappy beings, which I grieve to believe is *rapidly increasing in these Colonies*, owing to the causes to which I have adverted, viz: the want of those means of effectual application to the disease in its incipient stages, which I regard as the solemn duty of the Legislature of every Colony to provide for its Pauper Lunatics. I accordingly earnestly recommend this subject to your serious and compassionate consideration, in connexion with a very able and satisfactory Report, which will be laid before you, from the Commissioners appointed by my predecessor in the Administration, to select the best site for the proposed Building.”

To this concise and persuasive appeal, incredible as it may seem, the following reply stands recorded ; what meaning the respondents attached to it I have in vain endeavored to conjecture.

“ On the last subject of deep and painful interest which your Excellency has been pleased to bring under our notice, we have already, as you are probably aware, deliberated, and in the future consideration we shall give to this interesting subject, we shall not fail to be impressed with the pertinency and force of the remarks and reasons by which your Excellency has recommended to our regard the case of the unhappy beings subject to the fearful malady to which your Excellency has adverted.”

It appears that the subject, though of admitted importance, has been suffered to slumber ; and, as time wears away, so irrecoverably wears away the intellectual capacities of the neglected insane.

The history of most of the incurable cases brought to Hospitals, show that in all probability they might have been restored by timely treatment, and it is a fact capable of demonstration, not less in Europe than in America, that though the first expense of a patient under Hospital treatment is greater than in an Alms-house or at private charge, the ultimate expense is much less than if they are suffered to become incurable, and so remain a life-long burthen. But pardon the seeming imputation on your liberality and justice ; this is not a matter of pounds and pence, for who will be found skilled to count the cost of care and cure against the value of mental health ? who, when bringing this subject home, will be ready to determine against a cause founded in the strongest moral obligations of man to man, and which presents but one course of correct action—a course which admits no compromise, no half measures, no pause, no procrastination, a course where affirmative decision is mental salvation—a course where a negative act is mental destruction !

destruction! I am sensible that many uninformed persons, when the measure for establishing a Provincial Hospital for the Insane is first suggested, may oppose the measure on the ground that the wants of the Country do not at this time demand Legislative interposition. It will not be a difficult and certainly not an ungrateful task to convince all such that their opinions are based in want of correct knowledge; and that inquiry and research will dissipate all their doubts, and kindle a desire to assist in forwarding a work so urgent, in place of opposing obstacles to its speedy accomplishment.

Let it be understood also that in arriving at convincing facts, one need not prosecute journeys distant from the Seat of Government, nor compass sea and land to search out the hidden retreats of distress where the hopeless, and homeless maniac raves, the demented pines, the convulsed epileptic shrieks o'er his impending fate, and the forlorn idiot babbles in his dismal cell. Most subjects admit of high colouring, or lively exaggeration with the pencil or the pen—but this, the history of Insanity, none; it transcends the highest sketches of fancy, and the most vivid descriptions of a quickened imagination.

Abundant evidence exists within the precincts of the City and County of Halifax alone, to convince every investigating and intelligent mind that no time should be lost in procuring for the insane the benefits of protective and remedial care. I found in a department of the Halifax Poor House, in September last, *forty-four* insane men and women suffering under different forms of the malady which placed them in a most helpless condition. No blame attaches to the Superintendent of that Institution for the manifold defects of the buildings occupied by the insane, or for the more serious deficiencies in the provision for their restraint, nursing, and care,—but cure, restoration to the right use of the reasoning faculties, (and I appeal in support of my assertion, to the medical attendant and to the visitors,) is here rare indeed, *if it is not absolutely impossible*. They who pass within the gloomy, desolate walls of the men's department may well be said to leave all hope behind. The age of miracles has passed we believe, and nothing short of miraculous agency could *there* heal the sickness which eclipse the intellect, by breaking down the physical powers. Here, from various quarters are gathered those whose poverty and obscurity rank them with the neglected and the forgotten.

But it is not in the Poor's Asylum alone that examples are found which show how regardless is the Government of those who are justly, and by their unequalled miseries, the *wards of the State*; in retired places, in humble dwellings throughout the Country, scenes of misery have been disclosed which language would fail to describe. I appeal to many of your citizens, and to members of the Honorable Legislature, for illustrations in evidence of this affirmation.

In the County of Pictou alone, according to statistics faithfully collected, and furnished by James D. B. Fraser, Esq., there were *forty-six* individuals, who were deprived of reason, and all of which were fit subjects for Hospital care.—Some of these I have seen; of others the history has reached me through authentic and reliable sources. Throughout the Province, in short, I found cases incurable through long neglect, doomed to be either a life-long burthen to themselves through suffering; and a life-long charge upon their friends or the public, for care and maintenance.

It is a fact very well known, that many patients, whose families have enjoyed affluence, or possessed competent fortunes, have been conveyed to Hospitals in the United States to receive those cares appropriated to their condition, and which could not be assured in their own country. The objections and obstacles involved in such an alternative are too obvious to need exposition.

In Prince Edward's Island, near Charlottetown I found a small establishment for



for the reception of the insane, but wholly destitute, through want of funds, of all the comforts and arrangements deemed requisite for advancing the cure of patients.

In Newfoundland is the nucleus for an Institution which the humanity of the citizens will nurture into a creditable curative Hospital, it is believed.

In New Brunswick is an Hospital in the vicinity of St. John's, for the establishment and support of which that Government have made what, under the circumstances, must be considered very liberal appropriations. This Hospital however cannot extend its cares to citizens of another Province without excluding, in consequence, patients claiming care within the boundaries of New Brunswick.

The Provinces of Upper and Lower Canada have, since 1843, made, annually, appropriations which are gradually extending the blessings of hospital treatment to the Insane in those two Provinces. A large and liberally supported Institution is established near Toronto; and at Quebec, through the unwearied exertions of Drs. Morrin, Douglas, and Fremont, their infant Institution is acquiring the means of improved and far-diffused influence and benefits.

Visiting the Canadas in 1843 and 1844, I found the Jail at Toronto thronged with Insane patients, held in detention for their own protection and the public safety. In the Jail at Montreal were above seventy of the most suffering and mismanaged patients I have ever seen; in the Jail at Quebec I found above fifty in various conditions, but in every respect more judiciously and humanely cared for than in Montreal. But scattered far and wide over that vast tract of country, were isolated cases, whose dreadful condition made piteous appeals for relief and protection. Many Insane in the Canadas were intrusted to the care of religious communities; in the districts of Three Rivers, Montreal, and Quebec, Government paid, yearly, the sum of £32 10s. for the support of each patient. But it was only the most dangerous and unmanageable, as formerly in similar institutions in Europe, who were so placed. No measures so far as I could learn on the most careful inquiry, and on the authority of the resident medical men, were ever devised or adopted for their restoration to health and reason. They are confined in separate cells, debarred all intercourse with each other or with society abroad; left to pine in dreary solitude, without recreation or employment; without fire for warmth in winter, and imperfectly defended from the cold by scanty apparel, they became maniacal or idiotic—some piercing the heavy poisonous air of their filthy cells with loud cries, rending their clothes, or uttering the low meaningless babblings of idiocy.

From time to time strong representations reached the public ear, through Visitors or Grand Juries, who presented the unfitness of these foul receptacles for the treatment of the wretched inmates. The honored name of Sir Charles Metcalfe is forever associated with the first effective measures adopted in the Canadas for ameliorating and healing the sufferings of the insane. I can never forget the benignant and humane spirit in which he received the communications I had the opportunity of making to him, personally and in writing, nor the promptness and efficiency of his acts in procuring a remedy for the grievances which were brought to his knowledge. Many citizens throughout the Provinces, zealously advanced the work of reformation, joining to their labors humane sympathy with the afflicted, and enlightened sound judgment in the accomplishment of their aims.

The temporary Hospital of the Lower Province was opened at Beaufort, about two and a half miles from Quebec, in September, 1848, and there were immediately received eighty-seven Insane, who had been for years confined in the dismal cells of the Jail in Montreal, the Convent at Quebec, and the Nunnery at Three Rivers. Most of these had been dragging out a horrible existence under such

such accumulated miseries as to have become irredeemably incurable. To make them comparatively comfortable was all that could be hoped for or attained.—Some had been in confinement from twenty to twenty-eight years. A little less than three hundred patients have been under care since 1848. The contracts are already made for the construction of an Hospital on the most improved plan ; so that without excluding the old, recent cases may not be rejected.

It will readily be supposed that great interest was excited by the first removal of the insane from the cells and dungeons to the Hospital at Beaufort. Of those transferred from the Convent, according to the words of the physicians, "one had been confined twenty-eight years, and several upwards of twenty. During the whole of this time they had been shut into different cells, in a low one-story building," (I shall never forget it, nor the miserable wretches moaning and shrieking in its damp dark cells) "surrounded by a cedar fence 12 feet high." They had never been permitted to leave the building—most of them had never been allowed to leave their small cells—and they rarely saw the countenance or heard the voice of any human being beside those who brought their daily food. They were of course filthy in their habits, and many of them destructive in their propensities.

Much apprehension was experienced by those who had had charge of them on the morning when they were to be released. But experience here verified the predictions of the humane and enlightened. The results corresponded singularly with those which blessed the determined efforts of Pinel, in France, nearly half a century earlier.

They were removed in open carriages, and in cabs. They offered no resistance ; on the contrary, they were delighted with the ride ; and the view of the city, the river, the trees, the beautiful sky, and the passers-by, excited the most pleasurable emotions. On their arrival they were placed at table at breakfast, and it was most interesting to witness their amazement and their delight. All traces of ferocity, turbulence, and disorder had vanished : they found themselves again in the world, treated like rational beings, and endeavoured to behave as such. One, a man of education and talents, but whose mind was in fragments, after a confinement of 26 years, wandered from window to window ; knew once familiar objects in the city, the ships, the boats on the river and bay, but could not comprehend the steamers. Before leaving the Convent, the Nuns had caused him to be clothed ; it was 19 years since he had worn shoes ! Another patient, who was disposed to be restless, demanded a broom and forthwith commenced sweeping, requiring all about him to fall into some sort of employment. As soon as their muscular powers were sufficiently restored, they were induced to adopt employments congenial with their former trades and habits. They were often conducted through the gardens and grounds."

The effect of this system was soon apparent, they became stronger, ate and slept regularly, and some of them recovered the use of their reason.

On the 28th of September, 52 insane patients were received from the dungeons and cells of the Montreal Jail. As a class they were more violent and destructive than the patients previously received ; but having been a less period in confinement, more have in proportion been recovered. On the 8th of October, seven patients arrived from Three Rivers, chained and handcuffed like a gang of galley convicts. They had for a long time been chained to the floor of their cells ; they were all easily managed after a few days ! Kindness and humane cares were the potent charms by which the furious were tranquilized and the curable restored.

Permit me to remind you, Gentlemen of the Legislature, that in the establishment of well-managed Hospitals for the insane, not only are the obligations due

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to the humanity fitly acknowledged and cancelled, but that through these measures, political economy no less than general social and individual benefits are assured.

In this age when information on all subjects of public interest and importance is so widely diffused, it is unnecessary to refer specially to the history of Hospitals for the cure of the insane, or to enter into an exposition of the benefits of care for every class of these under the modern system, characterised as it is in all civilized countries by the exercise of skill and kindness on the part of all those who hold responsible places in the administration of these Institutions.

It is well understood that sound physical health is the best protection against the development of Insanity; whatever therefore assists bodily vigor in like manner promotes the healthy functions of the brain. The malady of insanity, when brought under *early, efficient* treatment, is, except there be organic disease, equally manageable and curable, as a fever or a cold. The mischiefs of delay in securing Hospital care, cannot be too strongly insisted on. Hundreds and thousands of incurable cases, within the range of my own observation alone, attest the inhumanity and cruelty of procrastination.

Pinel, Esquirol, Falret, Jacobi, Heinroth, Connolly, Ellis, Browne, Bell, Awl, Kirkwide, Buttolph, Stribling, Douglas, Morrin, and a host beside, whose talents and experience are of almost world-wide repute, have urged, and continue to urge, this truth, and in persuasive language press upon individuals and communities the performance of their obvious duty to this most dependent class of sufferers.

Removal from all accustomed scenes and influences appears to be essential for successful treatment of the insane. Willis, the distinguished physician to George the III, dismissed his Majesty's family, courtiers, officers, and domestics, procured strangers as nurses and attendants, and thus first advanced the restoration of the distracted monarch and controlled his insane delusions. 'Entirely to disconnect the insane from their accustomed intercourse with relatives and friends, associates and servants, (writes M. Pinel), is the indispensable and imperative plan for commencing a course of treatment which may promise favorable results.' Falret declares that all experience demonstrates that the kind of isolation preferable to all others, is alone found in establishments especially devoted to the insane. 'Few,' writes Halloran, 'recover under any course of domestic treatment.' The Superintendent of one of the most successful Hospitals in England, in a report issued in 1842, declared that in a large proportion of cases admitted during the year then closed, owing to a long detention by ill-judged friends amongst the sick, or by the negligence of parish officers amongst the poor, the prospects of recovery for the largest part were entirely precluded, and the successful cases, '*the period of treatment bore generally an accurate ratio to the prior duration of the disorder.*' The visiting Commissioners of the same Hospital report that they cannot too strongly express their conviction from experience, that the chances of cure are materially lessened, and not unfrequently defeated, by the delays which are suffered to take place in sending patients to an Hospital after confirmation of the malady. The physician of the Retreat in York, stated in a late report, that *forty-nine* years experience establishes the fact of recovery of four cases to one brought under cure within three months of the first attack, while it is less than one to four, in cases of more than twelve months duration when admitted.

The Superintendent of the fine Hospital in Edinburgh, states that "to be treated successfully, insanity must be treated early; ill-founded sensibility, and false prejudices often operate to prevent this being done."

Not only do delays in placing patients in Hospitals, involve the risk of permanently establishing the malady, but the safety of property and security of life is hazarded in innumerable instances.

In a report by Dr. Stribling, to the Legislature of Virginia, I find the following record. "Of all cases received into the Hospital this year, *ninety-seven* were recent; of these *eighty-three* have been restored to their accustomed health, to usefulness, and to their families; five remain in an improved condition; three unimproved; and six have died before an opportunity was had to test remedies in their behalf." "Of one hundred and fifty-eight cases remaining in the Hospital at Staunton, in 1845, and probably doomed to life-long insanity, I cannot question the recovery of nearly all, had they been *subject* to early and appropriate moral and medical care. In many cases the selfish and morbid sentiments of friends, led them to reject Hospital aid till too late to secure its first and highest *benefits*, and the best care and highest efforts of skill are unavailing. They are maniacs for life; the unhappy victims of false pride or mistaken affection on the part of their relatives.

The following Table derived from a Report of the Kentucky State Hospital, shows the cases of less than one year's duration when admitted to that Institution, during a period of fourteen months, noting the whole numbers cured, relieved, unimproved, and deceased; together with the per cent. of cures on the admissions and discharges:

|        | Admitted. | Recovered. | Relieved. | Unimproved. | Died. | Per cent. Cures to Admission. | Per cent. Cures to Discharges. |
|--------|-----------|------------|-----------|-------------|-------|-------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| Men,   | 127       | 94         | 16        | 8           | 9     | 74.15                         | 91.23                          |
| Women, | 73        | 51         | 13        | 2           | 7     | 69.86                         | 87.93                          |
| Total, | 200       | 143        | 29        | 10          | 16    | 72.05                         | 90.62                          |

I have intimated, adds the same judicious physician, that Institutions for the right treatment of the Insane are demanded, not only for their care and cure, but also on the score of economy.

The following Table shows the truth of this position, and the reason why it is so:

*A Table showing the comparative cost to the State of twenty old and twenty recent cases of Insanity, illustrating the importance, in an economical point of view, of placing such persons under treatment at an early period of their disease, and of providing every means of treating them successfully in an Asylum.*

| OLD CASES. |      |                       |                                      | RECENT CASES. |                            |                       |                                      |
|------------|------|-----------------------|--------------------------------------|---------------|----------------------------|-----------------------|--------------------------------------|
| No.        | Age. | Time spent in Asylum. | Cost of ea. case at 63 dols. pr. an. | No.           | Duration before admission. | Time spent in Asylum. | Cost of ea. case at \$1 50c. pr. wk. |
| 1          | 47   | 20 years,             | \$1,300                              | 1             | 1 week,                    | 36 weeks,             | \$54 00                              |
| 2          | 48   | 20 years,             | 1,300                                | 2             | 7 weeks,                   | 16 weeks,             | 24 00                                |
| 3          | 52   | 17 years,             | 1,105                                | 3             | 3 months,                  | 32 weeks,             | 48 00                                |
| 4          | 54   | 16 years,             | 1,140                                | 4             | 2 months,                  | 40 weeks,             | 60 00                                |
| 5          | 47   | 17 years,             | 1,005                                | 5             | 2 months,                  | 20 weeks,             | 30 00                                |
| 6          | 46   | 15 years,             | 975                                  | 6             | 2 months,                  | 20 weeks,             | 30 00                                |
| 7          | 51   | 14 years,             | 910                                  | 7             | 3 months,                  | 12 weeks,             | 18 00                                |
| 8          | 31   | 13 years,             | 845                                  | 8             | 1 month,                   | 20 weeks,             | 30 00                                |
| 9          | 33   | 11 years,             | 715                                  | 9             | 2 months,                  | 28 weeks,             | 42 00                                |
| 10         | 45   | 12 years,             | 780                                  | 10            | 3 months,                  | 24 weeks,             | 36 00                                |
| 11         | 37   | 10 years,             | 650                                  | 11            | 6 months,                  | 24 weeks,             | 36 00                                |
| 12         | 39   | 10 years,             | 650                                  | 12            | 6 months,                  | 32 weeks,             | 48 00                                |
| 13         | 33   | 12 years,             | 780                                  | 13            | 4 months,                  | 28 weeks,             | 42 00                                |
| 14         | 45   | 15 years,             | 975                                  | 14            | 4 months,                  | 12 weeks,             | 18 00                                |
| 15         | 48   | 16 years,             | 1,040                                | 15            | 6 months,                  | 8 weeks,              | 12 00                                |
| 16         | 56   | 12 years,             | 780                                  | 16            | 1 month,                   | 8 weeks,              | 12 00                                |
| 17         | 44   | 13 years,             | 715                                  | 17            | 2 months,                  | 24 weeks,             | 36 00                                |
| 18         | 47   | 15 years,             | 975                                  | 18            | 1 month,                   | 20 weeks,             | 30 00                                |
| 19         | 36   | 13 years,             | 845                                  | 19            | 6 months,                  | 12 weeks,             | 18 00                                |
| 20         | 36   | 9 years,              | 580                                  | 20            | 1 month,                   | 20 weeks,             | 30 00                                |
|            |      |                       | \$18,030                             |               |                            |                       | \$654 00                             |

Aggregate cost of 20 old cases, \$18,030 00.

Average time spent in Asylum by each, 14 years,

Average cost of ea. case, \$901 50.

Aggregate cost of 20 recent cases, \$654 00.

Average time spent in Asylum, nearly five months.

Average cost of each case, \$32 14.

Of 122 patients discharged from the Connecticut Hospital in 1848, 70 were recovered—23 improved—17 not improved—and 12 died. Since the first opening of that institution in 1824, eighteen hundred and ninety-seven have been recovered and restored to their friends.

Of patients discharged from the Pennsylvania Hospital, Dr. Kirkwide reports for the year 1848,

|                |     |
|----------------|-----|
| Cured,         | 120 |
| Much improved, | 23  |
| Improved,      | 24  |
| Stationery,    | 19  |
| Died,          | 17  |

Total,

203

Of

Of the patients discharged cured, 57 were residents of the Hospital not exceeding three months; 35 between three and six months; 24 between six months and one year; and 4 for a longer period than a year.

Of those discharged "much improved," 9 were under treatment less than three months; 4 between three and six months; 8 between six months and a year; and 2 for more than one year.

Premature removals cannot be too earnestly deprecated.

"Precipitate removals," writes Dr. Roy, of Rhode Island, "lead to disastrous, because to irremediable and sure evils. Friends either are not aware, or are not willing to admit, that Hospital care in the first instance is better suited for attaining recovery than home treatment; and if, finally, they yield to the urgent necessities of the case, after hazardous delays, and confide the patient to an Institution adapted to his condition, they do not seem sensible that insanity is of much longer duration than most acute diseases, and that in many, if not in most cases which finally are restored, weeks and often months pass without sensible improvement. The duration of insanity, though far more various than most diseases, is governed by a law scarcely less inflexible."

According to observations made by Esquirol, during a series of years at the Salpetriere, where the stay of the patient is determined by the will of the Physician, not the caprice of friends or of officials, most of the permanent recoveries were effected within one year, and most others subsequent to the close of the tenth year. The average duration of the malady was there found to be about one year.

Friends are not easily convinced that those they have loved and cherished, decline under their own indulgence and watchfulness; unfortunately the evil which grows out of their ill-advised experiment upon the exquisitely delicate organization of the brain, too often baffles the profoundest skill of the anxious physician to whom, as a last resort, the luckless patient is transferred.

Let it be remembered that those who would mitigate or heal human woe in its most appalling and concentrated powers, must provide liberally and seasonably for the insane.

The experience of many years, writes Dr. Butler, strengthens the conviction that both humanity and sound practical economy demand of every state and country that all the insane within their respective borders should be suitably cared for, so that all recent cases shall have every possible facility for restoration, and all chronic cases shall receive every alleviation their pitiable condition admits.

The insane, writes Dr. Chandler, have just claims on the community for support. All persons are more or less liable to cerebral disease. Every year some of our best minds become deranged, and a retreat is sought for them in Hospitals, where they are shielded from many sources of affliction, and where are found the best aids for their recovery.

"Under well directed Hospital care," writes Dr. Luther V. Bell, "recovery is the rule, permanent insanity the exception.

Dr. Brigham the late Superintendent of the New York State Hospital, failed not to reiterate in his annual reports, the obligation of placing patients under appropriate treatment early after the manifestation of the malady.

Dr. Rockwell in every report to the Legislature of Vermont, proves the ill consequences of delayed care.

Dr. Ellis, director of the West Riding Hospital for the insane, stated in 1827, that of 312 received within three months of their first attack, 216 recovered; while of 318 admitted whose malady ranged from one year to thirty, less than 50 perfectly recovered.

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Dr. Veitch, recently of the Salpetriere declares that of 152 old cases, 5 only could be said to regain the sound exercise of reason.

Dr. Barrows reported 91 of 100 recent cases cured; and Dr. Willis made corresponding statements to the British public. The records of the Senavia and Milan Hospitals accord with those already quoted.

I have been led to produce these various and accredited authorities, because it seems to me that a mass of evidence so unquestionable should have weight in influencing the decisions of the Honorable Body I address.

In the Massachusetts State Hospital, in 1843, *twenty-five old cases* had cost \$54,157.00 (about £13,539 ls. currency,) the average expense of these being \$2,166.20. The whole expense of *twenty-five recent cases* till recovered, was \$1,461.30; average expense of the same \$58.48, being a little more than £14 3s. currency.

In the Western Hospital, Virginia, *twenty old cases* had cost \$41,633: average cost \$2081.65. The whole expenses of *twenty recent cases* was \$1263.00 the average expense of twenty recent cases till recovered, \$63.23.

The cost of supporting 102 cases in different Hospitals had amounted to \$201,336.00, and on an average each had cost \$1973.88, while in the same Institutions the same number of recent case discharged cured, amounted to only \$6,068.60, or to an average of \$59.49.

In one single Institution in New England, three cases of incurable insanity first admitted, have already cost their friends \$11,100, or \$3,700 for each; while the three cases of recovery have cost \$170.74, or only \$56.96 each. The old cases, so far as is apparent, had they been brought under early treatment, might have been recovered, and not have remained a sorrow of heart, and heavy burthen upon the pecuniary resources of their friends; the last, which were recent cases, are already sharing in society the duties of citizens, and in their own families the blessings and joys of domestic affection.

In 1844-45, one hundred and four patients were discharged recovered, from the Massachusetts State Hospital, whose cases were *recent* at the time of their admission. At the same Hospital, the per cent recovery in all *recent cases* was 89½ in 1843; 79 in 1846; 72 in 1847; 86 in 1848; and of *old cases* 31½ in 1845; 28 in 1846; 17 in 1847; 19 in 1848.

In the Hospital at Augusta, Maine, the average time of recent cases recovered was 157 days; that of old cases recovered, was 229 days.

I have endeavoured to prove the advantages to be possessed by Hospital care and treatment for the insane; I have tried to illustrate the disadvantages of domestic care and treatment for this suffering class of our fellow-beings. I have glanced at the inefficiency and cruelty of a *Poor House* residence, for the epileptic and the maniac. In imagination for a short hour, place yourselves in their stead; enter the horrid noisome cell, invest yourselves with the foul tattered garments which scantily serve the purposes of decent protection; cast yourselves upon the loathsome pile of filthy straw; find companionship in your own cries and groans; or in the wailings and gibberings of wretches miserable like yourselves; call for help and release, for blessed words of soothing and kind offices of care, till the dull walls are weary in sending back the echo of your moans; then, if self-possession is not overwhelmed under the imaginary miseries of what are the actual distresses

distresses of the insane, return to the consciousness of your sound intellectual health, and answer if you will longer repose or delay to make adequate appropriations for the establishment of a Provincial Hospital for those who are deprived of reason, and thereby of all that can gladden life or make existence a blessing.

It may be proper to refer here to facts connected with the monetary outlays for Hospitals for the insane, that these institutions, at least in the United States, once substantially built, finished and furnished, with rare exceptions, sustain themselves from the receipts from paying patients, and the poor, whose actual expenses are met by the counties or parishes in which they have their residence. A few examples may strengthen this illustration.

At the State Hospital in Augusta, Maine, the whole number of cases treated during eighteen months, ending March, 1848, was 257; of these, 127 remained under treatment. Outlays, including salaries and contingent expenses, \$17,543 76; cash received by the Treasurer, \$16,992 70; leaving the trifling balance of \$551 06 against the Hospital.

The products of the Farm were as follows, viz :

|                                                                                |      |                 |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------|-----------------|
| 40 tons of hay,                                                                | 8 00 | \$320 00        |
| 400 bushels of potatoes,                                                       | 75c. | 300 00          |
| 130 " oats,                                                                    | 40   | 52 00           |
| 100 " beets,                                                                   | 50   | 50 00           |
| 75 " carrots,                                                                  | 25   | 18 75           |
| 90 " turnips,                                                                  | 50   | 45 00           |
| 3,350 lbs. pork,                                                               | 8    | 268 00          |
| 8 tons of oat straw,                                                           | 4 00 | 32 00           |
| Small vegetables, cabbages, beans, peas,<br>green corn, apples, &c. estimated, |      | 75 00           |
|                                                                                |      | <hr/>           |
|                                                                                |      | \$1,160 75 cts. |

Nothing so much gratifies the patient as a consciousness of being useful, the knowledge that his work can be turned to some good account. Sales from eight acres of ground, cultivated in vegetable productions, at Bloomingdale Hospital, afforded the last year returns of more than \$4000. At another Hospital of 217 patients, 130 were actively engaged in out-door work from five to seven hours daily, 16 in spinning, 12 in knitting, 12 in washing, 18 in ironing, 16 in white-washing and weaving, and 12 in learning to read and in spreading the tables at the hours for meals. At the Maryland Hospital 45 of 89 patients are habitually employed in useful work. Dr. Chandler reports of his patients as follows :

" Our inmates have performed as much labor the past year, on the farm, as usual. The garden has looked as well and has yielded as abundantly. The effects of labor on those who work are salutary, unless they over-work, which is not apt to be the case, except in certain recent cases. Physical health is promoted, and mental quietude is increased by out-door exercise, and some profitable labor is the most agreeable way of taking it. We try to furnish our inmates with as much exercise on a farm, and in the garden, as they can be induced to take. It has been in a few cases, the great means of their recovery. This establishment has been liberally supplied, during the summer, with vegetables from the garden, and, besides these, that have been consumed at the time, the following lists, with their prices, is presented with the products of the farm :



|                                         |    |           |         |
|-----------------------------------------|----|-----------|---------|
| 110 bushels of corn,                    | at | 90 cents, | \$99 00 |
| 75 " potatoes,                          | "  | 50 "      | 37 50   |
| 25 " dry beans,                         | "  | 1 25 "    | 31 25   |
| 11 " " peas,                            | "  | 1 00 "    | 11 00   |
| 107 " green peas                        | "  | 1 00 "    | 107 00  |
| 95 " beats,                             | "  | 34 "      | 32 30   |
| 345 " turnips                           | "  | 25 "      | 86 25   |
| 40 " parsnips,                          | "  | 67 "      | 26 80   |
| 105 " onions,                           | "  | 67 "      | 70 35   |
| 25 " apples,                            | "  | 50 "      | 12 50   |
| 1500 cabbages, at 4 cents a peice,      |    |           | 60 60   |
| 36500 quarts milk, at 3½ cents a quart, |    |           | 1186 25 |
| 4736 pounds of beef, at 6¼ cents,       |    |           | 298 50  |
| 4273 " pork " 6¼ "                      |    |           | 267 06  |
| 90 " poultry, at 10 cents               |    |           | 9 00    |

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\$2,334 76

There was raised for wintering the stock,

|                                    |          |
|------------------------------------|----------|
| 50 tons of hay, at \$10 per ton,   | \$500 00 |
| 1206 bushels carrots, at 25 cents, | 301 50   |
| Corn fodder,                       | 15 00    |

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\$816 50

Female patients occupy time in various kinds of needle-work, in reading, exercise, and also household employments, according to their previous habits, and the nature and state of their disease. The male patients have a variety of occupations in the shops, on the grounds, in the reading-room, and in exercise halls. No restraints are imposed which can be dispensed with; no peremptory word is uttered when persuasion will avail; the law of the Hospital is the law of kindness, and the spirit which prevails is the spirit of good-will."

The Report of the New Hampshire State Hospital for 1848-49 shows—

|                                             |             |
|---------------------------------------------|-------------|
| Outlays,                                    | \$11,829 95 |
| Receipts,                                   | 12,132 89   |
| Leaving a balance in favor of the Hospital. |             |

|                                                           |     |
|-----------------------------------------------------------|-----|
| Whole number of patients under treatment during the year, | 190 |
| Remaining,                                                | 114 |

"The Hospital farm, it is well known, was a few years since but little more than a barren waste. Seven years since it yielded but from three to four tons of poor hay: the present year the same lands have produced 35 tons. The crop of potatoes was 1000 bushels; corn, 315 bushels; rye, 100 bushels; and a proportionate amount of other crops. The next year we look for more abundant returns for our improvements and labor."

The Report of the Vermont State Hospital, at Brattleton, for 1848, shows—

|                                 |             |
|---------------------------------|-------------|
| Outlays,                        | \$30,995 93 |
| Receipts for Board of patients, | 31,295 34   |

"The Farm has afforded good return for labor expended. Every Institution should have sufficient land to furnish the patients with abundant employment in its

its cultivation. All agricultural and horticultural pursuits, rightly directed, have a salutary effect. But the great benefit resulting from manual labour, connected with an Hospital for the Insane, cannot be reckoned in dollars and cents. Its advantages can only be justly estimated *as one of the most efficient means* for the restoration of the curable, and for the cheerfulness, enjoyment and comfort of the incurable. Every facility should be furnished to patients of both sexes for beneficial employments and pastime.

The official Report of the Connecticut Hospital for the Insane, at Hartford, exhibits for the year ending April, 1849—

|                                                |             |
|------------------------------------------------|-------------|
| Expenditures,                                  | \$24,582 99 |
| The receipts nearly balance the account, being | 24,272 84   |
| Number of patients in the course of the year,  | 255         |
| Number remaining,                              | 133         |

"We avail ourselves," adds Dr. Butler, "of all suitable varieties of occupation, exercise, and amusements of every form of which we can have control, as appliances for the improvement of the patients. Excursions also, visits to objects of interest, rides, walks, games, musical and dancing parties, sewing circles, quiet and social meetings, &c. &c.; all are sought in order to vary the monotony of hospital life."

The first Report of the Rhode Island Hospital, after having been opened for but thirteen months, shows an Expense Table nearly balanced by its income—the deficiency being but 593 dollars.

"Our farm," writes Dr. Roy, "has every quality desirable for such an establishment—a dry and productive soil, beautiful groves, and agreeable prospects. The grounds consist of 115 acres, nearly equally divided into cultivated soil and native woodland, furnishing the means of exercise and recreation. By the class of patients accustomed to labor employment is readily embraced.

I might proceed to furnish extracts from many Reports in addition to the authorities already quoted, but it seems unnecessary to multiply these attested facts, or to advance new arguments as motives for the performance of a high and noble duty of unquestionable obligation. Economy comes in aid of all humane influences and impulses to assist your favorable and prompt Legislation, in favor of the insane classes in Nova Scotia.

The Board of Commissioners in their Report in 1847, having dwelt at length on the plan and manner, in their judgment, best adapted for the construction of an edifice suitable for all Hospital purposes, and also having offered their views respecting the choice of a suitable farm and site for the same, it remains only for me to add briefly a few suggestions on these points:

First. I recommend without reservation the plan of construction adopted in the State of New Jersey for the Hospital which that State has recently finished and opened for the insane.

Second. I urge that a farm of not less than one hundred and fifty acres of arable land, and fifty or one hundred acres of woodland, be secured for the use of the Hospital, either in the vicinity of Halifax or of Truro. A good farm is indispensable; and not less is an ample supply of pure free-stone water, which shall be derived from unfailing sources. Another consideration on which I lay great stress is the choice of a cheerful situation for the Hospital buildings; in such proximity also to a large city or port town, as to afford easy communication, not only for ease in obtaining supplies for the use of the Institution, but for convenient

nient intercourse of the officers and nurses of the same; it being obvious that at not unfrequent periods they should have opportunity of changing painful for more cheerful scenes, to maintain their own proper mental balance and health.

The Physician should be a married man, and, with his family, reside in the Hospital, and devote to its interests his whole time and energies. The Institution should be established on such a basis as to receive all classes of patients, and on no consideration be ranked as a Pauper Institution. It is time that people should have learnt that to be insane is not to be disgraced—that sickness is not to be ranked with crime; and that mental disability is almost invariably the result of mere bodily ailments.

“ There is a cure for these in patience and kind care.” The triumph of thought and humane influences over disease, so manifest in the results daily witnessed in our well-ordered Hospitals for the insane, is rapidly conquering false pride and false opinion. Minds are no longer to be sacrificed to the selfish and narrow sensibilities and ideas of friends and kindred—

“ One lost mind whose star is quenched  
Has lessons for mankind ;”

And man is daily learning his duty through these solemnly inculcated instructions.

I have not, I do not, Gentlemen of the Legislature of Nova Scotia, solicit you to engage in a work of questionable importance—one which may or may not assure good results. You have the experience of all modern civilized nations to assist your judgment, and quicken the promptings of your hearts to righteous Legislation. The age of experiment has passed—the age of facts is in the present. The question then is, not whether you will appropriate funds for a Hospital hoping good may thence ensue, but whether you will venture, as responsible citizens and just Legislators, to *refuse* what you *know* will heal the sick and restore those whose reason is shattered through physical maladies, and whose only hope of restoration is through your correct appreciation of their mirerable condition, and their true claims on the State for such succour as is alone availing.

Shall Nova Scotia be last and least in responding to the loud calls of humanity—shall she be latest and alone in affording evidence of godliness, civilization, and the improvements and great moral works which characterize the present age!

Your Memorialist believes otherwise, and in the confidence this belief inspires respectfully submits this cause to the Honorable Assembly to which she addresses this appeal.

D. L. DIX.

From Montgomery, Alabama, and forwarded to Halifax  
from Washington, D. C., United States of America,  
December 10th, A. D. 1849.

## APPENDIX.

*Table showing the comparative expense of supporting old and recent cases of Insanity, from which we learn the economy of placing patients in institutions in the early periods of disease; from the report of the Massachusetts State Hospital.*

| No. of old cases. | Present age. | Time insane, in years. | Total expense, at \$100 a year, before entering the Hospital, and \$132 a year since; last year \$120. | Number of recent cases discharged. | Present age. | Time insane, in weeks. | Cost of support, at \$2.30 per week. |
|-------------------|--------------|------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------|--------------|------------------------|--------------------------------------|
| 2                 | 69           | 28                     | \$3,212 00                                                                                             | 1,622                              | 30           | 7                      | \$16 10                              |
| 7                 | 48           | 17                     | 2,004 00                                                                                               | 1,624                              | 34           | 20                     | 46 00                                |
| 8                 | 60           | 21                     | 2,504 00                                                                                               | 1,625                              | 51           | 32                     | 73 60                                |
| 12                | 47           | 25                     | 2,894 00                                                                                               | 1,635                              | 23           | 28                     | 64 40                                |
| 18                | 71           | 34                     | 3,794 00                                                                                               | 1,642                              | 42           | 40                     | 92 00                                |
| 19                | 59           | 18                     | 2,204 00                                                                                               | 1,643                              | 55           | 14                     | 32 20                                |
| 21                | 39           | 16                     | 1,993 00                                                                                               | 1,645                              | 63           | 36                     | 52 80                                |
| 27                | 47           | 16                     | 1,994 00                                                                                               | 1,649                              | 22           | 40                     | 92 00                                |
| 44                | 56           | 26                     | 2,982 00                                                                                               | 1,650                              | 36           | 28                     | 64 40                                |
| 45                | 60           | 25                     | 2,835 00                                                                                               | 1,658                              | 36           | 14                     | 32 20                                |
| 102               | 53           | 25                     | 2,833 00                                                                                               | 1,660                              | 21           | 16                     | 36 80                                |
| 133               | 44           | 13                     | 1,431 00                                                                                               | 1,661                              | 19           | 27                     | 62 10                                |
| 176               | 55           | 20                     | 2,486 00                                                                                               | 1,672                              | 40           | 11                     | 25 70                                |
| 209               | 39           | 16                     | 1,964 00                                                                                               | 1,676                              | 23           | 23                     | 52 90                                |
| 223               | 50           | 20                     | 2,364 00                                                                                               | 1,688                              | 23           | 11                     | 25 70                                |
| 260               | 47           | 16                     | 2,112 00                                                                                               | 1,690                              | 23           | 27                     | 62 10                                |
| 278               | 49           | 10                     | 1,424 00                                                                                               | 1,691                              | 37           | 20                     | 46 00                                |
| 319               | 53           | 10                     | 1,247 00                                                                                               | 1,699                              | 30           | 28                     | 64 40                                |
| 347               | 58           | 14                     | 1,644 00                                                                                               | 1,705                              | 24           | 17                     | 39 10                                |
| 367               | 40           | 12                     | 1,444 00                                                                                               | 1,706                              | 55           | 10                     | 23 00                                |
| 400               | 43           | 14                     | 1,644 00                                                                                               | 1,709                              | 17           | 10                     | 23 00                                |
| 425               | 48           | 13                     | 2,112 00                                                                                               | 1,715                              | 19           | 40                     | 92 00                                |
| 431               | 36           | 13                     | 1,412 00                                                                                               | 1,716                              | 36           | 48                     | 110 40                               |
| 435               | 55           | 15                     | 1,712 00                                                                                               | 1,728                              | 52           | 55                     | 126 50                               |
| 488               | 37           | 17                     | 1,912 00                                                                                               | 1,737                              | 30           | 33                     | 75 90                                |
|                   |              | 454                    | \$54,157 00                                                                                            |                                    |              | 635                    | \$1,461 30                           |

|                                                           |            |
|-----------------------------------------------------------|------------|
| Average expense of old cases,                             | \$2,166 20 |
| Whole expense of twenty-five old cases,                   | 54,157 00  |
| Average expense of recent cases,                          | 58 45      |
| Whole expense of twenty-five recent cases till recovered, | 1,461 30   |

From

From Dr. Awl's reports of the Ohio Institution, we extract the following tables :

In the report of 1840, the number of years that the twenty-five old cases had been insane, was 413 ; the whole expense of their support during that time \$47,590 ; the average \$1,903 60. The time that the twenty-five recent cases had been confined, was 556 weeks, the expense, \$1,400 ; the average \$56.

|                                               |             |
|-----------------------------------------------|-------------|
| In 1841, whole cost of twenty-five old cases, | \$49,248 00 |
| Average,                                      | 1,969 00    |
| Whole cost of twenty-five recent cases,       | 1,330 50    |
| Average,                                      | 52 22       |

|                                                  |           |
|--------------------------------------------------|-----------|
| In 1842, whole expense of twenty-five old cases, | 50,611 00 |
| Average,                                         | 2,020 00  |
| Whole expense of twenty-five recent cases,       | 1,130 00  |
| Average,                                         | 45 20     |

|                                                          |           |
|----------------------------------------------------------|-----------|
| In this Institution, in 1843, twenty old cases had cost, | 44,782 00 |
| Average cost of old cases,                               | 2,239 10  |
| Whole expense of twenty recent cases, till recovered,    | 1,308 30  |
| Average cost of recent cases,                            | 65 41     |

|                                                                                     |           |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------|
| In the Massachusetts State Lunatic Asylum, in 1843, twenty-five old cases had cost, | 54,157 00 |
| Average expense of old cases,                                                       | 2,166 20  |
| Whole expense of twenty-five recent cases, till recovered,                          | 1,461 30  |
| Average expense of recent cases,                                                    | 58 45     |

|                                                                      |           |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------|
| In the Ohio Lunatic Asylum, in 1844, twenty-five old cases had cost, | 35,464 00 |
| Average expense of old cases,                                        | 1,418 56  |
| Whole expense of twenty-five recent case,                            | 1,608 00  |
| Average expense of recent cases,                                     | 64 32     |

|                                                                    |           |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------|
| In the Maine Lunatic Hospital, in 1842, twelve old cases had cost, | 25,300 00 |
| Average expense of old cases,                                      | 2,108 33  |
| Whole expense of twelve recent cases,                              | 426 00    |
| Average expense of recent cases,                                   | 35 50     |

|                                                              |           |
|--------------------------------------------------------------|-----------|
| In the Hospital at Staunton, Va., twenty old cases had cost, | 41,633 00 |
| Average expense of old cases,                                | 2,081 65  |
| Whole expense of twenty recent cases,                        | 1,265 00  |
| Average expense of recent cases,                             | 63 25     |

The results of this table are so striking, and show so conclusively the importance of early admission to the Insane Hospitals, that many other institutions have instituted the same inquiry with similar results.

*Table (from Dr. Aul's sixth Report for 1844, of the State Hospital, at Columbus, Ohio,) showing the comparative expense of supporting old and recent cases of Insanity.*

| No. of old cases. | Present age. | Duration, in y <sup>rs.</sup> , of Insanity before admission. | Cost of support before admission, at \$2 per week. | Number of recent cases. | Age. | Duration of insanity before admission. | Time, in weeks, spent in the Asylum. | Cost of cure at \$8 per week. |
|-------------------|--------------|---------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------|-------------------------|------|----------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| 1                 | 42           | 18                                                            | \$1,872 00                                         | 1                       | 29   | 1 month,                               | 20                                   | \$60 00                       |
| 2                 | 45           | 11                                                            | 1,144 00                                           | 2                       | 22   | 6 "                                    | 18                                   | 54 00                         |
| 3                 | 35           | 13                                                            | 1,352 00                                           | 3                       | 35   | 5 "                                    | 15                                   | 45 00                         |
| 4                 | 40           | 12                                                            | 1,248 00                                           | 4                       | 26   | 4 "                                    | 9                                    | 27 00                         |
| 5                 | 38           | 15                                                            | 1,560 00                                           | 5                       | 41   | 8 "                                    | 43                                   | 129 00                        |
| 6                 | 38           | 10                                                            | 1,040 00                                           | 6                       | 37   | 5 "                                    | 16                                   | 48 00                         |
| 7                 | 42           | 10                                                            | 1,040 00                                           | 7                       | 27   | 7 "                                    | 59                                   | 177 00                        |
| 8                 | 40           | 15                                                            | 1,560 00                                           | 8                       | 34   | 4 "                                    | 15                                   | 45 00                         |
| 9                 | 40           | 20                                                            | 2,080 00                                           | 9                       | 31   | 1 "                                    | 18                                   | 54 00                         |
| 10                | 40           | 9                                                             | 936 00                                             | 10                      | 22   | 9 "                                    | 13                                   | 39 00                         |
| 11                | 50           | 10                                                            | 1,040 00                                           | 11                      | 18   | 1 week.                                | 11                                   | 33 00                         |
| 12                | 48           | 11                                                            | 1,044 00                                           | 12                      | 29   | 2 months,                              | 52                                   | 156 00                        |
| 13                | 45           | 9                                                             | 936 00                                             | 13                      | 23   | 5 "                                    | 25                                   | 75 00                         |
| 14                | 35           | 10                                                            | 1,040 00                                           | 14                      | 24   | 8 "                                    | 5                                    | 15 00                         |
| 15                | 57           | 27                                                            | 2,808 00                                           | 15                      | 28   | 2 "                                    | 13                                   | 39 00                         |
| 16                | 57           | 10                                                            | 1,040 00                                           | 16                      | 45   | 4 "                                    | 14                                   | 42 00                         |
| 17                | 28           | 13                                                            | 1,352 00                                           | 17                      | 28   | 4 "                                    | 26                                   | 78 00                         |
| 18                | 49           | 21                                                            | 2,184 00                                           | 18                      | 41   | 1 "                                    | 23                                   | 69 00                         |
| 19                | 43           | 15                                                            | 1,560 00                                           | 19                      | 24   | 3 "                                    | 15                                   | 45 00                         |
| 20                | 45           | 10                                                            | 1,040 00                                           | 20                      | 32   | 2 "                                    | 15                                   | 45 00                         |
| 21                | 29           | 14                                                            | 1,456 00                                           | 21                      | 20   | 5 "                                    | 33                                   | 99 00                         |
| 22                | 33           | 10                                                            | 1,040 00                                           | 22                      | 20   | 8 "                                    | 29                                   | 87 00                         |
| 23                | 40           | 28                                                            | 2,912 00                                           | 23                      | 21   | 5 "                                    | 8                                    | 24 00                         |
| 24                | 39           | 10                                                            | 1,040 00                                           | 24                      | 31   | 5 days,                                | 16                                   | 48 00                         |
| 25                | 40           | 10                                                            | 1,040 00                                           | 25                      | 25   | 10 months.                             | 25                                   | 75 00                         |
|                   |              |                                                               | \$35,464 00                                        |                         |      |                                        |                                      | \$1,608 00                    |

Average number of years for each case before admission into the Asylum, 13 $\frac{3}{4}$ .

Average number of weeks spent in the Asylum, 21 $\frac{1}{2}$ .

Average cost of each case before admission into the Asylum, \$1,418 56.

Average cost of each recovery in the Asylum, \$64 32.

I might adduce a volume of statistics derivable from authentic sources, but conceive that if these are not convincing none more satisfactory could be presented.

D. L. DIX.

## No. 19.

(See page 442.)

## DR. THE PROVINCE OF NOVA SCOTIA,

*For Payments by the Treasurer between 1st January and 30th June, 1849,  
inclusive.*

|                                                                                                                                |            |             |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------|-------------|
| To paid sundry Warrants, on account of Salary<br>of the Lieut. Governor,                                                       | £1250 0 0  |             |
| Salaries to Officers of the Provincial<br>Government,                                                                          | 3159 15 2½ |             |
|                                                                                                                                | <hr/>      | £4409 15 2½ |
| Sundry Warrants for Legislative Expenses,<br>including pay of Members, as per Ab-<br>stract,                                   |            | 4468 7 5    |
| Sundry Warrants for support of Colleges,<br>Academies, and Common Schools, per<br>Abstract,                                    |            | 7845 2 8    |
| On Account of sundry Warrants for encou-<br>ragement of Agriculture, per Abstract,                                             |            | 743 6 8     |
| Sundry Warrants for allowance to Excise<br>Waiters, Revenue Boats, and other ex-<br>penses in aid of Revenue, as per Abstract, |            | 1908 3 3    |
| Sundry Warrants for Drawbacks, per Ab-<br>stract,                                                                              |            | 628 4 1     |
| Sundry Warrants for Bounty for killing<br>Wolves, as per Abstract,                                                             |            | 5 0 0       |
| Sundry Warrants to Commissioners of Poor,<br>as per Abstract,                                                                  |            | 200 0 0     |
| Sundry Warrants to Commissioners of Peni-<br>tentiary, as per Abstract,                                                        |            | 700 0 0     |
| Sundry Warrants for compensation to pro-<br>prietors of Lands taken for Roads Altera-<br>tions, as per Abstract,               |            | 730 0 2     |
| Casualty Advances, viz:—                                                                                                       |            |             |
| David Matheson, Pictou,                                                                                                        | 19 19 0    |             |
| Ronald McDonald, do.                                                                                                           | 7 0 11     |             |
| Adam McNutt, Colchester,                                                                                                       | 3 15 3     |             |
| John Brown, Kings,                                                                                                             | 50 0 0     |             |
|                                                                                                                                | <hr/>      | 80 15 2     |
| Sundry Warrants for Improvement of Roads<br>and Bridges, as per general Abstract, viz:                                         |            |             |
| County of Halifax,                                                                                                             | 753 2 4    |             |
| County of Hants,                                                                                                               | 394 19 11  |             |
| County of Kings,                                                                                                               | 384 1 2    |             |
| County of Annapolis,                                                                                                           | 134 0 0    |             |
| County of Digby,                                                                                                               | 10 0 0     |             |
| County of Yarmouth,                                                                                                            | 132 6 1    |             |
| County of Shelburne,                                                                                                           | 139 10 0   |             |
| County of Queens,                                                                                                              | 108 7 6    |             |
| County of Lunenburg,                                                                                                           | 157 18 6   |             |

|                                                                                                                                                   |      |      |    |           |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------|------|----|-----------|
| County of Cumberland,                                                                                                                             | £257 | 18   | 6  |           |
| County of Sydney,                                                                                                                                 | 559  | 12   | 2  |           |
| County of Guysborough,                                                                                                                            | 280  | 19   | 4  |           |
| County of Cape Breton,                                                                                                                            | 67   | 2    | 7  |           |
| County of Pictou,                                                                                                                                 | 674  | 16   | 10 |           |
| County of Inverness,                                                                                                                              | 213  | 18   | 6  |           |
| County of Colchester,                                                                                                                             | 619  | 11   | 6  |           |
| County of Richmond,                                                                                                                               | 54   | 1    | 3  |           |
|                                                                                                                                                   |      |      |    | £4942 6 2 |
| <hr/>                                                                                                                                             |      |      |    |           |
| To paid sundry Warrants for expenditure on<br>Roads and Bridges, granted in former<br>years, and undrawn on 1st January<br>last; as per Abstract, |      | 605  | 11 | 4½        |
| Sundry Warrants for support of Light<br>Houses as per Abstract,                                                                                   |      | 2041 | 9  | 3         |
| Sundry Warrants to Commissioners of<br>Sable Island, as per Abstract,                                                                             |      | 565  | 12 | 6         |
| Sundry Warrants for expense of clean-<br>ing Militia Arms, as per Abstract,                                                                       |      | 73   | 8  | 0         |
| Sundry Warrants holding Coroners' In-<br>quests, per Abstract,                                                                                    |      | 112  | 10 | 0         |
| Sundry Warrants for Rations to Troops<br>on Route, per Abstract,                                                                                  |      | 97   | 16 | 0         |
| Sundry Warrants for Costs Criminal<br>Prosecutions, viz :                                                                                         |      |      |    |           |
| Henry A. Grantham,                                                                                                                                | £9   | 5    | 0  |           |
| John Creighton,                                                                                                                                   | 32   | 0    | 0  |           |
| John C. Hall,                                                                                                                                     | 6    | 3    | 4  |           |
| Charles Twining,                                                                                                                                  | 7    | 3    | 9  |           |
|                                                                                                                                                   |      |      |    | 54 12 1   |
| <hr/>                                                                                                                                             |      |      |    |           |
| Sundry Warrants in aid of Steam Boats,<br>Packets, and Ferries, per Abstract,                                                                     |      | 1010 | 0  | 0         |
| Sundry Warrants in aid of Piers and<br>Breakwaters, per Abstract,                                                                                 |      | 25   | 0  | 0         |
| Sundry Warrants for Travelling Ex-<br>penses of Judges, per Abstract,                                                                             |      | 74   | 13 | 4         |
| Sundry Warrants on account of the<br>general Grant and in aid of destitute<br>Indians, per Abstract,                                              |      | 171  | 9  | 0         |
| Sundry Warrants and Orders for Post-<br>ages and extension of Mail Routes,<br>per Abstract,                                                       |      | 1494 | 10 | 2         |
| Sundry Warrants for Principal and In-<br>terest of Funded Debt as per Ab-<br>stract,                                                              |      | 273  | 15 | 0         |
| Sundry Orders for Advances to Savings'<br>Bank, per Abstract,                                                                                     |      | 900  | 0  | 0         |
| Sundry Warrants to Adjutants of Mili-<br>tia, as per Abstract,                                                                                    |      | 405  | 0  | 0         |
| Sundry Warrants to Commissioners of<br>Public Buildings,                                                                                          |      | 1006 | 9  | 1         |
|                                                                                                                                                   |      |      |    | To        |



|                                                                              |             |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------|
| To paid sundry Warrants for Miscellaneous Services, as per Abstract,         | £3735 11 7  |
| Sundry Advances made by order of the Government, viz., as per Abstract,      | 3029 10 0   |
| Sundry Warrants drawn upon the Deposits of Fines and Forfeitures,            | 60 0 0      |
| Sundry Warrants drawn upon Funds deposited by Surveyor General, Cape Breton, | 99 12 9     |
| Sundry Warrants for Grants on Account Transient Poor,                        | 366 0 9     |
| Sundry Warrants for Grants in aid of Oat Mills,                              | 137 10 0    |
| Sundry Payments on Account of Warrants for Great Roads,                      | 601 4 3     |
| Sundry Deposits in the Bank of Nova Scotia,                                  | 18527 2 1   |
|                                                                              | <hr/>       |
|                                                                              | 62129 8 0   |
| Balance,                                                                     | 1586 17 11  |
|                                                                              | <hr/>       |
|                                                                              | £63716 5 11 |

## IN ACCOUNT CURRENT WITH SAMUEL P. FAIRBANKS, TREASURER. CR.

|                                         |            |
|-----------------------------------------|------------|
| By Balance in hand 31st December, 1848, | £3376 3 10 |
| Cash from late Collector of Customs,    | 1 10 6     |
| Collector Excise, Halifax,              | 31200 0 0  |

By Cash from Collectors of Import and Excise at the Outports, as follows :

|                      |           |
|----------------------|-----------|
| Lunenburg,           | £176 0 0  |
| Amherst,             | 215 19 5  |
| Pugwash,             | 276 15 0  |
| Guysboro,            | 7 11 4    |
| Yarmouth,            | 371 17 4  |
| Pictou,              | 558 2 6   |
| Digby,               | 306 16 10 |
| Annapolis,           | 150 8 4   |
| Windsor,             | 69 12 9   |
| Westport,            | 0 0 0     |
| Weymouth,            | 22 18 9   |
| Cornwallis,          | 23 16 0   |
| Liverpool,           | 98 1 5    |
| Shelburne            | 69 0 2    |
| Port Hood,           | 10 0 0    |
| Londonderry,         | 9 0 0     |
| Parrsboro',          | 97 13 3   |
| Sydney, Cape Breton, | 191 10 9  |
| Antigonish,          | 6 9 0     |
| Arichat,             | 387 17 4  |

Truro,

|                |     |    |   |           |
|----------------|-----|----|---|-----------|
| Truro,         | £34 | 11 | 5 |           |
| Barrington,    | 0   | 0  | 0 |           |
| Wilmot,        | 29  | 0  | 0 |           |
| Tatamagouche,  | 0   | 0  | 0 |           |
| Argyle,        | 0   | 0  | 0 |           |
| Givan's Wharf, | 0   | 0  | 0 |           |
| Canso,         | 0   | 0  | 0 |           |
|                |     |    |   | £3113 1 7 |

## By Cash from Collectors of Light Duties, viz. :

|              |      |    |    |         |
|--------------|------|----|----|---------|
| Canso,       | £125 | 12 | 7  |         |
| Antigonish,  | 7    | 11 | 0  |         |
| Amherst,     | 11   | 0  | 0  |         |
| Shelburne,   | 9    | 12 | 0  |         |
| Cumberland,  | 25   | 8  | 6  |         |
| Cornwallis,  | 3    | 6  | 0  |         |
| Westport,    | 25   | 0  | 0  |         |
| Wallace      | 19   | 3  | 0  |         |
| Annapolis,   | 3    | 4  | 2  |         |
| Yarmouth,    | 41   | 9  | 8  |         |
| Barrington,  | 25   | 17 | 3  |         |
| Weymouth,    | 22   | 0  | 0  |         |
| Parrsboro',  | 64   | 18 | 5  |         |
| Maitland,    | 1    | 0  | 0  |         |
| Cape Breton, | 75   | 17 | 10 |         |
| Halifax,     | 172  | 18 | 8  |         |
| Guysboro',   | 19   | 1  | 5  |         |
| Liverpool,   | 28   | 11 | 0  |         |
| Lunenburg,   | 5    | 12 | 1  |         |
| Arichat,     | 19   | 18 | 10 |         |
|              |      |    |    | 707 2 5 |

## Sundry Checks on Bank of Nova Scotia on

|                                       |       |    |    |
|---------------------------------------|-------|----|----|
| Account of Cash Credit,               | 21690 | 6  | 11 |
| Cash from Province of Canada,         | 596   | 0  | 0  |
| Sundry Fines and Forfeitures,         | 189   | 0  | 8  |
| Sundry Payments by Savings' Bank,     | 1800  | 0  | 0  |
| Payments on Account of Passenger Act, | 305   | 13 | 11 |
| Treasurer of Casual Revenue,          | 400   | 0  | 0  |
| On Account of Copyright Act,          | 6     | 15 | 9  |
| Savings' Bank Surplus Fund,           | 280   | 10 | 4  |
| Attorney General on Excise Bonds,     | 50    | 0  | 0  |

£63716 5 11

[Errors Excepted.]

SAMUEL P. FAIRBANKS, Treasurer.

Treasurer's Office, 30th June, 1849.

DR.

DR. THE PROVINCE OF NOVA SCOTIA,

In Account Current with the Receiver General, between the 1st of July and 31st of December, 1849.

1849.

July 1, to December 31.

|                                                            |              |          |          |
|------------------------------------------------------------|--------------|----------|----------|
| To cash paid Miscellaneous Expenses, per Abstract,         | £119         | 4        | 11       |
| Cash paid cleaning Militia Arms,                           | 61           | 5        | 2        |
| Cash paid for transport of Troops through the Province,    | 43           | 12       | 6        |
| Cash paid Revenue Expenses,                                | 2222         | 14       | 0        |
| Cash paid for support of Packets, Ferries, and Steamboats, | 180          | 0        | 0        |
| Cash paid for Repairs of Great Roads,                      | £2003        | 15       | 6        |
| Cash paid for Road Service—                                |              |          |          |
| County of Halifax,                                         | 521          | 7        | 6        |
| County of Digby,                                           | 990          | 0        | 0        |
| County of Cape Breton,                                     | 1062         | 2        | 3        |
| County of Shelburne,                                       | 853          | 8        | 0        |
| County of Sydney,                                          | 280          | 14       | 3        |
| County of Lunenburg,                                       | 947          | 14       | 1        |
| County of Hants,                                           | 869          | 19       | 4        |
| County of Queens,                                          | 886          | 10       | 0        |
| County of Richmond,                                        | 532          | 3        | 10       |
| County of Colchester,                                      | 491          | 15       | 0        |
| County of Guysboro',                                       | 639          | 7        | 6        |
| County of Inverness,                                       | 795          | 1        | 6        |
| County of Kings,                                           | 633          | 11       | 0        |
| County of Pictou,                                          | 717          | 12       | 2        |
| County of Annapolis,                                       | 916          | 17       | 9        |
| County of Cumberland,                                      | 954          | 7        | 6        |
| County of Yarmouth,                                        | 824          | 19       | 0        |
| Cash paid on Account of Casualty Vote,                     | 510          | 19       | 1        |
| Cash paid on Account of Old Roads,                         | 775          | 2        | 2        |
| Cash paid on Account of Road Compensation,                 | 584          | 15       | 4        |
| Cash paid advances for Road Service,                       | 399          | 2        | 9        |
|                                                            | <u>17191</u> | <u>5</u> | <u>6</u> |
| Cash paid for Criminal Prosecutions,                       | 106          | 5        | 11       |
| Cash paid for Piers and Breakwaters,                       | 100          | 16       | 9        |
| Cash paid for Drawbacks,                                   | 947          | 13       | 10       |
| Cash paid Commissioners of Public Buildings,               | 247          | 12       | 0        |
| Cash paid the Commissioners of the Poor, Halifax,          | 850          | 0        | 0        |

|                                                                                            |              |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------|
| To cash paid on Account of Interest on Funded Debt, Savings' Bank and Bank of Nova Scotia, | £509 12 2    |
| Cash paid on Account of General Education,                                                 | 6021 6 10    |
| Cash paid for erection of Oat Mills,                                                       | 145 0 0      |
| Cash paid Judiciary, for Judges' Travelling Fees, &c.                                      | 226 6 8      |
| Cash paid Adjutant General of Militia,                                                     | 30 0 0       |
| Cash paid on Account of Agricultural Grant,                                                | 228 6 8      |
| Cash paid the Commissioners for the support of Light Houses,                               | 2614 1 8     |
| Cash paid sundry advances by Order of the Lieutenant Governor,                             | 1352 19 6    |
| Cash paid Salaries of the Public Officers,                                                 | 4290 0 0     |
| Cash paid for the support of the Post Office Department,                                   | 472 12 2     |
| Cash paid Coroners, for Inquests held,                                                     | 137 10 0     |
| Cash paid the Commissioners of Indian Affairs,                                             | 103 11 0     |
| Cash paid the Commissioners for erecting the Electric Telegraph,                           | 3805 11 0    |
| Cash paid arrears of Civil List,                                                           | 1881 19 7    |
| Cash paid Commissioners of Sable Island,                                                   | 902 4 5      |
| Cash paid on Account of Passengers' Fund,                                                  | 4 10 0       |
| Cash paid the Commissioners of the Penitentiary,                                           | 129 16 8     |
|                                                                                            | <hr/>        |
|                                                                                            | 44925 18 11  |
| Balance carried down,                                                                      | 1579 17 0    |
|                                                                                            | <hr/>        |
|                                                                                            | £46505 15 11 |

IN ACCOUNT CURRENT WITH THE RECEIVER GENERAL. CR.

|                         |                                                                                |             |
|-------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------|
| 1849.                   |                                                                                |             |
| July 2nd,               | By cash received from the late Treasurer,                                      | £1586 17 11 |
| July 2, to December 31. | Cash received from the Custom House Department,                                | 0 15 10     |
|                         | Cash received from the Post Office Department,                                 | 356 14 8    |
|                         | Cash received from Prince Edward Island for support of Light Houses, for 1848, | 35 15 4     |
|                         | By                                                                             |             |

|                                                                                                                                         |        |      |    |             |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------|------|----|-------------|
| By Cash received from the Attorney General for Bonds for duties collected by him,                                                       |        | £141 | 11 | 4           |
| Cash received for a Bill of Exchange on the Lords of the Treasury for £400 sterling, on Account of Sable Island at 13 per cent premium. |        | 502  | 4  | 5           |
| Cash received on Account of Advances made to Inverness County,                                                                          |        | 30   | 0  | 0           |
| Cash received on Account of Excise Duties, viz :                                                                                        |        |      |    |             |
| Halifax,                                                                                                                                | £31600 | 0    | 0  |             |
| Pugwash,                                                                                                                                | 204    | 0    | 3  |             |
| Guysboro,                                                                                                                               | 10     | 13   | 9  |             |
| Yarmouth,                                                                                                                               | 1299   | 5    | 0  |             |
| Digby,                                                                                                                                  | 457    | 12   | 4  |             |
| Annapolis,                                                                                                                              | 167    | 1    | 10 |             |
| Windsor,                                                                                                                                | 309    | 8    | 2  |             |
| Westport,                                                                                                                               | 75     | 0    | 0  |             |
| Weymouth,                                                                                                                               | 35     | 2    | 10 |             |
| Cornwallis,                                                                                                                             | 65     | 19   | 7  |             |
| Liverpool,                                                                                                                              | 368    | 6    | 2  |             |
| Shelburne,                                                                                                                              | 266    | 10   | 11 |             |
| Londonderry,                                                                                                                            | 52     | 5    | 0  |             |
| Parrsboro,                                                                                                                              | 36     | 9    | 2  |             |
| Sydney, C. Breton,                                                                                                                      | 414    | 17   | 6  |             |
| Givan's Wharf,                                                                                                                          | 11     | 1    | 0  |             |
| Lunenburg,                                                                                                                              | 235    | 7    | 6  |             |
| Amherst,                                                                                                                                | 288    | 15   | 8  |             |
| Barrington,                                                                                                                             | 35     | 0    | 0  |             |
| Truro,                                                                                                                                  | 104    | 18   | 11 |             |
| Wilmot,                                                                                                                                 | 193    | 14   | 5  |             |
| Pictou,                                                                                                                                 | 1104   | 1    | 2  |             |
| Argyle,                                                                                                                                 | 9      | 8    | 11 |             |
| Arichat,                                                                                                                                | 239    | 4    | 8  |             |
| East side Gut of Canso,                                                                                                                 | 8      | 11   | 10 |             |
|                                                                                                                                         |        |      |    | 37,592 11 7 |

Cash received from the Coroner at Guysboro for money found in a dead man's pocket, 1 1 3

By Cash received for Light Duty, viz :

|              |      |    |    |
|--------------|------|----|----|
| Halifax,     | 1098 | 12 | 10 |
| Pictou,      | 665  | 0  | 11 |
| Londonderry, | 15   | 15 | 0  |
| Weymouth,    | 8    | 14 | 11 |
| Windsor,     | 246  | 16 | 0  |
| Pugwash,     | 88   | 13 | 3  |
| Annapolis,   | 62   | 7  | 0  |

Sydney,

|                                                                                                       |                          |    |    |              |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------|----|----|--------------|
| Sydney, C. Breton,                                                                                    | £230                     | 13 | 4  |              |
| Liverpool,                                                                                            | 122                      | 18 | 6  |              |
| Canso,                                                                                                | 160                      | 7  | 0  |              |
| Amherst,                                                                                              | 45                       | 17 | 6  |              |
| Yarmouth,                                                                                             | 193                      | 5  | 6  |              |
| Argyle,                                                                                               | 52                       | 1  | 1  |              |
| Cornwallis,                                                                                           | 16                       | 7  | 10 |              |
| Givan's Wharf,                                                                                        | 5                        | 19 | 0  |              |
| Digby,                                                                                                | 99                       | 8  | 0  |              |
| Parrsboro',                                                                                           | 34                       | 15 | 10 |              |
| Shelburne,                                                                                            | 10                       | 8  | 6  |              |
| Arichat,                                                                                              | 64                       | 2  | 0  |              |
| Tatamagouche,                                                                                         | 33                       | 16 | 0  |              |
| Wilmot,                                                                                               | 7                        | 10 | 7  |              |
| Antigonish,                                                                                           | 12                       | 11 | 4  |              |
| East side Gut of Canso,                                                                               | 2                        | 4  | 6  |              |
|                                                                                                       |                          |    |    | £3278 6 5    |
| By Cash received from the late Surveyor General of Cape Breton, for balance due by him,               |                          |    |    | 117 15 6     |
| Cash received on Account of the Sable Island Establishment,                                           |                          |    |    | 91 9 7       |
| Cash received on Account of Passengers' Fund,                                                         |                          |    |    | 89 13 1      |
| Cash received on Account of Copyright,                                                                |                          |    |    | 37 10 11     |
| Cash received from the Superintendent of the Electric Telegraph,                                      |                          |    |    | 101 0 0      |
|                                                                                                       |                          |    |    | £43963 7 10  |
| Cash received from the Bank of Nova Scotia in payment of the various services charged in the Account, |                          |    |    | 2542 8 1     |
|                                                                                                       |                          |    |    | £46505 15 11 |
| 1849.<br>December 31.                                                                                 | By Balance brought down, |    |    | £1579 17 0   |

Receiver General's Office,  
Halifax, 31st December, 1849.

JAMES McNAB,  
Receiver General.

Financial Secretary's Office.  
Examined and found correct.  
H. HUNTINGTON, F. S.  
PER D. McCULLOCH.

No. 20.

(See page 443.)

COPY.

No. 143.

*Government House, Halifax, 27th September, 1849.*

MY LORD—

I transmit to your Lordship copies of two Reports of Committees of the House of Assembly of this Province, in the last Session, to which my attention has been directed, with the view of obtaining the repayment of various expenses incurred by the Provincial Government in relieving several Distressed Emigrants and Shipwrecked Seamen during the last year.

A statement of those expenses is enclosed, and agreeably to the recommendation, contained in the Report No. 87, I beg to request that your Lordship will bring under the consideration of Her Majesty's Government, the earnest claim of the Assembly, that the amount, being £867 14s. 11d. sterling, may be refunded from the Imperial Treasury.

Enclosures—  
Appendix Nos. 85.  
and 87, 1849.

I have, &amp;c.,

(Signed) J. HARVEY.

The Right Hon. Earl Grey, &amp;c., &amp;c., &amp;c.

COPY.

No. 198.

*Downing Street, 29th October, 1849.*

SIR—

I have the honor to acknowledge your Despatch, No. 143, of the 27th Sept. last, accompanied by two Reports of Committees of the House of Assembly to which your attention had been requested, with a view to your obtaining repayment of certain expenses incurred by the Provincial Government in relieving several Distressed Emigrants and Shipwrecked Seamen during the year 1848.

I think that this claim, so far as regards sick Emigrants, has been made under a misapprehension; for the Committee state, I observe, in their Report, that the principle has already been recognized in favor both of Canada and N. Brunswick. This, however, has not been the case. Owing to the extraordinary burthens which were thrown upon these two Provinces, but happily not upon Nova Scotia, in the season of Irish famine and distress in 1847, Her Majesty's Government was enabled by Parliament to repay to them their expenses for Emigrants on that particular occasion, but only as an exceptional measure, and with the express agreement that the Provincial Authorities should, in all future years, bear the whole charge of Immigration for themselves. The Immigrant Tax was doubled for the very purpose of meeting that object, and in like manner doubled in Nova Scotia at the same time, and no part whatever of the expenses incurred for Immigrants into Canada and New Brunswick in the year 1848 have been defrayed from Imperial Funds. I regret that under these circumstances it is quite

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out of my power to hold out the prospect that Parliament could be applied to for the means of repaying any expenses of that kind incurred in Nova Scotia.

The charges incurred for Shipwrecked Seamen stand, of course, on an entirely different footing, and upon them I shall address you in a further communication.

I have, &c.

(Signed)

GREY.

Lieut. Governor Sir John Harvey, K. C. B., &c.

No. 21.

(See page 443.)

COPY.

No. 132.

*Government House, Halifax, August 2, 1849.*

MY LORD—

I feel it a duty to submit to your Lordship's consideration, matters relating to an advance of money, made under the 1st Wm. IV., out of the consolidated fund of England, for the completion of the Shubenacadie Navigation in Nova Scotia, and to ask further directions from your Lordship, or the Honorable the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury, on the subject.

2. It appears that as long ago as 1831, a sum amounting to £20,000 Sterling, was advanced to the Shubenacadie Canal Company, who, as security, executed a Mortgage, bearing date the 24th May, 1831, to the Hon. Samson Salter Blowers, then Chief Justice, and Sir Rupert D. George, Baronet, then Secretary of this Province, Trustees duly appointed for and on behalf of the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury, whereby the lands on the line of the Canal, the Canal itself, and the works, tolls, rates, &c., were pledged for the repayment of the said £20,000 within ten years of the passing of the said Act of 1 Wm. IV., with interest at 4 per cent., yearly, until such repayment, which Mortgage was executed in duplicate, one copy transmitted to the Commissioners of H. M. Treasury, having been duly registered 30th May, 1831, Libro 54, folio 316, and the other deposited in the Office of the Secretary of this Province, with an endorsement in pencil that the Registry had been made as above.

3. The affairs of the Shubenacadie Canal Company have been embarrassed, the annual interest has remained unpaid, and the works have been finally abandoned for want of funds. I knew little of this Mortgage, and was under the impression that all the possessions of the Company were secured by the above Mortgage to the Commissioners of H. M. Treasury.

4. In this, however, I was mistaken, as a Judgment was obtained by the Executors of the last Will and Testament of the late Charles Fairbanks, Esquire, in November, 1844, for £1071 8s. 0d., upon which Execution had issued, and being levied on certain Mill property, of considerable marketable value, not included in the Mortgage above referred to, and also on other lands belonging to the Company, deemed essential for the projected work, and purchased at various times, as requisite for their completion.

5. Under these circumstances, I consulted the members of my Council, who were of opinion that it was for the interest of the Mortgagees that the Judgment alluded to should be purchased, which I accordingly directed to be done, and have



have authorised the sum of £1250 currency of this Province, equal to 1000 sterling, to be paid for that purpose, and an assignment to be taken for the benefit of the Mortgagees, which has been accomplished.

6. In this I feel that no risk has been incurred, as the intrinsic value of the property bound by said Judgment, far exceeds the amount advanced, and the consideration paid by the Company for said property appears by the Deed to have been £6,700 Current Money of this Province.

7. I have also directed my Attorney General to take the necessary legal steps to secure the other Lands of the Company, and to vest the title to the whole in the Mortgagees, thus clothing the Imperial Government with all the rights and possessions of the Shubenacadie Canal Company. If your Lordship and the Lords of Her Majesty's Treasury approve of the course I have taken, it will become necessary to sanction my drawing for the amount advanced, to be repaid to the Provincial Treasury, from which it has been taken by my orders.

I have, &c.

(Signed) J. HARVEY.

The Right Hon. Earl Grey, &c. &c. &c.

COPY.

No. 193.

*Downing Street, 28th September, 1849.*

SIR—

I have to acknowledge your Despatch, No. 132, of the 2nd August, reporting the circumstances under which you had authorized the purchase, on behalf of the Imperial Government, of a Judgement obtained against certain property in Nova Scotia held by the Shubenacadie Canal Company, but which is under Mortgage to the Crown.

Having referred your Despatch for the consideration of the Lords Commissioners of the Treasury, I now enclose, for your information, a copy of the communication which I have received from their Lordships in reply, and I have to direct you to obtain and transmit to me the information on this subject which their Lordship's require.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient humble Servant,

(Signed) GREY.

Lt. Governor Sir John Harvey.

COPY.

*Treasury Chambers, 20th September, 1849.*

SIR—

With reference to Mr. Smith's Letter of the 30th ultimo, I have it in command to acquaint you, for the information of Earl Grey, that the Lords Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury have no funds at their disposal applicable to expenses connected

connected with the Shubenacadie Canal, and that before their Lordships can give any directions on the subject of the proceedings adopted by the Lieutenant-Governor of Nova Scotia, it is necessary that they should be apprised of the present state of the property of the Canal Company, which is under Mortgage to the Government, and of any other property belonging to them; and also of any measures which may be contemplated for rendering it available towards the payment of the heavy debt due on account of the advances made from Imperial Funds for the construction of the Canal. I am therefore to request that you will move Earl Grey to desire the Governor to report fully on the subject, whether there is any prospect of the works being ever resumed, and, if not, whether it would not be advisable to take measures for realizing the sums advanced by sale of the property of the Company.

(Signed) W. G. HAYTER.

H. Merivale, Esq., &c. &c. &c.

COPY.

No. 149.

*Government House, Halifax, November 28, 1849.*

MY LORD—

With reference to your Lordship's Despatch of the 28th September last, No. 193, I have the honor to transmit a copy of the Report of Her Majesty's Attorney General for this Province, to whom the subject was referred. From this communication your Lordship will perceive that no prospect exists that the works on the line of the proposed Shubenacadie Canal will be resumed by the Company, and that the sanction of the Lords Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury will be required for the Foreclosure of the Mortgage and other proceedings on the part of the Crown, in order to realize to the Imperial Government the marketable value of the property belonging to the Company.

I have, &c.

(Signed) J. HARVEY.

The Right Hon. Earl Grey, &c. &c. &c.

No. 22.

(See page 444.)

COPY.

*Provincial Secretary's Office, December 3, 1849.*

SIR,—

Referring to the Report of the Select Committee of the House of Assembly, and to the Communications which have passed between yourself and the Members of the Executive Council, in relation to the subjects embraced therein, I have  
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now the honor to enclose accounts against the General Mining Association; for sums which appear to have been short paid, amounting to £6389 2s. 4d.; Currency; and to request your earliest attention to the same.

I have, &c.,

(Signed) JOSEPH HOWE.

Hon. S. Cunard, &c. &c. &c.

COPY.

*The General Mining Association,*

*To the Province of Nova Scotia.*

|             |                                                                                                                                                          |  |            |            |
|-------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--|------------|------------|
| 1845.       |                                                                                                                                                          |  |            |            |
| Decr. 31.—  | To half a year's Rent of the Coal Mines, as fixed by the Treasury Minutes of 27th June, 1845, to commence from the 1st of July 1845, £3000 stg. per ann. |  | Currency.  |            |
|             |                                                                                                                                                          |  |            | £1875 0 0  |
| 1846.       |                                                                                                                                                          |  |            |            |
| Jany. 3rd—  | By cash received, £1666 13 4                                                                                                                             |  | Short paid |            |
|             | Prem. on dollars, 69 8 10                                                                                                                                |  | Currency.  |            |
|             |                                                                                                                                                          |  |            | 1736 2 2   |
|             |                                                                                                                                                          |  |            | £138 17 10 |
| 1846.       |                                                                                                                                                          |  |            |            |
| Decr. 31st— | To one year's Rent of Coal Mines, as above, £3000 stg.                                                                                                   |  |            | 3750 0 0   |
| 1846.       |                                                                                                                                                          |  |            |            |
| July 1—     | By cash received, £1666 13 4                                                                                                                             |  |            |            |
|             | Prem. on dollars, 69 8 10                                                                                                                                |  |            |            |
| Dec. 31.    | Cash received, 1666 13 4                                                                                                                                 |  |            |            |
|             | Prem. on dollars, 69 8 10                                                                                                                                |  |            |            |
|             |                                                                                                                                                          |  |            | 3472 4 4   |
|             |                                                                                                                                                          |  |            | 277 15 8   |
| 1847.       |                                                                                                                                                          |  |            |            |
| Decr. 31.—  | To one year's Rent of Coal Mines, as above, £3000 stg.                                                                                                   |  |            | 3750 0 0   |
|             |                                                                                                                                                          |  |            |            |
| June 30.—   | By cash received, £1666 13 4                                                                                                                             |  |            |            |
|             | Prem. on dollars, 69 8 10                                                                                                                                |  |            |            |
| 1848.       |                                                                                                                                                          |  |            |            |
| Jany. 2.    | Cash received, 1666 13 4                                                                                                                                 |  |            |            |
|             | Prem. on dollars, 69 8 10                                                                                                                                |  |            |            |
|             |                                                                                                                                                          |  |            | 3472 4 4   |
|             |                                                                                                                                                          |  |            | 277 15 8   |
| 1848.       |                                                                                                                                                          |  |            |            |
| Dec. 31st—  | To one year's Rent of Coal Mines, as above, £3000 stg.                                                                                                   |  |            | 3750 0 0   |

|             |                                    | CR.   |    |           |     |
|-------------|------------------------------------|-------|----|-----------|-----|
| 1848.       |                                    |       |    |           |     |
| June 30.—By | cash received,                     | £1666 | 13 | 4         |     |
|             | Prem. on dollars,                  | 69    | 8  | 10        |     |
| 1849.       |                                    |       |    |           |     |
| Jany. 3.    | Cash received,                     | 1666  | 13 | 4         |     |
|             | Prem. on dollars,                  | 69    | 8  | 10        |     |
|             |                                    |       |    | 3472      | 4 4 |
|             |                                    |       |    | 277 15 8  |     |
|             | Amount short paid under the Lease, |       |    | £972 4 10 |     |

*The General Mining Association,*

*To the Province of Nova Scotia, Dr.*

1848.

|                 |                                                                                                                                                                              |       |    |            |
|-----------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------|----|------------|
| December 31.—To | Royalty on 52,002 chaldrons of Slack Coal raised and sold by the Association from the 1st of January 1834 to 31st of December 1848, inclusive, at 2s. per chaldron currency, | £5200 | 4  | 0          |
|                 | Payable in dollars at 5s. 2½d. ea.                                                                                                                                           | 216   | 13 | 6          |
|                 |                                                                                                                                                                              |       |    | £5416 17 6 |

*The General Mining Association,*

*To the Province of Nova Scotia, Dr.*

1848.

|                 |                                                                                                                                                 |      |    |           |
|-----------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------|----|-----------|
| December 31.—To | this amount short paid on the Rent of £3000 sterling per annum, between the 1st July 1845 and 31st of December 1848, as per statement herewith, | £972 | 4  | 10        |
|                 | Royalty on Slack Coal raised between the 1st January 1834 and 31st December 1848 as per statement herewith,                                     | 5416 | 17 | 6         |
|                 |                                                                                                                                                 |      |    | £6389 2 4 |

*Abstract of Returns of Coal raised, sold, and exported by the General Mining Association, at the Coal Mines in Nova Scotia, including Cape Breton, during the year ending 31st December, 1849.*

| Name of the Mines. | Total quantity of Coal raised and sold in chaldrons, Newcastle measure. |      |                    | Number of Chaldrons sold for Home consumption. |        |                    | Number of Chaldrons exported to the United States. |      |                    | Number of Chaldrons exported to the neighbouring Colonies. |        |                    |     |
|--------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------|------|--------------------|------------------------------------------------|--------|--------------------|----------------------------------------------------|------|--------------------|------------------------------------------------------------|--------|--------------------|-----|
|                    | Large Coal.                                                             |      | Siftings or Slack. | Large Coal.                                    |        | Siftings or Slack. | Large Coal.                                        |      | Siftings or Slack. | Large Coal.                                                |        | Siftings or Slack. |     |
|                    | Chals.                                                                  | Bus. | Chals.             | Bus.                                           | Chals. | Bus.               | Chals.                                             | Bus. | Chals.             | Bus.                                                       | Chals. | Bus.               |     |
| 1849.              | 900                                                                     | 36½  | 21                 | 9                                              | 48     | 15½                | 6                                                  | 9    | 201                | 18                                                         | 651    | 3                  | 15  |
| Joggins,           | 27148                                                                   | 3    | 5150               | 33                                             | 2113   | 3                  | 984                                                | 33   | 24406              |                                                            | 624    |                    | 641 |
| Albion, Pictou,    | 24953                                                                   | 18   | 1529               | 5                                              | 11780  | 18                 | 676                                                | 5    | 6045               |                                                            | 7128   |                    | 248 |
| Sydney,            | 7                                                                       | 12   | 9                  |                                                | 7      | 12                 | 9                                                  |      |                    |                                                            |        |                    |     |
| Bridgeport,        |                                                                         |      | 200                | 21                                             |        |                    | 200                                                | 21   |                    |                                                            |        |                    |     |
| Bras d'Or,         | 53003                                                                   | 9½   | 6940               | 8                                              | 13948  | 48½                | 1876                                               | 8    | 30652              | 18                                                         | 8403   | 3                  | 904 |

COPY.

*Halifax, December 5, 1849.*

SIR,—

I have to acknowledge the receipt of your Letter of the 3rd inst., enclosing demands on the General Mining Association for the difference between £3333 6s. 8d. Halifax Currency, the Rent paid by the Association, and £3000 Sterling claimed by the Provincial Government from the 1st July, 1845; also for the payment of Royalty of 2s. Halifax Currency, per chaldron, on Siftings, or Slack Coal, from the 1st January, 1834.

With respect to the first claim, I beg to state, that in the original agreement between the Crown and the Association, made in the year 1828, the Rent is fixed at £3333 6s. 8d. Halifax Currency, and it has ever since been paid to the Receiver of the Crown Revenue at that rate; and he has granted a *Receipt in full* each half year during the whole of that period, being upwards of twenty years. I trust the Lords Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury will consider this as conclusive. The Rent being paid in Halifax, the exact amount to be paid was stated in the original agreement in Halifax Currency.

This claim, I am informed, is founded upon the Treasury Minute of the 27th June, and Sir Charles Trevelyan's Letter of the 2nd July, 1845; but neither of these documents was intended to alter the annual Rent, or to make any change in the general terms or details of the Lease, but merely to allow the Association to sell six thousand chaldrons more Coal for the fixed Rent, in consideration of the Association making arrangements for terminating some long pending Law Suits, in which the Governments were interested, and which they were particularly desirous of having terminated—there was no intention of increasing the annual Rent.

With respect to the other demand, I beg to state, that we are obliged to raise a larger portion of the Coal during the winter months, but cannot ship any until about the beginning of May in consequence of the ice, so that a very large quantity of Coal remains on the Banks exposed to the severe winter weather, which causes it to decompose and become slack and unfit for shipping. We have at the Sydney Mines several hundred thousand chaldrons of this description of Coal, which is valueless, although it costs us the same as the Merchantable Coal, as we pay by the cubic yard for cutting all the Coal.

We are enabled during the year to dispose of a small portion of the Siftings, or Slack, at a low price; but if Royalty is demanded in future we should have to decline disposing of any, as the Royalty and expenses of shipment would amount to a prohibition. Should this demand be persisted in for the future, it would merely prevent us from saving a little from the wreck of our property, without any benefit being derived by the Government.

With respect to the past, I beg to state that a regular Return of the Siftings or Slack disposed of has annually been made by me to the Receiver of the Crown Revenue (on the same Return as the large Coal), but no demand for Royalty was ever made or paid on that description of Coal. I mention this to shew that there has been no concealment; and I hold the receipt in full for the payment of Royalty for the whole period, which, I feel confident, the Lords of the Treasury will consider as conclusive.

What would be said of a Landlord who should set up a claim for additional Rent for fifteen years past, having granted a Receipt in full each half year during the whole period, and that too from a Tenant who had paid him £7000 a year  
Rent

Rent for a property producing him nothing? We paid Rent and Royalty for near twenty years before we received one shilling for Interest or Dividend.

If a Lease of these Mines were now offered, no one would be found to take it upon any terms. Before the Lease was made to the Mining Association, the Mines were offered to Mr. Collins, Mr. Lawson, Mr. Allison, and to myself, and I believe to others, but all declined—the Pictou Mines were at the same time under Lease to Smith and Liddell, but they gave them up.

The most valuable Mining Districts in the Province have, for some years past, been offered by the Proprietors of the soil, but no parties can be found to take them, although they have neither Rent or Royalty to pay. Those who assert that the Crown should not have made the Grants to the Duke of York and General Mining Association, are greatly in error. The Government having offered these Mines to residents in the Province, who were either unwilling or unable to work them, then applied to Capitalists in England, and they made a most advantageous arrangement for the benefit of the Province, such as could never be made again, and the whole benefit derived from this arrangement is enjoyed by the Province—no part of it is retained by Her Majesty's Government. How then can the Government with justice be accused of making an improvident Grant.

The Minerals in the Province had remained unworked for about eighty years, and those that are not reserved are still unworked, and have not produced any benefit to the Province or to individuals.

The Mines in New Brunswick are equally unproductive for want of capital to work them.

Now, let me detail the benefits the Province has received from the operations of the General Mining Association under the Grant from the Crown, which is so much complained of, and then let any candid person say if such an advantageous bargain for the country could ever be made again.

We have paid into the Treasury upwards of One Hundred Thousand Pounds for Rent and Royalty—we have expended in the Province one year with another upwards of Eighty Thousand Pounds per annum, making more than a Million and a half Pounds during twenty years—our establishments are equal to the production of four times the quantity of Coal that we can find sale for—the duty in the States and the Royalty charged here amount together to about 7s. per chaldron, which operates against us in the Markets in the States, where their own Coal is free from all such charges.

The consumption in this Province is only about 13,500 chaldrons, exclusive of the Troops and Steamships—we export to other places upwards of 100,000 chaldrons a year, upon all of which we have to pay the Royalty, as well as on that consumed in the Province. We load about sixteen hundred vessels annually; and if our operations were withdrawn, it would be most ruinous to the Country.

I have recently had frequent opportunities of making explanations to the Members of the Government, which, I hope, have removed many misconceptions, and Mr. Bell's visit to the Mines would enable him to give much valuable and correct information to the Government; and I hope that a better feeling will, in future, be manifested by the Legislature towards us for the many benefits we have and are still conferring on the Province.

A Committee of the House of Assembly was appointed in the year 1839, to investigate the operations of the Association's proceedings in the County of Pictou. The Committee consisted of the most intelligent men in the Province, and they took great pains to investigate the subject. Their Report is as follows:

“In view of these facts the Committee conceive that the operations of the General Mining Association, so far as they have been traced by them in the County

of Pictou, have not only been highly advantageous to the Province by the introduction into it of much science and skill—the erection of eleven Steam Engines—the establishment of a Foundry on an extensive scale, where Steam Machinery may be repaired or manufactured—the creation of a Foreign Trade in Coal, which during the last year employed 307 sail of Shipping, and may be indefinitely extended, and the annual expenditure in the midst of a population employed in Agriculture of upwards of £50,000 and to the Town of New Glasgow, which appears to have trebled in size during the last ten years, and to the persons who have signed this Petition generally, the operations of this Company would appear to have been a blessing and a benefit, even admitting the charge which it contains of a rise in the price of Fuel. This strong opinion the Committee are bound to express, for while they conceive it the duty of the Legislature jealously to watch over the rights of individuals, it ought in a new Country to favor and encourage the introduction and employment of Capital and the protection of those who are largely extending the Trade and developing the Resources of the Province from unnecessary interruption or annoyance.

“ To compel the Association to open Mr. Fraser’s Mine, would be to put them to needless expense, as their Depot of Coals is nearer than it could be to New Glasgow.

“ That any great relief would be afforded, if he were allowed to open it himself, to persons who can purchase large Coal at 17s., and small at 6s. per chaldron, this Committee can scarcely believe; and therefore without in any way interfering with Mr. Fraser’s right to try, in the Courts, the legal question which has arisen upon the construction given by the Association to their lease, they can see no necessity at present for the interference of this House. Signed by

The Honorable JOSEPH HOWE,  
H. HUNTINGTON,  
WILLIAM YOUNG,  
E. M. DODD,  
H. BELL.”

Who can read this report without admitting that the Crown conferred a great boon on the Province by making this grant to the Association, with the stipulations contained in it, and that the Association are entitled to the best consideration of the Legislature for the great benefits they have conferred upon the Province through their vast operations.

The Pictou Mines alluded to in the Report, are only one of our Establishments; Sydney is equally large, and we opened a Mine at Bridgport, and one at the Bras d’Or, but were unable to find sale for the Coal, and had to close them; but we have recently opened a Mine in Cumberland, at a very heavy Cost, to satisfy the demands of the Legislature, although we cannot dispose of half the Coal at the other Establishments.

But I must repeat again that I hope a better feeling will exist in future, and that the Provincial Government and Legislature will assist us instead of cramping our energies.

It would be no more than common justice to forego all Rent and Royalty until we are in a better position, instead of attempting to charge Royalty on Siftings or Slack. Our expenditure this year will exceed our earnings in consequence of the falling off of the trade to the States, and the Coal will remain on the Banks all the Winter exposed to the weather, and a large portion of it reduced to slack.

I have, &c.,

(Signed)

S. CUNARD.

Hon. Joseph Howe, Provincial Secretary.

COPY.



COPY.

*Halifax, 11th December 1849.*

SIR,—

In addressing you on the 5th instant, it did not occur to me to state that several years ago, the Currency being at that time in an unsettled state, application was made to me, to pay the Rent and Royalty in dollars, upon which there is a premium of 2½d. each. This request was acceded to; but for some years past the Currency has been fixed and settled, and strictly speaking, I should have ceased to pay in dollars. The payments should have been made in Halifax Currency—the difference is about £260 per annum.

I cannot with propriety ask the Government to refund these over payments for the past years, as I consider the receipts that have passed between us as conclusive for the past; but in future I must only pay in Halifax Currency.

In the written and verbal communications that have lately been made by me to the several Members of the Government, I have been enabled to give such information and explanations, as, I feel confident, must have removed from the mind of every Member of the Government the idea that the operations of the Mining Association have been injurious to the interests of the Province: but on the contrary I think that they must all be impressed with the many and great advantages the Province has derived from the operations of the Association under the grant from the Crown, and I hope and trust the Government will, in future, aid and assist me in carrying out these operations.

It must be well known to the Members of the Government that I have never mixed the Association up in any way with the politics of the Country, and all parties in the Province, without reference to their political opinions, are interested in the operations of the Association; and I hope that I may be enabled to take with me on my next visit to England an assurance from the Government of a good feeling towards them. I have, &c.

(Signed) S. CUNARD.

Hon. Joseph Howe, Provincial Secretary.

*The General Mining Association,**To the Province of Nova Scotia, Dr.*

1849.

|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |             |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------|
| <p>Jan. 1.—To duty of 2s. Currency on 3000 Chaldrons of Coal,<br/>26,000 Chaldrons having been deducted from the<br/>quantity sold in 1845, instead of 23,000, the new<br/>agreement not having gone into effect until the 1st<br/>July, 1845,</p> | £300 0 0    |
| <p>This amount short paid on £3000 sterling Rent of<br/>the Mines, as agreed as per Treasury Minute 27th<br/>Jnne, 1845, up to Jan. 1, 1849,</p>                                                                                                   | 971 18 10   |
|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    | £1271 18 10 |
| <p>Deduct this sum received in payment of Royalty<br/>from 1st July, 1845, to 1st Jan., 1849, payment<br/>having been made in Dollars at 5s. in place of 5s.<br/>2½d., Halifax Currency, as it now exists,</p>                                     | 396 15 3    |
|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    | £875 3 7    |

COPY.

COPY.

*Provincial Secretary's Office, December 15th, 1849.*

SIR—

Having laid your Letters of the 5th and 6th December before the Lieutenant Governor, I am commanded to acquaint you, that whatever might be the legal rights of the Province to the Royalty of 2s. on the Slack Coal, the Government are not indisposed to suggest to the Legislature the expediency of not pressing that claim up to the first of January, 1849, the period at which the transfer, by the Crown, of the Mines and Minerals took effect.

Passing over the general arguments contained in your Letters, which open a field of controversy, upon which we need not enter, while adjusting the financial details to which the attention of the Government has been called by the Legislature, I have it in command to propose a settlement of Account between the Association and the Province, on the following terms, leaving the Legislature to make such arrangements, subsequent to January, 1849, as they shall deem proper.

The Association to account for over £1,271 18s. 10d., being the Royalty on 3000 Chaldrons short paid in 1845, as appears by the Account annexed and the difference of Currency, also shown by the same Account, between the passage of the Treasury Minute of 27th June, 1845, and the transfer of the Casual and Territorial Revenues to the Province, £396 15s. 3d. being the difference between dollars at 5s. and Halifax Currency, as it now exists, the Government will be prepared to allow as a sett off, reducing the balance to be paid over to £875 3s. 7d.

I have, &amp;c.

(Signed)

JOSEPH HOWE.

Hon. S. Cunard.

COPY.

*Halifax, 17th December, 1849.*

SIR—

I have to acknowledge the receipt of your Letter of the 15th inst., accompanied by a claim for £875 3s. 7d. for additional Rent from 1st July, 1845. I have already stated to you that no such construction should be put upon the Treasury Minute referred to; but even admitting that it would bear that construction, I have not the power to pay such back Rent. Many of the Shareholders of the present day had nothing to do with the past, having only purchased during the present year, and I could not take their money to pay claims for four years past—which could only apply to the former Stockholders, and upon whom we could have no recourse. The receipts granted at the end of each half year for the Rent, must be considered as conclusive.

I am very desirous that a good understanding should exist between the Provincial Government and the Association, and with a view to terminate all differences, I would even agree to pay the Rent in future in British Stirling, being £3750 Currency, instead £3333 6s. 8d., the Royalty to be also paid in Halifax Currency.

The Government should not ask us for concessions of any kind, but on the contrary should reduce the Rent and Royalty, as they are now sensible of the great loss we have sustained in our operations.

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The Association have never claimed dues upon the export of Gypsum, and in which so many persons in the Province are interested. A very small rate per ton on the export during the last twenty years, would have amounted to a large sum. The Association have always conducted their affairs with liberality and fairness, and they are entitled to the best consideration of every person in the Province.

I feel confident that the Government will not, in future, think of demanding Royalty on the Slack Coal; if they do, no advantage will result to the Province, but some injury to the Association.

I have, &c.

(Signed)

S. CUNARD.

Hon. Joseph Howe, &c. &c. &c.

*Statement of Settlement by the General Mining Association with the Government of Nova Scotia to 31st December, 1849.*

|                                                     |       |       |      |
|-----------------------------------------------------|-------|-------|------|
| This sum paid in addition for Royalty on 3000 Chal- |       |       |      |
| drons, from 1st January to 30th June, 1845,         | £300  | 0     | 0    |
| This amount claimed by the Government as short paid |       |       |      |
| on the Annual Rent of £3750 from 1st July, 1845,    |       |       |      |
| to 31st December, 1848,                             | 971   | 18    | 10   |
| Rent from 1st May to 31st Decr. 1849, £3750         | 0     | 0     |      |
| Less paid in July last,                             | 1736  | 3     | 2    |
|                                                     | <hr/> |       |      |
|                                                     | 2013  | 16    | 10   |
|                                                     | <hr/> |       |      |
|                                                     |       | 3285  | 15 8 |
| Deduct the following sums paid as Premiums on       |       |       |      |
| dollars—                                            |       |       |      |
| January 1, 1846,                                    | 82    | 4     | 2    |
| 1, 1847,                                            | 79    | 17    | 11   |
| 1, 1848,                                            | 146   | 16    | 1    |
| 1, 1849,                                            | 128   | 19    | 2    |
|                                                     | <hr/> |       |      |
|                                                     |       | 437   | 17 4 |
|                                                     | <hr/> |       |      |
|                                                     |       | £2847 | 18 4 |

The payment of Royalty for the present year to be made only on the large Coal shipped during the year, (the quantity to be ascertained by the Returns from the Mines in a few days) leaving it to the Legislature to determine whether Royalty shall be charged hereafter on the Slack Coal shipped.

(Signed)

S. CUNARD.

JAMES McNAB,

Receiver General.

Halifax, N. S., 31st Decr. 1849.

Received from the Hon. S. Cunard on the 3rd January, 1850, £1875; and on this day, £972 18s. 4d., making in all Two Thousand Eight Hundred and Forty-seven Pounds Eighteen Shillings and Four-pence, in full of the Balance due on the above statement.

|            |       |    |   |
|------------|-------|----|---|
| January 3, | £1875 | 0  | 0 |
| 9,         | 972   | 18 | 4 |
|            | <hr/> |    |   |
|            | £2847 | 18 | 4 |

Receiver General's Office, 9th January 1850.

(Signed)

JAMES McNAB,

Receiver General.

COPY.

*Halifax, 31st December, 1849.*

SIR—

With reference to your Letter of the 15th inst., and with a view of terminating all differences relative to the payment of Rent and Royalty for the past up to this date, I am willing, on the part of the General Mining Association, to agree to pay to the Government the additional sum of £300 Currency claimed for Royalty from 1st January to 30th June, 1845; also, to pay the difference of Rent claimed by the Government from that period to this date between £3333 6s. 8d. and £3750 Halifax Currency; the Royalty to be paid also from that period in Halifax Currency without any addition for Premium on dollars—no claim to be made for Royalty on Slack Coal up to this date.

The Account at this date will stand according to the annexed Statement.

I have, &amp;c.,

(Signed) S. CUNARD.

Hon. Joseph Howe, &amp;c. &amp;c. &amp;c.

No. 23.

(See page 449.)

COPY.

No. 190.

*Downing Street, 25th August, 1849.*

SIR—

I transmit herewith the copy of a Letter, and its enclosures, from the Board of Admiralty, relative to the case of a British Seaman named "Candy," who appears to have been left on shore at Barbadoes by the Master of the Ship "Harriet" of Halifax, and with reference to the statement contained in the deposition of this man, I have to instruct you to cause the necessary enquiry to be instituted, and to take such measures as you may deem practicable for bringing the Master of the Vessel to justice, and for the recovery of the amount which has been expended on Candy's account.

I am, Sir,

Your most obedient Servant,

(Signed) GREY.

Lieut. Governor Sir John Harvey, K. C. B., &amp;c.

COPY.

*Admiralty, 16th August, 1849.*

SIR—

I am command by my Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty, to transmit to you, for the information of Earl Grey, the accompanying Letter from the Governor

vernor of Barbadoes, with its enclosures, relative to a British Seaman being left behind at that Island by the Master of the "Harriet," of Halifax, Nova Scotia, and to the expense incurred by his subsistence; I am further to enclose a copy of the opinion of the Admiralty Solicitor upon this subject, and my Lords request that you will move Earl Grey to cause all the accompanying Papers to be forwarded to the Governor of Nova Scotia, with such directions for the Governor as Lord Grey may think proper to send, in order to His Excellency's taking such steps as on enquiry he may find practicable. I am further to request that the original enclosures may be returned.

I have, &c.,

(Signed)

W. A. B. HAMILTON.

H. Merivale, Esq., &c. &c. &c.

COPY.

*Lancaster Place, 25th July, 1849.*

SIR,—

In obedience to the commands of my Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty signified to me by your Letter, dated the 23rd instant, whereby, with reference to the 47th Section of the 7th and 8th Vict., Cap 112, I was directed to report you a charge in the Account transmitted by His Excellency the Governor of Barbadoes for the subsistence of a distressed British Seaman, who was left behind by the Master of the "Harriet," of Halifax, Nova Scotia, I take the liberty of submitting to you, for the consideration of their Lordships, that according to the account of Cornelius Candy, I think that the Master of the "Harriet" committed a misdemeanour against the 47th Section of the Act referred to, and that the Owner or Master is liable to repay the amount expended by the Consul on account of Candy. No personal violence appears to have been used towards Candy, and he does not appear to have been hurt, and therefore, even if the Master were convicted, the sentence upon him would be, in all probability, lenient, and the amount expended by the Consul is only 10s. 5d. If, however, their Lordships should think proper to have any further proceedings taken in this case, I think that the papers should be sent to the Lieutenant Governor of Nova Scotia, with a request to have all proper measures taken for punishing the Master and recovering the amount expended by the Consul on Candy's account.

I return the papers.

I am, &c.,

(Signed)

WILLIAM FROYATT ROBSON.

J. T. Briggs, Esq., &c. &c.

COPY.

*Windward Islands, Barbadoes, 17th April, 1849.*

SIR,—

I have the honor to inform you that I have this day drawn on you for the sum of Sixteen Shillings and Eight Pence, being the amount of expenses incurred by the

the Colonial Secretary for the maintenance in Barbadoes of a distressed British Seaman of the Schooner "Harriett," Jordan, Master, and for the conveyance of three other Seamen on board the "Reindeer," one of the Royal Mail Steam Company's Vessels.

I enclose a Letter from the Colonial Secretary, and the usual Documents in explanation of the circumstances under which these payments were made.

I have, &c.

(Signed) W. M. G. COLEBROOKE.

The Accountant-General of Her Majesty's Navy, &c. &c. &c.

COPY.

*Secretary's Office, 14th April, 1849.*

SIR—

I submit to Your Excellency, for the purpose of being forwarded to the Accountant-General of the Navy, my Account for the relief of distressed Seamen to this date.

As the disbursements made by me are very trifling in amount, I should not now have troubled Your Excellency with this communication, did I not think that the circumstances connected with the payment on account of Cornelius Candy are such as ought to be brought under the notice of the authorities at home.

With regard to the second item in my Account, it is right that I should explain that the three men for whom the boat-hire was paid were wandering about Town, having left their Ship in consequence of some disagreement with the Master, who had neither discharged them nor lodged them in the proper quarters as deserters. Foreseeing that if permitted to remain at large in this way, they would very soon be in great distress, I urged them to look for employment in another vessel.— This, after some trouble, was procured in the Reindeer, one of the Royal Mail Steam Company's Vessels; and the charge in question was incurred in sending them on board the Ship to which they previously belonged, for their clothes, and their tickets and discharges, and transferring them to the Steam Packet.

I have, &c.

(Signed) JAMES WALKER, Colonial Secretary.

His Excellency Col. Sir Wm. M. G. Colebrooke, C. B., &c. &c. &c.

COPY.

*James Walker, Esquire, Colonial Secretary of Barbadoes, in Account Current with the Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty.*

1849.

April 14.—To Governor Sir W. M. G. Colebrooke's Bill, in favor of Colonial Secretary upon the Accountant General of the Navy,

£0 16 8

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Imprest per Ledger 16s. 8d., J. Beeby, 11th June, 1849, (against Sir  
W. M. G. Colebrooke,) £0 16 8

1849. CR.  
Jany. 20.—By five days Board and Lodging of Cornelius Candy, a  
British Seaman, at 2s. 1d. per diem, as per vouchers 1  
and 3, £0 10 5  
April 13.—By Boat Hire for shipping three Seamen on board the R.  
M. Steamer "Reindeer," as per voucher No. 4, 0 6 3  
£0 16 8

April 14, 1849. (Signed) JAMES WALKER.

COPY.

George H. Spencer, Esq.

To Jemima Granum, Dr.

1849.  
Jany. 20.—5 days Board and Lodging Cornelius Candy, at 50c. per day, \$2 50c.  
Received payment, her  
(Signed) JEMIMA X GRANUM,  
mark.

Witness, (Signed) THOMAS BEST.

COPY.

Cornelius Candy, a native of Ireland, but lately residing in Halifax, British America, maketh oath and saith, that he is by trade a Rope Maker, that he shipped on board the Schooner "Harriet," belonging to a Mr. Chambers, a Merchant in Halifax, and of which Thomas Jordan was Master or Commander on the sixteenth day of December last, as an ordinary Seamen, on a voyage from Halifax to Barbadoes, or such other port as may be necessary for the sale of the Cargo, and back to Halifax; that he had no disagreement on board the said Vessel, either with the Captain or any other person; that the said Vessel arrived at this Island on Sunday last the fourteenth day of January, instant, at about two o'clock, P. M., that on the following day, Monday the fifteenth, about 7 o'clock in the morning, the said Jordan, the Captain of the said Schooner "Harriet," who was coming on shore, directed this Deponent to get into the Boat, which he did, and that after they got to the shore he desired Deponent to get out of the Boat, and then told him he could go where he liked, and ordered the hands who were in the Boat to pull off and return to the Vessel, which they did, and that he this Deponent was left on shore without his Clothes, or without any means of subsistence whatsoever, and that on the same day the Vessel went to Sea, leaving him behind in a state of destitution.

(Signed) CORNELIUS X CANDY,  
his  
mark.

Sworn to before me, the same having been first read over to him, this fifteenth day of January, 1849.

(Signed) GEORGE H. SPENCER,  
Actg. Colonial Secretary,  
Bridgetown, Barbadoes.

COPY.

*An Account of a Seaman, a Subject of Great Britain, subsisted by George Hallam Spencer, Acting Colonial Secretary at Barbadoes, at the rate of 50 cents per day, pursuant to an Act of Parliament passed in the Eleventh year of His late Majesty King George the Fourth, Cap. 20, Sec. 82, entitled, "An Act to amend and consolidate the Laws relating to the pay of the Royal Navy."*

| Seaman's Name.   | Between what time subsisted.      | Number of days. | From what cause.                                               | Name of the Ship he belonged to. | Owner's Name and Port belonging to. | Rate per diem, Currency. | Amount, Currency. | Seaman's Name or Mark, in acknowledgement of payment, or having been boarded. | In what manner such Men or Boys were disposed of.                                                                                                          | Amount of Wages received, if none received, the cause to be briefly stated against each man's name. |
|------------------|-----------------------------------|-----------------|----------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------|-------------------------------------|--------------------------|-------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Cornelius Candy. | From 15th Jan. to 20th Jan. 1849. | 5               | Deserted and left on shore by the Master of the schr. Harriet. | Schooner ' Harriet.              | Mr. Chambers, Merchant, Halifax.    | 50c.                     | \$2 50            | his<br>Cornelius Candy.<br>mark.                                              | Cornelius Candy having relations in America, was, at his own request, shipped on board the Barque, General Harrison, W A Meade, Master, bound for Norfolk. | Nil.                                                                                                |

We whose names are hereunto subscribed, being Merchants residing in the Port of Bridgetown, do hereby certify that the rate of Fifty Cents a day charged for the subsistence of the above man, is not more than a sufficiency of the necessities of life for one day could be procured for.

Witness our hands, this 20th day of January, 1849.

Attested by me,

**GEORGE H. SPENCER**, Acting Colonial Secretary.

(Signed)

**B. S. JONES**  
**SAMUEL P. MUSSON.**

COPY.



COPY.

Received this 13th day of April, 1849, from James Walker, Esquire, Colonial Secretary, the sum of One Dollar and Fifty Cents, for taking off three Seamen, by name Thomas Stenhouse, Henry Robason, and Richard Hughes, to the "Vanguard," for their Clothes, Register Ticket, &c., and from thence to R. M. S. P. Reindeer, to be shipped.

(Signed) THOMAS HINGSNOTT.

\$1 50 Witness, (Signed) Thomas Best.

COPY.

No. 142.

*Government House, Halifax, September 12, 1849.*

MY LORD—

Referring to your Lordship's Despatch, No. 190, of the 25th August, and its enclosures, I have now the honor to transmit 10s. 5d. sterling, being the amount of expenses incurred by the Government of Barbadoes for the relief of a Seaman named Candy, left behind at that Island by the Master of the Ship Harriet.

Captain Jordan, who bears a good character here, reports that he called at Barbadoes to ascertain the state of the Markets, and took Candy ashore in the Boat,—that the Seaman absented himself, could not be found, and that he was compelled to sail without him. Capt. J. has cheerfully paid the expenses incurred, and it has not appeared to me advisable to press the matter further, without distinct instructions after the reception by your Lordship of this Report.

I have, &c.,

(Signed) J. HARVEY.

The Right Hon. Earl Grey, &c., &c., &c.

COPY.

No. 201.

*Downing Street, 10th November, 1849.*

SIR—

I have to acknowledge the receipt of your Despatch, No. 142, of the 12th September, and to acquaint you that the sum of 10s. 6d. therein enclosed, in payment of the expenses incurred on account of a Seaman belonging to the Schooner Harriet, of Halifax, has been duly received and transferred to the Board of Admiralty.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient,  
Humble Servant,

(Signed) GREY.

Lieut. Governor Sir John Harvey, K. C. B., &c. &c. &c., Nova Scotia.

No.

No. 24.

(See page 449.)

COPY.

*Government House, Fredericton, N.B., January 28, 1850.*

SIR,—

It appears to me important that the respective Governments of Her Majesty's North American Colonies should be made aware of the measures contemplated by each of them with reference to the 5th Section of the amended Navigation Act (12th and 13th Vict., c. 29.)

If the Government of Nova Scotia propose to bring forward any Address to the Crown relating to the Coasting Trade of these Colonies, I should feel happy if your Excellency would favor me with its substance as soon as may be deemed expedient.

The Legislature of this Province meet on the 7th of February next.

I have, &amp;c. &amp;c.

(Signed)

EDMUND HEAD.

His Excellency Sir John Harvey, K. C. B., K. C. H.

No. 25.

(See page 449.)

## IMPERIAL ACT. (CAP. XXIX.)

*An Act to amend the Laws in force for the Encouragement of British Shipping and Navigation.*

[26th June, 1849.]

WHEREAS it is expedient to amend the Laws now in force for the Encouragement of British Shipping and Navigation: 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, That from and after the first day of January One Thousand Eight Hundred and Fifty, the following Acts and parts of Acts shall be repealed; (that is to say,) a certain Act passed in the Session of Parliament holden in the Eighth and Ninth Years of the Reign of Her present Majesty, intituled, An Act for the Encouragement of British Shipping and Navigation; and so much of a certain other Act passed in the said Session of Parliament, intituled, An Act for the Registering of British Vessels, as limits the Privileges of Vessels registered at Malta, Gibraltar and Heligoland; and so much thereof as provides that no Ship or Vessel shall be registered, except such as are wholly of the build of some part of the British Dominions; and so much as relates to the disqualification of Ships repaired in a foreign country; and so much as prevents British ships which have been captured by or sold to foreigners from becoming entitled to be again registered as British, in case the same again become the property of British subjects; and so much of a certain other Act passed in the said Session of Parliament, intituled, An Act to regulate the Trade of British possessions abroad, as provides that no Goods

Goods shall be imported into or exported from any of the British possessions in America, by sea from or to any place other than the United Kingdom, or some other of such possessions, except into or from the several ports denominated Free Ports; and so much thereof as provides for the limitation of the privileges allowed to Foreign ships by the Law of Navigation in respect of importations into the British possessions in Asia, Africa, and America; and so much thereof as provides that no Vessel or Boat shall be admitted to be a British Vessel or Boat on any of the Inland Waters or Lakes of America, except such as shall have been built at some place within the British dominions, and shall not have been repaired at any Foreign place to a greater extent than in the said Act is mentioned; and so much of a certain other Act passed in the said session of Parliament, intituled, An Act for the general regulation of the Customs, as prohibits the importation of Train Oil, Blubber, Spermaceti Oil, Head-matter, Skins, Bones, and Fins, the produce of fish or creatures living in the sea, unless in Vessels which shall have been cleared out regularly with such Oil, Blubber, or other produce on board from some foreign port; and so much thereof as prohibits the importation of Tea, unless from the Cape of Good Hope, or from places eastward of the same to the Straits of Magellan; and so much of a certain Act passed in the Session of Parliament holden in the Seventh and Eighth Years of the Reign of Her present Majesty, intituled, An Act to amend and consolidate the Laws relating to Merchant Seamen, and for keeping a Register of Seamen, as provides that the Master or Owner of every ship belonging to any Subject of Her Majesty, and of the burden of eighty tons or upwards, (except Pleasure Yachts,) shall have on board at the time of her proceeding from any port of the United Kingdom, and at all times when absent from the United Kingdom or navigating the seas, one apprentice or more in a certain proportion to the number of tons of his ship's admeasurement, and that if any such Master or Owner shall neglect to have on board his ship the number of Apprentices, thereby required, together with their respective registered Indentures, Assignments, and Register Tickets, he shall forfeit and pay the sum of Ten Pounds in respect of each Apprentice, Indenture, Assignment, or Register Ticket so wanting or deficient; also an Act passed in the Thirty-seventh Year of the Reign of King George the Third, intituled, An Act for regulating the Trade to be carried on with the British Possessions in India by the ships of Nations in amity with His Majesty; and so much of a certain Act passed in the Session of Parliament holden in the Fourth Year of the Reign of King George the Fourth, intituled, An Act to consolidate and amend the several Laws now in force with respect to Trade from and to places within the limits of the Charter of the East India Company, and to make further provisions with respect to such trade, and to amend an Act of the present Session of Parliament for the registering of Vessels, so far as it relates to Vessels registered in India, as enacts that no Asiatic Sailors, Lascars, or Natives of any of the Territories, Countries, Islands, or places within the limits of the Charter of the East India Company, shall at any time be deemed or taken to be British Seamen within the intent and meaning of any Act or Acts of Parliament relating to the Navigation of British ships by Subjects of Her Majesty; and also the following Acts and parts of Acts: so much of a certain Act passed in the Fourth Year of the Reign of King George the Fourth, intituled, An Act to authorize His Majesty, under certain circumstances to regulate the Duties and Drawbacks on Goods imported or exported in foreign vessels, and to exempt certain foreign vessels from Pilotage, as relates to the regulation of Duties and Drawbacks; also an Act passed in the Fifth year of the Reign of King George the Fourth, intituled, An Act to indemnify all persons concerned in advising, issuing, or acting under a certain

Order in Council for regulating the tonnage duties on certain foreign vessels; and to amend an Act of the last Session of Parliament for authorizing His Majesty, under certain circumstances, to regulate the duties and drawbacks on Goods imported or exported in any foreign vessels; also so much of an Act passed in the session of Parliament holden in the eighth and ninth years of the reign of Her present Majesty, intituled, An Act for granting duties of Customs, as empowers Her Majesty in Council, in certain cases, to direct that additional duties shall be levied on articles, the growth, produce or manufacture of foreign countries, or upon Goods imported in the ships of foreign countries, or to prohibit the importation of manufactured articles, the produce of foreign countries; also so much of an Act passed in the Session of Parliament holden in the fifth and sixth years of the Reign of Her present Majesty, intituled, An Act to amend the laws for the importation of Corn, as enables Her Majesty, under certain circumstances to prohibit the importation of Corn, Grain, Meal, or Flour from the dominions of certain foreign powers; and the said several Acts and parts of Acts before mentioned are hereby accordingly repealed, except so far as the said Acts or any of them repeal any former Act or Acts, or any part of such Act or Acts, and except so far as relates to any penalty or forfeiture which shall have been incurred under the said Act or Acts hereby repealed, or any of them, or to any offence which shall have been committed contrary to such Act or Acts or any of them.

II. And be it enacted, That no goods or passengers shall be carried coastwise from one part of the United Kingdom to another, or from the United Kingdom to the Isle of Man, or from the Isle of Man to the United Kingdom, except in British ships.

III. And be it enacted, That no goods or passengers shall be imported into the United Kingdom from any of the Islands of Guernsey, Jersey, Alderney, or Sark, nor shall any Goods or Passengers be exported from the United Kingdom to any of the said Islands, nor shall any goods or passengers be carried from any of the Islands of Guernsey, Jersey, Alderney, Sark, or Man, to any other of the said Islands, nor from one part of the said Islands to another part of the same Island, except in British ships.

IV. And be it enacted, That no goods or passengers shall be carried from one part of any British Possession in Asia, Africa, or America to another part of the same possession, except in British ships.

V. Provided always, and be it enacted, That if the Legislature or proper Legislative Authority of any such British possession shall present an address to Her Majesty, praying Her Majesty to authorize or permit the conveyance of goods or passengers from one part of such possession to another part thereof in other than British Ships, or if the Legislatures of any two or more possessions, which for the purposes of this Act Her Majesty in Council shall declare to be neighboring possessions, shall present addresses or a joint address to Her Majesty praying Her Majesty to place the Trade between them on the footing of a Coasting Trade, or of otherwise regulating the same, so far as relates to the vessels in which it is to be carried on, it shall thereupon be lawful for Her Majesty, by order in Council, so to authorize the conveyance of such goods or passengers, or so to regulate the trade between such neighboring possessions, as the case may be, in such terms and under such conditions, in either case, as to Her Majesty may seem good.

VI. And with regard to the Coasting Trade of India, be it enacted, That it shall be lawful for the Governor General of India in Council to make any Regulations authorising or permitting the conveyance of goods or passengers from one part of the possessions of the East India Company to another part thereof in other than British ships, subject to such restrictions or regulations as he may think necessary;

sary; and such regulations shall be of equal force and effect with any laws and regulations which the said Governor General in Council is now or may hereafter be authorized to make, and shall be subject to disallowance and repeal in like manner as any other laws or regulations made by the said Governor General in Council under the laws from time to time in force for the Government of the British territories in India, and shall be transmitted to England, and be laid before both Houses of Parliament, in the same manner as any other laws or regulations which the Governor General in Council is now or may hereafter be empowered to make.

VII. And be it enacted, That no ship shall be admitted to be a British Ship unless duly registered and navigated as such; and that every British registered ship (so long as the registry of such ship shall be in force, or the Certificate of such registry retained for the use of such ship,) shall be navigated during the whole of every voyage (whether with a cargo or in ballast) in every part of the world by a Master who is a British Subject, and by a crew whereof three-fourths at least are British Seamen; and if such ship be employed in a Coasting Voyage from one part of the United Kingdom to another, or in a voyage between the United Kingdom and the Islands of Guernsey, Jersey, Alderney, Sark, or Man, or from one of the said Islands to another of them, or from one part of either of them to another of the same, or be employed in fishing on the coasts of the United Kingdom or of any of the said Islands, then the whole of the crew shall be British Seamen: Provided always, that if a due proportion of British Seamen cannot be procured in any Foreign Port, or in any place within the limits of the East India Company's Charter, for the Navigation of any British ship, or if such proportion be destroyed during the voyage by any unavoidable circumstance, and the Master of such ship make proof of the truth of such facts to the satisfaction of the Collector and Controller of the Customs at any British Port, or of any person authorised in any other part of the world to inquire into the Navigation of such ship, the same shall be deemed to be duly navigated: Provided also, that every British ship (except such as are required to be wholly navigated by British Seamen) which shall be navigated by one British Seaman for every twenty tons of the burthen of such ship shall be deemed to be duly navigated, although the number of other Seamen shall exceed one-fourth of the whole crew.

VIII. And be it enacted, That no person shall be deemed to be a British Seaman, or to be duly qualified to be Master of a British Vessel, except persons of one of the following classes, that is to say: natural-born subjects of Her Majesty; persons naturalized by or under any Act of Parliament, or by or under any Act or Ordinance of the Legislature or proper Legislative Authority of one of the British Possessions, or made Denizens by Letters of Denization; persons who have become British Subjects by virtue of the conquest or cession of some newly acquired country, and who have taken the Oath of Allegiance to Her Majesty, or the Oath of Fidelity required by the Treaty or Capitulation by which such newly acquired country came into Her Majesty's possession; Asiatic Sailors or Lascars, being natives of any of the Territories, Countries, Islands, or places within the limits of the Charter of the East India Company, and under the Government of Her Majesty or of the said Company; and persons who have served on board any of Her Majesty's Ships of War, in time of war, for the space of three years.

IX. And be it enacted, That if Her Majesty shall at any time, by Her Royal Proclamation, declare that the proportion of British Seamen necessary to the due Navigation of British Ships shall be less than the proportion required by this Act, every British ship navigated with the proportion of British Seamen required by such

such Proclamation shall be deemed to be duly navigated, so long as such Proclamation shall remain in force.

X. And be it enacted, That in case it shall be made to appear to Her Majesty that British vessels are subject in any Foreign country to any prohibitions or restrictions as to the voyages in which they may engage, or as to the articles which they may import into or export from such country, it shall be lawful for Her Majesty (if she think fit,) by Order in Council, to impose such prohibitions or restrictions upon the ships of such Foreign country, either as to the voyages in which they may engage, or as to the articles which they may import into or export from any part of the United Kingdom or of any British possession in any part of the world, as Her Majesty may think fit, so as to place the ships of such country on as nearly as possible the same footing in British ports as that on which British ships are placed in the ports of such country.

XI. And be it enacted, That in case it shall be made to appear to Her Majesty that British ships are either directly or indirectly subject in any Foreign country to any duties or charges of any sort or kind whatsoever from which the national vessels of such country are exempt, or that any duties are imposed upon articles imported or exported in British Ships, which are not equally imposed upon the like articles imported or exported in national vessels, or that any preference whatsoever is shown either directly or indirectly to national vessels over British vessels, or to articles imported or exported in national vessels over the like articles imported or exported in British vessels, or that British Trade and Navigation is not placed by such country upon as advantageous a footing as the Trade and Navigation of the most favored Nation, then, and in any such case, it shall be lawful for Her Majesty (if she think fit), by Order in Council, to impose such duty or duties of tonnage upon the ships of such Nation entering into or departing from the ports of the United Kingdom, or of any British Possession in any part of the world, or such duty or duties on all Goods, or any specified classes of Goods, imported or exported in the ships of such Nation, as may appear to Her Majesty justly to countervail the disadvantages to which British Trade or Navigation is so subjected as aforesaid.

XII. And be it enacted, That in every such Order Her Majesty may, if she so think fit, specify what ships are to be considered as ships of the country or countries to which such order applies, and all ships answering the description contained in such order shall be considered to be ships of such country or countries for the purposes of such order.

XIII. And be it enacted, That it shall be lawful for Her Majesty, from time to time to revoke any order or orders in Council made under the authority of this Act.

XIV. And be it enacted, That every such order in Council as aforesaid shall, within fourteen days after the issuing thereof, be twice published in the London Gazette, and that a copy thereof shall be laid before both Houses of Parliament within six weeks after the issuing the same, if Parliament be then sitting, and if not then within six weeks after the commencement of the then next Session of Parliament.

XV. And be it enacted, That if any Goods be imported, exported, or carried coastwise contrary to this Act, all such Goods shall be forfeited, and the Master of the ship in which the same are so imported, exported, or carried coastwise, shall forfeit the sum of One Hundred Pounds, except where any other penalty is hereby specially imposed.

XVI. And be it enacted, That all penalties and forfeitures incurred under this Act shall be sued for, prosecuted, recovered, and disposed of, or shall be mitigated

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or restored, in like manner and by the same authority as any penalty or forfeiture can be sued for, prosecuted, recovered, and disposed of, or may be mitigated or restored, under an Act passed in the said Session of Parliament holden in the eighth and ninth years of Her present Majesty, intituled, An Act for the Prevention of Smuggling; and that the costs of all proceedings under this Act shall be defrayed out of the consolidated duties of Customs.

XVII. And be it enacted, That all natural born subjects of Her Majesty, and all persons made Denizens by Letters of Denization, and all persons naturalized by or under any Act of Parliament, or by or under any Act or Ordinance of the Legislature or proper Legislative Authority of any of the British Possessions in Asia, Africa or America, and all persons authorised by or under any such Act or Ordinance to hold shares in British Shipping, shall, on taking the Oath of Allegiance to Her Majesty, Her Heirs and Successors, be deemed to be duly qualified to be owners or part owners of British registered vessels, any thing in the said recited Act for the registering of British Shipping to the contrary in anywise notwithstanding.

XVIII. And be it enacted, That the following form of Certificate shall be substituted for the form of Certificate prescribed by the said Act for the registering of British Shipping:

“ This is to certify, that [here insert the names, occupations, and residence of the subscribing owners,] having made and subscribed the Declaration required by Law, and having declared that [he or they,] together with [names, occupations, and residence of non-subscribing owners,] is [or are] sole owner (or owners) in the proportions specified on the back hereof of the ship or vessel called the (ship's name) of (place to which the vessel belongs,) which is of the burthen of (number of tons,) and whereof (Master's name) is Master, and that the said ship or vessel was (when and where built, or condemned as prize, referring to Builder's Certificate, Judge's Certificate, or Certificate of last Registry, then delivered up to be cancelled, or (if the vessel was Foreign built, and the time and place of building not known,) was Foreign, and that he or they did not know the time or place of building,) and (name and employment of Surveying Officer) having certified to us that the said ship or vessel has (number) decks and (number) masts, that her length from the inner part of the main stem to the fore part of the stern-post aloft is ( feet tenths), her breadth in midships is ( feet tenths), her depth in hold at midships is ( feet tenths), that she is (how rigged) rigged with a (standing or running) bowsprit, is (description of stern) sterned, (carvel or clincher) built, has (whether any or not) Gallery, and (kind of head, if any,) head, that the framework and planking (or plating) is (state whether of wood or iron) and that she is (state whether a sailing vessel or a steamer, and if a steamer state whether propelled by paddle wheels or screw propellers); and the said subscribing owners having consented and agreed to the above description, and having caused sufficient security to be given as required by Law, the said ship or vessel called the (name) has been duly registered at the port of (name of port), certified under our hands at the Custom House in the said port of (name of port), this (date) day of (name of month) in the year (words at length.)

“(Signed)

Collector.

“(Signed)

Comptroller.”

And on the back of such Certificate of Registry there shall be an account of the parts or shares held by each of the owners mentioned and described in such Certificate, in the form and manner following:

| Names of the several Owners within mentioned. | Number of sixty-fourth shares held by each Owner. |
|-----------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------|
| (Name)                                        | Thirty-two.                                       |
| (Name)                                        | Sixteen.                                          |
| (Name)                                        | Eight.                                            |
| (Name)                                        | Eight.                                            |
| (Signed)                                      | Comptroller.                                      |
| (Signed)                                      | Collector.                                        |

XIX. And be it enacted, That the following Declaration shall be substituted for the Declaration by the said Act directed to be made by the owner or owners of any vessel previous to the registry thereof:

“ I A. B. of (place of residence and occupation) do truly declare, the ship or vessel (name) of (port or place), whereof (Master's Name) is at present master, being (kind of build, burthen, et cætera, as described in the certificate of the Surveying Officer), was [when and where built, or, if Prize or forfeited, capture, and condemnation as such, or (if the vessel be foreign built, and the owner does not know when and where she was built,) that the said vessel is foreign built, and that I do know the time and place of her building,] and that I the said A. B. (and the other owners names and occupations, if any, and where they respectively reside,) am (or are) sole owner (or owners) of the said vessel, and that no other person or persons whatever hath or have any right, title, interest, share, or property therein or thereto; and that I the said A. B. (and the said other owners, if any,) am (or are) truly and bona fide a subject (or subjects) of Great Britain, and that I the said A. B. have not (nor have any of the other owners, to the best of my knowledge and belief,) taking the Oath of Allegiance to any Foreign State whatever (except under the terms of some capitulation, describing the particulars thereof), or that since my taking (or his or their taking) the Oath of Allegiance to (naming the Foreign States respectively to which he or any of the said owners shall have taken the same) I have (or he or they hath or have) become a denizen (or denizens, or naturalized subject or subjects, as the case may be,) of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, by Her Majesty's letters patent (or by an Act of Parliament, or by or under or by virtue of an Act or Ordinance of the Legislature of \_\_\_\_\_ or have been authorized by an Act or Ordinance of the Legislature of \_\_\_\_\_ to hold shares in British shipping within the said Colony, and since the passing of such Act or Ordinance I have (or he or they hath or have) taken the Oath of Allegiance to Her Majesty Queen Victoria (naming the times when such letters of denization have been granted respectively, or the year or years in which such Act or Acts of Naturalization, or such Colonial Acts or Ordinances, have passed respectively), and that no Foreigner, directly or indirectly, hath any share or part interest in the said ship or vessel: Provided always, that if it shall become necessary to register any ship or vessel belonging to any corporate body in the United Kingdom, the following Declaration, in lieu of the declaration hereinbefore directed shall be made and subscribed by the Secretary or other proper Officer of such corporate body; (that is to say,)

“ I, A. B., Secretary or Officer of (name of company or corporation), do truly declare, that the ship or vessel (name) of (port) whereof (Master's Name) is at present Master, being (kind of build, burthen, &c., as described in the Certificate



of the Surveying Officer), was (when and where built, or, if Prize or forfeited capture and condemnation as such), or (if the vessel be foreign built, and that such Secretary or Officer does not know when and where built,) that the said vessel is foreign built, and that I do not know the time and place of the building, and that the same doth wholly and truly belong to (name the company or corporation.)

XX. And be it enacted, That notwithstanding that by the said recited Act for the registering of British vessels it is enacted, that in case any ship, not being duly registered, shall exercise any of the privileges of a British vessel, the same shall be forfeited, nevertheless all boats or vessels under fifteen tons burthen, wholly owned and navigated by British Subjects, although not registered as British ships, shall be admitted to be British vessels in all Navigation in the Rivers and upon the Coasts of the United Kingdom or of the British Possessions abroad, and not proceeding over sea, except within the limits of the respective Colonial Governments within which the managing owners of such vessels respectively reside; and that all boats or vessels wholly owned and navigated by British Subjects, not exceeding the burthen of thirty tons, and not having a whole or fixed deck, and being employed solely in fishing on the Banks and Shores of Newfoundland and of the parts adjacent, or on the Banks and Shores of the Provinces of Canada, Nova Scotia, or New Brunswick, adjacent to the Gulf of St. Lawrence, or on the North of Cape Canso, or of the Islands within the same, or in trading Coastwise within the said limits, shall be admitted to be British boats or vessels, although not registered, so long as such boats or vessels shall be solely so employed.

XXI. And be it enacted, That this Act shall come into operation on the First day of January One Thousand Eight Hundred and Fifty.

XXII. And be it enacted, That this Act may be amended or repealed by any Act to be passed in the present Session of Parliament.

No. 26.

(See page 465.)

*Aggregate List of Articles purchased for the use of the Halifax Asylum for the Poor, during the year 1849.*

|                                                                                                          |     |    |    |           |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----|----|----|-----------|
| Arrowroot, 106 lbs.                                                                                      | £5  | 9  | 6  |           |
| Barley, 39 cwt. 3 qrs. 12 lbs.                                                                           | 35  | 7  | 11 |           |
| Beer, 6469 gallons                                                                                       | 55  | 2  | 6  |           |
| Beef and Mutton, 23021 lbs.                                                                              | 202 | 14 | 1  |           |
| Butter, 1359 lbs.                                                                                        | 47  | 10 | 1  |           |
| Bread, 40 cwt.                                                                                           | 40  | 0  | 0  |           |
|                                                                                                          |     |    |    | £386 4 1  |
| Bakery—Baker's Salary,                                                                                   | £36 | 0  | 0  |           |
| 31 cords Wood,                                                                                           | 11  | 13 | 8  |           |
|                                                                                                          |     |    |    | 47 13 8   |
| Coal, 76 chaldrons                                                                                       | 91  | 6  | 0  |           |
|                                                                                                          |     |    |    | 138 19 8  |
| Contingencies expended by the Matron,<br>whose Account is audited monthly by<br>the Acting Commissioner, | 47  | 5  | 0  |           |
|                                                                                                          |     |    |    | Clothing, |

|                                                                                                                                                                   |           |           |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------|-----------|
| Clothing, Blankets, Sheets, Bedding, &c.                                                                                                                          | £264 19 4 |           |
| Chocolate, 1150 lbs.                                                                                                                                              | 26 7 1    |           |
| Coffee, 120 lbs.                                                                                                                                                  | 3 10 0    |           |
|                                                                                                                                                                   | <hr/>     | £342 1 5  |
| Cows and Horse—Bran for Cows, &c.                                                                                                                                 | 18 11 0   |           |
| Hay, Oats, and Blacksmith work,                                                                                                                                   | 44 6 2    |           |
|                                                                                                                                                                   | <hr/>     | 62 17 2   |
| Cornmeal, 30 barrels                                                                                                                                              | 25 10 0   |           |
| Fish—16 qtls. ; 2 bbls. Mackarel, 3 bbls.                                                                                                                         |           |           |
| Herring,                                                                                                                                                          | 14 4 6    |           |
| Flour, 360 bbls.                                                                                                                                                  | 493 1 6   |           |
| Gas Light Company—Gas Light,                                                                                                                                      | 45 11 7   |           |
|                                                                                                                                                                   | <hr/>     | 641 4 9   |
| Hat Manufactory—Palm Leaf,                                                                                                                                        | 43 9 3    |           |
| Ironmongery, Nails, &c.                                                                                                                                           | 7 1 0     |           |
| Lumber for Coffins and repairing, 16217 ft                                                                                                                        | 40 7 9    |           |
| Leather for Shoes and repairing,                                                                                                                                  | 43 18 11  |           |
| Molasses, 1054 gallons                                                                                                                                            | 70 6 9    |           |
|                                                                                                                                                                   | <hr/>     | 205 3 8   |
| Miscellaneous expenses, articles required for the Establishment, not of ordinary consumption, purchased by the Commissioners which do not come under other heads, | 235 10 4  |           |
| Oatmeal, 100 cwt. 3 qtrs.                                                                                                                                         | 64 18 6   |           |
| Oil, 152 gallons                                                                                                                                                  | 18 2 0    |           |
| Old Junk,                                                                                                                                                         | 76 12 10  |           |
| Pork, 2122 lbs.                                                                                                                                                   | 47 11 5   |           |
|                                                                                                                                                                   | <hr/>     | 442 15 1  |
| Peas and Beans, 230½ bushels,                                                                                                                                     | 59 18 2   |           |
| Potatoes, 378 bushels,                                                                                                                                            | 65 19 11  |           |
| Repairs to Buildings,                                                                                                                                             | 127 14 9  |           |
| Rice, 47 cwt. 3 qtrs. 23 lbs.,                                                                                                                                    | 55 16 4   |           |
| Sugar, 17 cwt. 2 qtrs. 18 lbs.,                                                                                                                                   | 31 7 1    |           |
|                                                                                                                                                                   | <hr/>     | 340 16 3  |
| Salt, 9 hhds.,                                                                                                                                                    | 4 15 6    |           |
| Stationery and Printing,                                                                                                                                          | 8 0 5     |           |
| Straw, 279 cwt. 3 qtrs. 10 lbs.,                                                                                                                                  | 28 5 10   |           |
| Soap, 302 cwt. 3 qtrs. 27 lbs.                                                                                                                                    | 80 9 9    |           |
| Salaries, including Medicines and Medical attendance,                                                                                                             | 330 0 0   |           |
|                                                                                                                                                                   | <hr/>     | 451 11 6  |
| Starch, 30 lbs.,                                                                                                                                                  | 0 18 9    |           |
| Tea, 1085 lbs.,                                                                                                                                                   | 64 11 6   |           |
| Tinware and repairing,                                                                                                                                            | 34 0 5    |           |
| Truckages,                                                                                                                                                        | 16 3 2    |           |
|                                                                                                                                                                   | <hr/>     | 115 13 10 |
|                                                                                                                                                                   |           | Vinegar,  |

|                                               |        |          |            |
|-----------------------------------------------|--------|----------|------------|
| Vinegar, 116 gals.,                           |        | £4 17 0  |            |
| Wine for the Sick, 127 gals.,                 |        | 38 13 0  |            |
| Wood, 66½ cords,                              |        | 32 6 0   |            |
| Wool, 138 lbs.,                               |        | 7 12 0   |            |
|                                               |        | <hr/>    | £83 8 0    |
| Waterloo Farm and Hospital—                   |        |          |            |
| Ploughing,                                    | £5 0 0 |          |            |
| Nurses,                                       | 4 10 0 |          |            |
| Rent,                                         | 60 0 0 |          |            |
| Oats,                                         | 2 10 0 |          |            |
|                                               |        | <hr/>    | 72 0 0     |
| Balance remaining in the Bank of Nova Scotia, |        | 20 19 10 |            |
|                                               |        | <hr/>    | 92 19 10   |
|                                               |        |          | <hr/>      |
|                                               |        |          | £3240 18 1 |

[Examined and found correct.]

(Signed)      THOS. R. GRASSIE, } Committee to examine  
                   A. M. UNIACKE, } General Accounts.

*Account of the Funds received for the use of the Halifax Asylum for the Poor, during the year 1849, and from whence received.*

| 1849.     | COMMISSIONERS.                                            | Treasury Trans-<br>sient Poor. | City & County<br>Treasurer. | Casual.  | Total.     |
|-----------|-----------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------|-----------------------------|----------|------------|
| January,  | Balance on hand in Bank, 31st Dec. 1848,                  |                                |                             |          | £111 16 6  |
| February, | Henry Pryor, Esq.                                         |                                | 200 0 0                     | 32 10 0  | 232 10 0   |
| March,    | Hon. M. B. Almon,                                         |                                | 100 0 0                     |          | 100 0 0    |
| April,    | Charles Twining, Esq.                                     | £200 0 0                       | 100 0 0                     | 29 6 3   | 129 6 3    |
| May,      | Hon. Hugh Bell,                                           |                                | 100 0 0                     | 39 0 0   | 339 0 0    |
| June,     | Hon. Edward Kenny,                                        |                                |                             | 67 17 0  | 67 17 0    |
| July,     | Wm. M. Allan, Esq.                                        | 500 0 0                        |                             |          | 500 0 0    |
| August,   | J. W. Nutting, Esq.                                       |                                |                             | 19 14 4  | 19 14 4    |
| Sept.,    | William Lawson, Esq.                                      | 350 0 0                        | 500 0 0                     | 80 2 6   | 930 2 6    |
| October,  | T. R. Grassie, Esq.                                       |                                | 300 0 0                     | 14 14 0  | 314 14 0   |
| November, | Geo. N. Russell, Esq.                                     |                                | 100 0 0                     |          | 100 0 0    |
| December, | Thos. S. Tobin, Esq.                                      | 300 0 0                        |                             |          | 300 0 0    |
|           | Provincial Grant for Waterloo Hospital,                   |                                |                             |          | 70 17 6    |
|           | “ “ School,                                               |                                |                             |          | 25 0 0     |
|           |                                                           | £1350 0 0                      | £1400 0 0                   | £283 4 1 | £3240 18 1 |
|           | December 31.—By Balance remaining in Bank of Nova Scotia, |                                |                             |          | £20 19 10  |

[Errors Excepted.]

HENRY PRYOR, Chairman.

Halifax, 31st December, 1849.

*Account of Paupers remaining in on the 1st January, 1850, and received into the Poors' Asylum during the year 1849.*

|                   |     |     |
|-------------------|-----|-----|
| Men—Halifax,      | 36  |     |
| Transient,        | 392 |     |
|                   | —   | 428 |
| Women—Halifax,    | 40  |     |
| Transient,        | 208 |     |
|                   | —   | 248 |
| Children—Halifax, | 123 |     |
| Transient,        | 77  |     |
|                   | —   | 200 |
|                   |     | —   |
| Total,            |     | 876 |

*Deaths in the Poors' Asylum during the year 1849.*

|           |     |
|-----------|-----|
| Men,      | 47  |
| Women,    | 31  |
| Children, | 25  |
|           | —   |
| Total,    | 103 |

*Number of Paupers in the Poors' Asylum 31st December, 1849.*

|           |     |                         |
|-----------|-----|-------------------------|
| Men,      | 156 | of which 25 are Lunatic |
| Women,    | 108 | “ 23 “                  |
| Children, | 86  | “ 7 “                   |
|           | —   | —                       |
|           | 350 | 55                      |

February 7, 1850—Number in the Asylum, 365 Men, Women and Children.

No. 27.

(See page .)

ESTIMATE.

|                            |       |       |      |
|----------------------------|-------|-------|------|
| Salary of Lieut. Governor, | £3750 | 0     | 0    |
| Contingencies of do.,      | 250   | 0     | 0    |
| Private Secretary do.,     | 312   | 10    | 0    |
|                            | —     | —     | —    |
|                            |       | £4312 | 10 0 |

*Administration of Justice.*

|                              |      |    |   |
|------------------------------|------|----|---|
| Salary of the Chief Justice, | 1250 | 0  | 0 |
| “ Judge Bliss,               | 812  | 10 | 0 |
| “ Other Assistant Judges,    | 2100 | 0  | 0 |
| “ Master of the Rolls,       | 700  | 0  | 0 |
| “ Atty. General,             | 500  | 0  | 0 |
| “ Sol. General,              | 125  | 0  | 0 |
| “ Clerk of the Crown,        | 37   | 10 | 0 |

Judges'

|                                                        |       |       |      |
|--------------------------------------------------------|-------|-------|------|
| Judges' Travelling allowance,                          | £301  | 0     | 0    |
| Expense of conveying Judges to C. B.,                  | 65    | 12    | 6    |
| Criminal Prosecutions in the Country,                  |       |       |      |
| Coroner's Inquests,                                    |       |       |      |
| Crier and Fuel for Chancery and Vice Admiralty Courts, |       | 37    | 10 0 |
| Salary of Provincial Secretary,                        | £700  | 0     | 0    |
| "    Clerks to do.,                                    | 575   | 0     | 0    |
| Contingencies of office,                               | 125   | 0     | 0    |
|                                                        | <hr/> | £1400 | 0 0  |
| Salary of Receiver General,                            |       | 600   | 0 0  |
| "    Clerk to do.,                                     |       | 250   | 0 0  |
| Contingencies of office,                               |       |       |      |
| Salary of Financial Secretary,                         |       | 600   | 0 0  |
| "    Clerk to do.,                                     |       | 200   | 0 0  |
| Contingencies of office,                               |       |       |      |
| <i>Pensions.</i>                                       |       |       |      |
| Sir R. D. George,                                      | £500  | 0     | 0    |
| Miss Cox,                                              | 125   | 0     | 0    |
| Judges of Common Pleas,                                | 900   | 0     | 0    |
| Surveyor General, C. B.,                               | 125   | 0     | 0    |
| Commissioners of Crown Lands,                          | 300   | 0     | 0    |
|                                                        | <hr/> | £1950 | 0 0  |
| <i>Legislature.</i>                                    |       |       |      |
| Speaker of House of Assembly,                          | 200   | 0     | 0    |
| Pay and Travelling Expenses of Members,                | 2658  | 0     | 0    |
| Clerk of Legislative Council,                          | 200   | 0     | 0    |
| Law Clerk,                                             | 150   | 0     | 0    |
| Chaplain of the Legislative Council,                   | 25    | 0     | 0    |
| Gentleman Usher of the Black Rod,                      | 75    | 0     | 0    |
| Clerk of House of Assembly,                            | 200   | 0     | 0    |
| Clerk Assistant do.                                    | 100   | 0     | 0    |
| Chaplain to do.                                        | 25    | 0     | 0    |
| Sergeant-at-Arms to do.                                | 50    | 0     | 0    |
| Assistant Sergeant do.                                 | 30    | 0     | 0    |
| Messenger of Legislative Council; Assistant do.;       |       |       |      |
| Messengers, &c. of Assembly; Stationery, Fuel,         |       |       |      |
| Contingencies of Legislative Council and Assembly,     | 956   | 0     | 0    |
| Printing and Reporting,                                | 1200  | 0     | 0    |
|                                                        | <hr/> | £5869 | 0 0  |
| <i>Revenue.</i>                                        |       |       |      |
| Superintendent of Mines,                               |       | £125  | 0 0  |
| Guager, Weigher and Proof Officer,                     |       | 300   | 0 0  |
| W. H. Keeper, Landing Waiters, and Clerks,             |       | 690   | 0 0  |
| Chief Inspector and Overseers of Distilleries,         |       |       |      |
| Clerk to Board of Revenue,                             |       | 60    | 0 0  |
| Locker and Extra Lockers, &c.                          |       |       |      |

Extra

|                                                              |         |
|--------------------------------------------------------------|---------|
| Extra and Temporary Waiters,<br>Revenue Boats,<br>Drawbacks, | £70 0 0 |
|--------------------------------------------------------------|---------|

*Militia.*

|                                                                                     |                      |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------|
| Adjutant and Quarter Master General,<br>Cleaning Militia Arms,<br>Billeting Troops, | 132 17 2<br>145 10 0 |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------|

*Education.*

Common Schools;  
Academies,  
Colleges,

*Miscellaneous.*

|                                   |          |
|-----------------------------------|----------|
| Commissioners of Light Houses,    | 5000 0 0 |
| "    Sable Island,                | 400 0 0  |
| Post Communication,               |          |
| Steam-boats, Packets and Ferries, | 1475 0 0 |
| Commissioners of Poor Asylum,     | 1350 0 0 |
| "    Penitentiary,                | 1000 0 0 |
| Interest of Funded Debt,          | 500 0 0  |
| "    Deposits in Savings' Bank,   | 1600 0 0 |
| Roads and Bridges,                |          |
| Casualties to do.,                |          |
| Repairs of Public Buildings,      | 500 0 0  |
| Assistance to Indians,            | 300 0 0  |
| Support of Halifax Dispensary,    | 50 0 0   |

No. 28.

(See page 470.)

COPY.

No. 211.

*Downing Street, 17th January, 1850.*

SIR—

An Act passed by the Legislature of Nova Scotia in the month of March last, relating to certain Harbours and Pilotage, having been referred by the Queen in Council to the Lords of the Committee of Privy Council for Trade, that Committee have reported to Her Majesty in Council their opinion that the said Act should be left to its operation.

I transmit herewith an Order of Her Majesty in Council approving that Report.

The Elder Brethren of the Trinity House, to whom this Act has been referred, are of opinion that it might have been advisable to have provided in Clause 4 an authority for varying the Rates specified in Schedule C. as circumstances may

from time to time require, restricting such variations to the maximum amounts in the said Schedule.

You will therefore submit this suggestion for the consideration of the Provincial Legislature.

I have, &c.

(Signed)

GREY.

Lieut. Governor Sir John Harvey, K. C. B. &c., Nova Scotia.

COPY.

[L. S.]

*At the Court at Windsor, the 8th day of January, 1850.*

PRESENT—

THE QUEEN'S MOST EXCELLENT MAJESTY,

&c. &c. &c.

Whereas the Lieutenant Governor of Her Majesty's Province of Nova Scotia, with the Council and Assembly of the said Province, did, in the month of March, A. D. 1849, pass an Act, which has been transmitted, entitled as follows—

No. 2903. An Act relating to certain Harbours and Pilots thereat.

And whereas the said Act has been referred to the Committee of the Lords of Her Majesty's most Honorable Privy Council appointed for the consideration of all matters relating to Trade and Foreign Plantations, and the said Committee have reported as their opinion that the said Act should be left to its operation: Her Majesty was thereupon this day pleased, by and with the advice of Her Privy Council, to approve the said Report—whereof the Governor, Lieutenant Governor, or Commander-in-Chief for the time being of Her Majesty's Province of Nova Scotia, and all other persons whom it may concern, are to take notice and govern themselves accordingly.

(Signed)

WM. L. BATHURST.

No. 29.

(See page 484.)

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY,—

The Commissioners of the Provincial Penitentiary beg leave to make their Annual Report to Your Excellency; and in communicating the various changes it affords them pleasure to say that the number of Convicts now in confinement is less than during former years, none have died, sixteen men and boys have been received, and fifteen men and two women been discharged, and at the close of the year 1849 there remained fifteen men and boys in confinement. There have been no women in the establishment, as convicts, for the last six months. The employment of the Convicts has been, dressing granite stone for completing the cells—breaking bones for manure—collecting seaweed—and clearing land.

The Commissioners also report to Your Excellency that in consequence of the escape of six convicts at one time last summer, they deemed it advisable to make



a change in the Officers by removing the Governor and one Keeper, and appointing a new Governor in whom they had confidence, and the Convicts are now kept under more rigid discipline—they not being allowed to leave their cells except in chains. The Commissioners further report that about one thousand stones have been collected and prepared for the foundation of a wall around the prison yard—at present enclosed by a wooden fence, the posts of which are decaying fast, rendering it necessary either to furnish new posts, or to commence the ensuing spring to build the wall. The latter being the only permanent mode of inclosing the premises, and as the stone can be obtained from a quarry already opened on the Penitentiary grounds, and the work may be performed by the prisoners, they beg leave to suggest to Your Excellency that if a vote for £200 or £250 should pass the Legislature for this purpose it would prove a lasting advantage to the establishment, and tend to prevent the escape of the prisoners for the future.

The Commissioners beg to submit herewith for the information of Your Excellency, an abstract of the Expense of this establishment for the last year, amounting to £836 18 10, and also an estimate for the ensuing which is less than any previous one.

The Commissioners are desirous to receive the suggestions of Your Excellency as well as the Legislature for the better government of this institution, and have the honor to remain Your Excellency's obedient Servants,

JAMES B. UNIACKE, Chairman.

9th February, 1850.

*To the Commissioners of Provincial Penitentiary the following Report is respectfully submitted.*

The Prisoners generally during the past year have enjoyed their usual health, the total number of cases on the sick list was forty-eight, of these some were cases of an alarming character, and called for an increased share of attention, but no case of death has occurred.

No disease of an epidemic character has prevailed in the Establishment; this is singular, as during the last three or four months, small pox has prevailed extensively in the City and its environs, and has carried off many as well in the middling as in the lower classes of the community. In the month of November, when cases of the disease were to be found in all parts of the City, fearing that it might reach the prison, I deemed it prudent to vaccinate such of the prisoners as were still unprotected, and to re-vaccinate the others. One of the inmates of the Establishment is an insane Indian who, as you are aware, was sent thither not as a prisoner, but for safe keeping; it would seem desirable that he should be removed as soon as a more suitable place can be procured, as his being in the prison, seriously interferes with its discipline.

I have here much pleasure in stating, that great attention is paid by the Governor to cleanliness and ventilation, and whatever may promote the comfort of the prisoners.

I have the honor to be,

Gentlemen,

Your obedient Servant,

R. S. BLACK, M. D.

December 31st, 1849.

No. 30.

(See page 484.)

*Halifax, 11th February, 1850.*

SIR—

We have the honor to state for the information of His Excellency the Lieut. Governor that, in conformity with our usual custom, we, during the past year, visited the Establishment at Sable Island, and beg leave to Report, that we examined every part of the Island and Out Ports, old and recent Wrecks, Boats and appurtenances for transporting them over the Island, and found everything in good and serviceable order.

Among the recent wrecks is that of the Schooner "Brothers" and cargo of Deals, bought by us on the Island account. The wreck of the ship "Blonde," Timber laden, which sold for £150, we did not feel justified in purchasing at that price, having already one Timber vessel's cargo to secure, and have a doubt if it prove a saving speculation to the buyers. The Brigantine "Growler" from the United States, with a cargo of provisions, the whole of which we expect will be saved, must remain until the weather admit of its being removed in safety. These three vessels are all the Wreck for 1849, and we are happy to say no lives were lost. The American schr. Fulton, lost in 1848, still remains on the Island, and although private property, is less likely than ever to be got off, and exemplifies the disadvantage of allowing property purchased by other than the Commissioners, to remain an unlimited period on the Island, during which time the owners feel themselves at liberty to land and act upon the Island as best suits their purposes, which practice we are obliged to disapprove of, and in all future cases will endeavour to prevent. The extensive piece of Bridge or Wharf work extending into the Lake, and made with the best intentions by the late Superintendent, the utility and durability of which we doubted on a previous visit, was altogether broken up and destroyed by the unusual accumulation of ice last winter, and will serve as a caution in all future operations of that nature.

The attention of the Superintendent, Mr. McKenna, seems steadily directed to improvements in everything connected with the advancement of the general interests of the Establishment. The alteration made in the principal dwelling house, which must add to the comfort and safety of it, has not increased the annual expenditure. Most of the work was done, with the exception of a Mason from Halifax, by the men on the Establishment, in the selection of whom we endeavour to provide Tradesmen of different kinds and of steady habits, by which means work of every description can be carried on with less expense than by sending Mechanics from hence, and whenever dissatisfaction prevails among any of the men, as regards their duty or the Rules to be observed, they are removed the first opportunity and others sent in their place. As the number and condition of the Stock of Horned Cattle admitted of it, we directed that a portion of them should be slaughtered, and kept for the use of the Establishment; and the sale of two cargoes of Horses has added considerably to the funds, without unnecessarily lessening or deteriorating from the Stock which the interest of the Island makes it desirable to keep up, and which had increased to a greater number than was ever before upon the Island—which is every year, in consequence of improvement in pasturage, becoming better able to support them; and from the same reason we trust the stock of Sheep sent there, will, with a few already on the Island, prove more productive than hitherto.

Our endeavours, fully seconded by the Superintendent, towards improving the  
Agricultural

Agricultural resources of the Island promises to be attended with success, and will repay any trouble we have taken in procuring different descriptions and variety of seeds and shrubs, and implements suitable for their cultivation, and hope after another season to be able to furnish a superior description of the productions of the Island from some specimens we have seen tried in different places on the Main.

In conclusion we can assure His Excellency that it has been our earnest endeavour to promote the welfare, respectability and usefulness of an Establishment creditable to the Imperial and Provincial Governments, as having afforded the strongest proofs of its utility to most, if not all, the Maritime Countries in the World.

All which is respectfully submitted.

We have the honor to be, Sir,

Your most obedient

Humble Servants,

EDW. WALLACE, } Commissioners  
J. P. MILLER, } of Sable Island.

The Honorable Joseph Howe, Provincial Secretary.

No. 31.

(See page 485.)

*Report of the Commissioners for issuing Treasury Notes.*

The Commissioners appointed to issue Province Notes, and to carry into effect the provisions of the Act passed during the Session of the General Assembly, in the year 1846, entitled, "An Act relating to the Treasury Notes, the Funded Debt, and the Halifax Savings Bank," beg leave respectfully to report to His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor, for the information of the Legislature, that since their last Report, they have received from the Treasurer and Receiver General Five Thousand Pounds of Old Notes, which they have cancelled, and given in exchange therefor Five Thousand Pounds of New Notes, duly numbered, dated and signed, pursuant to the said Act, at the times specified in the Record thereof kept by them pursuant to the said Act, a copy of which is hereunto annexed marked A, to which they beg leave to refer; and that they have delivered the cancelled notes to the Secretary of the Province as prescribed by the said Act at the several times specified in the receipts given therefor by the said Secretary of the Province, of which copies are hereunto annexed marked B, and to which they also crave leave to refer.

And they further report, that the Province Notes now in circulation amount to £59,864 10s., including £9,330 10s. Old Notes, and £50,534 of the New Notes issued by the present Commissioners; £466 of the New Notes having become defaced were cancelled last year.

All which they respectfully report.

|                          |         |
|--------------------------|---------|
| Notes cancelled in 1846, | £20,000 |
| "    "    1847,          | 16,000  |
| "    "    1848,          | 10,000  |
| "    "    1849,          | 5,000   |

£51,000

L. HARTSHORNE,  
W. A. BLACK,  
CHARLES TWINING, } Commissioners.

SCHEDULE A.

| Date.      | By whom Signed.              | Numbered.         | Amount. | Date of Cancelling. | 5s. Notes. | 10s. Notes. | £2 Notes. | £5 Notes. | £1 old Notes. | £1 Notes of Plate of 1838. | £1 Notes of new Impression | Total Amount. |
|------------|------------------------------|-------------------|---------|---------------------|------------|-------------|-----------|-----------|---------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|---------------|
| 1848.      |                              |                   |         | 1849                |            |             |           |           |               |                            |                            |               |
| May 1st,   | W. A. Black & Chas. Twining, | 5,6001 to 5,7000  | 1000    | April 9,            |            |             | 2         | 5         | 16            | 977                        |                            | 1000          |
| 1849.      |                              |                   |         |                     |            |             |           |           |               |                            |                            |               |
| April 1st, | C. Twining & L. Hartshorne,  | 5,7001 to 5,8000  | 1000    | May 18,             |            |             |           |           | 5             | 945                        | 50                         | 1000          |
| May 1st,   | L. Hartshorne & W. A. Black, | 5,8001 to 5,9000  | 1000    | June 27,            |            |             |           |           | 10            | 690                        | 300                        | 1000          |
|            | W. A. Black & Chas. Twining, | 5,9001 to 5,10000 | 1000    | Aug. 18,            |            |             |           |           | 17            | 911                        | 72                         | 1000          |
| Aug. 1st   | C. Twining & L. Hartshorne,  | 6,1               | 1000    | Dec. 10,            |            |             |           |           | 15            | 941                        | 44                         | 1000          |

## SCHEDULE B.

*Provincial Secretary's Office, Halifax, 18th May, 1849.*

Received from the Commissioners for issuing Treasury Notes, a parcel sealed, marked "£1000, 9th April, 1849, W. A. B." Also, one marked, "1000 One Pound Notes, cancelled 18th May, 1849, W. A. B., L. H."

(Signed) JOSEPH HOWE.

*Provincial Secretary's Office, Halifax, 9th July, 1849.*

Received from the Commissioners for issuing Treasury Notes, a parcel sealed, indorsed in the words and figures following,

"£300 last impression,

" 690 new "

" 10 old "

—————  
"£1000

"27th June, 1849,

"W. A. B."

(Signed) JOSEPH HOWE.

*Provincial Secretary's Office, 18th August, 1849.*

Received from the Commissioners for issuing Treasury Notes, a parcel sealed, described as follows:

"Cancelled—

" 17 old Notes,

" 911 Notes of 1838,

" 72 last impression.

—————  
"£1000

"L. H.

"C. T."

(Signed) JOSEPH HOWE.

*Provincial Secretary's Office, Halifax, 10th December, 1849.*

Received from the Commissioners for issuing Treasury Notes, a parcel sealed, described as follows:

"Cancelled—

" 15 old Notes,

" 941 Notes of 1838,

" 44 last impression.

—————  
"£1000

"L. H.

"C. T."

(Signed) JOSEPH HOWE.

No. 32.

(See page 492.)

*Halifax, N. S., February 10th, 1850.*

SIR—

We beg leave to state for the information of His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor, that the Light Houses throughout the Province are in an efficient state, and supplied with the requisite stores until July next.

That the Signal Gun directed to be fired at the Island of St. Paul in foggy weather, is attended to, and the Bell also is in constant operation—that no wrecks have taken place there, or at that hitherto disastrous locality the Island of Scatarie.

Some improvements and improved apparatus have been added last year, but the annual expense of the Lights generally, is on the decrease—and it is gratifying to the Commissioners to be able state, that they have received during the past year, from disinterested and highly respectable sources, the highest testimonials in approbation of the position, appearance, and general utility of the Lights in the Province.

The Beacon Light erected last year at Arichat, by private means, was not considered by us quite suitable for the object intended, in the state we found it; and as the time of its completion was uncertain, it was not put in operation as authorized by the Legislature; but we have no doubt that the enterprising proprietors of it, will soon remedy the difficulty, and (as means are already provided by us) afford the public a Light we are sure will prove to be one of very great utility—and when tested (as the one at Guysboro' on the opposite side of the Bay has been), we hope may induce the Legislature to adopt the plan in other parts of the Province, and confer a lasting benefit at a very inconsiderable outlay.

As expressed on former occasions, we still think that a Light House at Jedore, to the Eastward of Halifax, would be of great utility to the general trade to the Province.

We have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your obedient Servants,

|                  |                                              |
|------------------|----------------------------------------------|
| S. CUNARD,       | } Commissioners<br>of Light<br>Houses, N. S. |
| Per HENRY BOGGS, |                                              |
| J. P. MILLER,    |                                              |

The Honorable Joseph Howe, Provincial Secretary.

*Halifax, N. S., February 10, 1850.*

SIR—

We have to acknowledge the receipt of your Letter of the 7th December last, enclosing an application for a change in the appearance of Pictou Light; also, an affidavit of B. Forest, master of the "Brig Cordelia," alleged to have been run ashore from his mistaking a light in a Farm House for Pictou Light.

In reply thereto we beg to state, for the information of His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor, that we have given the subject much consideration, and after making enquiries, referring to charts, and from our own local knowledge of the coast, having been placed in a similar situation to the one complained of, and subject

subject to the same uncertainty, on making what proved to be a false Light about the time we expected to make Pictou Light, and might have suffered in a similar way had not the usual and necessary precautions known to Seamen when approaching a Light been observed, and which must have been entirely overlooked or neglected by Captain Forest in this instance—which, we think, is the only one complained of since the year 1834, when a Brig beating into Halifax Harbour was on Thrumcap, and the Master offered the same excuse, that of mistaking a Light in a dwelling for the Light on Maugher's Beach, notwithstanding his being forewarned by his passengers, who discovered his neglecting all the usual precautions necessary at such a time.

As the defect complained of—the want of a better mode of characterizing Pictou Light—would apply to any other of the fixed Lights of the coast, rather than to the two against which complaints have been made, while from the arrangement and concentration of nearly all the Lamps to the point of approach, ought to be the last, do not see the necessity for recommending at present, any alteration in the character of old standing Lights, or of Pictou Light in particular, as the same reasoning would apply to private Lights in all the Fishing districts in the vicinity of other Light Houses, many of them more likely to mislead incautious persons (but which we think lead to different results) than the Light in a private dwelling alluded to on Roy's Island, differing several degrees from the course at Pictou Light, as well as being several miles short of the proper distance to be run; and ought to be a sufficient discrimination for a seaman; and from Captain Forest our statement should have prevented his falling into the error he did, having passed and had a good departure from Cape George, so short a time before he struck on Roy's Island—and we are supported in this opinion by reflecting on, and comparing this solitary occurrence of an important nature with the many fatal wrecks which annually occur at different points of approach to our Southern shores, amounting to several hundreds, and some seasons thousands of tons of shipping of all nations, including those bound, as well as belonging, to Pictou, amongst the most disastrous; and consider those places where the greatest loss of life occurs should first receive public attention.

We approve of the interest taken in this matter by the Magistrates of Pictou, and trust the measures recommended by them, will be sufficient to prevent a recurrence of a similar nature in that neighbourhood, further than that we consider we have no control over private individuals, and we can assure His Excellency, that we are at all times willing to give due consideration to suggestions emanating from any respectable source on such important subjects, as the improvements in the arrangement of the Lights under our control—but cannot coincide with the opinion set forth, that a candle or lamp in the window of a private dwelling, could by any reasonable person, be mistaken for any Light House on the coast, much less that of Pictou.

We have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your obedient Servant,

S. CUNARD,

Per HENRY BOGGS,

J. P. MILLER,

} Commissioners  
of Light  
House, N. S.

The Hon. Joseph Howe, Provincial Secretary.

No. 33.

(See page 494.)

SIR—

The following is the Return of St. Mary's College, for the year ending January 1st, 1850.

*Professors of Theology, Moral Philosophy, French, &c.*

|                                      |                            |
|--------------------------------------|----------------------------|
| Very Rev. T. L. Connolly, President, | } Salaries per annum £100. |
| Rev. P. L. Madden,                   |                            |
| (up to 1st Sept.)                    |                            |

*Professor of Greek, Latin, English, &c.*

Mr. James Rogers—£80.

*Professor of Mathematics, Drawing, Algebra, Arithmetic, &c.*

Mr. Patrick Farrell—£90.

Number of Boys attending—Thirty.

Income from Fees, about £60.

Expenses £30—Debts £30.

*Branches taught.*

Theology, Greek, Latin, French, Geometry, Navigation, Drawing, English Composition, Elocution, Geography, and Maps, Use of Globes, English Grammar, Arithmetic, Book Keeping, Writing, &c.

THOMAS L. CONNOLLY, President.

To the Hon. the Provincial Secretary.

*Receipts and Expenditures of the Baptist Education Society for the year 1849 and not belonging to previous years.*

*Receipts.*

|                                                |       |    |    |
|------------------------------------------------|-------|----|----|
| Legislative Grant,                             | £250  | 0  | 0  |
| Rent,                                          | 30    | 0  | 0  |
| Tuition paid in 1849, arising from dues of do. | 188   | 15 | 10 |
| Subscriptions and donations,                   | 229   | 9  | 6  |
|                                                | <hr/> |    |    |
|                                                | £721  | 16 | 3½ |

*Expenses.*

|                               |       |    |   |
|-------------------------------|-------|----|---|
| Salaries of Officers—College, | £403  | 9  | 9 |
| Academy,                      | 303   | 9  | 9 |
|                               | <hr/> |    |   |
|                               | 706   | 19 | 6 |

*Incidental*



*Incidental Expenses.*

|                                 |     |    |    |                  |
|---------------------------------|-----|----|----|------------------|
| Interest,                       | £81 | 0  | 0  |                  |
| Insurance,                      | 22  | 10 | 0  |                  |
| Agency,                         | 51  | 8  | 3½ |                  |
| Repairs and materials,          | 19  | 10 | 7  |                  |
| Fuel, Stationery, Postage, &c.  | 9   | 10 | 9  |                  |
| Bell ringing, &c.               | 4   | 6  | 9  |                  |
| Museum,                         | 3   | 3  | 6  |                  |
| Stoves,                         | 1   | 10 | 0  |                  |
| Accounts,                       | 6   | 5  | 0  |                  |
| Miscellaneous,                  | 1   | 0  | 6  |                  |
|                                 |     |    |    | £200 5 4½        |
|                                 |     |    |    | <u>907 4 10½</u> |
| Excess of Expenses of Receipts, |     |    |    | <u>£185 8 7</u>  |

|                                        |      |   |                 |
|----------------------------------------|------|---|-----------------|
| Memo.—Tuition due for 1849, Dec. 31st, | £105 | 2 | 2*              |
| Annual subscriptions for 1849,         | 142  | 0 | 0               |
|                                        |      |   | <u>£247 2 2</u> |

\*Of which has been paid since Jan. 1st, 1850 to Feb. 15, £33 10 11½

|                                                                            |      |    |    |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------------|------|----|----|
| Tuition payable for 1849, Academy and College, including Tuition remitted, | £340 | 18 | 1½ |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------------|------|----|----|

Of the the above—

|                                |      |    |                   |
|--------------------------------|------|----|-------------------|
| Paid in 1849,                  | £188 | 15 | 10*               |
| Paid since January 1st, 1850,  | 33   | 10 | 11½               |
| Remitted to indigent students, | 47   | 0  | 1½                |
| Due February 15th, 1850,       | 71   | 11 | 2½                |
|                                |      |    | <u>£340 18 1½</u> |

\*In addition to this sum was paid in 1849, Tuition due for previous years, £272 18 2; making the entire sum paid in 1849, £461 14.

*Receipts and Expenses of the N. S. Baptist Education Society for the year 1849, the Receipts embracing in this statement sums accruing from former years, but all paid in 1849.*

*Receipts.*

|                           |      |    |                    |
|---------------------------|------|----|--------------------|
| Provincial Grant,         | £312 | 10 | 0                  |
| Rents,                    | 44   | 12 | 9                  |
| Tuition,                  | 461  | 14 | 0*                 |
| Subscriptions,            | 280  | 18 | 8½                 |
| Cash from late Treasurer, | 30   | 7  | 6                  |
|                           |      |    | <u>£1130 2 11½</u> |

\*Including Tuition remitted, £47.

*Expenses.*

| <i>Expenses.</i>                                 |             |       |
|--------------------------------------------------|-------------|-------|
| Salaries of Officers,                            | 706         | 19 6  |
| Incidental Expenses,                             | 200         | 5 4½  |
| Tuition remitted to indigent Students,           | 47          | 0 0   |
|                                                  | 954         | 4 10½ |
| Excess of Receipts over Expenses of the year;    | £175 18 - 1 |       |
| Which has gone to meet Expenses of former years. |             |       |

*Students in attendance at Acadia College, from Jan. 20th to Dec. 20th, 1849.*

| Names.               | Names.               | Names.              |
|----------------------|----------------------|---------------------|
| 1 Archibald, William | 11 DeMill, Elisha B. | 21 Murray, Harding  |
| 2 Barton, David      | 12 DeMill, James     | 22 McKeene, David   |
| 3 Bigelow, Osborne   | 13 DeMill, William   | 23 Peck, J. B.      |
| 4 Bill, Edward M.    | 14 *DeBlois, Stephen | 24 Paysant, Elias   |
| 5 Bill, Caleb R.     | 15 Freeman, David    | 25 Patillo, Thomas  |
| 6 Ballantyne, George | 16 Higgins, Thomas   | 26 Rand, Benjamin   |
| 7 Crawley, Henry     | 17 Harding, Robert   | 27 Shiells, Patrick |
| 8 Crawley, Arthur    | 18 Johnston, Henry   | 28 White, Gideon    |
| 9 Crawley, Thomas    | 19 King, William H.  |                     |
| 10 Chipman, James    | 20 McKenzie, William |                     |

\* Resident Graduate.

*Pupils in attendance at Horton Academy, from Jan. 20, 1849, to Dec. 20, 1849.*

| Names:               | Names:                  | Names.                |
|----------------------|-------------------------|-----------------------|
| 1 Angus, Burton      | 22 Chase, William       | 43 Freeman, Maynard   |
| 2 Ballantyne, George | 23 Chesley, Charles     | 44 Freeman, Augustus  |
| 3 Baker, Nelson      | 24 Cokeley, William     | 45 Forsyth, George E. |
| 4 Bill, William C.   | 25 Cleavland, Alexander | 46 Forsyth, George    |
| 5 Bill, Ingram       | 26 Churchill, George    | 47 Fowler, Elijah     |
| 6 Bishop, Samuel     | 27 Crane, Thomas.       | 48 Fitch, James       |
| 7 Bishop, Theophilus | 28 Dodge, Isaiah        | 49 Foster, Thomas     |
| 8 Barrs, John        | 29 Davis, George H.     | 50 Falkner, James     |
| 9 Buskirk, James     | 30 DeWolf, Colin        | 51 Gabriel, Nathaniel |
| 10 Bradshaw, W. H.   | 31 DeWolf, Harry        | 52 Graves, William H. |
| 11 Banks, Cleveland  | 32 DeWolf, Charles W.   | 53 Graham, James      |
| 12 Chipman, James    | 33 DeWolf, Aubrey       | 54 Goucher, Walter    |
| 13 Chipman, Alfred   | 34 DeWolf, Henry        | 55 Grant, William     |
| 14 Chipman, Handley  | 35 DeWolf, Simon        | 56 Harding, William   |
| 15 Chipman, Leverett | 36 DeWolf, Charles      | 57 Harding, Maxwell   |
| 16 Clay, Edwin       | 37 Elderkin, James      | 58 Higgins, James     |
| 17 Cogswell, Alfred  | 38 Eaton, George        | 59 Higgins, David     |
| 18 Cogswell, William | 39 Eaton, George P. O.  | 60 Harris, Constant   |
| 19 Chase, Daniel     | 40 Freeman, Robert      | 61 Harris, Lysander   |
| 20 Chase, Edward     | 41 Freeman, Ingram      | 62 Harris, James      |
| 21 Chase, Alexr. S.  | 42 Freeman, Zenas       | 63 Harris, John       |

|                       |                        |                       |
|-----------------------|------------------------|-----------------------|
| 64 Harris, Frederic   | 88 McKeen, David       | 112 Rounsfell, James  |
| 65 Hancock, Edwin     | 89 McKenzie, William   | 113 Reid, Reuben      |
| 66 Hancock, Charles   | 90 Morton, Charles E.  | 114 Rowe, John        |
| 67 Hancock, Sydney    | 91 Munro, Thomas       | 115 Safford, George   |
| 68 Harlow, Edwin      | 92 Pattillo, Thomas    | 116 Shand, Andrew     |
| 69 Johnson, Charles   | 93 Pattillo, Joseph    | 117 Stronack, E. R.   |
| 70 Johnson, Andrew    | 94 Parker, Leander     | 118 Stephens, William |
| 71 Johnson, Frederic  | 95 Pineo, Augustus     | 119 Scott, Daniel     |
| 72 Johnson, Leonard   | 96 Payzant, John       | 120 Scott, Albert     |
| 73 Johnson, George    | 97 Pineo, Joseph       | 121 Shaw, Isaac       |
| 74 Johnson, Joseph M. | 98 Pick, Charles       | 122 Skinner, Judson   |
| 75 Johnston, Gustavus | 99 Pick, Ebenezer      | 123 Snow, John T.     |
| 76 Johnston, James W. | 100 Pick, Silas        | 124 Shaw, Moses       |
| 77 Jones, Gilbert     | 101 Pick, Thomas       | 125 Trenholm, William |
| 78 Jones, Henry       | 102 Phalin, Anthony    | 126 Woodbury, George  |
| 79 Jones, Albert      | 103 Paint, Henry N.    | 127 Woodbury, William |
| 80 Jones, Alfred      | 104 Pryor, Thomas H.   | 128 Ward, Joseph      |
| 81 Kennedy, Robert    | 105 Philip, Robert R.  | 129 White, Gideon     |
| 82 Landers, David     | 106 Rand, Benjamin     | 130 Williams, John    |
| 83 Lucas, Wallace     | 107 Ross, Edwin        | 131 Wallace, John     |
| 84 Murray, Harding    | 108 Ruffee, William    | 132 Wallace, Leonard  |
| 85 Murray, John       | 109 Randall, Harding   | 133 Wallace, George   |
| 86 Murphy, Lewis      | 110 Richardson, George | 134 Witter, James     |
| 87 Murphy, John       | 111 Rounsfell, John    | 135 Welton, Daniel.   |

*Summary of the Return of the Dalhousie Collegiate School from its commencement on the 10th day of April, 1849, to the 1st of February, 1850.*

*Names of Teachers.*

Mr. Thomas McCulloch,      Mr. Henry Oldwright,  
Mr. Samuel Brown,          Mr. Jas. K. Rouselle.

| <i>No. of Pupils enrolled.</i> | <i>No. of Pupils left.</i> | <i>No. in attendance.</i> |
|--------------------------------|----------------------------|---------------------------|
| First Term      74             | First Term      3          | First Term      71        |
| Second "        14             | Second "        9          | Second "        76        |
| Third "          13            | Third "          4         | Third "          85       |
| Fourth "        16             | Fourth "        1          | Fourth "        100       |
| 117                            | 17                         |                           |

Average Age—12.

Average Attendance—87

*Religious Persuasions.*

|               |    |               |   |
|---------------|----|---------------|---|
| Presbyterian, | 44 | Baptist,      | 7 |
| Episcopalian, | 28 | Universalist, | 5 |
| Catholic,     | 18 | Independent,  | 1 |
| Methodist,    | 13 | Sandominion,  | 1 |

*Studies.*

|                  |    |                   |     |                  |    |
|------------------|----|-------------------|-----|------------------|----|
| Latin,           | 31 | Eng. Composition, | 81  | Book Keeping,    | 2  |
| Greek,           | 2  | Nat. Philosophy,  | 47  | Accounts,        | 68 |
| French,          | 38 | Physiology,       | 47  | Plain Writing,   | 99 |
| Spanish,         | 9  | Algebra,          | 11  | Ornamental do.   | 47 |
| English Reading, | 94 | Mensuration,      | 34  | Printing,        | 47 |
| English Grammar, | 67 | Trigonometry,     | 8   | Phon. Shorthand, | 48 |
| History,         | 86 | Navigation,       | 2   | Music,           | 99 |
| Geography,       | 93 | Geometry,         | 15  | Nat. History,    | 99 |
| Maps,            | 94 | C. Arithmetic,    | 99  | Globes,          | 39 |
| Drawing Maps,    | 44 | Mental do.        | 100 |                  |    |

No. of Pupils Paying—96.

No. of Pupils Free—4.

*Teachers' Salaries, not including Fees.*

|                                 |      |   |   |
|---------------------------------|------|---|---|
| Mr. Thos. McCulloch, Principal, | £175 | 0 | 0 |
| Samuel Brown, M. D.             | 160  | 0 | 0 |
| Henry Oldwright,                | 100  | 0 | 0 |
| Jas. K. Rousselle,              | 100  | 0 | 0 |

And one half the Fees.

|                                                                                                                 |    |   |   |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----|---|---|
| Mr. Dawson for a course of Lectures on Natural History, consisting of 20 Lectures, exclusive of public tickets, | 40 | 0 | 0 |
| Mr. Cunnabell, Music, per quarter,                                                                              | 6  | 5 | 0 |

Amount of Cash received to 1st February, for Fees, &amp;c., £188 0 0

TERMS, per annum—£4 for Tuition; and 10s. for fuel, pens, ink, pencils, drawing paper, &c.

## No. 34.

[(See page 496.)]

The Committee, to whom was referred the Petition of Donald Campbell, claiming arrears of pay for 1834, '35 and '37, and Twenty-five Pounds undrawn up to 1843, as Adjutant of the 2nd Battalion 3rd Regiment Cape Breton Militia, beg to report that your Committee have carefully examined into the Petitioner's claims, and find that the following sums have been paid him, viz:

|                                                                                    |     |   |   |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----|---|---|
| On the 4th March, 1840, for 1839,                                                  | £15 | 0 | 0 |
| On the 18th March, 1840, for 1839,                                                 | 15  | 0 | 0 |
| On the 31st December, 1840, for 1840,                                              | 10  | 0 | 0 |
| On the 16th October, 1841, for 1841,                                               | 10  | 0 | 0 |
| On the 16th November, 1841, for 1836, '37, and '38,                                | 20  | 0 | 0 |
| On the 16th November, 1842, for 1842,                                              | 10  | 0 | 0 |
| On the 8th December, 1843, for 1843,                                               | 10  | 0 | 0 |
| And no payments appears to have been made to Adjutants in the years 1844 and 1845. | 0   | 0 | 0 |

On

|                                   |          |
|-----------------------------------|----------|
| On the 3rd May, 1847, for 1846,   | £10 0 0  |
| On the 12th June, 1849, for 1848, | 10 0 0   |
|                                   | <hr/>    |
| Amount paid Donald Campbell,      | £110 0 0 |

It would appear to your Committee from this statement that the Petitioner has been paid in full, with the exception for the year 1847, for which there is no Warrant, and if the Petitioner has performed the duties as Adjutant agreeable to Law he will be entitled to receive £10 for 1847.

All which is submitted.

HENRY MIGNOWITZ, Chairman,  
JOHN McDOUGALL,  
ANDREW ROBERTSON.

Committee Room, February 18th, 1850.

No. 35.

(See page 496.)

*Statement of the Fees collected at the Provincial Secretary's Office, in the half year ended June 30, 1849.*

*On Marriage Licences.*

|             |          |
|-------------|----------|
| Episcopal,  | £102 0 0 |
| Dissenting, | 150 0 0  |

*On Commissions appointing to Offices, viz.*

|                                    |         |
|------------------------------------|---------|
| Justices of the Peace, on account, | 82 15 0 |
| Fish Inspectors, each £2 15s.,     | 13 15 0 |
| Sheriffs,                          | 5 3 4   |
| Notaries Public,                   | 9 6 8   |
| Commissioners of Sewers,           | 4 10 0  |
| Registrars of Probate,             | 4 13 4  |
| Coroner,                           | 4 13 4  |
| Judge of Supreme Court,            | 5 16 8  |
| Health Officer,                    | 1 3 4   |
| Lieut. of Militia,                 | 0 13 6  |

*On Certificates.*

|                                                  |          |
|--------------------------------------------------|----------|
| Of the discharge of British Seamen,              | 1 0 0    |
| Searches, Extracts and Copies,                   | 2 17 6   |
| Certificates under the Governor's hand and seal, | 3 13 0   |
|                                                  | <hr/>    |
|                                                  | £392 0 8 |

Account

*Account of the Receipts and Payments of Her Majesty's Casual and Territorial Revenues in Nova Scotia, for the half year ended 30th June, 1849.*

|                                                                                                                                            | PAYMENTS. |           | DR.       |      |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|------|
|                                                                                                                                            |           | Sterling. | Currency. |      |
| The Lieutenant Governor, Sir John Harvey, on account of the portion of his Salary charged on this Fund, for the half year ended 30th June, |           | £750 0 0  | 937       | 10 0 |
| “ Lieutenant Governor, Contingencies, do.,                                                                                                 |           | 150 0 0   | 187       | 10 0 |
| “ Provincial Secretary's Salary, for same half year,                                                                                       |           | 280 0 0   | 350       | 0 0  |
| “ Private Secretary of the Lieutenant Governor,                                                                                            |           | 125 0 0   | 156       | 5 0  |
| “ Superintendent of Mines,                                                                                                                 |           | 50 0 0    | 62        | 10 0 |
| “ Chief Justice, Salary for same half year,                                                                                                |           | 500 0 0   | 625       | 0 0  |
| Mr. Justice Bliss, that portion of his Salary borne on this fund, the same period,                                                         |           | 85 0 0    | 106       | 5 0  |
| “ Justice Dodd, do. do. do. do.                                                                                                            |           | 40 0 0    | 50        | 0 0  |
| “ “ DesBarres, do. do. do.                                                                                                                 |           | 40 0 0    | 50        | 0 0  |
| Balances due to Justices Hill and Bliss, on account Salary £1 Stg. each,                                                                   |           | 2 0 0     | 2         | 10 0 |
| The Attorney General, Salary to 30th June,                                                                                                 |           | 200 0 0   | 250       | 0 0  |
| “ Solicitor General, do. do. do.                                                                                                           |           | 50 0 0    | 62        | 10 0 |
| “ Clerk of the Crown, do. do.                                                                                                              |           | 50 0 0    | 62        | 10 0 |
| “ Master of the Rolls, balance to 31st Dec. 1848,                                                                                          |           | 38 0 0    | 47        | 10 0 |
| “ Master of the Rolls, portion of Salary borne on this Fund, to 30th June, 1849,                                                           |           | 40 0 0    | 50        | 0 0  |
| “ Contingencies of the Court of Chancery, &c.                                                                                              |           | 15 0 0    | 18        | 15 0 |
| “ Pension of Miss Cox to 30th June, 1849,                                                                                                  |           | 50 0 0    | 62        | 10 0 |
| “ Pension of Sir Rupert D. George, Bart., do.                                                                                              |           | 200 0 0   | 250       | 0 0  |
| “ “ Thos. Crawley, Surv. Gen. C.B. do.                                                                                                     |           | 50 0 0    | 62        | 10 0 |
| “ “ H. W. Crawley, Commr. Crown Lands, C. B., do.                                                                                          |           | 120 0 0   | 150       | 0 0  |
| “ Clerks in the Secretary's Office, to 30th June,                                                                                          |           | 245 0 0   | 306       | 5 0  |
| “ Contingencies of do. do. do.,                                                                                                            |           | 50 0 0    | 62        | 10 0 |
| “ Messenger of do. do. do.,                                                                                                                |           | 4 16 0    | 6         | 0 0  |
| Balance,                                                                                                                                   |           | 28 5 4    | 35        | 6 8  |
|                                                                                                                                            |           | £3163 1 4 | £3953     | 16 8 |

| CR.        |                                                                                        | RECEIPTS. |           |
|------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------|-----------|
| 1849.      |                                                                                        | Sterling. | Currency. |
| January 1, | By Balance in the Treasurer's hands,                                                   | £499 10 3 | £624 7 10 |
| June 30,   | Fees collected at the Secretary's Office,                                              | 313 12 6  | 392 0 8   |
| July 4,    | This amount advanced as a Loan from the Provincial Treasury,                           | 960 0 0   | 1200 0 0  |
|            | Rent of H. M. Mines in Nova Scotia and Cape Breton, for the half year ended 30th June, | 1333 6 8  | 1666 13 4 |
|            |                                                                                        |           | Rent      |

|                                                                                                                    |                  |                     |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------|---------------------|
| Rent of reserved Mines under<br>Lease to H. R. H. the late<br>Duke of York, for the year<br>ended 24th June, 1848, | £1 0 0           | £1 5 0              |
| Premium on the two preceding<br>sums payable in dollars,                                                           | 55 11 10         | 69 9 10             |
|                                                                                                                    | <u>£31 3 1 4</u> | <u>£39 5 3 10 8</u> |
| By Balance in the Treasurer's hands,                                                                               | £28 5 4          | £35 6 8             |
| [E. and O. excepted.]                                                                                              |                  |                     |

JOSEPH HOWE.

Halifax, N. S., July 4th, 1849.

*Statement of the Fees collected at the Provincial Secretary's Office in the half year ended 31st December, 1849.*

*On Licenses to Marry.*

|             |          |
|-------------|----------|
| Episcopal,  | £120 0 0 |
| Dissenting, | 159 0 0  |

*On Commissions appointing to Office.*

|                                       |         |
|---------------------------------------|---------|
| Justices of the Peace, on account of, | 69 15 0 |
| Fish Inspectors,                      | 16 10 0 |
| Sheriffs,                             | 5 3 4   |
| Notary Public,                        | 2 6 8   |
| Commissioners of Sewers,              | 1 10 0  |
| Judge of Probate,                     | 2 6 8   |

*On Certificates.*

|                                 |                 |
|---------------------------------|-----------------|
| Of Copyright,                   | 1 10 0          |
| Discharge of British Seamen,    | 2 15 0          |
| Naturalization,                 | 0 5 0           |
| On License to dig for Treasure, | 1 10 0          |
| Searches and Extracts,          | 1 18 0          |
|                                 | <u>£384 9 8</u> |

*The Province of Nova Scotia in account with the Treasurer of Her Majesty's Casual and Territorial Revenue.*

Dr.

PAYMENTS.

|             |                                      |                  |                 |
|-------------|--------------------------------------|------------------|-----------------|
| 1850        |                                      | Sterling         | Currency.       |
| January 18. | Amount paid to the Receiver General, | £335 17 1        | 419 16 4        |
|             |                                      | <u>£335 17 1</u> | <u>419 16 4</u> |

Cr.

## RECEIPTS.

| 1849                                                                                                                                  | Sterling.        | Currency.       |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------|-----------------|
| July 4. Balance in the Treasurer's hands,                                                                                             | £28 5 4          | 35 6 8          |
| Dec. 31. Amount of Fees received at the Provincial Secretary's Office for the half year ended this day, agreeably to Account annexed, | 307 11 9         | 384 9 8         |
|                                                                                                                                       | <u>£335 17 1</u> | <u>419 16 4</u> |

E. &amp; O. excepted.

JOSEPH HOWE.

Halifax, 18th January, 1850.

## No. 36.

(See page 498.)

The Committee to whom were referred the Petition of William Townsend, praying for further remuneration for his services in going to Sable Island in 1848, reporting to the Government the condition of that Island, and the Light House Establishment thereon, and subsequently attending two months at the investigation which took place in consequence of such Report before the Executive Council and the Light House Commissioners, beg leave to report that the Petitioner was engaged for the space of three months in the performance of the above mentioned services—that besides drawing up a voluminous and valuable Report upon the condition of the Island, Petitioner was at a good deal of trouble and some expense in collecting Witnesses to substantiate some matters contained in the said Report—that your Committee are of opinion that the sum of £30 paid by the Government to the Petitioner for the services above enumerated is not a sufficient remuneration, and therefore recommend that the further sum of £20 be granted to him.

All which is respectfully submitted.

A. L. ARCHIBALD,  
W. W. BENT,  
JAMES McLEOD.

Committee Room, 21st Feb., 1850.

## No. 37.

(See page 500.)

The Joint Committee of the Legislative Council and House of Assembly, appointed to examine the Public Accounts, beg leave to report as follows:

They have examined the Accounts of the late Treasurer and find them correct, and the Balance paid over to, and credited by the Receiver General.

THE



## THE RECEIVER GENERAL.

The Balance in Cash in the hands of this Officer,  
31st December, 1849, £1579 17 0

## IMPOST AND EXCISE DEPARTMENTS.

Since Received.

*Halifax.*

|           |                                                       |           |            |
|-----------|-------------------------------------------------------|-----------|------------|
|           | Bonds in the hands of late Attorney General,          | £497 13 6 |            |
|           | Bonds in the hands of Attorney General,               | 938 19 0  |            |
| £36 3 6   | Due by late Collector of Excise, 31st December, 1849, | 36 3 6    |            |
| 264 17 11 | Due by Acting Collector,                              | 264 17 11 |            |
|           |                                                       | <hr/>     | 1737 13 11 |

*Lunenburg.*

|         |                                      |  |           |
|---------|--------------------------------------|--|-----------|
| 440 0 0 | Bonds in the hands of the Collector, |  | 632 17 10 |
|---------|--------------------------------------|--|-----------|

*Liverpool.*

|          |                                                                                           |          |          |
|----------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------|----------|
|          | Amount as reported last year, Surcharge on late Collector, Joshua Newton, Esq., deceased, | 40 1 9   |          |
| 164 12 4 | Due by Collector, 31st December, 1849,                                                    | 164 12 4 |          |
|          |                                                                                           | <hr/>    | 204 14 1 |

*Shelburne.*

|        |                          |  |         |
|--------|--------------------------|--|---------|
| 65 0 0 | Due 31st December, 1849, |  | 95 10 9 |
|--------|--------------------------|--|---------|

*Barrington.*

|  |                          |  |        |
|--|--------------------------|--|--------|
|  | Due 31st December, 1849, |  | 15 8 6 |
|--|--------------------------|--|--------|

*Yarmouth.*

|          |                                                                          |          |          |
|----------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------|----------|
|          | Amount as reported last year, surcharge on late Collector, H. G. Farish, | 40 15 8  |          |
| 170 15 4 | Due by Collector 31st December, 1849,                                    | 170 15 4 |          |
|          |                                                                          | <hr/>    | 211 11 0 |

*Weymouth.*

|        |                          |         |         |
|--------|--------------------------|---------|---------|
|        | Due 31st December, 1848, | 5 16 8  |         |
| 16 0 0 | Due 31st December, 1849, | 40 16 8 |         |
|        |                          | <hr/>   | 46 13 4 |

*Wesport.*

|         |                          |         |         |
|---------|--------------------------|---------|---------|
|         | Due 31st December, 1848, | 9 0 8   |         |
| 23 16 3 | Due 31st December, 1849, | 14 15 7 |         |
|         |                          | <hr/>   | 23 16 3 |

*Digby.*

*Digby.*

|           |  |                                                                                        |           |          |
|-----------|--|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------|----------|
|           |  | Old balance, former Collector (now<br>under investigation by Commit-<br>tee of House), | £174 15 4 |          |
| £279 13 2 |  | Due 31st December, 1849,                                                               | 279 13 2  |          |
|           |  |                                                                                        | <hr/>     | £454 8 6 |

*Annapolis.*

|         |  |                          |  |         |
|---------|--|--------------------------|--|---------|
| 127 1 5 |  | Due 31st December, 1849, |  | 127 1 5 |
|---------|--|--------------------------|--|---------|

*Cornwallis.*

|  |  |                          |  |       |
|--|--|--------------------------|--|-------|
|  |  | Due 31st December, 1849, |  | 6 2 5 |
|--|--|--------------------------|--|-------|

*Parrsboro.*

£31 16s. is credited to this account,  
presumed on account of duties  
collected by late Collector of  
Customs.

*Amherst.*

|         |  |                          |  |         |
|---------|--|--------------------------|--|---------|
| 96 19 2 |  | Due 31st December, 1849, |  | 96 19 2 |
|---------|--|--------------------------|--|---------|

*Wallace and Pugwash.*

|  |  |                          |  |       |
|--|--|--------------------------|--|-------|
|  |  | Due 31st December, 1849, |  | 0 6 0 |
|--|--|--------------------------|--|-------|

*Tatamagouche.*

|  |  |                                                                                                                                              |  |        |
|--|--|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--|--------|
|  |  | Due 31st December, 1848, as by<br>Report of Committee,<br>No Returns or Remittance from<br>this Officer for the old Balance,<br>or for 1849. |  | 95 3 9 |
|--|--|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--|--------|

*Antigonishe.*

|       |  |                                   |         |       |
|-------|--|-----------------------------------|---------|-------|
|       |  | Due 31st December, 1848,          | 7 17 8  |       |
|       |  | Collected to 31st December, 1849, | 3 17 7  |       |
|       |  |                                   | <hr/>   |       |
|       |  |                                   | 11 15 3 |       |
| 4 0 0 |  | Paid in 1849,                     | 6 9 0   |       |
|       |  |                                   | <hr/>   | 5 6 3 |

*Guysboro'.*

|        |  |                                                        |        |         |
|--------|--|--------------------------------------------------------|--------|---------|
|        |  | Due 31st December, 1848, as by<br>Report of Committee, | 5 7 2  |         |
| 11 3 2 |  | Collected in 1849,                                     | 11 3 2 |         |
|        |  |                                                        | <hr/>  | 16 10 4 |

*Arichat.*

|        |  |                          |  |        |
|--------|--|--------------------------|--|--------|
| 62 5 9 |  | Due 31st December, 1849, |  | 62 5 9 |
|--------|--|--------------------------|--|--------|

*Port*

*Port Hood.*

|          |                          |          |
|----------|--------------------------|----------|
| £ 3 14 8 | Due 31st December, 1849, | £ 3 14 8 |
|----------|--------------------------|----------|

*Sydney.*

|          |                          |          |
|----------|--------------------------|----------|
| 214 19 3 | Due 31st December, 1849, | 214 19 3 |
|----------|--------------------------|----------|

*Pictou.*

|         |                                 |          |           |
|---------|---------------------------------|----------|-----------|
|         | Due on old Account, as reported |          |           |
|         | last year,                      | 1485 9 4 |           |
| 206 6 5 | Due 31st December, 1849,        | 223 1 0  |           |
|         |                                 | <hr/>    | 1708 10 4 |

*Truro.*

|  |                                       |       |        |
|--|---------------------------------------|-------|--------|
|  | Due by former Collector, S. J. Blair, |       |        |
|  | Due 31st December, 1849,              | 6 3 8 |        |
|  |                                       | 8 3 0 |        |
|  |                                       | <hr/> | 14 6 8 |

*Givan's Wharf, Cornwallis.*

|  |                                     |         |          |
|--|-------------------------------------|---------|----------|
|  | Due 31st December, 1848, by Report, |         |          |
|  | Collected in 1849,                  | 6 3 3   |          |
|  |                                     | 10 16 8 |          |
|  |                                     | <hr/>   | 16 19 11 |
|  | Paid in 1849,                       | 11 1 0  |          |
|  |                                     | <hr/>   | 5 18 11  |

*Gut of Canso.*

|  |                                     |        |
|--|-------------------------------------|--------|
|  | Due 31st December, 1848, by Report, | 46 1 5 |
|--|-------------------------------------|--------|

*Canso (Heffernan).*

|            |                          |            |
|------------|--------------------------|------------|
| 0 10 10    | Due 31st December, 1849, | 0 10 10    |
| <hr/>      |                          | <hr/>      |
| £1287 19 2 |                          | £5826 11 4 |

Of this the sum of Two Thousand One Hundred and Eighty-seven Pounds Nineteen Shillings and Two Pence, has been paid to the Receiver General since 31st December, 1849.

The Committee cannot refrain from expressing an opinion that increased diligence and attention on the part of the Revenue Officers, at the Ports of Antigonish, Port Hood, Argyle, Barrington, Weymouth, and Guysboro', would result in a very considerable increase to the Revenue. The small amounts now received at these Ports induce your Committee to believe that due diligence and attention to the duties of their office, is not given by the respective Officers. They also recommend that the Balance due by the Collector at Pictou, should be at once attended to by the Government, with a view of having it so arranged as to insure its payment, your Committee considering that it may prove highly injurious to the public service to permit a debt of so long a standing to remain in its present position.

## LIGHT DUTIES, 1849.

| Paid since 31st Decr.             |    |    | <i>Halifax.</i>                                                                          | Collected. | Paid.      | Due.      |
|-----------------------------------|----|----|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------|------------|-----------|
| 123                               | 3  | 10 | Col. to 31st Dec. 1849,                                                                  | £1270 10 8 | £1147 6 10 | £123 3 10 |
| <i>Liverpool.</i>                 |    |    |                                                                                          |            |            |           |
| 12                                | 14 | 8  | Col. to 31st Dec. 1849,                                                                  | 164 4 2    | 151 9 6    | 12 14 8   |
| <i>Cornwallis.</i>                |    |    |                                                                                          |            |            |           |
|                                   |    |    | Col. to 31st Dec. 1849,                                                                  | 16 14 8    | 16 8 6     | 0 6 2     |
| <i>Pictou.</i>                    |    |    |                                                                                          |            |            |           |
|                                   |    |    | Col. to 31st Dec. 1849,                                                                  | 665 0 11   | 665 0 11   |           |
| <i>Barrington.</i>                |    |    |                                                                                          |            |            |           |
| 20                                | 7  | 3  | Col. to 31st Dec. 1849,                                                                  | 26 7 3     |            | 26 7 3    |
| <i>Weymouth, (New Edinburgh.)</i> |    |    |                                                                                          |            |            |           |
| 2                                 | 5  | 9  | Col. to 31st Dec. 1849,                                                                  | 26 17 5    | 14 9 9     | 12 7 8    |
| <i>Parrsboro'.</i>                |    |    |                                                                                          |            |            |           |
|                                   |    |    | Col. to 31st Dec. 1849,                                                                  | 38 8 1     | 34 15 10   | 3 12 3    |
| <i>Yarmouth.</i>                  |    |    |                                                                                          |            |            |           |
| 21                                | 8  | 0  | Col. to 31st Dec. 1849,                                                                  | 215 9 8    | 194 1 8    | 21 8 0    |
| <i>Westport.</i>                  |    |    |                                                                                          |            |            |           |
| 24                                | 3  | 9  | Col. to 31st Dec. 1849,<br>Also due old Balance,<br>as per Journal, 1849,<br>£3 14s. 8d, | 28 1 0     |            | 28 1 0    |
| <i>Sydney, C. B.</i>              |    |    |                                                                                          |            |            |           |
| 84                                | 8  | 0  | Col. to 31st Dec. 1849,                                                                  | 365 1 4    | 280 13 4   | 84 8 0    |
| <i>Amherst, (Cumberland.)</i>     |    |    |                                                                                          |            |            |           |
| 3                                 | 4  | 10 | Col. to 31st Dec. 1849,                                                                  | 49 2 4     | 45 17 6    | 3 4 10    |
| <i>Canso, (Heffernan.)</i>        |    |    |                                                                                          |            |            |           |
| 102                               | 8  | 10 | Col. £175 11s. less ex-<br>penses charged for col-<br>lection, £73 2s. 2d.,<br>£102 8 10 |            |            |           |
|                                   |    |    | Bigelow, 160 16 6                                                                        |            |            |           |
|                                   |    |    | Broward, 2 4 6                                                                           | 265 9 10   | 163 1 0    | 102 8 10  |
| <i>Arichat.</i>                   |    |    |                                                                                          |            |            |           |
| 14                                | 15 | 0  | Col. to 31st Dec. 1849,                                                                  | 184 19 3   | 64 2 0     | 120 17 3  |
| <i>Guysborough.</i>               |    |    |                                                                                          |            |            |           |
| 2                                 | 9  | 0  | Col. to 31st Dec. 1849,                                                                  | 2 9 0      |            | 2 9 0     |
| <i>Windsor.</i>                   |    |    |                                                                                          |            |            |           |
|                                   |    |    | Col. to 31st Dec. 1849,                                                                  | 207 10 8   | 207 10 8   |           |
| <i>Digby.</i>                     |    |    |                                                                                          |            |            |           |
| 1                                 | 13 | 8  | Col. to 31st Dec. 1849,                                                                  | 101 1 8    | 99 8 0     | 1 13 8    |
| <i>Argyle.</i>                    |    |    |                                                                                          |            |            |           |

|           |                                                                                |           |            |           |
|-----------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------|------------|-----------|
| £ 0 18 11 | <i>Argyle.</i><br>Col. to 31st Dec. 1849,                                      | £51 17 5  | £50 18 6   | £0 18 11  |
|           | <i>Shelburne.</i><br>Col. to 31st Dec. 1849,                                   | 15 18 8   | 10 8 6     | 5 10 2    |
|           | <i>Antigonishe.</i><br>Col. to 31st Dec. 1849,                                 | 15 7 8    | 12 11 4    | 2 16 4    |
| 6 17 4    | <i>Lunenburg.</i><br>Col. to 31st Dec. 1849,                                   | 35 10 3   | 28 12 11   | 6 17 4    |
|           | <i>Londonderry.</i><br>Col. in 1849,<br>No Returns or remittances<br>for 1848. | 14 19 2   | 14 19 2    |           |
| 1 5 4     | <i>Port Hood.</i><br>Col. to 31st Dec. 1849,                                   | 2, 11 10  |            | 2 11 10   |
|           | <i>Maitland.</i><br>Col. to 31st Dec. 1849,                                    | 28 0 0    | 28 0 0     |           |
| 8 10 5    | <i>Wilmot, (Stone.)</i><br>Col. to 31st Dec. 1849,                             | 15 14 11  | 6 9 7      | 9 5 4     |
|           | <i>West Cornwallis, (Givan.)</i><br>Col. to 31st Dec. 1849,                    | 5 13 6    | 5 13 6.    |           |
|           | <i>Wallace &amp; Pugwash.</i><br>Col. to 31st Dec. 1849,                       | 84 4 4    | 84 4 4     |           |
|           | <i>Annapolis.</i><br>Col. to 31st Dec. 1849,                                   | 60 14 2   | 60 14 2    |           |
|           | <i>Tatamagouche.</i><br>Col. to 31st Dec. 1849,                                | 34 3 6    | 33 16 0    | 0 7 6     |
| £430 14 7 |                                                                                | £3992 3 4 | £3420 13 6 | £571 9 10 |

Of this amount, the sum of Four Hundred and Thirty Pounds Fourteen Shillings and Seven-pence has been paid since 31st December, 1849.

## COMMISSIONERS OF LIGHT HOUSES.

The Expenditure for the Service to 31st December, 1849, £5458 7 8

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|                                                                             |           |           |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------|-----------|
| By Amount received from Treasury,                                           | £4114 1 8 |           |
| Received for Brier Island and Seal Is-<br>land from New Brunswick for 1848, | 239 11 6  |           |
| Sale of old Casks and Provisions,                                           | 32 13 8   |           |
|                                                                             |           | 4686 6 10 |
| Due the Commissioners 31st December, 1849 (since paid),                     |           | 772 0 10  |

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## LIGHT HOUSES, 1849.

|                                                                            |            |            |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------|------------|
| Amount received from Collectors, 1849,                                     | £3420 13 6 |            |
| Due by Collectors for 1849,                                                | 571 9 10   |            |
| Due by New Brunswick for Seal Island and Brier<br>Island Lights, 1849,     | 255 16 3   |            |
| Due by New Brunswick for contribution to St.<br>Paul's and Scatarie, 1849, | 250 0 0    |            |
| Due by Canada for contribution to St. Paul's and<br>Scatarie, 1849,        | 555 13 2   |            |
| Due by P. E. Island for contribution to St. Paul's<br>and Scatarie, 1849,  | 33 6 9     |            |
| Sales of Empty Oil Casks,                                                  | 32 13 8    |            |
|                                                                            | <hr/>      | £5119 13 2 |
| Amount expended by Commissioners to 31st De-<br>cember, 1849,              |            | 5458 7 8   |
|                                                                            |            | <hr/>      |
| Difference paid out of the General Revenue of the Province,                |            | £338 14 6  |

## COMMISSIONERS OF SABLE ISLAND.

|                                                                                        |           |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------|
| Their Accounts received and examined to 31st December, 1849,<br>Due the Commissioners, | £275 15 9 |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------|

## PUBLIC BUILDINGS.

|                                      |           |            |
|--------------------------------------|-----------|------------|
| The Expenditure for 1849,            |           |            |
| On Government House,                 | £709 16 4 |            |
| On the Province Build-<br>ings,      | 895 9 3   |            |
| Alterations in House of<br>Assembly, | 202 3 3   |            |
|                                      | <hr/>     | 1807 8 10  |
| Drawn of appropriation in 1849,      |           | 397 12 0   |
|                                      |           | <hr/>      |
| Undrawn of appropriation, 1849,      |           | 1409 16 10 |
|                                      |           | 102 8 0    |
|                                      |           | <hr/>      |
| To be provided for,                  |           | £1307 8 10 |

The Committee recommend that the Public Buildings' Accounts be referred to a Committee of the House of Assembly to be specially examined and reported on.

## PROVINCE NOTES.

|                                            |             |
|--------------------------------------------|-------------|
| Amount in circulation 31st December, 1849, | £59,864 0 0 |
|--------------------------------------------|-------------|

## FUNDED DEBT.

|                                                              |            |
|--------------------------------------------------------------|------------|
| Amount of Stock Certificates at 5 per cent. Interest,        | £10000 0 0 |
| Monies Funded in Savings' Bank at 4 per cent. In-<br>terest, | 40000 0 0  |
|                                                              | <hr/>      |
|                                                              | 50000 0 0  |
|                                                              | Dr.        |

| DR.                                                                             |              | PROVINCE OF NOVA SCOTIA. |    |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------|--------------------------|----|
| To this sum undrawn for Amount of Roads and Bridges per Abstract,               | £1404        | 11                       | 5  |
| To this sum undrawn for Amount of Great Road Grant,                             | 375          | 0                        | 3  |
| To this sum for other services undrawn,                                         | 14226        | 0                        | 0  |
| Amount of Funded Debt,                                                          | 50000        | 0                        | 0  |
| Amount due Commissioners of Public Buildings,                                   | 1307         | 8                        | 10 |
| Province Notes in circulation,                                                  | 59864        | 0                        | 0  |
| Drawn from Bank of Nova Scotia,                                                 | 5673         | 2                        | 11 |
|                                                                                 | 132850 3 5   |                          |    |
| CR.                                                                             |              |                          |    |
| Balance of Cash in hands of Receiver General, 31st December, 1849, per Account, | 1579         | 17                       | 0  |
| Due by Light Collectors 31st December, 1849,                                    | 571          | 9                        | 10 |
| By Excise Office, Halifax, including Bonds unpaid,                              | 1737         | 13                       | 11 |
| From Outport Collectors to 31st December, 1849,                                 | 4088         | 17                       | 5  |
| From Canada for Light Houses, 1849,                                             | 555          | 13                       | 2  |
| New Brunswick for Light Houses, 1847,                                           | £250         | 0                        | 0  |
| New Brunswick for Light Houses, 1848,                                           | 250          | 0                        | 0  |
| New Brunswick for Light Houses, 1849,                                           | 250          | 0                        | 0  |
| New Brunswick for Brier Island, 1849,                                           | 255          | 16                       | 3  |
|                                                                                 | 1005 16 3    |                          |    |
| P. E. Island for Light Houses, 1849,                                            | 33           | 6                        | 9  |
| Dalhousie College,                                                              | 5000         | 0                        | 0  |
| Electric Telegraph to 31st December, 1849,                                      | 4055         | 11                       | 0  |
| Canal Property at Dartmouth,                                                    | 1200         | 0                        | 0  |
| Casual and Territorial Revenue, (Recd. since 31st Dec., 1849),                  | 5968         | 2                        | 8  |
| Advances on account Casualty on Roads, to be repaid 1850,                       | 1410         | 3                        | 4  |
|                                                                                 | 27206 11 4   |                          |    |
| Balance due 31st December, 1849,                                                | £105643 12 1 |                          |    |

The Committee have examined the Accounts submitted, and find those of the late Treasurer and present Receiver General correct.

The Committee have to remark on the neglect exhibited by several of the Collectors of Light Duty, in omitting to make the return of Vessels producing, at their respective Offices, Certificates of the payment of the duties at other ports. The Committee deem these Returns of great importance, and suggest the propriety of the subject being again brought to the notice of the Collectors, and that they be imperatively required to furnish Quarterly Returns, as required in the Report of the Committee of Public Accounts last year, and to include a note of the place of ownership of the Vessel. By an examination of those furnished from Halifax, Pictou, Windsor, and one or two of the other Ports, several omissions have been detected.

The Committee are of opinion that the Revenue would be considerably increased by the appointment of an additional number of Collectors of Duties of Excise and Imposts, and they suggest the propriety of authorising the Government to make the necessary enquiries, and where deemed requisite, to establish suitable Districts and nominate the Officers essential for the service. No accounts of the expenditure of Monies drawn for the Electric Telegraph have been submitted.

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| STAYLEY BROWN, | } Com. of<br>Legislative<br>Council. | JAMES D. FRASER, | } Com. of<br>House<br>of<br>Assembly |
| Chairman.      |                                      | Chairman.        |                                      |
| WM. STAIRS,    |                                      | THOMAS KILLAM,   |                                      |
| JOHN MORTON.   | HENRY MIGNOWITZ,                     |                  |                                      |
|                | HUGH McDONALD,                       |                  |                                      |
|                |                                      | STEPHEN FULTON.  |                                      |

Committee Room, Halifax, 22nd February, 1850.

UNDRAWN MONIES FOR ROADS AND BRIDGES, 31ST DECEMBER, 1849.

*Shelburne County.*

No. 67 To John Lyons, 1849, £7 0 0

*Cape Breton County.*

|    |                            |       |   |   |          |
|----|----------------------------|-------|---|---|----------|
| 45 | To John G. McKenzie, 1849, | £20   | 0 | 0 |          |
| 47 | Zachariah Williams, 1849,  | 150   | 0 | 0 |          |
| 50 | John G. McKenzie, 1849,    | 33    | 6 | 8 |          |
| 51 | John G. McKenzie, 1849,    | 15    | 0 | 0 |          |
| 52 | John G. McKenzie, 1849,    | 33    | 6 | 8 |          |
| 56 | D. B. McNab, 1849,         | 10    | 0 | 0 |          |
| 59 | J. G. McKenzie, 1849,      | 15    | 0 | 0 |          |
|    | Reserved Fund,             | 8     | 6 | 1 |          |
|    |                            | <hr/> |   |   | 284 19 5 |

*Cumberland County.*

|     |                          |       |    |   |         |
|-----|--------------------------|-------|----|---|---------|
| 85  | To Stephen Spicer, 1849, | 5     | 0  | 0 |         |
| 130 | Tillot Harrison, 1849,   | 2     | 11 | 9 |         |
| 45  | Robert McNutt, 1848,     | 1     | 0  | 0 |         |
| 104 | E. E. Ratchford, 1848,   | 5     | 0  | 0 |         |
| 42  | Robert McNutt, 1847,     | 5     | 0  | 0 |         |
|     |                          | <hr/> |    |   | 18 11 9 |

*Queen's County.*

|    |                        |       |    |   |         |
|----|------------------------|-------|----|---|---------|
| 27 | To Stephen Mack, 1849, | 5     | 0  | 0 |         |
| 3  | John Campbell, 1848,   | 0     | 15 | 0 |         |
| 28 | Stephen Mack,          | 5     | 0  | 0 |         |
|    |                        | <hr/> |    |   | 10 15 0 |

*King's County.*

75 To Edward Kelly, 1849, 50 0 0

*Annapolis County.*

|     |                                  |   |   |   |  |
|-----|----------------------------------|---|---|---|--|
| 81  | To Joseph Rodine, 1849,          | 5 | 0 | 0 |  |
| 110 | George Bruce (over-expenditures) | 5 | 0 | 0 |  |

No.



|         |                                        |        |         |
|---------|----------------------------------------|--------|---------|
| No. 111 | To Charles Elliot, (over-expenditures) | £2 0 0 |         |
| 32      | William Jones, 1848,                   | 6 0 0  |         |
| 116     | Edmond Morton,                         | 4 8 0  |         |
|         |                                        | <hr/>  | £22 8 0 |

*Guysborough County.*

|    |                      |        |        |
|----|----------------------|--------|--------|
| 70 | To John Walsh, 1849, | 5 0 0  |        |
| 44 | William Mason, 1848, | 2 10 0 |        |
|    |                      | <hr/>  | 7 10 0 |

*Inverness County.*

|    |                                     |        |         |
|----|-------------------------------------|--------|---------|
| 8  | To J. G. McKeen, Esq., 1849,        | 20 0 0 |         |
| 11 | John Graham, 1849,                  | 10 0 0 |         |
| 21 | John Kennedy, 1849,                 | 10 0 0 |         |
| 39 | D. Cameron, Esq., 1849,             | 10 0 0 |         |
| 45 | John McDonald, 1849,                | 10 0 0 |         |
| 48 | Allen Cameron, 1849,                | 7 0 0  |         |
| 49 | William McKeen, 1849,               | 7 0 0  |         |
| 54 | Archibald McIsaac, 1849,            | 7 0 0  |         |
| 56 | Donald McLean, 1849,                | 7 0 0  |         |
| 63 | Donald Walker, 1849,                | 7 0 0  |         |
| 72 | John McFarlane & A. McDonald, 1848, | 34 0 0 |         |
| 81 | John Walker, 1849,                  | 7 0 0  |         |
| 43 | Archibald McIsaac, 1848,            | 15 0 0 |         |
| 45 | Donald McLean, 1848,                | 20 0 0 |         |
| 74 | Archibald McPhail, 1848,            | 50 0 0 |         |
| 80 | William Young, 1848,                | 15 0 0 |         |
|    |                                     | <hr/>  | 236 0 0 |

*Pictou County.*

|     |                                 |        |         |
|-----|---------------------------------|--------|---------|
| 28  | To Peter Ross, 1849,            | 15 0 0 |         |
| 61  | Over-expenditure in 1848, 1849, | 2 17 0 |         |
| 152 | John Murry, 1849,               | 5 0 0  |         |
|     |                                 | <hr/>  | 22 17 0 |

*Richmond County.*

|    |                                  |        |        |
|----|----------------------------------|--------|--------|
| 32 | Under control of Sessions, 1849, | 20 0 0 |        |
| 80 | To John Goyette,                 | 5 0 0  |        |
| 83 | Thomas Culleton,                 | 9 0 0  |        |
|    |                                  | <hr/>  | 34 0 0 |

*Yarmouth County.*

|    |                           |        |        |
|----|---------------------------|--------|--------|
| 81 | To Gilbert Pinkney, 1849, | 5 0 0  |        |
| 84 | Enoch Crosby, 1849,       | 25 0 0 |        |
|    |                           | <hr/>  | 30 0 0 |

*Hants County.*

|    |                          |        |         |
|----|--------------------------|--------|---------|
| 5  | To William Nelson, 1849, | 20 0 0 |         |
| 23 | James Jenkins, 1849,     | 7 10 0 |         |
| 48 | Hugh Brown, balance,     | 1 2 9  |         |
|    |                          | <hr/>  | 28 12 9 |

|                                                          |                                  | <i>Digby County.</i>     |   |   |       |    |   |
|----------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------|--------------------------|---|---|-------|----|---|
| No. 97                                                   | To Bear River Bridge, 1848,      | £30                      | 0 | 0 |       |    |   |
| 121                                                      | Main Road from Bear River, 1847, | 70                       | 0 | 0 |       |    |   |
| 803                                                      | do. do. do. 1846,                | 300                      | 0 | 0 |       |    |   |
| 839                                                      | Main Post Road, 1846,            | 250                      | 0 | 0 |       |    |   |
|                                                          |                                  | <hr/>                    |   |   | £650  | 0  | 0 |
|                                                          |                                  | <i>Lunenburg County.</i> |   |   |       |    |   |
| 72                                                       | To Joseph Parks,                 |                          |   |   | 1     | 17 | 6 |
|                                                          |                                  | <hr/>                    |   |   |       |    |   |
|                                                          |                                  |                          |   |   | £1404 | 11 | 5 |
| Grant for Great Roads, 1849,                             |                                  | £3000 0 0                |   |   |       |    |   |
| Undrawn 31st December, 1849,                             |                                  |                          |   |   | £375  | 0  | 3 |
| Since appropriated—                                      |                                  |                          |   |   |       |    |   |
| To Halifax County,                                       |                                  | 87 4 9                   |   |   |       |    |   |
| Annapolis County (Bridgetown Bridge)                     |                                  | 203 16 6                 |   |   |       |    |   |
| Cumberland County, balance former appropriation undrawn, |                                  | 5 10 7                   |   |   |       |    |   |
| Colchester County, Stewiacke Bridge,                     |                                  | 78 8 5                   |   |   |       |    |   |
|                                                          |                                  | <hr/>                    |   |   | £375  | 0  | 3 |

NOTE.—All the above appropriations, excepting £21 18s. Halifax and £5 10s. 7d. Cumberland, already applied in reduction of previous advances, see Abstract thereof.

JAMES D. FRASER, Chairman.  
 THOMAS KILLAM,  
 HENRY MIGNOWITZ,  
 HUGH McDONALD,  
 STEPHEN FULTON.

*Monies drawn from Casualty Vote, or advanced to the different Counties to be repaid from Road Grants of 1850.*

|                                      |  | <i>Halifax County.</i> |    |   |     |   |   |
|--------------------------------------|--|------------------------|----|---|-----|---|---|
| To Laughlan McQuarrie,               |  | £8                     | 2  | 7 |     |   |   |
| John Murphy,                         |  | 9                      | 10 | 0 |     |   |   |
| Nathan Ellis,                        |  | 6                      | 7  | 0 |     |   |   |
| John Hurley,                         |  | 13                     | 18 | 9 |     |   |   |
| William Evans, as per Journal, 1849, |  | 65                     | 6  | 9 |     |   |   |
|                                      |  | <hr/>                  |    |   | 103 | 5 | 1 |

NOTE.—The above sum of £65 6s. 9d. paid out of the Great Road Grant since 31st December.

|                                                     |  | <i>Colchester County.</i> |    |   |     |    |   |
|-----------------------------------------------------|--|---------------------------|----|---|-----|----|---|
| Isaac Fleming,                                      |  | 16                        | 0  | 5 |     |    |   |
| Parker & Sheldon,                                   |  | 119                       | 19 | 5 |     |    |   |
| David Lynds,                                        |  | 25                        | 0  | 0 |     |    |   |
| James Moore,                                        |  | 15                        | 0  | 0 |     |    |   |
| Adam McNutt,                                        |  | 3                         | 15 | 3 |     |    |   |
| Colchester, per Report of Committee on Road Scales, |  | 16                        | 15 | 7 |     |    |   |
|                                                     |  | <hr/>                     |    |   | 196 | 10 | 8 |

NOTE.—£78 8s. 5d. of the £119 19s. 5d., paid out of Great Road Grant, see Report.

*Hants*

| <i>Hants County.</i>                                                                                                                                                          |                                                                                       |          |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------|
| To William Edwards,<br>Michael Tomlinson,                                                                                                                                     | £8 18 6<br>18 0 0<br><hr/>                                                            | £26 18 6 |
| <i>Sydney County.</i>                                                                                                                                                         |                                                                                       |          |
| Harrington and Randell,<br>See Resolution Journals, page 394, 1849,                                                                                                           | 20 0 0<br>150 0 0<br><hr/>                                                            | 170 0 0  |
| <i>Richmond County.</i>                                                                                                                                                       |                                                                                       |          |
| To Angus McDonald,<br>Duncan Sutherland,<br>John Campbell,<br>See Report Committee on Road Scales, 1849, Ap-<br>pendix, No. 96,                                               | 20 0 0<br>35 18 9<br>25 0 0<br><hr/> 15 12 0                                          | 96 10 9  |
| <i>Queen's County.</i>                                                                                                                                                        |                                                                                       |          |
| To Fancy and Waterman,<br>See Report Committee on Road Scales, 1849, Ap-<br>pendix, No. 96,                                                                                   | 30 0 0<br><hr/> 8 0 0                                                                 | 38 0 0   |
| <i>Annapolis County.</i>                                                                                                                                                      |                                                                                       |          |
| To Shafner Armstrong,<br>Paradise Bridge,<br>Isaac Balcum,<br>Moses Shaw,<br>John Crocker,<br>Felix McNeil,<br>Edward Fitzrandolph, } Bridgetown Bridge,<br>do. do. } do. do. | 66 3 6<br>72 15 3<br>60 0 0<br>10 0 0<br>5 0 0<br>4 11 0<br>105 4 8<br><hr/> 98 11 10 | 422 6 3  |
| NOTE.—£203 16s. 6d. for Bridgetown Bridge, paid<br>out of Great Road Grant, 1849.                                                                                             |                                                                                       |          |
| <i>Pictou County.</i>                                                                                                                                                         |                                                                                       |          |
| To James Elliot,<br>David Smith,<br>David Matheson,<br>Ronald McDonald,                                                                                                       | 26 3 4<br>4 4 6<br>19 19 0<br>7 0 11<br><hr/>                                         | 57 7 9   |
| <i>Yarmouth County.</i>                                                                                                                                                       |                                                                                       |          |
| To Andrew Ricker,                                                                                                                                                             | 30 0 0                                                                                | 30 0 0   |
| <i>King's County.</i>                                                                                                                                                         |                                                                                       |          |
| To George W. Gilmore,<br>John Brown,                                                                                                                                          | 31 11 1<br>50 0 0<br><hr/>                                                            | 81 11 1  |
| <i>Cumberland County.</i>                                                                                                                                                     |                                                                                       |          |
| To Harrison & Lawrence,                                                                                                                                                       | 15 0 0                                                                                |          |

|                                         |         |          |
|-----------------------------------------|---------|----------|
| To Thomas Arnison,                      | £5. 0 0 |          |
| Mr. Jenks, see Report Committee on Road |         |          |
| Scales, 1849,                           | 12 10 0 |          |
| Thomas Logan,                           | 37 3 3  |          |
| Hon. J. McCully,                        | 8 0 0   |          |
|                                         | <hr/>   | £77 13 3 |

*Cape Breton County.*

|                    |         |           |
|--------------------|---------|-----------|
| To Currie & Howie, | 100 0 0 |           |
| John Stubbart,     | 10 0 0  |           |
|                    | <hr/>   | 110 0 0   |
|                    |         | <hr/>     |
|                    |         | £1410 3 4 |

JAMES D. FRASER, Chairman.

22nd February, 1850.

*The following sums have been drawn since 31st December, which are all to be provided for.*

|                                           |           |
|-------------------------------------------|-----------|
| R. Gibbons, County Cape Breton,           | £10 11 2  |
| D. Fraser and V. McKenzie, County Sydney, | 23 12 9   |
| McFarlane & Huestes, County Cumberland,   | 12 0 4    |
| John L. Sweet, County Hants,              | 110 9 10  |
| John Cash, County Richmond,               | 10 0 0    |
|                                           | <hr/>     |
|                                           | £166 14 1 |

J. D. FRASER, Chairman.

22nd February, 1850.

*Comparative Statement of Duties collected at Halifax, 1848 and 1849.*

| Articles.        |      | Amnt. of Duties received. | Increase of Duties. |
|------------------|------|---------------------------|---------------------|
| Beef & Pork,     | 1848 | £408 6 9                  |                     |
|                  | 1849 | 478 19 0                  | £70 12 3            |
| Cheese,          | 1848 | 23 10 8                   |                     |
|                  | 1849 | 26 19 4                   | 3 8 8               |
| Lard,            | 1848 | 96 19 0                   |                     |
|                  | 1849 | 105 16 0                  | 8 17 0              |
| Brandy & Geneva, | 1848 | 33402 gals. 4244 17 10    |                     |
|                  | 1849 | 36731 gals. 4899 18 7     | 655 0 9             |
| Whiskey,         | 1848 | 19 6 8                    |                     |
|                  | 1849 | 158 5 1                   | 138 18 5            |
| Clocks,          | 1848 | 37 5 0                    |                     |
|                  | 1849 | 49 0 0                    | 11 15 0             |
| Chocolate,       | 1848 |                           |                     |
|                  | 1849 | 0 4 0                     | 0 4 0               |
|                  |      |                           | Molasses,           |

|                                      |      |              |             |                |      |
|--------------------------------------|------|--------------|-------------|----------------|------|
| Molasses,                            | 1848 | 472153 gals. | £4500 11 5  |                |      |
|                                      | 1849 | 561141 gals: | 5331 18 0   | £831           | 6 7  |
| Onions,                              | 1848 |              | 138 7 6     |                |      |
|                                      | 1849 |              | 150 12 6    | 12             | 5 0  |
| Tea,                                 | 1848 | 575523 lbs.  | 3653 14 1   |                |      |
|                                      | 1849 | 723065 lbs.  | 4971 2 8    | 1317           | 8 7  |
| Tobacco,                             | 1848 | 191400 lbs.  | 1196 5 0    |                |      |
|                                      | 1849 | 224594 lbs.  | 1403 14 3   | 207            | 9 3  |
| Wine,                                | 1848 | 20505 gals.  | 1630 8 0    |                |      |
|                                      | 1849 | 22278 gals.  | 1891 0 6    | 260            | 12 6 |
| Value 2½ per cent.,                  | 1848 | £25698 3 4   | 642 9 1     |                |      |
|                                      | 1849 | 38781 1 8    | 969 10 6    | 327            | 1 5  |
| Value 5 per cent.,                   | 1848 | 203558 6 8   | 11721 18 10 |                |      |
| 5 p. c. & 6¼ p. c.,                  | 1849 | 200589 19 8  | 12445 10 4  | 723            | 11 6 |
| 10 p. c., 15 p. c. & }<br>20 p. c. } | 1848 |              |             |                |      |
|                                      | 1849 | 8953 14 8    | 905 13 5    | 905            | 13 5 |
|                                      |      |              |             | Stg. £5474 4 4 |      |

| Articles.           |      |                               | Amount of Duties<br>received. | Decrease of<br>Duties. |  |
|---------------------|------|-------------------------------|-------------------------------|------------------------|--|
| Apples,             | 1848 |                               | £190 2 0                      |                        |  |
|                     | 1849 |                               | 49 6 0                        | £140 16 0              |  |
| Ham and Bacon,      | 1848 |                               | 33 3 9                        |                        |  |
|                     | 1849 |                               | 17 12 0                       | 15 11 9                |  |
| Butter,             | 1848 |                               | 27 13 0                       |                        |  |
|                     | 1849 |                               | 8 19 0                        | 18 14 0                |  |
| Candles,            | 1848 | 19691 lbs.                    | 153 5 7                       |                        |  |
|                     | 1849 | 19276 lbs.                    | 144 12 10                     | 18 12 9                |  |
| Live Stock,         | 1848 |                               | 8 0 0                         |                        |  |
|                     | 1849 |                               |                               | 8 0 0                  |  |
| Leather,            | 1848 |                               | 341 18 3                      |                        |  |
|                     | 1849 |                               | 162 16 10                     | 179 1 5                |  |
| Raisins,            | 1848 |                               | 297 12 9                      |                        |  |
|                     | 1849 |                               | 168 12 9                      | 129 0 0                |  |
| Crackers and Bread, | 1848 |                               | 36 10 0                       |                        |  |
|                     | 1849 |                               | 34 19 5                       | 1 10 7                 |  |
| Coffee,             | 1848 | 132139 lbs.                   | 625 5 1                       |                        |  |
|                     | 1849 | 135897 lbs.                   | 569 15 7                      | 55 9 6                 |  |
| Rum,                | 1848 | 89979 gals.                   | 4933 17 11                    |                        |  |
|                     | 1849 | 74605 gals.                   | 4572 17 4                     | 361 0 7                |  |
| Sugar,              | 1848 | 20700 cwt.                    | 7720 2 3                      |                        |  |
|                     | 1849 | 1000 cwt. Loaf.<br>19397 cwt. | 7562 14 4                     | 157 7 11               |  |
|                     |      | 1400 cwt. Loaf.               |                               |                        |  |
| Flour,              | 1848 |                               | 546 4 0                       |                        |  |
|                     | 1849 |                               |                               | 546 4 0                |  |
|                     |      |                               |                               | Stg. £1621 8 6         |  |

Gain

|                                         |                   |        |    |            |
|-----------------------------------------|-------------------|--------|----|------------|
| Gain on sundry articles, Halifax,       | Stg.              | £5474  | 4  | 4          |
| Decrease " "                            |                   | 1621   | 8  | 6          |
| <hr/>                                   |                   |        |    |            |
| Net Increase, 1849, in Halifax,         | Stg.              | £3852  | 15 | 10         |
|                                         | Add $\frac{1}{4}$ | 963    | 3  | 11         |
| <hr/>                                   |                   |        |    |            |
| Total amount Currency,                  |                   |        |    | £4815 19 9 |
| Out Ports, 1848                         |                   | £10013 | 17 | 2          |
| " 1849                                  |                   | 8866   | 18 | 7          |
| <hr/>                                   |                   |        |    |            |
|                                         |                   | £1151  | 19 | 7          |
| Light Duties, 1848                      |                   | £3724  | 14 | 2          |
| " 1849                                  |                   | 3992   | 3  | 4          |
| <hr/>                                   |                   |        |    |            |
|                                         |                   | £267   | 9  | 2          |
| Increase in Light Duties, 1849,         |                   |        |    | 267 9 2    |
| <hr/>                                   |                   |        |    |            |
| Decrease in Out Ports, 1849,            |                   |        |    | 5083 8 11  |
| <hr/>                                   |                   |        |    |            |
| 1849—Total amount of Increase Currency, |                   |        |    | £3931 9 4  |

JAMES D. FRASER, Chairman.

Committee of Public Accounts.  
House of Assembly, Feb. 21, 1850.

*Probable Assets for 1850.*

|                                                           |        |    |    |
|-----------------------------------------------------------|--------|----|----|
| Cash in the Receiver General's hands,                     | £1579  | 17 | 0  |
| Due from Excise Office on old Bonds and Duties collected, | £5826  | 11 | 8  |
| Probable amount to be realized,                           | 2500   | 11 | 8  |
| <hr/>                                                     |        |    |    |
|                                                           | 3326   | 0  | 0  |
| Duty collection of Light Duties, 1849,                    | 571    | 9  | 10 |
| Casual Revenue,                                           | 5968   | 2  | 8  |
| Canada, New Brunswick, and P. E. Island, for Lights,      | 1594   | 16 | 2  |
| Fines in the hands of Board of Revenue,                   | 60     | 0  | 0  |
| <hr/>                                                     |        |    |    |
|                                                           | £13100 | 5  | 8  |

*Probable Receipt.*

|                     |        |   |   |
|---------------------|--------|---|---|
| Excise, Halifax,    | 60000  | 0 | 0 |
| Out Ports,          | 9000   | 0 | 0 |
| Casual Revenue,     | 7550   | 0 | 0 |
| Electric Telegraph, | 350    | 0 | 0 |
| <hr/>               |        |   |   |
|                     | 76900  | 0 | 0 |
| <hr/>               |        |   |   |
|                     | £90000 | 5 | 8 |
| Deduct              |        |   |   |

|                                                  |        |    |    |                       |
|--------------------------------------------------|--------|----|----|-----------------------|
| Deduct undrawn Monies, 1849, Road Service,       | £1779  | 11 | 8  |                       |
| “ for other service,                             | 14226  | 0  | 0  |                       |
|                                                  |        |    |    | 16005 11 8            |
|                                                  |        |    |    | £73994 13 0           |
| Probable income, 1850,                           |        |    |    |                       |
| Also, deduct usual or permanent Appropriation—   |        |    |    |                       |
| Salaries Lt. Governor and other Public Officers, | £15200 | 0  | 0  |                       |
| Legislature Expense,                             | 4500   | 0  | 0  |                       |
| Revenue Collection, Halifax,                     | 4000   | 0  | 0  |                       |
| Education, including Colleges,                   | 15000  | 0  | 0  |                       |
| Interest on Funded Debt,                         | 2100   | 0  | 0  |                       |
| Sable Island £400, Militia £150, Halifax Dis-    |        |    |    |                       |
| pensary £50,                                     | 600    | 0  | 0  |                       |
| Poor House and Penitentiary,                     | 2000   | 0  | 0  |                       |
| Post Communication and Ferries,                  | 3000   | 0  | 0  |                       |
| Steamboats £645, Casualties £500,                | 1145   | 0  | 0  |                       |
| Fisheries £500, Indians £300,                    | 800    | 0  | 0  |                       |
| Public Buildings,                                | 1800   | 0  | 0  |                       |
| Transient Poor £300, Emigrants £150,             | 450    | 0  | 0  |                       |
| Rations for Troops £100, Drawback on Wine £300,  | 400    | 0  | 0  |                       |
|                                                  |        |    |    | 50995 0 0             |
|                                                  |        |    |    | £22999 13 0           |
|                                                  |        |    |    | For general purposes, |
| Due Bank Nova Scotia,                            | £5711  | 12 | 11 |                       |
| Cost of Telegraph,                               | 4055   | 11 | 0  |                       |
| Cost of Dartmouth Mills,                         | 1200   | 0  | 0  |                       |

J. D. FRASER, Chairman.

22nd February, 1859.

No. 38.

(See page 500.)

*Abstract of Articles imported into this Province, on which Duty was collected in 1849.*

|                                                        |      |    |    |
|--------------------------------------------------------|------|----|----|
| Apples, 334 bbls. at 4s. per bbl.,                     | £66  | 16 | 0  |
| Beef, 73 cwt. 2 qtrs. 0lb. at 6s. per cwt.,            | 22   | 1  | 0  |
| Butter, 22 cwt. 1 qtr. 14lbs. at 8s. per cwt.,         | 8    | 19 | 0  |
| Brandy, 23,692½ gals. at 2s. 8d. per gal.,             | 3158 | 19 | 5  |
| Coffee (Green), 155,234 lbs. at 1d. per lb.,           | 646  | 16 | 2  |
| Do. (Roasted or Ground), 617 lbs. at 2d. per lb.,      | 5    | 2  | 10 |
| Candles (Tallow), 24,483 lbs. at 1d. per lb.,          | 102  | 0  | 3  |
| Do. 7,781 lbs at 3d. per lb.,                          | 97   | 5  | 3  |
| Cheese, 127 cwt. 1 qtr. 12 lbs. at 5s. per cwt.,       | 31   | 16 | 8  |
| Clocks (costing under 20s.), 209 at 5s. each,          | 52   | 5  | 0  |
| Do. 14 at 10s. each,                                   | 7    | 0  | 0  |
| Chocolate, 186 lbs. at 1d. per lb.,                    | 0    | 15 | 6  |
| Crackers, 242 cwt. 3 qtrs. 26 lbs at 3s. 4d. per cwt., | 40   | 9  | 10 |

|                                                                      |        |    |    |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------|--------|----|----|
| Geneva, 14,957½ gals. at 2s. 8d. per gal.,                           | £1994  | 6  | 8  |
| Hams, 55 cwt. 2 qtrs. 2 lbs. at 9s. per cwt.,                        | 24     | 19 | 8  |
| Horses, 3, 40s. each,                                                | 6      | 0  | 0  |
| Lard, 302 cwt. 1 qtr. 17 lbs. at 8s. per cwt.,                       | 120    | 19 | 2  |
| Leather (Sole), 40,277 lbs. at 1d. per lb.,                          | 167    | 16 | 5  |
| Do. (Upper), 3828½ lbs. at 2d. per lb.,                              | 31     | 18 | 1  |
| Molasses, 282,744 gals. at 2d. per gal.,                             | 2356   | 4  | 0  |
| Do. 410,897 gals. at 2½d. per gal.,                                  | 4280   | 13 | 7  |
| Onions, 1356 cwt. 0 qtr. 13 lbs. at 2s. 6d. per cwt.,                | 169    | 10 | 4  |
| Pigs, 3, at 2s. each,                                                | 0      | 6  | 0  |
| Pork, 2296 cwt. 3 qtrs. 10 lbs. at 6s. per cwt.,                     | 689    | 1  | 2  |
| Raisins, 36,557 lbs. at ¼d. per lb.,                                 | 27     | 13 | 8  |
| Do. (boxes) 76,728 lbs. at ½d. per lb.                               | 159    | 17 | 0  |
| Rum, 31,622 gals. at 11d. per gal.                                   | 1449   | 10 | 10 |
| Do. 5,154 gals. at 1s. 1d. per gal.                                  | 279    | 3  | 6  |
| Do. 43,797 gals. at 1s. 6d. per gal.                                 | 3284   | 19 | 6  |
| Sugar, 21,662 cwt. 0 qtrs. 11 lbs. at 7s. per cwt.                   | 7581   | 18 | 8  |
| Do. 1,117 cwt. 1 qtr. 24 lbs. at 10s. per cwt.                       | 558    | 14 | 8  |
| Do. 338 cwt. 2 qtrs. 16 lbs. at 14s. per cwt.                        | 237    | 1  | 0  |
| Tobacco, 254,504 lbs. at 1½d. per lb.,                               | 1590   | 13 | 0  |
| Tea (Black), 526,281 lbs. at 1½d. per lb.,                           | 3289   | 5  | 2  |
| Do. (Green), 4,736 lbs. at 3d. per lb.,                              | 59     | 4  | 0  |
| Do. (Black), 260,567 lbs. at 2d. per lb.,                            | 2171   | 10 | 10 |
| Do. (Green), 1,006 lbs. at 4d. per lb.,                              | 16     | 15 | 4  |
| Whiskey, 241 gals. at 1s. 1d. per gal.,                              | 13     | 1  | 1  |
| Do. 1,089 gals. at 2s. 8d. per gal.,                                 | 145    | 4  | 0  |
| Wine, 14,828½ gals. at 1s. 3d. per gal.,                             | 926    | 15 | 8  |
| Do. 6,605 gals. at 2s. 6d. per gal.,                                 | 825    | 12 | 6  |
| Do. 1019½ gals. at 3s. per gal.                                      | 152    | 18 | 6  |
| Value of Goods at 2½ per cent.                                       | £64874 | 1  | 4  |
| “ “ 5 “ “                                                            | 8158   | 4  | 5  |
| “ “ 6¼ “ “                                                           | 227519 | 18 | 9  |
| “ “ 10 “ “                                                           | 9951   | 10 | 2  |
| “ “ 15 “ “                                                           | 12     | 1  | 8  |
| “ “ 20 “ “                                                           | 253    | 17 | 1  |
| Add, Amount received from Halifax, for Brandy abandoned for duty,    |        | 2  | 9  |
| Amount received from Barrington, duties on Wrecked Materials,        |        | 12 | 9  |
| Amount from West Cornwallis, duties on Agricultural Implements,      |        | 1  | 4  |
| Amount received from Guysboro', Articles paying duties not returned, |        | 8  | 18 |
|                                                                      | £54174 | 3  | 8  |
| Exchange ¼,                                                          | 13543  | 10 | 11 |
|                                                                      | £67717 | 14 | 7  |

Financial Secretary's Office,  
H. HUNTINGTON,  
PER D. McCULLOCH.



## No. 39.

(See page 504.)

The Committee to whom was referred the subject of providing for Reporting and Publishing the Debates of this House, beg leave to report that they have delayed coming to any final decision until this period of the Session, for the purpose of being able to recommend to the House their unanimous opinion in favor of what, in their deliberate judgment, was the most efficient and practical course to adopt.

Your Committee considering it of the first importance that the Country should be correctly informed as to the Legislative action of its Representatives individually and collectively, took into their serious consideration the most effectual means of attaining that object.

Your Committee would have preferred leaving that subject solely in the hands of the Press, but from past experience they were reluctantly led to the conviction that unless the Reports emanate from a source under the immediate controul of the House, much that the Country takes an interest in would be altogether omitted, and the remainder would be liable to the suspicion of having been reported for party purposes. The reports would vary according to the various tastes and interests of the publishers, and the Country would have but little means of coming to a correct decision as to what was really said or done by its Representatives.

Having this opinion your Committee have had frequent interviews with the Reporters and some of the Publishers, and have taken great pains to ascertain the minimum sum required for the performance of this service under the immediate controul of this House, and find that the sum of Three Hundred Pounds will be required.

The Reporters received last Session £220, but although provision was made to carry out fully the publishing of the whole Debates by two Publishers, a great portion of the work was left undone. Had the two Publishers completed their agreements the service would have cost £260. They however considered £20 each too small a remuneration for publishing what remained of the debates after the end of the Session. One of the publishers received £20, which made the whole expense actually paid £240, with a claim now before the House for £20 by the other Publisher.

It appears to your Committee that the sum was insufficient as voted last year, and they are therefore induced to recommend that the extended grant be made under the terms mentioned in the accompanying communications from Mr. Crosskill to the Chairman, to be paid under the supervision of a Committee of gentlemen residing in Halifax.

All which is respectfully submitted.

W. A. HENRY, Chairman.  
SAMUEL CREELMAN,  
JOHN CAMPBELL,  
STEPHEN FULTON,  
A. L. ARCHIBALD.

Committee Room, 22nd Feb., 1850.

No. 40.

(See page 511.)

The Hon. the Attorney General presented to the House a Petition from Lawrence Kavanagh, of Louisburg, in the County of Cape Breton, for aid to a Bridge.

The Hon. Mr. Johnston presented to the House several Petitions for aid to Roads in the County of Annapolis, viz :

- A Petition of Abner Foster, and others, of Granville.  
 Edmund Donnellan, and others, of Dalhousie Settlement.  
 James W. Pratt, and others, of Rosett.  
 Richard James, and others, of Bridgetown and Dalhousie.  
 John Ditmars, and others, of Clements.  
 James Long, and others, of East Dalhousie.  
 John Ditmars, and others, of Clements.  
 William Harris, and others, of Clements.  
 B. Goldsmith, and others, of Perot.  
 Daniel W. Milner, and others, of Clements.  
 Robert Leslie, and others, New Liverpool Road,  
 John B. Burel, and others, Moose River.  
 William Kniffin, and others, Clements.

Mr. Munro presented to the House several Petitions, praying aid for Roads in the County of Cape Breton, viz :

- A Petition of Neil McJames, and others, of Marsh Pond.  
 James McNeil, and others, of Grand Narrows.  
 James McNeil, and others, of Grand Narrows.  
 Kenneth McLeod, and others, of Middle River.  
 John Ferguson, and others, of Moie River.  
 Angus McLeod, and others, of Bay St. Laurent.  
 Donald McMullen, and others, of Beaver's Cove.  
 John McDonald, and others, of Indian River.

Mr. Fulton presented to the House several Petitions praying aid for Roads in the County of Cumberland.

- A Petition of J. E. Ingram, and others, of Upper Wallace Bridge.  
 James Boid, and others, of Macan River,  
 W. E. Angevine, and others, of Upper Wallace River.  
 W. B. King, and others, of Ratchford River.  
 W. H. Waugh, and others, of the Gulf Shore.  
 David Purdy, and others, of Wentworth and Wallace.  
 Walter R. Ross, and others, of Victoria Settlement.  
 Isaac Brown, and others, of Wallace Road.  
 George Wells, and others, of Wallace.  
 Henry Mooring, and others, of Victoria Settlement,  
 John W. Oxley, and others, of Shinemecas River.  
 John McFarlane, and others, of Wallace.  
 William Henderson, and others, of Wallace.  
 John H. G. Tutty, and others, of Cumberland.  
 David H. Jenks, and others, of Sand River.

Mr.

Mr. Harrington presented to the House several Petitions, praying aid for Roads in the County of Richmond, viz :

- A Petition of Edward Doyle, and others, of River Inhabitants.  
 John McKenzie, and others, of River Inhabitants.  
 Roderick Bethune, and others, of Loch Lomond.  
 Kenneth Morrison, and others, of Loch Lomond.  
 Donald Gillis, and others, of Salmon River.  
 Allan Morrison, and others, of Loch Lomond.  
 J. H. Smith, and others, of Isle Madame.  
 P. C. Brennan, and others, of Isle Madame.  
 Alex'r. McLeod, and others, of Antigonishe Mountain.  
 John McLeod, and others, of St. George's, Richmond.

Mr. Mignowitz presented to the House several Petitions for aid to Roads in the County of Lunenburg, viz.:

- A Petition of Jonas Mack, and others, of Mill's Village.  
 Edward Kiens, of Sherbrooke.  
 Charles L. Church, and others, of Chester, Windsor Road.  
 Jacob Crowe, and others, of New Dublin.  
 Thomas Fleet, and others, of East Chester.

Mr. Kedy presented to the House several Petitions praying aid for Roads in the County of Lunenburg, viz :

- A Petition of William Chesle, and others, of New Germany.  
 Whitman Morton, and others, of New Germany.  
 George Mackie, and others, of Northfield.  
 Charles Demone, and others, of Lunenburg.  
 Jacob Demone, and others, of Lunenburg.  
 Patrick Franey, and others, of Dalhousie and Sherbrooke.  
 John P. Langille, and others, of Langille's Lake.

Mr. Ernst presented to the House several Petitions praying aid for Roads in the County of Lunenburg, viz :

- A Petition of Richard Boylan, and others, of Sherbrooke.  
 James Johnston, and others, of New Italy and Camperdown.  
 Ezekiel Foster, and others, of Aylesford Road.  
 John Spindler, and others, of Rose Bay.  
 Edward Heckman, and others, of Chester Basin.  
 John Mulleck, and others, of Maitland.  
 James Whidden, and others, of New Dublin.  
 Charles Merster, and others, of Sherbrooke.  
 Benjamin Rynard, and others, of Camperdown, Port Medway, and Broad Cove.  
 John Butler, and others, of Dalhousie.

Mr. Dickey presented to the House several Petitions for aid to Roads in the County of Cumberland, viz :

- A Petition of Andrew McLellan, and others, of Spring Hill.  
 Luther Brack, and others, of Shinemecas.  
 Isaac Lumlie, and others, of Parrsborough.  
 John W. Smith, of Parrsborough.  
 John K. Elderkin, and others, of Fox River.  
 Jesse W. Lewis, and others, of Parrsboro'.

**Mr. McDonald** presented to the House several Petitions for aid to Roads in the County of Guysborough, viz :

A Petition of **William Sinclair**, and others, of **St. Mary's**.  
**John Grant**, and others, of **Maxwell's Hill**.  
**Joseph Alexander**, and others, of **St. Mary's**.

**The Hon. Provincial Secretary** presented to the House several Petitions for aid to Roads in the County of Halifax, viz :

A Petition of **James Kent**, and others, of **Upper Musquodoboit**.  
**Thomas Logan**, of **Musquodoboit**.  
**H. A. Gladwin**, and others, of **Musquodoboit**.  
**William Higgins**, of **Musquodoboit**.  
**Charles Hamilton**, and others, of **Sackville**.

**The Hon. Mr. Young** presented to the House several Petitions for aid to Roads in the County of Pictou, viz :

A Petition of **Duncan Chisholm**, and others, of **Pictou**.  
**Robert McKay**, and others, of **Glenfallock Road**.  
**Donald McDonald**, and others, of **Antigonishe Mountain**.

**Mr. Creelman** presented to the House several Petitions for aid to Roads in the County of Colchester, viz :

A Petition of **Benjamin Tupper**, and others, of **Stewiacke**.  
**John Watson**, and others, of **Goshen Road**.  
**David Williamson**, and others, of **Tatamagouche**.  
**Thomas J. C. Ellis**, of **Upper Stewiacke**.

**Mr. Bent** presented to the House several Petitions for aid to Roads in the County of Cumberland, viz :

A Petition of **Richard Chapman**, and others, of **Amherst**.  
**Amos Trueman**, and others, of **Amherst**.  
**Thomas Dickey**, and others, of **Leicester**.

**Mr. Freeman** presented to the House a number of Petitions for aid to Roads in the County of Queen's County, viz :

A Petition of **Thomas Knowles**, and others, of **Milton**.  
**James Daly**, and others, of **Rosette**.  
**Richard Carden**, and others, of **Harmony**.

**Mr. Martell** presented to the House several Petitions for aid to Roads in the County of Richmond, viz :

A Petition of **J. W. Smith**, and others, of **Cape Anget**.  
**Cornelius Reily**, and others, of **Isle Madame**.

**Mr. McKeagney** presented to the House a Petition of **Thomas McRae**, and others, for aid to the **Ferry Road at George's River**.

**Mr. Marshall** presented to the House a Petition of **George Heelitt**, and others, of **Sherbrooke**, for aid to Roads from **Sherbrooke to St. Mary's River**.

**Mr. Doyle** presented to the House a Petition from **Daniel O'Gorman**, and others, of **Ferguson's Cove**, in the County of **Halifax**, praying for a Road to **Purcell's Cove**.

**Mr.**

Mr. Robertson presented to the House a Petition of James Small, and others, praying aid to the Glenfalloch Road, in the County of Pictou.

Mr. Taylor presented to the House a Petition of W. T. Waterman, praying for aid to a Road between Liverpool and Annapolis.

Mr. McDougall presented to the House a Petition of Milton Tomlinson, of Kempt, in the County of Hants, praying aid to repair a Bridge over the Petite River.

Mr. Wier presented to the House a Petition of David Rogers, and others, of Londonderry, in the County of Colchester, praying aid to a Road to the Five Islands.

Mr. Blackadar presented to the House a Petition of Donald McKenzie, and others, praying aid to the Glenfalloch Road, in the County of Pictou.

No. 41.

(See Page 512.)

The Committee to whom were referred the Accounts of the expenses incurred in managing and sustaining the Halifax Asylum for the Poor, beg leave to report :

That they have carefully examined the Accounts, and compared them with the Vouchers submitted, and find that the expense of sustaining that Institution for the past year has been, £3219 18 3

Besides an Account rendered for Board, Medical and other attendance on 24 patients received during the year into Waterloo Hospital, amounting to 110 4 0

£3330 2 3

Which sums exceed the expense of the previous year to the amount of £274 10 9.

That the Balance remaining in the hands of the Commissioners on 31st December, 1849, was £111 16 6

That the sum drawn from the Provincial Treasury was 1350 0 0

Besides the Grants for Waterloo Hospital and School 95 17 6

That the Commissioners received from the City and County Treasurer of Halifax, 1400 0 0

And casual amounts received by the Commissioners from the sale of oakum, hats, and other sources, particulars of which are hereunto annexed, 283 4 1

£3240 18 1

That on the 31st December, 1849, there remained in the hands of the Commissioners the sum of £20 19s. 10d.

That during the past year 876 men, women, and children, were received and supported in the Asylum—55 of whom were Lunatics.

677 appear by the returns to have been transient Paupers, and during that period there were 103 deaths.

That the average number of Paupers in the Asylum daily was 324.

That

That the average expense of each Pauper per day was about 6½d.

That on the 7th of February instant there were in the Asylum 365 men, women and children.

That your Committee having inquired into the particulars of the Account rendered by the Commissioners against the Province of £110 4s. for the Board of 24 patients received into the Waterloo Hospital, and for certain expenses attending the same, find that 19 of these are said to be transient, and five chargeable upon the City of Halifax.

That no evidence or examination having been taken by the Commissioners, your Committee have no correct means of ascertaining whether the 677 in the Poor Asylum and the 19 in the Waterloo Hospital, said to be transient, ought to be chargeable upon the Provincial Funds as Transient Paupers.

That your Committee recommend that the sum of £87 4s. 10d. be granted the Commissioners in full of their Account to the 31st December, 1849, for Board, Nurses, and Medical attendance on patients supported in the Waterloo Hospital, having deducted from the Account rendered the proportionable expenses of the five Paupers said to be chargeable on the City.

Your Committee recommend that in future no charges shall be allowed to be paid out of the Provincial Funds for transient Paupers received into the Halifax Poor Asylum or Waterloo Hospital, unless the examinations, under Oath, required by the Resolutions of this House in 1845, relative to transient Paupers, be taken and submitted to the Committee of this House to whom such Accounts may be referred.

That your Committee have received from the City Council and Commissioners two Resolutions (which they now beg leave to submit to the House) complaining that the fine assessed on the City is entirely disproportionate to the number of City Paupers as compared with the transient Paupers, supported in the Asylum.

Your Committee would recommend that these Resolutions receive the favorable consideration of this House, provided the Commissioners of the Poor strictly comply with the Resolutions of the House in reference to the examinations of transient Paupers hereinbefore referred to.

All which is respectfully submitted.

SNOW P. FREEMAN,  
W. A. HENRY,  
EDW. L. BROWN,  
JOHN CROW,  
J. DIMOCK.

No. 42.

(See page 512.)

The Committee appointed to consider the various claims for the support of Transient Paupers, have agreed to report as follows :

They recommend the House to grant the following sums—

|                                                     |    |    |      |
|-----------------------------------------------------|----|----|------|
| To Overseers of the Poor for the Township of Truro, | £S | 17 | 8    |
| Overseers of the Township of St. Mary's, Guysboro', |    | 4  | 17 6 |
| Doctor Bent, Cumberland,                            |    | 12 | 0 0  |
| Ebenezer Caldwell, Horton,                          |    | 8  | 4 8  |
| Overseers of Digby, First District,                 |    | 3  | 5 3  |
| Overseers of Yarmouth,                              |    | 9  | 8 4  |
|                                                     |    |    | To.  |

|                                                                |          |
|----------------------------------------------------------------|----------|
| To Overseers of First Section, Pictou Township,                | £41 17 0 |
| Overseers of Dorchester, Sydney County,                        | 11 3 0   |
| Overseers of Pictou, Second Section,                           | 10 3 6   |
| Overseers for Granville,                                       | 14 12 2  |
| Overseers of Chester, Lunenburg,                               | 4 13 6   |
| Overseers of Barrington,                                       | 15 18 6  |
| Overseers of Clements, County Annapolis,                       | 10 0 0   |
| Alexander Buchanan, omitted in 1849,                           | 3 15 6   |
| Mary Dougherty, do. do.                                        | 0 15 0   |
| William Mortimer, Queen's County,                              | 5 10 0   |
| Patrick Flynn, do. do.                                         | 3 0 0    |
| Doctor Muir, County of Colchester,                             | 7 0 0    |
| Overseers of Cumberland for Francis Bourgeois,                 | 10 0 0   |
| Doctor Tupper,                                                 | 10 0 0   |
| Overseers of Egerton, Pictou, Sixth Section,                   | 19 15 11 |
| Overseers of Tatamagouche, Doctor Creed,                       | 2 10 0   |
| Do. do. for Board,                                             | 3 8 11   |
| Doctor Buskirk, Queen's County,                                | 2 10 0   |
| Doctor Oakes' Estate, Bridgetown,                              | 4 19 6   |
| Doctor E. L. Brown, Horton,                                    | 6 11 4   |
| Overseers of Poor for Horton, for Joseph Caldwell,<br>account, | 4 9 3    |
| Overseers do. do. John Anderson,                               | 11 10 0  |
|                                                                | 15 19 3  |
|                                                                | £251 3 7 |

Your Committee cannot recommend the prayer of the following Petitions to be granted, for the reasons annexed thereto :

The Petition of Doctor Cooke, Pictou, being deficient in the necessary examination and affidavit, to prove his patient a transient Pauper.

The Petition of the Reverend J. Courteau, of Richmond, no proof being adduced that the persons assisted were transient Paupers.

The Petition of Doctor Madden, of Arichat, for want of proof that the person attended was a transient Pauper.

In passing upon the foregoing accounts your Committee have endeavoured to adhere as strictly as possible to the Regulations adopted by a Resolution of this House, in 1845, for their guidance; and in deciding on the various claims that have come under their notice, they have been actuated by a desire to do impartial justice to all, with due regard to economy of the Public Funds.

It will be seen that the sum recommended for the present year is over £100 less than that of the past.

In conclusion, your Committee are desirous to reiterate the conviction expressed by the Committee for transient Paupers for the two last years, that these claims

ought to be investigated and paid by the several Townships or localities in which they occur, with power to remove the Paupers to the Asylum in Halifax, as soon as their health or other circumstances will admit.

R. McG. DICKEY, Chairman.  
EDWARD L. BROWN,  
HUGH McDONALD,  
JOHN RYDER,  
JOHN CAMPBELL,  
M. BECKWITH,  
A. L. ARCHIBALD.

Committee Room, 26th February, 1850.

No. 43.

(See page 512.)

The Committee to whom were referred the Act to alter the Halifax Incorporation Act, beg leave to report that—

The 37th, 38th, and part of the 39th Sections of the old Act, is repealed by the 1st Clause of the new.

The 14th Section relating to the Election of Mayor out of a majority of Aldermen, by ballot, is amended by the 2nd Clause allowing the Aldermen to elect a Mayor by ballot or otherwise as they may determine, and no person is to be considered duly elected Mayor unless he shall receive the votes of more than one half of the Members of the Council present at the Election.

The 3rd Section is new—it relates to the Election of Mayor.

The 4th Section raises the qualification of Mayor from £500 to £1000.

5th Section points out the mode of proceeding in case any person should be elected under this Act a Mayor, who is disqualified by the 20th and 21st Clauses of the old Act, and gives the City Council power to determine that fact.

6th Section adds to and amends the 25th Clause of the old Act by extending the disqualification of those holding the office of Alderman, and by giving the City Council power to determine upon the disqualification.

7th Section provides for an Alderman to discharge the duties of Mayor in case of his absence or vacancy in his office.

8th alters the 31st Section of old Act by giving the Mayor instead of the City Council power to appoint Aldermen to preside at Elections.

9th Section amends the 24th and 33rd Clauses of the old Act, by requiring the Inspectors of Elections to take the Oath of office before the Mayor or one of the Aldermen, and in default thereof to be liable to the fine, instead of taking the Oath before the Presiding Officer at the Elections.

10th Section amends the 26th Clause of the old Act by requiring the receipt of the Voter produced at Elections to be subscribed by the City Treasurer or his Agent recognized by the Council.

11th Section is new—it requires Candidates for office to be nominated.

12th is also new and directs the destruction of ballots when two or more is put in by the same person.



13th Section amends 53rd Clause by explaining its meaning with reference to the delivery of Accounts and Payment of Mories by certain Officers after going out of office; and also provides that Commitments and Convictions under this Clause shall not be void for want of form.

14th Section is new—it provides that partners in trade shall be liable to assessment in the same manner as individuals.

15th Section amends 65th Clause by requiring the owners of Real Estate to pay Assessment, instead of the occupiers, and defines who the owners of property are in certain cases.

16th Clause is new and provides a remedy for recovery of Assessment where Owners or Mortgagees reside out of the City.

17th Section is new—it makes the Assessors take rental of Real Estate as a guide to its value, the fair rent is to be considered a tenth of the whole value thereof.

18th Section is new—it provides that Auctioneers and Consignees of Goods shall be construed as the Owners thereof for the purposes of Assessment.

19th Section amends the 66th Clause of old Act by excluding debts from Assessment.

20th Section is new and exempts from Assessment Property belonging to the Province, County, City, or Imperial Government, and also the personal property of Officers or Soldiers of the Army and Navy residing in Barracks or Government Property.

21st Section is new and defines in whose hands the Property of Minors, Married Women, and deceased persons shall be Assessed.

22nd Section is new and provides that when Property shall have been Assessed in the name of the person not liable, the Assessors shall have power to make the alteration necessary in such case.

23rd Section amends the 71st Clause by making a slight alteration in the blanks to be used by the Assessors, it merely leaves out of the blank the column marked "Total amount of Assessment."

24th Section amends the 69th Clause by making Life and Fire Insurance Companies liable to pay a certain sum on every £100 insured within the City, instead of making them pay upon the net profits.

25th Section further amends the 69th Clause by requiring these Companies to give to the City Assessors the amount insured in the respective Offices.

26th Section imposes a Penalty in cases of Insurance Companies making default in giving an account of the amount insured, and is in most respects similar to the 70th Clause of the old Act.

27th Section amends the 77th Section of the old Act by requiring the Assessors in their notice to persons assessed to specify the amount on which the Assessment is laid, instead of specifying the amount of the Assessment, and gives also the form of such notice.

28th Section amends the 72nd Clause by giving ten days to persons assessed to give in their statement to the Assessors, instead of five; it also gives the form of the statement and of the affidavits verifying them in the different cases in which statements and affidavits are required.

29th Section amends the 73rd Clause, by giving the Council power to extend the time of making up the assessment, if necessary, to a period beyond 45 days, as limited in that Clause.

30th Section is new, and gives the City Treasurer power to add ten per cent. to the amount assessed, when it becomes necessary to issue his warrant for its collection. This Section is conformably with the warrant under the 76th and 77th Clauses

Clauses of the old Act. The warrant under these Clauses pre-supposes that the Treasurer had the power to add the ten per cent. ; but it does not appear by the Act that he had the power to do so.

31st Section amends the 91st Clause, by requiring the Clerk of License to pay over Monies in his hands once in every month, or oftener if required by the City Council, instead of paying over such Monies once a quarter—and makes him liable to the provisions of the 53rd Section of the old Act.

32nd Section adds to the 93rd Clause, by giving the City Council power to annex a penalty to, by Laws made under said Clause.

33rd Section is new—it enables the City Council to borrow and appropriate (if necessary,) Money to provide an Hospital and accommodation for sick Citizens, in cases of infectious or contagious diseases.

34th Section is also new, and enables the City Council to assess a sum of Money not to exceed £200, to purchase a Farm called “Rock head.”

35th Section is new, and enables the City Council to borrow, on City Certificates, the sum of £4000, for the purpose of erecting a new Market House.

All which is respectfully submitted.

JAMES McLEOD, Chairman.

27th Feby., 1850.

No. 44.

(See page 514.)

The Committee appointed to examine and enquire into the Accounts for Public Printing, beg to report as follows :

That having carefully examined the several claims submitted, find due to—

|                                                    |           |
|----------------------------------------------------|-----------|
| Mr. William Annand,                                | £15 13 6  |
| English & Blackadar,                               | 1 15 0    |
| Colonist,                                          | 0 12 0    |
| Mr. R. Nugent, balance due,                        | 42 10 10  |
| Mr. J. S. Thompson, (Queen's Printer) balance due, | 364 17 10 |
|                                                    | <hr/>     |
|                                                    | £425 9 2  |

Amounting to Four Hundred and Twenty-five Pounds Nine Shillings and Two Pence due.

Out of the Grant of last Session there has been paid J. S. Thompson, Queen's Printer, Three Hundred Pounds ; and to R. Nugent Two Hundred Pounds, making the whole expense of Printing for 1849, for the various Offices and the two Branches of the Legislature amount to £925 9s. 2d. These various Accounts have been carefully examined by your Committee, and find that all the charges made by the Queen's Printer are in conformity with the scale of charges settled upon by the House in 1848.

Mr. Nugent's Account for Printing for this Legislature amounted in all to  
£238.

£238 10s. The Journals and Appendix were never so large as for the past Session. The work was completed by June, and in a manner highly satisfactory. All of which is respectfully submitted.

HENRY MIGNOWITZ, Chairman.  
JOHN McDOUGALL,  
STEPHEN FULTON,  
SNOW P. FREEMAN,  
I. DIMOCK,  
JOSHUA SNOW,  
PETER SMYTH.

Committee Room, House of Assembly, February 26, 1850.

Mr. J. S. Thompson, Queen's Printer, has been paid in January 15, 1850, the sum of Fifty Pounds, on Account for Printing, out of the Grant for 1850.

H. MIGNOWITZ, Chairman.

No. 45.

(See page 515.)

*Statement exhibiting the sums drawn from the Treasury by the different Counties according to the Scale of Appropriation, and in compliance with the requisitions of the Central Board of Agriculture at Halifax, 1849.*

COUNTY OF HALIFAX.—Dartmouth, 25*l.*; Musquodoboit, 25*l.*—50*l.*

COUNTY OF QUEEN'S.—Brookfield Central Society, 50*l.*

COUNTY OF DIGBY.—Weymouth, 16*l.* 13s. 4d.; Clare, 16*l.* 13s. 4d.; Digby, 16*l.* 13s. 4d.—50*l.*

COUNTY OF ANNAPOLIS.—Wilmot, 16*l.* 13s. 4d.; Bridgetown, 16*l.* 13s. 4d.; Annapolis, 16*l.* 13s. 4d.—50*l.*

COUNTY OF PICTOU.—Pictou, 13*l.* 6s. 8d.; River John, 13*l.* 6s. 8d.; New Glasgow, 13*l.* 6s. 8d.; Merrigomish, 10*l.*—50*l.*

COUNTY OF KING'S.—Cornwallis, 17*l.* 10s.; Horton, 20*l.*; West Cornwallis, 12*l.* 10s.—50*l.*

COUNTY OF HANTS.—Newport, 25*l.*; Windsor gives no credit for grant.—25*l.*

COUNTY OF CUMBERLAND.—Wallace, 16*l.* 13s. 4d.; Parrsboro' 16*l.* 13s. 4d.—33*l.* 6s. 8d.

COUNTY OF COLCHESTER.—Stewiacke, 15*l.*; Londonderry, 15*l.*—30*l.*

Total sum drawn through the Central Board, 388*l.* 6s. 8d.

It appears that the sums drawn by the different County Sessions, independent of the Board is 461*l.* 13s. 4d.

Total appropriation to the Counties, 850*l.*

*Memorandum of Monies drawn by the County Sessions.*

|                    |      |
|--------------------|------|
| Cumberland County, | £20. |
| Guysboro' do.      | 50.  |
| Shelburne do.      | 50.  |
| Cape Breton do.    | 50.  |
| Lunenburg do.      | 50.  |
| Hants do.          | 25.  |

|                |      |
|----------------|------|
| Sydney County, | £50. |
| Inverness do.  | 50.  |
| Colchester do. | 20.  |
| Richmond do.   | 50.  |
| Yarmouth do.   | 50.  |

Making the sums drawn by the Sessions 465*l.* ; less 3*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.* which the Wallace Society is charged with, but not drawn.

**MUSQUODOBOIT REPORT**—Received too late for insertion in the proper place among the abstracts—exhibits the following Statement—Provincial Grant, 16*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.* ; Subscriptions, 11*l.* 15*s.* ; making 28*l.* 8*s.* 4*d.* ; expended on Black Sea Wheat, Grass and Clover Seeds, Secretary's fees, freight, &c., 28*l.* 9*s.* 9½*d.* —Balance due to the Treasurer, 1*s.* 5½*d.*

The crops in the middle settlement of Musquodoboit are reported as follows : The wheat and potatoe crops were healthy and though light were better than in many other parts of the country. Hay was a very light crop. Oats sown within the bounds this Society produced about 20 bushels per acre. Buckwheat has been cultivated on a large scale and the average return is about 20 bushels per acre. Barley is cultivated on a moderate scale and produce about 15 bushels per acre. Turnips are on the increase, about 40 acres were cultivated, and the yield is stated at 80 bushels per acre.

*Abstract of the Reports from the Local Societies in correspondence with the Central Board of Agriculture at Halifax, Nova Scotia, in the year 1849.*

**ANNAPOLIS ROYAL**, 31st December, 1849.—This Society reports as follows : Provincial Grant, 16*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.* ; Subscriptions, 13*l.* 10*s.* ; balance in hand from former year, 33*l.* 1*s.* 8½*d.* ; Cash received from sale of Implements, 8*l.* 0*s.* 6*d.*—making £71 5*s.* 6½*d.*

Expended in purchase of Implements in Boston, 24*l.* 14*s.* 9½*d.* ; Duty, Freight, and Truckage, 2*l.* 9*s.* 8*d.* ; paid for keep of Bull, Printing, and sundry other expenses, 6*l.* 18*s.* 1*d.* ; balance remaining, 37*l.* 3*s.*

The prospects of this Society are encouraging. The Report states that farmers are improving their minds by reading good Agricultural publications, and cultivating the soil on improved principles. At their meetings some able Addresses were read by members which excited much interest. At one meeting 25 new members were added to the list, and 8 became subscribers for the Albany Cultivator.

The crops in this District have been good. Wheat was sown on a limited scale, but produced a fair average. Potatoes were a good crop, and partially affected by disease. Hay crops are very deficient, chiefly owing to the great drought, and partly resulting from the exhausted constitution of the grass lands ; some fields in good condition yielding fair crops. Indian Corn, Oats, Barley, and Buckwheat were fair average crops. Turnips have been grown to some extent and succeeded well. Farmers are now convinced of the value of this species of green crop, and making room for its more general culture. The Agricultural population of this District are becoming more alive to the value of Agricultural pursuits, and are making rapid advances in the proper direction. They are importing improved implements of husbandry, and taking in good Agricultural publications. They maintain the laudable efforts of New Brunswick in availing themselves of the services of Professor Johnston, now making an Agricultural tour in America. They express a hope that our Central Board will use their influence to secure the services of that gentleman before he returns to Great Britain.

**GUYSBOROUGH**, Dec. 21st, 1849.—This Society, denominated the "Guysborough and Manchester Agricultural Society," reports balance in hand from last year, 4*l.* 16*s.* 4½*d.* ; amount of subscriptions 12*l.* ; received for seeds sold, 7*l.* 11*s.* 5*d.* ; received for Implements sold, 19*l.* 1*s.* ; making 43*l.* 8*s.* 9½*d.*

Expended

Expended for Seeds and Implements, 20*l.* 15*s.* ; paid in Premiums, 7*l.* 1*s.* 8*d.* ; paid sundry other charges against the Society, the sum of 5*l.* 17*s.* 1½*d.* ; making the disbursements 33*l.* 13*s.* 9½*d.* ; leaving a balance in hands of Treasurer, 9*l.* 15*s.*

The Reports of the crops from this District are very favorable. The Grain crops are reported as over an average, and superior in quality. Turnips were cultivated extensively, and the crops were good. Potatoes, though planted on a limited scale, have proved good in quality and the returns good. Hay, though deficient, was in this District better than in many other parts of the Province. The Society awarded Premiums for best specimens of grain, roots, butter, and stock. In this District the improvement in Agriculture is obvious, especially in the Dairy department.

This Society state their regret that the annual grant for this year was not available by them—the seed, &c., purchased with that money arrived too late in the season. They also state that much disappointment and inconvenience was experienced in consequence of the failure of garden and field seeds, imported from various places, and suggest to the Central Board the expediency of offering prizes for seed grown in the Province. The Society also anticipate higher prospects for the future, presuming that they will be entitled to draw the whole of the grant for the County, as they state that St. Mary's Society has ceased to exist. They promise to forward to the Central Board their Certificate as required by law, to enable them to draw the Provincial Grant.

BARRINGTON, 31st Dec., 1849.—This Society states their balance in hand, subscription, 10*l.* ; Provincial Grant, 25*l.* ; total, 35*l.*

Expended on seeds of the following varieties—oats, grass and clover seeds, potatoes, beet, carrot, cucumber, and turnip seeds—barrels, bags and freight, 16*l.* 3*s.* 8*d.* ; balance remaining in Treasurer's hands, 18*l.* 16*s.* 4*d.*

Respecting the crops, this Society reports the grain crops as having been very good, especially barley. The hay crop, (in consequence of the drought), was very light. Potatoes—a fair crop, and free from disease.

The Members of this Society, profiting by experience, are determined to give more attention to Agriculture than they have hitherto done ; they also testify to the good effects produced by the Provincial Grant. They are sorry to say they had no share of the grant this year. The balance in hand remains unappropriated only in consequence of disappointment in getting seeds and Implements,—but they are determined to have that sum applied to the best advantage next Spring.

SYDNEY, CAPE BRETON, 31st Dec., 1849.—This Society reports a balance in hand from last year of 21*l.* 11*s.* 4*d.* ; cash received for hay and threshing machine, 15*s.* ; by subscriptions for 1849, 14*l.* 19*s.* ; total, 37*l.* 5*s.* 4*d.*

Expended on repairs of threshing machine, postage, &c., 4*l.* 9*s.* 6½*d.* ; balance remaining in Treasurer's hands, 32*l.* 15*s.* 11½*d.*

The report states that the crops in that District have in general proved good. Oats, barley, and turnips, yielded abundantly. Wheat was a partial failure. The Hay crop was light. Potatoes are reported free from disease.

It is stated that in consequence of the frequent failure of the wheat and potatoe crops, large portions of ground have been devoted to turnips and grain crops. They have introduced threshing and winnowing machines, by which a great saving is effected, not only in labour, but also in grain formerly wasted and destroyed by vermin. The Society numbers 59 Members, which reside in different parts of the County, having all paid up their subscriptions.

They anticipate making importations of Stock and Implements, should the Provincial Grant be continued.

MIDDLE RIVER, C. B., Dec. 31st, 1849.—This Society's subscription amounts to 11*l.* 5*s.* The Provincial Grant has been expended in the purchase of seeds for those in distress. The Society is reduced to the annual subscriptions as above stated; this sum, by the unanimous consent of the Society, was allocated in the different Members, for the purpose of giving an opportunity to all to procure, on the best terms they could, seed for the ground.

The crops in this District are thus stated—wheat, oats, and potatoes, average crops. Hay, about  $\frac{1}{3}$  the usual average; which deficiency of fodder has caused an exportation of stock in the following ratio, 12 cargoes of black cattle for the Newfoundland market—average of each cargo, 40 head. Together with 500 sheep, 400 firkins of butter, and a considerable quantity of pork.

DARTMOUTH, 31st December, 1849.—This Society reports as follows, Subscription 10*l.*; Provincial Grant 25*l.*; making 35*l.*

Expended on premiums for ploughing, 4*l.* 15*s.*; cattle shew, 7*l.*; premium on grain, 5*l.* 2*s.* 6*d.*; premiums on green crops, 3*l.* 5*s.*; premiums on home-made cloth, 7*s.* 6*d.*; incidental expenses of Society, 1*l.* 16*s.* 2½*d.*; making disbursements, 22*l.* 6*s.* 2½*d.*; 12*l.* 13*s.* 9½*d.* of a balance in hands of Treasurer.

The Report states that the crops within the bounds of the Society were generally good. Wheat exhibited for premium weighed per bushel, 64 3-4 lbs.; barley, 60 3-4 lbs.; oats, 45 lbs.; potatoes, though not a large crop, have not been much injured by the "Blight," and in general of fair size and good quality. Turnips, and garden vegetables (with the exception of cabbage) were good. The report states the present condition and future prospects of this Society as cheering. It chiefly consists of practical farmers, who manifest a deep interest in its prosperity. Their ploughing matches are contested with spirit, by young men (natives of the soil) whose skill in the art is highly creditable to themselves, and a convincing proof that our native talent only requires ordinary encouragement to bring out its lustre.

NEWPORT, Hants Co. 31st Decr. 1849.—Provincial Grant, 25*l.*; balance in hand from former Account, 8*l.* 10*s.* 8*d.*; Subscription, 10*l.*—making 43*l.* 10*s.* 8*d.*

Expended on prizes at cattle shows, 25*l.* 0*s.* 3*d.*; premiums awarded for ploughing, grain and cloth, 15*l.* 9*s.* 9*d.*; to unsuccessful competitors at ploughing match, 10*s.*; postage, 9*d.*—making the disbursements 41*l.* 9*d.*; balance in hand, 2*l.* 9*s.* 11*d.*

This Society reports that, in consequence of the great drought of the summer, hay is only half of a fair average crop. Grain of all kinds very light. Wheat filled well, but there was very little sown. There was no instance of the Fly having made its appearance this season. It is feared there will be a scarcity of seed wheat next spring. The potatoe crop proved sound—late varieties succeeded best. The crop was about half an average. Turnips succeeded very well, and will be a great help in keeping stock through the winter.

Great improvement has taken place in ploughing since the formation of the Society. Farmers, on account of the losses sustained in crops, are now unable to hire much labour. Consequently, that valuable class of our population, the farm labourers, are suffering many privations to which, in former years, they were unaccustomed.

PARRSBORO', Dec. 17th, 1849.—Provincial Grant, 16*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.*; balance in hand from former Account, 33*l.* 4*s.* 6½*d.*; Subscription, 21*l.* 18*s.* 3*d.*—making 71*l.* 16*s.* 1½*d.*

Expended in premiums on wheat, barley, peas, and beans, Swedish turnips, beets,

beets, and orchards, 42*l.* 5*s.* 9*d.* ; salary to Secretary, stationery, &c. 1*l.* 2*s.* 6*d.* ; postage, 2*s.* 1*d.*—making the disbursements, 43*l.* 10*s.* 4*d.*

The report states that the anticipated income, with the balance in hand, will enable the Society to extend premiums to articles of produce not yet sufficiently encouraged, such as fruit, beet root, &c. The hay crop in this District is stated as two-thirds of a fair average, although it is stated that from some moist meadows and marshes the usual returns were realized. Turnips, although in some instances a failure, was in general a good crop. Potatoe crops were, generally speaking, good, although it was remarkable that in a certain locality in the centre of this District the crops were struck with blight and about the half destroyed. Wheat ripened well, but the sowings were very limited ; the crop escaped the Fly, but was in some instances rusted in the straw. The success attending this crop has inspired courage, and the savings of next year will be very much extended. There has been more grain and vegetables grown in this district this year, than formerly. It is estimated that there will be sufficient for winter supply and spring sowing. One farmer in Macan raised 800 bushels of roots, consisting of turnips, beets, and carrots ; this success may encourage others to grow roots more generally which would be a great advantage to a district where hay is always comparatively scarce, there being but little marsh land in this section of the country. Green crops are an object of special attention with this Society, and their efforts are attended with much success.

HOPEWELL, 27th Dec., 1849.—Provincial Grant, 13*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.* ; Subscription, 10*l.* ; making 23*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.*

Expended in premiums on live stock, ploughing matches, and other produce, 15*l.* 17*s.* 6*d.* ; Incidental expenses of Society, 2*l.* 5*s.* ; making disbursements 18*l.* 2*s.* 6*d.* ; balance in hands, 5*l.* 4*s.* 2*d.*

The Secretary of this Society states that he has already furnished to the Central Board a statement of the crops within the bounds of the Society ; and can only add, that the grain crops are turning out remarkably well on the threshing floor, although the straw is deficient. The wheat-fly has totally disappeared, neither has the potato blight been observed ; and hopes are entertained that if the winter continue favourable and spring set in early, provisions will not be so scarce as formerly anticipated.

RIVER JOHN, Dec. 27, 1849.—The account of this Society is wanting.

The Report states that a ploughing match and exhibition of live stock took place on the farm of Kenneth McLean ; the ploughing was contested with good spirit, and prizes were awarded amounting to £7. An exhibition of grain, hay seed, and homespun cloth, took place in the Town Hall, on the 26th Dec., and premiums amounting to 8*l.* were awarded. Since the formation of this Society a very marked improvement has taken place in the live stock of the District, as well as in the system of husbandry. Respecting the crops, the report states, hay at  $\frac{2}{3}$ rd of the usual returns. The straw of the grain crops is short but the grain good ; specimens exhibited weighed—wheat per bushel 64 lbs. to 68 lbs., barley 52 lbs. to 56 lbs., oats 32 lbs. to 40 lbs. Potatoes proved rather a small crop but good in quality. The report adds that in consequence of the absence of the Custos of the county, the Society cannot at present forward to the Central Board their annual certificate. They express a hope that the Provincial Grant may be continued.

WALLACE, Dec. 11th, 1849.—The funds of this Society are stated thus : balance in hand from former Account, 6*l.* 18*s.* 11*d.* ; Subscription, 10*l.* 1*s.* ; cash received for seed oats, 5*l.* 10*s.* 4½*d.* ; making 22*l.* 10*s.* 3½*d.* ; Grant not drawn.

Expended for seed oats, 3*l.* 7*s.* ; on prizes for ploughing, 5*l.* ; contingencies, 1*l.* 16*s.* 11*d.* ; balance in hand, 12*l.* 6*s.* 4½*d.*

The Report states that wheat in that district was an average crop and superior in quality ; oats about ⅓rd of an average. Buckwheat, barley, and peas, above an average and have been cultivated on a larger scale than usual. Potatoes occupied about ¼th the usual breadth and are good in quality and a fair yield. The hay crop is not over half an average. There is a manifest improvement in the system of husbandry in this district since the formation of the Society.

HORTON, Dec. 26th, 1849.—This Society reports as follows: Grant, 20*l.* ; balance in hand from former Account 9*l.* 3½*d.* ; dues received at quarterly meetings, 5*l.* 10*s.* 9*d.* ; for rise of boar 4*s.* ; entrance money at ploughing matches from persons not being members of Society, 1*l.* 5*s.* ; making 36*l.* 0*s.* 0½*d.* ; balance paid by late Secretary, Harris, to his successor in office, Hamilton, 11*l.* 10*s.* 5*d.*

Expended at cattle show in Kentville, omitted in last Account, 10*l.* ; prizes at ploughing match, 7*l.* ; agricultural publications, postage, salary of Secretary, keep of bull and boar, and paid unsuccessful competitors at ploughing match, 12*l.* 3*s.* 9½*d.* : making the disbursements, 29*l.* 3*s.* 9½*d.*

The Report states that hay was a very light crop, and the scarcity of that article is serious and alarming. Oats less than an average. Indian corn a fair crop. Wheat filled well but the straw short. Potatoes were a middling crop, free from disease and keeping well in the cellars. The Society purchased 2 superior boars, one of which died, the other is reserved as the stock of the Society, being a very fine specimen. They also imported from New Brunswick 3 very superior rams, one of which died.

This Society have ever evinced a deep anxiety for the improvement of their stock, and have given striking proofs of their success.

The annual ploughing match was contested by 13 competitors who performed the work in a very superior manner, 7*l.* was awarded in 6 prizes, and 2*s.* 6*d.* was given to each of the unsuccessful competitors, 5 of the ploughs were mounted with iron mould-boards, 3 of which took prizes ; it is to be hoped that iron will soon supercede wooden mould-boards as better adapted to all purposes, to ploughing marsh especially. The 1st prize was awarded to a young man under age. The extreme depression to which our agriculture has been subjected by the failure of crops, has rendered it difficult for this Society to obtain from members the necessary contributions for constituting the fund required by law to enable them to draw the grant ; they have, however, successfully combatted every obstacle, and have succeeded. They have lately passed a law which requires payment of all dues before members can receive any benefit from the stock and implements of the Society. This Society expresses a hope that the Provincial grant may be continued, as the fostering care of the Legislature is very essential at the present time in reviving our agriculture.

ST. MARY'S, Dec. 20th, 1849.—Provincial Grant, 25*l.* ; Subscriptions, 11*l.* ; balance in hand from former Account, 3*l.* 6*s.* 10*d.*—making 39*l.* 6*s.* 10*d.*

Expended for seed wheat, 10*l.* ; for seed oats, 5*l.* ; grass seeds, 5*l.* ; Agricultural implements, 10*l.* ; Agricultural publications, 1*l.* 10*s.* ; keep of bull, premiums, postage, &c., 5*l.* 6*s.* 3*d.*—making the disbursement, 36*l.* 16*s.* 3*d.* ; balance in hands, 2*l.* 10*s.* 7*d.*

The report states that this Society has done much good, and anticipates the dawning of a brighter era in its prospects. Confidence in the wheat and potatoe crops being now partially restored, more land has been prepared this autumn for spring



spring sowing than in any former year. Respecting the crops, the report states that wheat was sown sparingly and yielded nearly an average return. Hay in general was very light; oats and buckwheat are the principal produce, and were good crops. Potatoes, owing to the scarcity of seed, occupied a limited breadth, they sustained no serious injury from blight, although slight symptoms of disease was observable. Turnips are more cultivated than formerly, and succeed well. Peas, beans, and other vegetables are largely cultivated, yielding good returns. In this District Agriculture is taking precedence of other pursuits, and this Society has been the chief instrument in effecting this reform. St. Mary's will come short of supplying herself with breadstuffs until the return of another crop, but the deficiency will not be so great as last year. Returns from sales of crops, cattle and sheep, although at very low prices, has enabled the members of this Society to subscribe over the sum required by Law, to enable them to draw the Provincial Grant, and they earnestly hope that the Grant will be continued.

**WEST CORNWALLIS, Dec. 31st, 1849.**—Provincial Grant, 10l.; Subscription, not stated.

Expended on importation from Boston of Agricultural implements, 27l. 0s. 1½d; for grass seed, 12l. 10s—making disbursement, 39l. 10s. 1½d.

The implements were sold at auction to members of the Society. They have purchased three young bulls of improved English breed, and arranged for keeping them in separate sections of the District. The crops were middling. Wheat, about an average; straw, short; oats, a light crop; buckwheat, over an average; Indian corn, good; potatoes, two-thirds of an average, good in quality; beans, light; carrots, good; one member raised 75 bushels carrots on less than one-eighth of an acre. The Society have passed a Resolution to extend the use of their bulls over a district of ten miles square. This Society begs to be considered by the Central Board as worthy of an equal participation in the Grant with other Societies in the County.

**LUNENBURG, Dec. 31st, 1849.**—Balance in hand from last Account, 33l. 9s. 3d.; cash proceeds of wheat sales, 6l. 13s. 3½d; sales of ploughs, 7l. 7s. 6d.—making 47l. 10s. ½d.

Expended on purchase of threshing machine, 8l. 15s; sundry articles imported from United States, 15l. 3s. 4d.; for 1 vol. Cultivator, 7s. 6d; postages, 2s. 4d, making disbursements, 24l. 8s. 2d; balance in hand, 23l. 1s. 10½d. Received no share of the Provincial Grant this year.

This Society numbers 21 members, of whom about one half are practical farmers, the others cultivate small portions of the soil.

No statement of the crops from this District.

**CLARE, Dec. 31st, 1849.**—Provincial Grant, 16l. 13s. 4d; Subscription, 10l.; balance in hand from last Account, 51l. 10s. 10d; received from sales, 9l. 10s—making 87l. 14s. 2d.

Expended on purchase of Agricultural implements, 39l. 10s; freight and postage, 1l. 5s. 9d; salary to Secretary, 1l.—making disbursements, 41l. 15s. 9d; balance in hand, 42l. 16s. 10d.

Reports of the crops in this District are stated thus: Oats, middling; barley, good; Indian corn, peas, and beans, good; hay, very light; wheat, none.

**STEWIACKE, Dec. 31st, 1849.**—Provincial Grant, 25l.; Subscription, 10l. 15s; balance in hand from former Account, 54l. 18s. 9½d; monies received from sale of pigs, wheat, and beans, 27l. 10s. 3d; Interest on outstanding debts, 1l. 6d—making 118l. 15s. 6½d. Expended

Expended on purchase of seed wheat and beans, keep of pigs, purchase of grass seeds, per centage on collection of monies, Secretary's salary, and postages; 42l. 1s. 7d. ; balance remaining, 76l. 13s. 11d.

This Society purchased in Hants County thirty-eight bushels of Northern seed wheat, which was sold among the members for seed, and the returns have fully sustained the high character of this early wheat. They also purchased a quantity of dwarf China beans in Cornwallis, which was sold among members for seed, and yielded well. Oats suffered from drought, but are a fair crop; buckwheat, good; potatoes, rather a light crop but free from disease; hay, about half a crop.

Farmers in this District seem to take a right view of our Agricultural prospects, and are emulating in raising breadstuffs and in improving their farms and stocks; their success with the Berkshire pigs is particularly mentioned. They have also resolved to purchase a good Stud Horse this winter.

MAHONE BAY, Dec. 31st, 1849.—Balance in hand from last Account 50l. 14s. 3½d. ; Subscription, 10l.—making 60l. 14s. 3½d. Grant not received.

Expended on seeds and implements, 19l. 4s. 2d. ; balance in hand, 41l. 10s. 1½d.

The Report states that under the pressure of the times the Society progresses slowly; still, the influence of the Society on Agricultural improvements is very perceptible. Members generally are quite aware of the advantages derivable from combined action, and the improvement of live stock is one of the special objects of the Society's attention. It is reported that potatoes were a good crop, but very few planted. Early sown oats proved a good crop. Late sowings were very deficient. Barley, better than last year; winter rye, good; hay, very deficient; wheat, middling, but the breadth under crop limited. The Society express a hope that the Provincial Grant may be continued.

LONDONDERRY, Dec. 31st, 1849.—Subscription, 10l. 10s. ; disbursements not stated; imported from Boston last spring 20 bushels black sea wheat, which yielded well and escaped the Fly; oats and buckwheat were a fair average; potatoes, a good crop, and keeping well in the cellars.

In consequence of the success attending the wheat crops this year, preparations are making for sowing a large breadth of that grain next spring. Owing to the scarcity of fodder farmers have been obliged to sacrifice much of their stock.—This remark is applicable to Nova Scotia generally this year.

WEYMOUTH, Dec. 31st, 1849.—This Society reports as follows: Provincial Grant, 16l. 13s. 4d. ; Subscription, 11l.—making 27l. 13s. 4d.

Expended on grass and other seeds, plough irons, freight, and contingencies, 19l. 10s. ; balance in hand, 8l. 3s. 4d.

The report of crops in this District is rather unfavorable. It is stated that hay is not half the usual average; oats, barley, Indian corn, and buckwheat, middling crops; wheat, none sown, owing to the scarcity of seed; potatoes, with the exception of some "early blues," were a failure, and potatoes are now selling at 2s. 6d. per bushel; turnips were a fair crop.

Agriculture in this locality is reported as retrograding. The late failures of crops have discouraged farmers, and cause many to turn their attention to lumbering and other pursuits to earn bread for their families. The land in this township is in general good, and farmers would undoubtedly succeed if they persevered. The report states that those in this District who follow Agriculture as a calling succeed better than any other speculators, and in such instances Agricultural Societies are of infinite service in stimulating to action the feeble nerve.

Weymouth

Weymouth has not suffered more than other places, and the means so successfully employed in Stewiacke and other Districts would be quite as effectual in Weymouth.

WINDSOR, Co. of Hants, 31st December, 1849.—Provincial Grant for 1848, 25*l.*; Subscription, 9*l.* 10*s.*; balance from former account, 7*l.* 2*s.* 4½*d.*; cash received for use of threshing machine, 4*s.* 6*d.*; making 41*l.* 16*s.* 10½*d.*

Expended in premiums for ploughing, cattle shew, and specimens of seeds, and incidental expenses, the sum of 32*l.* 8*s.* 9*d.* Balance in hands of Treasurer, 9*l.* 8*s.* 1½*d.*

The crops in this District are reported as follows: wheat, a fair yield; and the grain in general remarkably good. The crop has escaped the ravages of the Fly. The varieties chiefly sown were the "black sea" and "golden straw," which has been found safe wheats for late sowing. These varieties may be termed "hard strawed," by which means they generally escape the "rust," (a disease of very common occurrence in late sown grain.) Oats and barley have lately been sown on a large scale, and has generally proved good crops. Owing to the great drought of last summer these grains are rather under a fair average. Indian corn grown on sandy soils proved a good crop. Buckwheat yielded well, and its culture is increasing. The potatoe crop proved very good, contrasted with the crops of the last few years; the breadth of land planted was limited. In common with other crops they suffered from the drought, but the quality is good, and fair size. No indications of blight this season.

Turnips, mangle wortzel, sugar beets, carrots and parsnips, have been largely cultivated since the failure of the potatoe crops, and have generally yielded good returns this season. Much of the seed never vegetated for want of moisture, and the black fly destroyed much of the young crops.

Hay, in the townships of Windsor and Falmouth, may be stated as little over half a fair average: but the balance of that article remaining from former years will supply the deficiency, leaving some for market. The annual fair and cattle show was held at Windsor on the 25th day of September last. The live stock exhibition was well sustained. The superior points possessed by the majority of the animals proved that the encouragement afforded by premiums has had the desired effect in improving this important department of our agriculture. The ploughing match of the Society took place on the 10th day of November, and was better attended than on any former occasion. The work exhibited a more uniform improvement than hitherto observed.

A spirit of emulation has sprung up under the auspices of this Society, which (if followed up) cannot fail in improving the agricultural condition of this fair portion of Nova Scotia.

ANTIGONISHE, 31st Dec., 1849.—This Society, denominated the "Central Society, Sydney County," reports as follows: Cash in hands of Treasurer, 10*l.* 2*s.* 2*d.*; cash in hands of individuals, 10*l.* 13*s.*, making 20*l.* 15*s.* 2*d.* States that the Provincial Grant was not received this year. There are three branch Societies in connection with this Society: their position is stated thus, Arisaig branch, not in funds; St. Andrew's, cash in hand 10*l.*; Tracadie, balance due the Society, 29*l.* 16*s.* 11½*d.*; from sale of a Bull, 6*l.* 5*s.*; subscription 5*l.*; making 41*l.* 1*s.* 11½*d.*

Expended on Implements and seed, 11*l.* 5*s.* 4*d.*; balance in hand, 29*l.* 16*s.* 7½*d.*

The Central Society reports the crops in the County of Sydney, as follows: Grain, in some Districts middling good, in others inferior; potatoes, a good crop, and keeping well in the cellars; turnips, an excellent crop.

**PICTOU, 31st Dec., 1849.**—Provincial Grant, 13*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.* ; balance, cash from W. H. Homes, 16*l.* 18*s.* 9*d.* ; Subscription 4*l.* 10*s.* ; cash received from sales of seeds, &c., 4*l.* 5*s.* 0½*d.* ; making 40*l.* 6*s.* 7½*d.*

Expended in purchase of oats and wheat, freight, &c., 8*l.* 2*s.* 11½*d.* ; balance in hands of Treasurer, 32*l.* 3*s.* 8*d.*

The Report gives no return of the crops in the District of Pictou ; but states that their Society have voted 30*l.* for premiums to be competed for next season, and intend importing seed wheat from Prince Edward's Island ; and clover and turnip seeds from England. They are anxious to obtain a suitable stud horse and a good breed of pigs. They state that their Society never received any benefit from the funds at the disposal of the Central Board, and respectfully press their claim on the attention of the Board.

**MARGAREE, 31st Dec., 1849.**—The Account from this Society is wanting.

The Report states the wheat crop in that District was attacked by the fly, and proved almost a failure. Oats was a fair average crop. Potatoes appeared at digging time to be sound, but since being stored are exhibiting strong symptoms of disease. The hay crop was very deficient, not over one-third of the usual returns.

The Report states that this Society received no part of the Provincial Grant, in consequence of their sessions having drawn the money. They state that their exports to Newfoundland last autumn were 440 head of cattle, 400 sheep, 430 firkins butter, with a quantity of salted pork and beef sent to Halifax.

The Report states further, that owing to the high rate of labour and the limited capital of farmers, improvements progress slowly ; still there is evidently an increased spirit of improvement visible which is altogether attributable to union and emulation in adopting new and improved modes of husbandry through the encouragement which the Legislature affords.

**MAXWELTON, Dec. 31st, 1849.**—Provincial Grant, 10*l.* ; Subscription, 10*l.* ; balance in hands from former year, 10*l.* 19*s.* 10*d.* ; making 30*l.* 19*s.* 10*d.*

Expended on premiums, ploughing match, &c., 15*l.* 16*s.* 3*d.* ; paid for keep of bull and incidental expences of Society 3*l.* 1*s.* 4*d.* ; making the disbursements 18*l.* 17*s.* 7*d.* ; balance in hands of Treasurer, 12*l.* 2*s.* 3*d.*

The prospects of this Society are very encouraging, the attention of the people is now turned from lumbering pursuits to that of agriculture, and their success proves the wisdom of their choice, they raised excellent crops last season. The wheat crop was good, specimens sent to the exhibition weighed from 63 to 64 lbs. per bushel. Oats were rather a light crop. Potatoes excellent, but few planted. Hay only half a crop. The ploughing match was well contested by sixteen ploughs, and the work was performed in a manner highly creditable to the competitors. The specimens of butter and homespun cloth presented for premiums were very superior. The Society have resolved to appropriate all their funds the ensuing year to building a good lime kiln and procuring lime stone, and they anticipate the results to their agriculture will be commensurate to the efforts made for improving their soil.

**CORNWALLIS, 31st Dec., 1849.**—Provincial Grant, 17*l.* 10*s.* ; Subscriptions, 10*l.* 15*s.* 7*d.* ; making 27*l.* 5*s.* 7*d.*

Expended on seed wheat and incidental expenses of the Society, 23*l.* 18*s.* 6*d.* ; balance in hands of Treasurer, 4*l.* 7*s.* 1*d.*

The Report states the crops as follows : wheat good and free from the attack of the fly. Buckwheat rather under an average. Rye good. Potatoes an abundant crop and keeping well in the cellars. Oats a light crop. Hay not over half an average return. Vegetables of all kinds were very good. The

The Society intend to import a bull this ensuing season. They witness with pleasure the great improvement effected in the breed of sheep, and corresponding improvements made in the general system of their agriculture.

WILMOT, 31st Dec., 1849.—The Report from this Society is as follows: The sum of 10*l.* has been subscribed as the law requires and placed in the hands of their Treasurer; the sum of 2*l.* 11*s.* 6*d.* had been expended on seeds and premiums, and bounties given on grain, the amount of which is not yet ascertained. The funds in the Treasurer's hands at the above date amount to 64*l.* 11*s.* 11*d.*

The number of acres under crop last year in this District is thus stated: wheat 11 3-4; rye 101; Indian corn 36 1-2; oats 104 1-4; barley 15 1-2; potatoes 36 1-2; buckwheat 36 1-4; turnips 15 3-4; carrots 3 1-2; pasture 1195. Total under crop 1268 acres, and orchards in the District yielded apples amounting to 2255 bushels.

The undermentioned Societies have not sent in their Reports for 1849:

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| Brookfield, County Queen's, |                |
| Digby,                      |                |
| Gut of Canso,               | " Inverness,   |
| Baddeck,                    | " Cape Breton, |
| Halifax,                    |                |
| Bridgetown,                 | " Annapolis,   |
| Sable River,                | " Shelburne,   |
| Chester,                    | " Lunenburg,   |
| River Philip,               | " Cumberland,  |
| Yarmouth, }                 | " Yarmouth.    |
| Argle, }                    |                |

*Practical remarks on the annexed Reports.*

The collective reports of the local Societies in correspondence with the Central Board of Agriculture at Halifax, demonstrate that during the past season the potatoe crops throughout the Country have been nearly exempt from disease.—The only instance of the recurrence of blight, in a malignant form, occurred in a district occupying one mile from east to west and four miles from south to north, in the centre of Parrsboro'. This tract of land was struck with the blight, and about half the crop of potatoes lost. Another instance of its recurrence is recorded in the Weymouth report. Partial indications of disease were observable in many other parts of the country, but mild in its form contrasted with former years. There can exist no doubt that the extreme dry weather which prevailed throughout the months of July and August was a great means of checking the potatoe disease, as it must now be obvious to every observing mind that the atmosphere is the chief repository of the disease, and we may consider our potatoe crops in a measure saved at the expense of the hay crop. Confidence in the potatoe crop is sufficiently restored to induce a speedy return to extended culture.

The wheat crops have been exempt from the ravages of "Elator Vascator," or Wheat Fly, which has carried devastation in its track in almost all wheat-growing countries. Circumstances connected with the history of this destructive insect warrants the belief that its course here has terminated for a time; and we think there is little risk in adopting our usual sowings. As a precautionary measure, however, a due proportion of the black sea and northern wheats should be sown early in June month. By this late sowing the risk of the Fly is obviated, and

and these varieties will ripen in our climate after that period in all ordinary seasons. The greatest risk consequent on late sowing in Nova Scotia is "rust in the straw;" this may in a great measure be avoided by adopting the following rules:—Choose hard straw varieties of wheat, for there is a greater variety in that point of view than is generally known; avoid, if possible, a full east or south east aspect when the early morning sun strikes the field, in sultry weather when heavy dews are prevalent, let two boys take a cord-line and one at each end of it may sweep the dew off the crop before sunrise—this will effectually prevent rusting of straw. This disease is only the result of moisture and heat, inducing a certain degree of fermentation and decomposition in the cellular system of the plant, when the minute seeds of Fungi, floating in air, finds a congenial bed in the straw for germination.

In reviewing the annexed reports from various sections of the Country, it is obvious that the late failures of the wheat and potatoe crops has suggested many expedients and a more general adoption of auxiliary crops, other grains have been more generally cultivated as substitutes for wheaten bread. Turnips, carrots, and mangle wortzel has been substituted for the potatoe to stock, and we predict that when once their value is experimentally proved they will retain their place in our green crop culture. There is another reflection impressed on the mind which mitigates the feelings of disappointment which Agriculturists experience in reviewing the past, namely, the lessons of economy which we have learned; they will prove invaluable to ourselves and our posterity. We can now appreciate the value of the potatoe and wheat crops in a much higher ratio than formerly, and should those evils ever recur we shall be better prepared to counteract their effects. The cultivation of mangel wortzel ought to be encouraged by every Agricultural Society in Nova Scotia. Its value relatively compared with other roots used in feeding stock places it at the head of the list. Its easy culture, certainty as a crop, prolific return, and fattening qualities, as well as food to dairy cattle, give it a preference to all other roots used for these purposes. A small quantity of this root given with good oaten straw, such as that of the early August oats, is preferable to any quantity of the best hay, producing more milk, a greater weight of beef, and higher developement of muscle in young stock. If our imported stock were fed with a due proportion of this root there would be no cause to apprehend a rapid degeneracy such as we now experience.

All the reports concur in the statement exhibiting the deficiency of the hay crop, resulting chiefly from the effects of long continued drought throughout the summer. In some instances good crops were obtained from moist meadows and fields in good heart. During the last few years hay has been abundant, and farmers have naturally allowed their stocks of cattle to increase, and the consequence of a short crop of hay is a sacrifice of stock and years of the farmer's toil dissipated.

The Novascotian Farmer may regard it as an axiom that his surplus hay will be required every fourth or fifth year—and if he wishes to preserve an equilibrium in such matters, he must reserve a few stacks of surplus hay, in place of allowing an undue increase of live stock.

It is evident from the reports that much good has been effected by the various Societies throughout the Country. Superior breeds of cattle, pigs and sheep, have been imported, together with labour-saving machines and improved implements, which not only saves labour but renders work a pleasure. These facilities, coupled with the example of a few enterprising men, are effecting greater improvements in Nova Scotia than a superficial view of the Country would indicate. Mental culture is also increasing throughout the Country, as manifested by several of the annexed reports. The

The Annapolis Royal Society furnishes an example worthy of general emulation. Aware of the great advantages resulting from mutual instruction this Society has constituted a "Farmer's Club," and at one of its preparatory meetings some able addresses were read, 25 members joined the Club, and 8 names recorded as subscribers to the "Albany Cultivator." These are important steps in the right direction; the elevation of the mind is the key to domestic happiness and moral and social enjoyment. It would be a pleasing duty to record a similar report from every Agricultural Society in Nova Scotia.

Dairy husbandry in this country is worthy of every encouragement, and Societies ought to devote a suitable proportion of their funds towards improving that important branch of Agriculture. Dairy stock, as well as the minor details of management, are susceptible of much improvement; and there can be no doubt that with ordinary attention and skill, our dairy produce would equal anything of this kind current in commerce; and farmers ought to remember that a good cow in the stall—like a good tree in the garden—requires only the same nourishment and attention as that bestowed on the inferior varieties; and the difference in the original cost ought never to influence the choice in favor of an inferior stock.

The capabilities of the soil in many parts of the Province is satisfactorily demonstrated by the various reports from Societies. In referring to a communication just received from the Secretary of the Guysboro' Society, we note with pleasure the weights of the grain produced at the competition. Wheat weighed 64 lbs. per bushel, and the produce 25 bushels per acre. Oats weighed 45 lbs. per bushel. Produce per acre 30 bushels. Turnips yielded 800 bushels per acre—being 300 bushels per acre over an average for drill crops.

The Central Board during the present year has maintained correspondence with 42 local Societies. They also purchased a quantity of seed wheat, which they distributed in the following Districts: Dartmouth, Musquodoboit, Stewiacke, Maitland, Newport, Windsor, Horton, Cornwallis, Kentville, Lunenburg, and the Peninsula of Halifax. They regret however to find that this grain (purchased as the black sea wheat,) has proved a winter variety, and is consequently not suitable to our climate. Chemical manures have also been imported, and distributed to agriculturists for experimental application, and reports of these experiments have proved very satisfactory. They imported a very superior horse-power threshing machine with a circular saw attached, together with rotary churns on the most approved principles; which they mean to dispose of in the most suitable manner for promoting a taste amongst our native mechanics for manufacturing such articles to supply our wants. They have also employed such means for the general diffusion of agricultural information as seemed practical, by employing the Editors of five newspapers in different parts of the Province to devote a certain portion of their papers to this subject.

The Board regret to state that their correspondence with the local Societies throughout the Country has been interrupted, and much valuable information lost, in consequence of many of the Counties having availed themselves of the power granted to draw the Provincial grant through their Sessions, the Societies in these Counties did not feel themselves obligated to forward their annual Reports to the Central Board. This arrangement has been productive of much confusion and dissatisfaction; and the Board sincerely trust, that in future order may be preserved in this important department.

The Board have in prospective the encouragement of a good system of draining and managing bog lands, the introduction of oil cake as an auxiliary to our present catalogue of animal food, and the stimulation of a good system of seed growing in the Province. They have also made arrangements for a judicious im-

portation of seed oats, and are collecting the genuine varieties of spring wheat with a view to the general distribution of these articles in the Country.

They have also made provision for importing a few of the best Agricultural publications published in America, as being best suited to our general wants.

The Board, anxious that Nova Scotia should participate in the advantages which America is now deriving from the oral instructions of Professor Johnston, the celebrated Agricultural Chemist, have resolved to secure the services of that gentleman, should his time permit, on his way to England.

The Board regret to state that they have sustained a severe loss in the death of their late Secretary, Mr. Titus Smith—a gentleman whose intimate acquaintance with Agriculture, and varied knowledge, has long been highly and deservedly appreciated. But they have the satisfaction to state that they have secured the services of Mr. James Irons to fill his place; and they anticipate, from the great practical experience of that gentleman in Agriculture and its various associated branches, that the operations of the Board will in future be marked by a more extended degree of usefulness to the Province.

In concluding their Report, the Board beg to state that they witness with pleasure the beneficial influence exerted on our Agriculture by the fostering care of the Legislature, and beg to recommend to its wisdom the future care of this chief source of Provincial wealth.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

JOHN E. FAIRBANKS, President.  
ALEX'R. FARQUHARSON, V.P  
M. RICHARDSON,  
J. N. SHANNON, Treasurer.  
JOS. JENNINGS,  
JOHN MORTON.

No. 46.

(See page 516.)

The Committee on Trade and Manufactures having considered the Petitions referred to them, beg leave to report as follows :

They recommend—

That £3 2s. 10d. be granted to John H. Freeman, to reimburse him for expense incurred in weighing Sugars at the Port of Liverpool.

That £7 10s. be granted to Thos. E. Maberly, Esq., Collector of Impost and Excise at Yarmouth, being the one half of a fine paid by the Captain of the schr. Margaret, and remitted to the Treasury.

That £14 1s. 3d. be granted to Joseph Allison, being for Duties paid by him on beef and pork inspected at Windsor for and re-shipped as sea stores per brig Eclipse.

That £4 11s. 10d be granted to John Akins, being for Duties paid by him on beef and pork imported at Windsor for and re-shipped as sea stores per brig Corsair.

That £50 be granted to James Dawson, Esq. of Pictou, as a remuneration to which he is equitably entitled for his services rendered to the benefit of the Province in securing property saved from the barque Joseph.

That Chas. B. Owen, Esquire, be allowed to retain in his hands 29s. 6d. being the



the amount of a seizure made by him at Lunenburg, to remunerate him for his expense in securing the same.

That the prayer of the Petition of T. R. Patillo, and others, requiring an alteration in the Act 12 Vic. chap. 10, so as to permit all decked vessels engaged in the Fisheries for three months, of whatever tonnage, to take from the warehouse (in proportion to the size of the vessel and the number of men employed) salted provisions free of Duty, be agreed to by the House.

The Committee cannot recommend to the House any grant to Hiram Blanchard, Esq. of Port Hood, to remunerate him or the High Sheriff for their time and expense in following after and seizing a vessel which was afterwards released by order of the Board of Revenue. Or to Joseph B. Bond, late Guager at Yarmouth; or to George E. Jean, late Guager at Arichat, for their services in performing the duties of the office of Guager at their respective ports after the repeal of the Act which had allowed a commission to these officers. Or to Charles B. Owen, Esq.; praying to be relieved from a surcharge on him as Collector of Excise at Lunenburg, for money paid by him to the Guager at that port under similar circumstances. Or to the Hon. James D. Harris, asking return of duty paid on an entire horse imported by him from the United States in the year 1847.

They decline also to recommend for adoption the prayers of the Petitions of— Messrs. Johns & Co., asking to be allowed a Drawback on all Iron used by them in their Nail Manufactory. Or of Messrs. Charman & Co., asking for an alteration in the Law which defines the Duties on Wines.

They beg to recommend that the article known as Zinc Sheathing, of a size 48 inches long by 14 inches wide, intended for and to be used as Sheathing for Vessels, and Zinc Sheathing Nails, be included amongst these articles now subject to a Duty of  $2\frac{1}{2}$  per cent.

All which is respectfully submitted.

JAMES D. FRASER,\* Chairman.  
 THOMAS KILLAM,  
 H. Y. MOTT,  
 W. B. TAYLOR,  
 JOSHUA SNOW,  
 GEO. R. YOUNG,†  
 HENRY MARTELL.

Committee Room, House of Assembly, 1st March, 1850.

\* Not concurring in the Report so far as relates to Petition of T. R. Patillo, and others.

† Not concurring in the Report relative to the Petition of Hiram Blanchard, or at present to the prayer of Thomas R. Patillo, and others.

No. 47.

(See Page 516.)

The Committee to whom was referred the Petition of Joseph Wickins, late of Mud Islands, beg leave to Report :

That your Committee have carefully examined into the claims of the Petitioner, and are unanimously of opinion that he is justly entitled to receive the sum of Twenty Pounds, granted to him by this Legislature on the 15th day of March, now

now last past,—which appears by the Journals of that Session in the following words :

*Resolved*, That the sum of Twenty Pounds, be granted and paid to Joseph Wickins, of Mud Islands, to enable him to keep a suitable Boat and man at that place, to assist Shipwrecked Seamen.

That upon referring to the Financial Secretary's Office, your Committee were informed that the said sum of "Twenty Pounds," granted to Joseph Wickins, had on the 14th day of June last been paid to Andrew McKinnon, without the order of Wickins, who had performed the services for that year and owed nine months' wages to his assistant at the time McKinnon took possession of his House, Store, and Crop, under pretence that the Islands belonged to him, on whose conduct your Committee refrain from further comment ; but view the withholding of that sum from Wickins as a particular hardship, when they consider that if a similar sum be granted for that service during the present Session that McKinnon will receive Forty Pounds for one year's service which your Committee presume not to be the intention of this Legislature.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

JOHN CAMPBELL,  
HENRY MARTELL,  
WILL. HY. MUNRO.

Committee Room, 28th Feb'y., 1850.

No. 48.

(See page 519.)

COPY.

(Circular.)

Downing-Street, 31st January, 1850.

SIR—

I have the honor to transmit to you the accompanying extract from the London Gazette of Friday the 4th instant, containing the Commission which the Queen has been pleased to issue for the promotion of exhibition of the works of Industry of all Nations, to be holden in London early in next year.

In order to carry this design into effect, and enable the Possessions of Her Majesty abroad to take part in it, it is necessary to obtain much preliminary information, and for this purpose a letter, of which I enclose you a copy, has been addressed to my office by one of the Secretaries of the Commission, expressing the wish of the Commissioners to be put in communication with such persons or bodies in each of the British Colonies from which articles are likely to be sent for Exhibition, as are considered likely to command the confidence of those who may become exhibitors.

This letter mentions the description of information which the Commissioners are desirous of procuring before the questions relative to the admission of Foreign and Colonial productions can be decided upon, and the general character of the arrangements for the proposed Exhibition, in so far as they can be at present explained.

I have therefore, on this occasion, only to instruct you to take such steps as you may consider best calculated to accomplish the objects explained in the accompanying enclosure, and to inform you that all documents which may be sent  
to

to me by the Commissioners for the purpose of being communicated to the Colonies will be forwarded to you.

If any local Committees or other bodies likely to possess the confidence of the public can be found in your Colony for the purpose of conducting the necessary correspondence, you can place these documents in their possession; and any communications from such bodies to the Commissioners you are at liberty to transmit to me along with your despatches; but if no Committee or other local body can be so formed, you will yourself afford such information and assistance as may be in your power to the Commissioners.

I have, &c., &c.,

(Signed) GREY.

Lieut. Governor Sir John Harvey, K. C. B.

*Board of Trade, 15th January, 1850.*

SIR—

I am directed by the Commissioners appointed by Her Majesty for the promotion of the Exhibition of the Works of Industry of all Nations, to be holden in the year 1851, to request that you will move Earl Grey to communicate the fact of the appointment of the Commission to the Colonial Possessions and Dependencies of the Empire, and to acquaint them that the Exhibition will take place in London in the early part of the year 1851, and that the Commissioners are anxious to be put in communication with such persons or bodies in each Colony from which articles are likely to be sent for exhibition, as are considered likely to command the confidence of those who may become exhibitors. The Commission will have to consider many questions bearing upon the admission of Foreign and Colonial productions, and some of those questions will be of a nature that will make it necessary for them to ascertain the views entertained in different Colonies before deciding upon them.

They wish therefore to have a proper channel of communication with each Colony, and they request that Lord Grey will take such steps as he may think proper for supplying this necessity.

The Exhibition will be divided into four sections:

1st, Raw materials and produce, illustrative of the natural productions in which human industry is employed.

2nd, Machinery for Agricultural, Manufacturing, Engineering, and other purposes, and Mechanical Inventions illustrative of the agents which human ingenuity brings to bear upon the productions of nature.

3rd, Manufactures, illustrative of the results produced by the operation of human industry upon natural productions.

4th, Sculpture, Models, and the Plastic Art generally, illustrative of the taste and skill displayed in such application of human industry.

The Commissioners are engaged in endeavouring to ascertain the amount of space which will be required for the display of these articles, for which purpose they will, of course, require some kind of estimate of the quantities of each which are likely to be sent from different parts of the world. This will be one of the first points upon which they will seek information when placed in communication with the proper parties. They will also have to make inquiries in order to guide them in determining what prizes should be given, for what articles, and under what conditions. This too is a matter which will involve the necessity of Colonial and Foreign correspondence. Moreover, they will need a channel for communicating

cating to the Colonies the regulations they may from time to time adopt for the conduct of the Exhibition; such, for instance, as may relate to the exclusion of particular classes of articles on account of their size, the impossibility of preserving them, or other reasons, or to the time at which articles intended for exhibition must be sent, or to the terms on which they will be admitted.

It is unnecessary to go more into detail upon the present occasion, as Lord Grey will perceive, from what has been already said, that so soon as proper channels of correspondence have been opened the Commissioners will have many matters to which to draw the attention of the Colonies which are likely to take an interest in the undertaking; and I am only to add in conclusion, that it is of much importance that no time should be lost in making these communications as there are several points upon which early information is particularly necessary for the Commissioners.

I have, &c.,

(Signed) STAFFORD H. NORTHCOTE.

Herman Merivale, Esq., &c., &c.

[From the London Gazette of Friday, January 4, 1850.]

*Great Exhibition of the Works of Industry of all Nations, 1851.*

*Whitehall, January 3rd, 1850.*

The Queen has been pleased to issue the following Commission for the promotion of the Exhibition of the Works of Industry of all Nations to be holden in the year 1851, videlicet:

VICTORIA, R.

Victoria, by the Grace of God, of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, Queen, Defender of the Faith; to our most dearly beloved Consort His Royal Highness Francis Albert Augustus Charles Emanuel Duke of Saxony, Prince of Saxe Coburg and Gotha, Knight of our most noble Order of the Garter, and Field Marshal in our Army—our right trusty and right entirely beloved Cousin and Councillor, Walter Francis Duke of Buccleuch and Queensberry, Knight of our most noble Order of the Garter—our right trusty and right well beloved Cousin William Earl of Rosse, Knight of our most illustrious Order of St. Patrick—our right trusty and right well beloved Cousins and Councillors Granville George Earl Granville, and Francis Earl of Ellesmere—our right trusty and well beloved Councillor Edward Geoffrey Lord Stanley—our right trusty and well beloved Councillors John Russell (commonly called Lord John Russell), Sir Robert Peel, Baronet; Henry Labouchere, and William Ewart Gladstone—our trusty and well beloved Sir Archibald Galloway, Knight Commander of our most honorable Order of the Bath, and Major General in our Army in the East Indies, Chairman of the Court of Directors of the East India Company, or the Chairman of the Court of Directors of the East India Company for the time being; Sir Richard Westmacoth, Knight; Sir Charles Lyell, Knight, President of the Geological Society of London, or the President of the Geological Society of London for the time being; Thomas Baring, Esquire; Charles Barry, Esquire; Thomas Bazley, Esquire; Richard Cobden, Esquire; William Cubitt, Esquire, President of the Institution of Civil Engineers, or the President

of the Institution of Civil Engineers for the time being; Charles Lock Eastlake, Esquire; Thomas Field Gibson, Esquire; John Gott, Esquire; Samuel Jones Loyd, Esquire; Philip Pusey, Esquire; and William Thompson, Esquire; Greeting:

Whereas the Society for the promotion of Arts, Manufactures, and Commerce, incorporated by our Royal Charter, of which our most dearly beloved consort, the Prince Albert, is President, have of late years instituted annual exhibitions of the works of British Art and Industry; and have proposed to establish an enlarged Exhibition of the Works of Industry of all Nations, to be holden in London in the year One Thousand Eight Hundred and Fifty-one, at which prizes and medals to the value of at least twenty thousand pounds sterling shall be awarded to the exhibitors of the most meritorious works then brought forward; and have invested in the names of our right trusty and entirely beloved cousin Spencer Joshua Alwyne, Marquess of Northampton; our right trusty and right well beloved Cousin and Councillor, George William Frederick, Earl of Clarendon, Knight of our most noble Order of the Garter; our trusty and well beloved Sir John Peter Boileau, Baronet; and James Courthope Peache, Esquire, the sum of twenty thousand pounds, to be awarded in prizes and medals as aforesaid; and have appointed our trusty and well beloved Arthur Kett Barclay, Esquire; William Cotton, Esquire; Sir John William Lubbock, Baronet; Samuel Morton Peto, Esquire, and Baron Lionel de Rothschild, to be the Treasurers for all receipts arising from donations, subscriptions, or any other source, on behalf of or towards the said Exhibition; our trusty and well beloved Peter le Neve Foster, Joseph Payne, and Thomas Winkworth, Esquires, to be the Treasurers for payment of all executive expenses; and our trusty and well beloved Henry Cole, Charles Wentworth Dilke the younger, George Drew, Francis Fuller, and Robert Stephenson, Esquires, with our trusty and well beloved Matthew Digby Wyatt, Esquire, as their Secretary, to be an executive committee for carrying the said Exhibition into effect, under the directions of our most dearly beloved consort.

And whereas the said Society for the promotion of Arts, Manufactures, and Commerce, have represented unto us that in carrying out the objects proposed by the said Exhibition, many questions may arise regarding the introduction of productions into our Kingdom from our colonies and from foreign countries; also, regarding the site for the said Exhibition, and the best mode of conducting the said Exhibition; likewise, regarding the determination of the nature of the prizes and the means of securing the most impartial distribution of them; and have also besought us that we would be graciously pleased to give our sanction to this undertaking, in order that it may have the confidence, not only of all classes of our subjects but of the subjects of foreign countries.

Now know ye, that we, considering the premises, and earnestly desiring to promote the proposed Exhibition, which is calculated to be of great benefit to Arts, Agriculture, Manufactures, and Commerce, and reposing great trust and confidence in your fidelity, discretion, and integrity, have authorised and appointed, and by these presents do authorise and appoint you our most dearly beloved consort, Francis Albert Augustus Charles Emanuel, Duke of Saxony, Prince of Saxe Coburg and Gotha; you Walter Francis, Duke of Buccleuch and Queensberry; William, Earl of Rosse; Granville George Earl Granville; Francis, Earl of Ellesmere; Edward Geoffrey Lord Stanley; John Russell (commonly called Lord John Russell); Sir Robert Peel, Henry Labouchere, William Ewart Gladstone, Sir Archibald Galloway, or the Chairman of the Court of Directors of the East India Company for the time being; Sir Richard Westmacoth, Sir Charles Lyell, or the President of the Geological Society for the time being;

being ; Thomas Baring, Charles Barry, Thomas Bazley, Richard Cobden, William Cubitt, or the President of the Institution of Civil Engineers for the time being ; Charles Lock Eastlake, Thomas Field Gibson, John Goth, Samuel Jones Loyd, Philip Pusey, and William Thompson, to make full and diligent inquiry into the best mode by which the productions of our colonies and of foreign countries may be introduced into our Kingdom ; as respects the most suitable site for the said Exhibition ; the general conduct of the said Exhibition ; and also into the best mode of determining the nature of the prizes, and of securing the most impartial distribution of them.

And to the end that our royal will and pleasure in the said inquiry may be duly prosecuted, and with expedition, we further, by these presents, will and command, and do hereby give full power and authority to you, or any three or more of you, to nominate and appoint such several persons of ability as you may think fit to be Local Commissioners, in such parts of our Kingdom, and in foreign parts, as you may think fit, to aid you in the premises ; which said Local Commissioners, or any of them, shall and may be removed by you, or any three or more of you, from time to time, at your will and pleasure, full power and authority being hereby given to you or any three or more of you, to appoint others in their places respectively.

And furthermore, we do, by these presents, give and grant to you, or any three or more of you, full power and authority to call before you, or any three or more of you, all such persons as you shall judge necessary by whom you may be the better informed of the truth of the premises, and to inquire of the premises, and every part thereof, by all lawful ways and means whatsoever.

And our further will and pleasure is, that for the purpose of aiding you in the execution of these premises, we hereby appoint our trusty and well beloved John Scott Russell and Stafford Henry Northcote, Esquires, to be our joint Secretaries to this our Commission.

And for carrying into effect what you shall direct to be done in respect of the said Exhibition, we hereby appoint the said Henry Cole, Charles Wentworth Dilke the younger, George Drew, Francis Fuller, and Robert Stephenson, to be the Executive Committee in the premises, and the said Matthew Digby Wyatt to be Secretary of the said Executive Committee.

And our further will and pleasure is, that you, or any three or more of you, when and so often as need or occasion shall require, so long as this our Commission shall continue in force, do report to us in writing, under your hands and seals respectively, all and every of the several proceedings of yourselves had by virtue of these presents, together with such other matters, if any, as may be deserving of our Royal consideration touching or concerning the premises.

And, lastly, we do by these presents ordain that this our Commission shall continue in full force and virtue, and that you our said Commissioners, or any three or more of you, shall and may from time to time, or at any place or places proceed in the execution thereof, and of every matter and thing therein contained although the same be not continued from time to time by adjournment.

Given at our Court at St. James's, the Third day of January, 1850, in the Thirteenth year of our Reign.

BY HER MAJESTY'S COMMAND.

(Signed)

G. GREY.

No. 49.

(See page 519.)

The Committee to whom were referred certain Despatches and other Papers, relating to Head Money levied off certain Passengers arriving at the Port of Pictou, in 1848, in the Barque "Ellen"—beg leave to report.

The Documents submitted consist of—

A Dispatch from the Secretary of State for the Colonies, dated 10th May, 1849, addressed to the Lieutenant Governor.

A Letter, dated London, 5th May, 1849, from the Duke of Sutherland to Earl Grey.

A Letter, dated Scourie, 28th April, 1849, from Evander McIver, Esq., Factor to the Duke of Sutherland.

A Letter from E. McIver, Esq., to Alex. G. McKay, Pictou, dated 9th Feb., 1849.

A Letter, dated Pictou, 31st March, 1849, from Alex. McKay to E. McIver, Esq.

A Letter, dated Charlottetown, P. E. Island, 22nd April, 1849, from T. H. Haviland, Esq., Colonial Secretary, to Mr. Alex. G. McKay.

A Letter from H. Blackadar, Esq., without date, to Alex. G. McKay, and a copy of the 14th Section of the Act regulating the arrival of Emigrants within the Province.

A Letter, dated Halifax, 6th June, 1849, from Henry Trew, Esq., Controller H. M. Customs, to the Provincial Secretary.

A Letter of Wm. Robertson, Esq., dated Pictou, 2nd June, 1849, to H. Trew, Esq.

A Despatch, dated 13th June, 1849, from the Lieutenant Governor to Earl Grey.

A Despatch, dated 1st August, 1849, from Earl Grey to the Lieutenant Governor.

A Despatch from the Lieutenant Governor to the Lieutenant Governor of P. E. Island, dated 15th August, 1849; and—

A Despatch, dated 15th August, 1849, from the Lieutenant Governor to Earl Grey, which latter Despatch appears to have brought this voluminous correspondence to a close.

On referring to the Appendix No. 8, of the Journals for this Session (where all these Despatches and Letters are printed), the House will perceive that these communications have their origin in a claim made by the Duke of Sutherland to the Colonial Office, for the repayment by this Province the amount of Head Money collected at Pictou, from two families which had arrived there in the Barque "Ellen," and who had subsequently proceeded to P. E. Island, without actually landing at the former port. The Provincial Government having ascertained the fact, have promptly remitted the money, and thus the motive which originated the correspondence has been attained.

Your Committee however, cannot refrain from making a few observations on these Despatches and Letters.

It is very evident that nothing could be more cruel (presuming the agent of the Duke of Sutherland possessed an accurate knowledge of the existing regulations and distinct Governments in the North American Colonies) than to ship in a Vessel bound to Pictou, in Nova Scotia, Immigrants whose destination was the Island of Prince Edward. This however is not a singular instance of the kind of

deception which is practiced on the emigrant Highlanders. In the investigation which was made in the matter of the Barque "Lulan" in the last Session before a Committee of this House, it was established by evidence before that Committee, that although the poor passengers expected and were induced to believe that they would be conveyed to Cape Breton and P. E. Island free of expense to themselves, yet, that in fact they were in the first instance shipped in the Clyde, (to which place they had been sent in a steamer from the Highlands) on board a vessel bound to Boston in the United States! a fact which was accidentally discovered by a passenger on board who understood a little of the English language, only just in time to prevent the actual consummation of this deliberate deception. After being landed in Glasgow these poor creatures were ultimately embarked in the "Lulan" to be landed at Pictou, where they arrived suffering from disease and destitution, and it was only through the humanity of the public authorities in Nova Scotia, the survivors evidently reached their destinations at an expense to the Colony (including the head money paid for them at P. E. Island) of upwards of £470.

It may be extremely convenient and beneficial for the Duke of Sutherland and other great landed proprietors in the Islands and Highlands of Scotland, to expatriate a large, and perhaps troublesome, pauper tenantry—and they may not hesitate to expend considerable sums to attain so desirable an object. It would, however, be a matter of sincere pleasure to the Colonies to whom these emigrants are transmitted if some funds were also provided by these noblemen and gentlemen to relieve the Provinces from the expense so often entailed on them by so large an influx of destitute persons, often laboring under infections and contagious diseases. This Province paid in 1848 upwards of £1400 for expenses incurred with sick and poor emigrants landed or cast on its shores; and in addition to this a yearly vote is required to repay to Counties (or to maintain establishments in which transient paupers are received) the large sum of £1700, three-fourths at least of which is expended on the natives of Great Britain and Ireland, having gained no legal settlement within our borders. No tax is levied on persons landing in Nova Scotia from the adjacent Colonies. The total receipt in 1848 for tax on Immigrants amounted to only about £355. And your Committee respectfully think that to adopt the alteration in the existing Law, suggested by Earl Grey, by which passengers professing their intention to proceed to another Colony should be exempted from Head Money, would induce the adoption of a system of fraud and misrepresentation highly injurious, and would lessen considerably the amount of a fund already totally inadequate to liquidate the claims which yearly arise and which it is intended to defray.

All which is respectfully submitted.

JAMES D. FRASER, Chairman,  
W. A. HENRY,  
CHARLES BUDD,  
HENRY MARTELL.

House of Assembly, 2nd March, 1850.



## No. 50.

*(See page 525.)*

The Committee appointed to consider the Petition of Mark P. Martin, of Londonderry, beg to report as follows :

That the Petitioner is the owner of Lands in Truro through which the new Pictou Road has lately been made ; that Petitioner, as far as your Committee can discover, subscribed the sum of Five Pounds towards the completion of the new Road, under the impression that he was to receive Ten Pounds per acre for the land ; that the Commissioners expended the amount subscribed ; that in consequence of some difference of opinion between the Commissioner and Petitioner relative to the price of land, an arbitrament took place, and Petitioner, instead of receiving Ten Pounds per acre, was by the award entitled to receive but Six.—The sum awarded the Petitioner was Twenty-seven Pounds, and he has his Deed ready for the public upon receiving the amount. The Commissioner having expended the subscription, wishes to deduct it from the price awarded to Petitioner for the land. The Petitioner claims the whole sum, which we think by law he is entitled to ; the subscription, although an equitable claim, cannot be legally enforced. We therefore must leave the parties to their respective rights, but suggest the propriety of the value of the land being paid to prevent litigation, and if the subscription has been expended by the Commissioner no doubt upon application to this House it will afford him redress out of the funds allotted to the County.

JOHN C. HALL,  
R. MCG. DICKEY,  
W. W. BENT.

4th March, 1850.

## No. 51.

*(See page 527.)*

The Committee appointed upon the subject of Education, and to consider the various Petitions relating to this branch of the public service, beg leave to report as follows :

That the duties and functions of your Committee have been largely affected and circumscribed by the passage of the School Bill, and other measures in relation to the question of Education, since the House met. That they have had before them the several following Petitions from the Managers of Schools situate in the City of Halifax—

- 1, From the Trustees of the Academy of the Free Church ;
- 2, From the Trustees of the Caledonia Academy ;
- 3, From the Managers of the St. John's Church School ;
- 4, From the Managers of the National, Royal Acadian, African, the School managed by the Rev. F. N. Uniacke, and the Wesleyan School ; and—
- 5, From the Managers of the Infant School ;

But as the House has set apart a particular sum for the County of Halifax, and it is intended to place this under the care of a Board of Commissioners, your Committee have been required to transfer the claims of all to this Board. Upon this ground alone, they refrain from passing any opinion upon their respective merits.

Two

Two Petitions—one from Nathaniel Cattle and others, of Lower Horton, and the other from John Fails and others, of Port LaTour—praying for special aid to enable the Petitioners to support Schools at these two localities for portions of the coloured population, your Committee rejoice to see such a desire animate this section of our people. Both Petitions contain meritorious claims; but as it is the policy of the House to favour no special applications of this kind, they have determined to refer them to the Commissioners of the two Counties, with an earnest recommendation that aid should be afforded to both.

In reply to the prayer of the Petition of Isaac McAnn, licensed School Teacher, in School District No. 9, Granville, requesting the interference of the House to enable him to obtain six months' Salary due from the County funds for Education in consequence of one of the Trustees having refused to sign the required certificate, your Committee think that Petitioner is fairly entitled to the money claimed. One of your Committee, representing that County, has engaged to represent the views of the Committee to the Trustees; should the money not be paid the Committee recommend Legislative measures to have the sum paid to the Petitioner, either by the passage of a Resolution requesting the Commissioners to pay the monies out of the Grant of last year, if not yet expended, or to provide for the payment of it out of the Grant of this year 1850.

The Committee recommend the Petition of Francois Duport to the favourable attention of the Commissioners of Schools for the County of Halifax, and trust that an allowance for a Common School will be granted to him.

They have considered the claims made by Mr. George B. Watson, for his services in conducting the Grammar and Nautical School, at Arichat, C. B., from the 13th May, 1848, to the 1st August, 1849. On examination of the Report of the Special Committee appointed last Session to pass upon services of Mr. Watson for a previous period, they find that £75 was expended and granted for one year's services at the Academy up to 13th May, 1848. By the statements contained in the Petition and Papers submitted, and other proofs obtained, your Committee are satisfied that Mr. Watson kept the Academy for the period stated; but as it appears that the Academy was kept in an efficient state for but a portion of the time, and that towards the latter period the Academy was deficient both from the want of a full Board of Trustees, and the necessary number of Scholars, they recommend that the sum of £50 be voted in full of this claim. This constitutes a charge upon the Treasury, and to be paid out of the undrawn funds voted for the Academy.

The Committee are of opinion that Duncan McKenzie, School Master, of Sydney, has established a fair claim upon the Commissioners for the County of Cape Breton, and request that payment of it be provided by them.

They have not been required to enter into the matter of dispute raised in relation to the conduct of the Academy at Sydney—the policy adopted by the House of withdrawing the grant from that Institution has rendered any action on their part unnecessary.

Your Committee, after due consideration of the Memorial presented by Mr. S. Richardson, Teacher of the Academy at Sydney, and of the explanations afforded by the Trustees, have come unanimously to the conclusion that Mr. Richardson is entitled to part of the balance claimed. They do not consider that he is bound by the resolution passed by the Trustees on the 4th November, 1848, reducing the allowance to be paid out of the Provincial allowance from £75 to £50. Mr. Richardson was then under contract of service for a second year, and the Trustees had not the right, of their own authority, to reduce his allowance—or, in other words, to alter and modify for their advantage, and without the consent of the  
Teacher,

Teacher, the terms of an existing contract. The Committee therefore think that he is entitled to this £25 for the second year, but not for the broken period in the third year. In passing upon this claim the Committee feel it their duty to bring it to the notice of the House, that the Trustees in raising the £100 required by the School Act, were parties to an arrangement by which the requisitions of the law were in part evaded. Hence it is, they agreed to pay Mr. Richardson £100, but from this they deducted £35 for the Rent of the School House, thus reducing practically the sum contributed to £65 in place of £100.

They have considered the Petition of Charles E. Ratchford, Esq., praying a Grant in aid of a Female Seminary lately put in effectual operation at Amherst for the education of young Ladies in a superior style, and including Natural Philosophy, Geography, English Composition, Music, Drawing, and French. The Terms are moderate, being only £30 per annum. The system will be conducted so as to favour the training of Female Teachers. On account of the high reputation of the Teacher, and the usefulness of the Institution, they have agreed to recommend a special Grant of £50, with a distinct understanding, on the part of the Committee, that no future Grant is to be sought for, and that there is no intention by this Grant to recognise a permanent claim upon the bounty of the Legislature.

The Committee regret that they are unable to afford aid to Mr. Wells Condon for his creditable efforts in building a School House at Wilmot out of his own fund, and conducting there an efficient School. They refer his claims to the favorable consideration of the Commissioners of the County, and recommend that out of the funds and books to be provided at the public expense this year, he may be supplied by the Commissioners with the books applied for, and requisite to conduct his useful Night School.

The Committee have not entered into the consideration of the controversy conducted between the Trustees of the Paradise Academy, and the Board of Commissioners of Schools for the County of Annapolis. They could exercise no power over the School funds already expended, and therefore it would be useless to pass upon the claims of this very superior school to a portion of the grant. —Practically the question has been settled by a part of the £100, given to the County for superior Education, being voted to this Institution; they have only to regret that the sum is not larger.

The Committee have carefully examined the Returns annexed to the Petition praying aid for the Wesleyan Academy at Sackville. They call the attention of the House to these Returns, and state their belief that this Institution maintains the high reputation it has hitherto enjoyed.

The Returns for the Academy at Pictou also exhibit that Institution to continue in a very efficient and excellent condition, and affords to that County the benefits of a very superior Academical education. They recommend to the favorable consideration of the House the very satisfactory report of the state of the funds, classes, &c. forwarded by the Secretary, Dr. Anderson.

They have examined also the Returns sent in by the Trustees of Dalhousie College. It has now four Professors or Teachers, one hundred Boys are in attendance, consisting of all classes and sects, and affords to the inhabitants of the city of Halifax an opportunity of giving to their children the advantages of an Academical Education at a very moderate cost. It is not possible to give all the useful details in relation to the three Superior Institutions last referred to in this Report, and therefore recommend that they be fully examined by the House.

The Committee have not examined the returns for Acadia and St. Mary's Colleges. The returns from King's College have not yet been submitted. Being

doubtful whether this subject has been referred to them, they therefore suggest that a special Committee be appointed to take these into consideration, and to prepare an abstract of the returns, for the information of the House and the Country.

And lastly, they annex to this Report the annual Abstract of Common Schools and Academy returns for the past year. Their Chairman has given to these a partial and necessarily imperfect review. It is a responsibility which devolves upon the Commissioner and Officers of the Government, to see that the requisitions of the Law have been met before the money is paid from the Treasury. Your Committee being satisfied from experience that the supervision received by this House affords but a very imperfect check and guarantee.

All which is respectfully submitted.

G. R. YOUNG, Chairman,  
J. W. JOHNSTON,  
STEPHEN FULTON,  
SAML. CREELMAN,  
W. A. HENRY,  
H. BLACKADAR,  
JOHN C. HALL.

No. 52.

(See page 529.)

*A return of the names of Inspectors of Pickled Fish, their Sureties, and of the amount of Security required from each.*

| County.         | Principal Inspectors.           | Sureties.                                                          | Amount.                                                             |
|-----------------|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Halifax,        | W. T. Townsend,<br>Peter Power, | Samuel Carten,<br>T. R. Braine,<br>Thos. Ring,<br>P. Power, Junr., | Five Hundred Pounds each as required by the 1st Section of the Law. |
| Cumberland,     | David Rogers,                   | David J. Rogers,<br>Alexander McKenzie,                            |                                                                     |
| Digby,          | David Bayley,                   | Handley Rice,<br>Benjamin H. Ruggles,                              |                                                                     |
| Lunenburg,      | Casper Metzler,                 | George Geldert,<br>Lewis Hurtle,                                   |                                                                     |
| Shelburne,      | Peter Spearwater,               | Samuel Lock, Junr.,<br>Lewis H. Churchill,                         |                                                                     |
| Sydney,         | Thomas D. Buckley,              | Patrick Power,<br>James Wallace,                                   |                                                                     |
| Queen's County, | Patrick Gough,                  | Philip Carten,<br>John Carten,                                     |                                                                     |
| Richmond,       | John F. Fuller,                 | Michael McNeil,<br>Alex. McDonald,                                 |                                                                     |
| Inverness,      | Peter J. Broward,               | Wm. O. Hefferman,<br>James G. McKeen,                              |                                                                     |
| Yarmouth,       | Daniel Gardner,                 | Benjamin Rogers, Junr.,<br>Nathaniel Gardner,                      |                                                                     |
| Cape Breton,    | Thomas S. Bown,                 | Wm. G. Archibald,<br>John McLean,                                  |                                                                     |
| Guysborough,    | E. H. Franchville,              | Wm. G. Scott,<br>Wm. Moir,                                         |                                                                     |

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*Abstract of Returns of the Chief Inspectors of Pickled Fish for the several Counties for the year 1849.*

|                                 | SALMON.  |     |     |               |         |     | MACKEREL. |    |         |               |      |     | HERRINGS. |     |           | ALEWIVES. |          |      | Total No. of Bbls. 57954<br>Do. 4026 - 161 Fish bbls.<br>No. of Bbls. 3350. | No. of Bbls. 1397.<br>No. of Bbls. 1449. | No. of Bbls. 13219.<br>7349. | £88 13 9 } Fees received.<br>14 0 5 } |           |    |   |   |   |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|---------------------------------|----------|-----|-----|---------------|---------|-----|-----------|----|---------|---------------|------|-----|-----------|-----|-----------|-----------|----------|------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------|------------------------------|---------------------------------------|-----------|----|---|---|---|--|--|--|--|--|--|
|                                 | Barrels. |     |     | Half-barrels. |         |     | Barrels.  |    |         | Half-barrels. |      |     | Bbls.     |     | Hf. bbls. |           | Barrels. |      |                                                                             |                                          |                              |                                       | Hf. bbls. |    |   |   |   |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|                                 | 1        | 2   | 3   | Extra 1       | Extra 2 | 1   | 2         | 3  | Extra 1 | Extra 2       | 1    | 2   | 3         | R.  | 1         | 2         | 1        | 2    |                                                                             |                                          |                              |                                       | 1         | 2  | 1 | 2 |   |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Halifax, June to Octr.          | 1463     | 438 | 458 | 5             | 8       | 14  | 14        | 14 | 1       | 1             | 1    | 1   | 56        | 66  | 55        | 211       | 1        | 1006 | 1262                                                                        | 6                                        | 2                            | 638                                   | 200       | 8  | 1 | 2 | 2 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Do. 15 Nov. to 31 Dec.          | 68       | 29  | 60  |               |         |     |           |    |         | 10            | 11   | 5   | 3         | 3   |           |           |          | 45   | 695                                                                         |                                          |                              | 4                                     |           |    |   |   |   |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Launenburgh, Dec. Qtr.          |          |     |     |               |         |     |           |    |         | 2850          | 381  |     |           |     |           |           |          | 100  | 250                                                                         |                                          |                              |                                       |           |    |   |   |   |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Queen's Co. Sept. Qtr.          | 4        |     |     |               |         |     |           |    |         | 94            | 1    | 2   |           |     |           |           |          | 80   |                                                                             |                                          |                              | 246                                   |           |    |   |   |   |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Do. Decr. Qtr.                  |          |     |     |               |         |     |           |    |         | 78            |      |     |           |     |           |           |          | 1    | 261                                                                         |                                          |                              |                                       |           |    |   |   |   |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Shelburne, Sept. Qtr.           |          |     |     |               |         |     |           |    |         | 1199          |      |     |           |     |           |           |          | 6    | 497                                                                         |                                          |                              | 284                                   |           |    |   |   |   |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Do. Dec Qtr.                    |          |     |     |               |         |     |           |    |         | 4             |      |     |           |     |           |           |          | 16   |                                                                             |                                          |                              |                                       |           |    |   |   |   |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Yarmouth, Sept. Qtr.            |          |     |     |               |         |     |           |    |         | 1199          |      |     |           |     |           |           |          |      |                                                                             |                                          |                              |                                       |           |    |   |   |   |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Do. Dec. Qtr.                   |          |     |     |               |         |     |           |    |         | 4             |      |     |           |     |           |           |          |      |                                                                             |                                          |                              |                                       |           |    |   |   |   |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Digby 1 July to 1 Oct.          | 27       | 3   |     |               |         |     |           |    |         | 3658          |      |     |           |     |           |           |          | 419  | 2                                                                           | 18                                       |                              | 129                                   |           |    |   |   |   |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Guysboro' June Qtr.             | 6        |     |     |               |         |     |           |    |         | 8434          |      |     |           |     |           |           |          | 2977 | 324                                                                         | 553                                      |                              | 230                                   |           |    |   |   |   |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Do. Sept. Qtr.                  |          |     |     |               |         |     |           |    |         | 1037          |      |     |           |     |           |           |          | 519  | 1                                                                           | 37                                       | 1                            | 28                                    |           |    |   |   |   |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Do. Dec. Qtr.                   |          |     |     |               |         |     |           |    |         | 363           |      |     |           |     |           |           |          |      |                                                                             |                                          |                              |                                       |           |    |   |   |   |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Cape Breton, Sept. Qtr.         | 74       |     |     |               |         |     |           |    |         |               |      |     |           |     |           |           |          |      |                                                                             |                                          |                              |                                       |           |    |   |   |   |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Richmond, 1st June to 1st Sept. | 32       |     |     |               |         |     |           |    |         | 2704          |      |     |           |     |           |           |          | 610  |                                                                             | d4                                       |                              | 246                                   |           |    |   |   |   |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Do. 1 Sept to 31 Dec.           | 3        |     |     |               |         |     |           |    |         | 606           |      |     |           |     |           |           |          | 517  |                                                                             |                                          |                              | 174                                   |           |    |   |   |   |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|                                 | 1677     | 470 | 513 | 5             | 13      | 154 | 15        | 1  | 1       | 6220          | 7300 | 267 | 1452      | 226 | 774       | 1         |          | 6296 | 3895                                                                        | 614                                      | 112                          | 1767                                  | 204       | 17 | 3 | 2 |   |  |  |  |  |  |  |

a Nos. 1, 2 & 3. b Extra. c Nos. 1, 2 & 3. d Nos. 1 & 2.

Provincial Secretary's Office, 6th March, 1850.

## No. 53.

(See page 531.)

The Committee appointed to consider the Accounts submitted by the County Boards of Health, for Sick Emigrants, Cases of Small Pox, and Shipwrecked Sailors, beg to report as follows :

1. Of the accounts rendered by the Board of Health for Queen's County, they have agreed only to allow the expenses incurred for a Sailor landed from the American ship Mars. The items are—

|                 |         |         |
|-----------------|---------|---------|
| Dr. Wielobycki, | £1 19 9 |         |
| W. McGill,      | 0 18 4  |         |
| John Carten,    | 3 0 0   |         |
| James Anderson, | 1 0 0   |         |
|                 | <hr/>   | £6 18 1 |

2. County of Guysborough—

|                 |        |        |
|-----------------|--------|--------|
| Dr. John Fox,   | 7 0 0  |        |
| Dr. W. Carritt, | 22 4 0 |        |
|                 | <hr/>  | 29 4 0 |

They have passed these Bill on the vouchers submitted, and the information furnished and said to be within the personal knowledge of one of the members of the Committee. They have been unable to pass the claims submitted by Donald McGregor for the expenses of his own vessel while kept at quarantine at Halifax.

3. Samuel Batt, of P. E. Island.—The Committee would be glad to afford some relief in this case, if in their power ;—there is no fund upon which they could throw this claim as a charge.

4. Wilmot.—These accounts, being for attendance on the resident Poor attacked with Small Pox, does not in the opinion of your Committee constitute any charge upon the Treasury.—It must be provided for out of the funds of the County.

5. Shelburne.—This account cannot be paid out of the Treasury—it must be paid out of other funds.

6. County of Pictou.—Of the accounts rendered by the Board the Committee have passed the following items :—

|                                           |        |         |
|-------------------------------------------|--------|---------|
| A. G. McKay,                              | £1 5 0 |         |
| James Dawson, E. A. McDonald, and others, | 8 14 6 |         |
|                                           | <hr/>  | £9 19 6 |

7. Dr. A. W. Madden.—After due consideration, and on account of the very peculiar circumstances of the claim, the Committee have agreed to recommend that the sum of £20 should be voted--of which £12 10s. should be retained by Dr. Madden in full for his services as Health Officer, and the residue of £7 10s. be divided between the boat-men, according to the service performed. The Committee have passed this sum because it has been clearly established that the Health Officer was under the necessity of boarding several vessels, and had no means of enforcing the payment of his Fees.

8. Richard Huntington —The Committee recommend that this Bill for £3 be paid on being duly certified that the advertisement was published by the authority of the Board of Health, and on the certificate of the Clerk of the Board being produced, that it had not been previously provided for.

9. Yarmouth.—They recommend that the sum of £14 18s. 9d. be voted to the Board of Health at Yarmouth, for expenses in cases of Small Pox.

10. Hants.—They recommend that the sum of £17 1s. be voted to the Board of Health at Windsor, to repay for expenditures for Henry Miller.

11. Halifax.—Your Committee have examined carefully the expenditures made in the City of Halifax for the providing and maintaining an Hospital for the reception of persons afflicted with the Small Pox. They think that Mr. Naylor is entitled to high commendation for the valuable public services he rendered last year to prevent the spread of this loathsome disease, and for the conduct of a public Hospital, where not less than fifty cases were admitted and cured, without compensation and no doubt at a considerable personal outlay. They recommend the House to provide the sum of £22 1s. 4d. to repay the Commissioners of the Poor for the expense of sustaining the Pauper cases transferred to them and kept in the Hospital at Bellevue. This includes the balance of £3 7s. 10d. due on the Hospital Account.

12. Guysborough.—They recommend that £13 6s. 2d. be paid to the Board of Health at Guysborough; the original Accounts rendered by the parties were £28 3s. 4d.; the reduction above was made by the Board.

13. Halifax.—They recommend the sum of £6 15s. to be paid to Dr. Hoffman for attendance on Robert Watson and John Malcolm, both afflicted with Small Pox, and done under the authority of the Mayor and President of the Board of Health.

14. They recommend also the sum of £6 10s. to be paid to Dr. Hoffman for visiting, as Health Officer, Her Majesty's Ships of War and Troop Ships who have entered the Port of Halifax in 1849.

15. Lunenburg.—They have not been able to pass the amount rendered by the Board for this County.

The Committee have still some other claims from Barrington, Guysborough and Inverness, under consideration; but they are not prepared to report upon them. They may bring in another Report at a subsequent period of the Session.

GEO. R. YOUNG, Chairman.  
W. B. TAYLOR,  
JOHN J. MARSHALL,  
SAML. CREELMAN.

Halifax, March 7, 1850.

No. 54.

(See page 531.)

The Committee to whom was referred the Petition of Dr. Hoffman, praying to be repaid for the expenses of defending a suit against Mrs. Mary Fitzgerald, in 1848, as Health Officer for the Port of Halifax, report as follows: That as Dr. Hoffman being Health Officer and acting under the directions of the Board of Health, it is the opinion of the Committee that he should not be accountable in him-

self



self for expenses incurred in defending extravagant claims against the Establishment under his charge ; and recommend the sum of Fifteen Pounds and Twelve Shillings be voted to repay him, that being the amount of expenses, as appears by Bill, certified by the Prothonotary of the Supreme Court.

Also, a Petition of Patrick Gough, of Liverpool, in Queen's County, stating that he being Chief Inspector of Pickled Fish for said Connty, did, at same time during the past season, commence an action at Law, to enforce the penalty against a party who he considered had violated the Act, in relation to the exportation of Pickled Fish ; but failing to recover, and being put to considerable expense, prays this House to grant a sum of money to repay the same ; also, that the law may be so amended that it can be understood in future.

Your Committee cannot recommended any grant to pay the expense of a suit under such circumstances, but recommend the Act regulating the exportation of Pickled Fish be so amended that it will not apply to any package of Fish of less capacity than half-barrels.

THOMAS KILLAM, Chairman,  
JOHN J. MARSHALL,  
HENRY MARTELL,  
JOSHUA SNOW,  
JOHN WIER.

Committee Room, Halifax, 6th March, 1850.

No. 55.

(See page 531.)

The Committee to whom was referred the Accounts and other matters connected with the Provincial Penitentiary, have agreed to report as follows :

That upon examination of the Accounts of the expenditures of the Commissioners for the past year, they are found to be correct.

At the commencement of the year the balance remaining from former grants to the establishment, unappropriated and at the disposal of the Commissioners, was £265 12s. 2d., besides a balance in their hands and drawn from the Treasury of £24 0s. 3d., making in all a balance in favour of the Penitentiary of £289 12s. 5d. The sum granted for defraying the expenses of the Institution for 1849 was £851 12s. 9d., and the sum expended by the Commissioners during the year was £836 18s. 10d., which leaves a balance in favor of the Institution of £304 6s. 4d., of which sum £251 12s. 9d. remained undrawn from the Treasury, and £52 13s. 7d. was in the hands of the Commissioners on the 31st December last.

The Governor reports—" That there is a quantity of Granite dressed and prepared for completing the interior of the building. There is also about one thousand tons of stone raised and partly removed to build a wall around the prison.— The lands under cultivation have been kept in good order, and have yielded 104 bushels of potatoes ; 657 heads of cabbage ; 75 bushels of turnips ; 9 bushels of beans ; 17 bushels of carrots ; and the stones have been cleared off nearly two acres of land."

The sum necessary for sustaining and improving the establishment for the present year, according to an estimate herewith submitted—exclusive of the cost of constructing a wall around the prison—is £863 12s. 2d. They recommend that £850 be granted, and that the balance of former grants be appropriated to the construction

construction of a wall around the building, and other purposes in connection with the establishment.

During the year twenty prisoners have been discharged, four have escaped from the prison, and twelve have been received, leaving but fifteen in custody at the end of the year. One of these is an insane Indian, committed for public safety, so that the number of convicts is only fourteen; of these, seven are natives of England, five of Nova Scotia, one of Ireland, and one of the United States.

The Committee regrets to observe that the behaviour of the Convicts does not appear to be as good as by previous reports it appeared to be in former years, there being but seven whose conduct is reported as good, and four of these are of those committed during the past year. Ten convicts have escaped from the prison, six in May that were again captured, two of these again effected their escape in July, and two others in August, who have not been heard of since.

When the Committee visited the establishment they were pleased with its cleanliness and order.

The Committee have had under their consideration the Petition of Henry Lawson, praying for compensation for losses sustained in recovering, repairing, and for the want of a schooner belonging to Petitioner, and which was stolen from his wharf at the North West Arm by certain prisoners that escaped from the Penitentiary in May last. The amount claimed by Petitioner is £36 5s. 10d. One item of this Account is for loss of the use of the schooner for twenty-four days. The Committee are of the opinion that this claim, which amounts to £12 should not be allowed. But as regards the remaining £24 5s. 10d. they leave the House to decide whether the Petitioner should be allowed it or not.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

SAML. CREELMAN, Chairman.  
 JAMES McLEOD,  
 STEPHEN FULTON,  
 JOHN McDOUGALL,  
 HENRY MIGNOWITZ,  
 JOHN KEDY,  
 M. BECKWITH.

March 7th, 1850.

No. 56.

(See page 534.)

The Committee to whom was referred the Petition of James Black, of Gay's River, beg leave to report, that they have carefully examined the Petitioner's case and found that he had between the 9th of June, 1845, and the 29th of March, 1847, deposited in the Savings' Bank, in Halifax, different sums of money amounting in the whole to £87—that this sum was subsequently drawn out of said Bank by a person named Robert Anderson, who, it appears by claimant's Petition (which has been verified by affidavit) "stole the Bank Books in which the different sums deposited were set down, and presented himself to the Cashier of the Bank with these Books, and succeeded in personating the Petitioner, and drew the sum of £89 0s. 10d., being the principal and interest then due to Petitioner, and afterwards went off to the United States." Under these circumstances and in order that public confidence may not be shaken in the Savings' Bank, by refusing

refusing to pay so equitable a claim as the present appears to your Committee to be, they recommend that the Petitioner be paid the sum of £89 0s. 10d., out of the surplus funds in the said Bank and now at the disposal of the Province.

And your Committee beg further to recommend that some more stringent regulations as to the drawing of Monies deposited in said Bank should be prescribed, so as to render the said Bank less liable to imposition and fraud being practiced than it seems to be the case at present.

**JAMES McLEOD,  
AND W. ROBERTSON,  
SNOW P. FREEMAN.**

No. 57.

(See page 541.)

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No. 213.

*Downing Street, 18th February, 1850.*

SIR—

I have received and laid before the Queen your Despatch of the 5th April last, No. 98, transmitting an Address from the House of Assembly of Nova Scotia praying for an extension of commercial privileges to the Ports of Barrington, Argyle, Cornwallis, Annapolis, Guysborough, and Wallace. I have also received your Despatch dated the 18th of last May, No. 115, enclosing an application from the inhabitants of Annapolis Royal, together with a recommendation in its favor from the Representatives in the General Assembly for that place, requesting that it may be made a Free Port.

You will take an early opportunity of informing the House of Assembly that Her Majesty has been pleased to receive their Address very graciously, and to command me to instruct you to refer the House to the provisions of the 12th and 13th Vict., c. 29, under the authority of which repealing the restrictions imposed on this head by 8th and 9th Vict., c. 93, foreign ships may now resort to any established Port of Entry in Her Majesty's Possessions without any special designation of such Port by Her Majesty as a Free Port, subject, however, to the provision of the 4th clause of the first mentioned Act, which confines the carriage by sea from one part of a Colony to another part of the same Colony.

I am, &c.,

(Signed) GREY.

Lieut. Governor Sir John Harvey, K. C. B., &c. &c. &c.

No. 58.

(See page 541.)

COPY.

No. 214.

*Downing-Street, 20th February, 1850.*

SIR—

I had it in contemplation to direct your attention and that of your Executive Council to the provisions of the Act 12 and 13 Vic., Cap. 66, for enabling Colonial Legislatures to constitute Inland Posts; but I have ascertained from the Minutes of the Assembly, that on the 2nd of this month a Bill was read a second time to enable the Governor, in Council, to make orders for establishing an uniform Rate of Postage in Nova Scotia, and for regulating a Postal arrangement with other Countries.

2. As I presume from this that the Legislature has it in contemplation to avail itself of the provisions of the Imperial Act, on the expiration of the present temporary Provincial Act 12 Vic., cap. 22, I will not enter into particulars on the subject of this proposed enactment, lest my instructions should interfere with arrangements already made, except on one or two points to which it seems necessary to call your attention.

3. There would be great advantages in a simultaneous transfer of the Accounts of the several Colonial Post Offices, those namely of Canada, Nova Scotia, New Brunswick, and if possible Prince Edward Island, on the same day, from the Post Master General to the Provincial Authorities, through the officers of the Imperial Post Office now administering the department under his control.

For obvious reasons that day, if possible, should be a quarter-day.

4. As there is great advantage in avoiding the complication of correspondence with the several Colonies by naming a day beforehand, I propose the 6th October next ensuing, as the day on which it would be most convenient that the transfer should take place simultaneously in these four Colonies. You will signify to the Governor General (to whom I have made the same communication) whether this day will be suitable in your opinion, and that of your advisers.

Should this be otherwise, further correspondence will be necessary.

5. Unless, which I do not anticipate as probable, a particular day is named for this purpose in the Act now passed, or to be passed, by your Legislature, the most convenient course will be that the day should either be fixed by Her Majesty in the Order in Council assenting to the Act, or by the Lieutenant Governor of the Province, if the Act gives him sufficient power.

6. Another point must necessarily engage your attention. The existing Post Office Acts in this Country contain various criminal provisions under which many actions, which where committed by other individuals are either venial or mere breaches of trust, become serious offences in the eye of the Law, and are punished with great severity where committed by officers of the Post Office. I may refer you on this subject to the imperial Acts 5 Geo. 3, cap. 25, 1 Vic. cap. 33, and 1 Vic. cap. 36. As it appears that these enactments relate to offences regarding Letters, &c. under the control of the Post Master General only, it should seem that they will no longer be in force in the Colonies after the transfer; and it will be advisable that the Legislature should adopt the Criminal provisions of these Acts, or others which may appear equally effective for the purpose.

7. I have addressed Despatches to a similar effect to the Lieutenant Governors of New Brunswick and Prince Edward Island, and I shall be glad to hear that measures are in progress for carrying into execution this important object.

I have, &c., &c.,

(Signed) GREY.

Lieut. Governor Sir John Harvey, K. C. B.

No. 59.

(See page 542.)

The Committee to whom was referred the Petition of certain Inhabitants of Rawdon and Douglas, asking for some additional privileges to be granted to the Botanic systems of Medicine, have agreed to report as follows :

That the Petitioners seem to be ignorant of the fact that the existing Statute, passed in the Session of 1847, gives them the right for which they have petitioned, namely, that of applying to the Lieut. Governor to appoint a Board of competent persons to examine the Botanic Practitioners, and, if found qualified, to license them to Practice Medicine and Surgery, on the same footing as other Practitioners, and to compel payment for their services, which is the only disability to which they are now subject—and that they have therefore asked for the very privilege which they now possess—and that there is consequently no necessity for the interference of this Legislature.

JOSEPH HOWE,  
EDWARD. L. BROWN,  
ICHABOD DIMOCK.

Committee Room, 4th March, 1850.

No. 60.

(See page 544.)

The Committee to whom were referred the several Petitions for aid towards Breakwaters, Light Houses, and other Securities to Navigation, beg leave to report as follows :

On the Petition of Marcus Chappell, praying aid to run a Packet between the Bay de Verte and Prince Edward's Island, your Committee do not recommend any Grant.

On the Petition of the Inhabitants of King's County, praying aid to run a Packet between Parsborough and King's County, your Committee cannot recommend any Grant.

On the Petition of the Inhabitants of Sydney, C. B., praying an alteration in the Law respecting Light Duties, so that Vessels in distress or in want of Provisions or other necessaries entering Ports in this Province, might be exempt from the payment of Light Duties—your Committee cannot recommend the proposed change, least the privilege would lead to impositions being practiced.

On the Petition of the Inhabitants of King's County, praying aid to a Break-water

water at Hall's Harbor, your Committee recommend that Twenty-five Pounds be granted and paid, when the Inhabitants shall have subscribed and expended Seventy-five Pounds. This sum is intended to complete a Block now in progress of building, and which lies exposed to the action of the sea.

On the Petition of Edward P. Borden, and others, in King's County, praying aid towards the erection of a Breakwater near the mouth of Windsor River, your Committee recommend that Twenty Pounds be granted and paid when the sum of Sixty Pounds has been subscribed and expended by the inhabitants.

On the Petition of the Inhabitants of Cornwallis praying aid to a Breakwater called Givan's Wharf, your Committee cannot recommend any Grant, as they have reason to believe that the Wharf is now in a good state of repair, and that the same gives every necessary facility for shipping or unloading; and your Committee are of opinion that whilst large sums of the public money have been expended in improvements of this kind—by the aid of which this Wharf is now in an efficient state—any further addition required by increase of trade should be provided for otherwise than from the Treasury.

On Petition of George W. Troop and others, in the County of Annapolis, praying aid for the erection of a Breakwater at or near said Troop's land, accompanied by a large subscription list, your Committee recommend that Fifty Pounds be granted and paid when One Hundred and Fifty Pounds shall have been subscribed and expended by the inhabitants.

On the Petition of the Inhabitants of Indian Harbor, County of Guysborough, praying aid to a Breakwater at that place, your Committee recommend that Twenty-five Pounds be granted and paid when the inhabitants shall have subscribed and expended Seventy-five Pounds.

On the Petition of the Inhabitants of Parrsborough, praying aid towards the erection of a Wharf or Landing-place at or near Parrsborough, for the accommodation of Steamboats and other trade of the Basin of Mines, your Committee recommend that Twenty Pounds be granted and paid when the inhabitants shall have subscribed and expended Sixty Pounds.

On the Petition of the Margaretteville Pier Company at Wilmot, praying for a grant of money to enlarge and extend the Pier, your Committee do not recommend any Grant, considering this Pier in the same condition as Givan's Wharf.

On the Petition of the Inhabitants of Canso, County of Guysborough, praying aid to open a Channel or Canal from George's Harbor to Canso, your Committee recommend that Ten Pounds be granted and paid when the inhabitants have subscribed and expended Thirty Pounds.

On the Petition of James Munro, of Sydney, C. B., praying aid to a Packet between Sydney and the Mines, your Committee do not recommend any Grant.

On the Petition of Neil McIntosh, praying aid to a Ferry between Low Point and the North Bar, and between the North Bar and Sydney, your Committee do not recommend any Grant.

On the Petition of the Inhabitants of Cape Sable Island, County of Shelburne, praying aid to cut a Canal for the purpose of drawing off water that overflows and injures the public road, your Committee recommend that the Members for that County provide for the same from the County Road Grant.

On the Petition of Robert McNutt, Ferryman at River Philip, County of Cumberland, praying aid to that Ferry, your Committee do not recommend any Grant.

On the Petition of the Inhabitants of Tracadie, in the County of Sydney, praying aid towards opening a new Channel to that Harbor, accompanied by a large subscription list, your Committee recommend that the sum of One Hundred Pounds

Pounds be granted for that purpose, and paid when Two Hundred Pounds have been subscribed and expended by the Inhabitants. Your Committee have been induced to raise the proportion in this particular case in consequence of plans and specifications shewing the practicability of the undertaking having been submitted to them.

On the Petition of Messrs. Archibald & Co., on behalf of the Inhabitants of Cape Breton, praying aid towards deepening the entrance to the Harbor or inlet at Ingonishe, your Committee having found, on reference to the appropriation Act of last year, that a sum voted on the usual terms towards that object is yet undrawn; and no plans or estimate of the probable cost of the undertaking having been submitted, your Committee cannot recommend any further grant at present.

Your Committee have considered the several Petitions of the Inhabitants of Port Medway, for a Light House at that place; from the Inhabitants of Barrington, for a Light House at Baccaro Point, near that place; and from the Inhabitants of Arichat, for a Light House at Isle Madame; and dispose of them by the following general recommendation, in which they are included:

Your Committee recommend that the sum of Two Thousand Pounds be granted and placed at the disposal of his Excellency the Lieutenant Governor, for the purpose of having erected during the ensuing season the several Light Houses hereafter mentioned—being of opinion that that portion of the Public Revenue cannot be more beneficially applied for the general interests of the Province.

Your Committee recommend that a Light House be erected either at Cape Sable or Baccaro Point, as may hereafter be decided on.

Also—A Beacon Light be erected at the South entrance of the Gut of Canso.

Also—At the South entrance of the Grand Passage, County Digby.

Also—At Port Medway, Queen's County.

Also—At Horton Bluff, King's County.

Your Committee also recommend that the Beacon Light House at Isle Madame be lighted as early as it can conveniently be done.

Your Committee beg to suggest that some of the objects hereinbefore recommended have not been petitioned for this Session; but on reference to the Reports of Committees on this subject for the past ten years, they have found that during that period they have all been applied for, and from time to time recommended as of the greatest importance.

Your Committee have also examined the Report and Accounts of the Light House Commissioners for the past year, from which it appears that all the establishments are supplied with the necessary stores to last until July next.

Your Committee have had laid before them a series of questions emanating from the Lords of the Admiralty, and submitted for answer to the proper Officers of this Government upon the subject of Light Houses in this Province, and they are of opinion, from the nature of the questions, that if proper representations were made, the Lords of the Admiralty would provide the necessary funds for the erection of a few Light Houses on the Coast of this Province, and pay a portion of the yearly expense of the same—particularly at the two places hereinafter mentioned. Your Committee therefore recommend that the necessary steps be immediately taken for bringing this subject under the consideration of the Lords of the Admiralty, and that application be made to them for funds to erect a Light House at or near Jedore, in the County of Halifax, and another at Cape George, in the County of Sydney, as it is of the greatest importance that lights should be provided at both those places; and nothing but the want of means prevents your Committee from recommending their immediate erection. Jedore is surrounded

by dangerous Ledges, and lies nearly in the direct track of the Royal Mail Steamers from Halifax to Liverpool; and Cape George is the great leading mark for vessels coming down the Gulf of Saint Lawrence and passing through the Gut of Canso, the great thoroughfare for British Ships in the timber trade with the lower ports in the Gulf of St. Lawrence, and a large portion of the vessels freighted between Europe and Quebec. Vessels are lost every year at or near Cape George, in consequence of the tendency of the tide towards the land operating at night unknown to the mariner.

THOMAS KILLAM, Chairman.  
H. Y. MOTT,  
WILLIAM CARD,  
DANIEL MOORE,  
W. A. HENRY,  
HUGH McDONALD,  
JOSHUA SNOW,  
JOHN WIER.

Committee Room, 11th February, 1850.

No. 61.

(See page 544.)

The Committee to whom were referred the Accounts of Payments out of the Casual and Territorial Revenue, beg leave to Report:

They have examined the Accounts submitted for the year ending 31st December, 1849.

The Act of the Legislature transferring the Crown Revenues to the control of the Provincial Authorities, came into operation on the 30th day of June last, and the Salaries previously paid out of this fund have since that date been borne on the General Revenues of the Country. One Thousand Two Hundred Pounds Currency was also advanced from the Provincial Treasury to pay up the Salaries to 30th June, which sum is duly credited in the Accounts.

The Balance in the hands of the Treasurer of the Casual Revenue, as per Report of Committee, 1849, (see Appendices to Journals of that year, Nos. 35 and 98,) was stated at £676 17s. 10d.; this Balance was composed in part of the sum of £52 10s., which was retained in the Treasurer's hands and added to the Balance of his Account by the Committee, (being a portion of the Salary of the Master of the Rolls, which was payable from this fund,) to award the action of the Legislature thereon, in the last Session—and which was paid to the Master of the Rolls in the year 1849, and is not charged in the Account submitted, but the Account commences with the sum of £624 7s. 10d., the amount as originally stated as the Balance in hand 31st December, 1848.

The Accounts therefore appear correct, and the amount of funds in hand were paid in to the Receiver General in the month of January, 1850.

The ordinary Fees collected at the Secretary's Office for the past year, as per Statement annexed to the Account Current, amount to £776 10s. 4d. currency.

The subject of the Rent and Royalty payable by the General Mining Association,



tion, and which is especially referred to in the Report of the Committee in 1849, appears to have engaged the attention of the Provincial Government, and a compromise has been made with the Agent of the Association, by which a sum of upwards of £800 has, since the end of the year, been paid to the Receiver General, in addition to the usual annual Rent and Royalty.

As your Committee understand that the Agent of the Company consented to pay the annual Rent of £3000 sterling at the present Halifax currency, not only for the time past but in future, making a difference of upwards of £270, on condition of the Government waiving any claim against them for Slack Coals raised and sold to 30th December, 1849, leaving it to the Assembly to decide whether Royalty shall be charged against them for any Slack Coal raised and sold since that period.

This subject, therefore, will require the action of the Legislature at the present Session.

All which is respectfully submitted by your Committee.

JOHN CAMPBELL,  
JOHN J. MARSHALL,  
ICHABOD DIMOCK.

House of Assembly, March, 1850.

No. 62.

(See page 544.)

The Committee to whom were referred the Expenses of the Stud Horse Bell-Founder Morgan, beg leave to Report—that charges against this Horse to a large amount have been laid before them by the different persons who had the Horse in charge during the past year.

That as no Account has been laid before the Committee (although asked for) of the services performed by the Horse in Musquodoboit, Stewiacke, and Middle River—the places to which said Horse was assigned by Resolution of this House, passed on the 28th March, 1849—and as they are of opinion that these places ought to have kept him free of expense to the Province, they are unwilling at present to report that any of these charges be paid out of the Provincial funds, other than the charge of £3 4s., made by E. Creelman, for his keep for sixteen days.

The Committee further report that the Bell-Founder Morgan has been sold at public auction, and the nett proceeds of such sale, amounting to £5 12s. 6d., paid into the hands of the Receiver General.

With reference to the Stud Horse "Norfolk," the Committee beg to report that a Petition from Cumberland has been laid before them, praying this House would allow that County his services for the ensuing season, and also a guarantee that he should be kept free of expense to the Province, till the end of the present year.

The Committee have also had before them, a Letter from Pictou, requesting that the "Norfolk" should be sent into that County for the ensuing season.

The Committee are of opinion and beg leave to recommend, that whatever  
County

County or places the said Horse may be assigned for the next season, the same should keep him free of expense to the Province, and return him in good condition at the end of a year from the date of receiving him.

All which is respectfully submitted.

R. McG. DICKEY,  
J. SANGSTER,  
JAMES McLEOD,  
A. L. ARCHIBALD.

28th February, 1850:

No. 63.

(See page 545.)

The Committee to whom was referred the Petition of the Grand Division of the Sons of Temperance, praying an Act of Incorporation, report—

That the Order of the Sons of Temperance has in view two objects—the promotion of Temperance, its chief and moving purpose; and auxiliary to that purpose, the assistance of its members and their families in cases of sickness and death.

From the last Quarterly Return of the Grand Division there appear to be in this Province 79 subordinate Divisions of the Order, comprising 3,904 members; in these Divisions during the Quarter there appears to have been paid in £758 8s. 4d., and the sum of £159 14s. 4d., paid out for benefits or relief to members; and the sum of £2,211 10s. 6d. is returned as the cash remaining on hand, including money invested.

The Committee is of opinion that the influence of the Order of the Sons of Temperance is favorable to the highest interests of the Province, and that this House may with safety and propriety extend to the Order the measure of legislation prayed for, and which has been found necessary for giving efficacy to its organization.

The Committee report a Bill for that purpose.

J. W. JOHNSTON,  
JOHN CAMPBELL,  
STEPHEN FULTON,  
THOMAS KILLAM.

Halifax, 11th March, 1850.

No. 64.

(See page 547.)

The Committee to whom was referred several Petitions relating to Pilotage, Pilots, and Harbor Masters, beg to report as follows—

On the Petition of the Pilots of the port of Pictou, praying an alteration in the Law regulating the rates of Pilotage for that port; also, from the Inhabitants and Shipowners of Arichat, praying that the Law remain as it now is—your Committee do not recommend any alteration, as the Law was passed at the last Session of this Legislature, and has been in operation only part of a season.

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On the Petition of Thomas S. Bown, Harbor Master for the port of Sydney, Cape Breton, praying that the Law regulating the Fees chargeable on vessels at that port for Harbor Master, may be so amended that all vessels under 150 tons, (coasters excepted) be chargeable at the rate of One Half-penny per ton as Harbor Master's Fees—introduce a Bill to amend the Law in conformity with the Petition.

On the Petition of the Pilots for the Port of Halifax, praying an alteration in the law regulating Pilots and Pilotage—recommend that the law be amended so that Pilots will not be compelled to renew their Licenses yearly, and introduce a Bill to that effect.

On the Petition of Peter Moser and others, of Rose Bay, and other places in the County of Lunenburg; also the Petition of George Mitchell and others, of Margaret's Bay, in said County, praying power may be given the Sessions of that County to make regulations for anchoring of vessels in those places, and for the protection of the Fishermen and their Nets from damage by vessels anchoring during the night in the vicinity of the same—your Committee cannot recommend the prayer of Petitioners, that is, of giving authority to the Sessions of any County to make regulations involving general interests, considering it would be delegating to them a power of too much importance for any local body to be possessed of. At the same time your Committee think the Fishing interest of the different Harbor Bays and Coast of this Province should be so regulated that all Her Majesty's subjects could participate equally and fairly, and the Fishery be protected from injury. Your Committee also beg to state that they have given this subject their best attention, and cannot, with the information they possess, suggest any general enactment.

THOMAS KILLAM, Chairman.  
HENRY MIGNOWITZ,  
SNOW P. FREEMAN,  
WILLIAM CARD.

Committee Room, Halifax, 12th March, 1850.

No. 65.

(See page 547.)

The Committee to whom was referred the Despatches on the subject of the Admiralty Court, Appendix No. 9, Report as follows—

The measures adopted by the Lords of the Admiralty with reference to the Admiralty Court are, with trifling exceptions, in conformity with propositions of the Committee of the Canadian Executive Council; and their Lordships require Earl Grey to cause their Lordships to be informed whether his Lordship is prepared to make any reference to the Governments of those Colonies proposing reduction of Fees, which would seem a requisite preliminary to the establishment in them of a similar Tariff, inasmuch as the adoption of such Tariff would involve the necessity for provision, as in the case of Canada, for the payment from the Colonial funds, of salaries to the Judges and other Officers of the respective Courts. The Committee are of opinion that a reduction of the Tariff of Fees, similar to that in Canada, is very desirable, but cannot recommend that it should be purchased by a further charge on the Revenue for Salaries to the Officers of the Court. In Canada the Judge has a Salary of

£200 per annum allowed him, and it is recommended that the Registrar should have a Salary of £100 per annum, and that the Marshal should have £50 per annum, in addition to the Fees provided by that Tariff. The Committee consider the Tariff submitted to them a great improvement on the existing Table of Fees, and consider it will materially relieve the people seeking that Court from a heavy tax if the object can be obtained without providing Salaries for the Officers. They deem any other change injudicious as the Admiralty Court is never entered except when redress can not be procured before other Courts, on account of expense. The number of suits in that Court for the last year is only one.

JAMES B. UNIACKE, Chairman.  
S. P. FREEMAN,  
C. F. HARRINGTON.

Halifax, 10th March, 1850.

No. 66.

(See page 548.)

*Halifax, 12th March, 1850.*

The Committee to which was referred the Petitions presented on the Liquor Trade and License Laws, (dissentient some of its members) reports as follows:—

The Petition of John McKay, Esqr. and a large number of persons in the County of Pictou, informs the House that the habits of the people in that County, in respect to the use of intoxicating liquors, have been steadily improving; that the Laws regulating the traffic are sufficiently restrictive and are faithfully observed; that greater restrictions would lead to violation of the Laws, and throw an illicit trade in intoxicating liquors into the hands of men without property or character.

The Petition of William Brown, Junior, and many others, including a number of female names, complains of the low rate at which licenses are granted as injurious, and of the mischief that attends permitting persons engaged in the sale of general merchandize to sell spirituous liquors; and represents it to be inconsistent in a Christian people to use, for general purposes of revenue, monies arising from a traffic accessory to the temporal and eternal ruin of their fellow beings. This Petition prays the appointment of a Committee for collecting Statistics upon the effects of the Liquor Trade; the raising of the price of Licenses; the repeal of the Law granting general Licenses in Pictou; and the placing of the License Fund with the Courts of Session, to accumulate for founding a Lunatic Asylum.

The Petition of John Tempest, Esquire, and others, of Dartmouth, states that in the village of Dartmouth there are about twelve houses in which ardent spirits are sold by Law, most of them combining the sale of groceries; that they are public nuisances, and snares to the young and unsuspecting, who are allured through them to their ruin. The Petition prays that if Licenses must be granted they should be restricted to a very few Tavern Licenses, and that the sale of Spirits in the same building wherein groceries are sold may be no longer tolerated.

The Petition of Mr. W. M. Brown, and others, of Halifax, prays that measures may be adopted tending to the seizure and condemnation of Spirits illegally imported, and that the article when seized may be destroyed—one reason given, being the general noxious quality of the Spirits smuggled into Halifax.

The Petition of the Grand Pre Division, No. 47, of the Sons of Temperance, located

located in Horton, prays the destruction of intoxicating Liquors seized for illicit importation, and of the casks containing them; that power be granted to Justices of the Peace to make search, on due complaint, for Liquors concealed for the purpose of unlicensed sale; and that proceedings against parties for illegal sale of intoxicating liquors be not set aside on appeal on account of informality in the proceedings, but that the Court hear the case *de Novo*.

The Petition of the Grand Division of the Sons of Temperance prays that the License Laws may be made more efficient, and that the sale of intoxicating liquors in places where groceries are sold be prohibited.

The Committee annex a Return of the number of Licenses granted in Halifax for four years past.

The Committee has received evidence of the peculiarly noxious quality and maddening influence of the new Spirituous Liquors, the subject of illicit importation from the United States, which give them a pre-eminence in the properties for evil over most other intoxicating liquors.

Your Committee rejoices in the testimony of so many witnesses to the improvement in the County of Pictou in a matter of vital importance to the prosperity of the County. The Committee is also pleased to see that in that County the influence of the female sex is active and well directed on a subject deeply affecting social and domestic happiness. The appeal of those exposed to suffer most acutely from the progress of intemperance is entitled to the peculiar sympathy and regard of the Legislature.

Your Committee, on the question of legislating in aid of Temperance, is of opinion that legislation against the importation, manufacture and sale of intoxicating liquors ought to be no other limit than the power and effectiveness of legislative measures to attain the object sought, the Committee believing that all advantages resulting from the sale of these liquors—whether commercial, fiscal, or other—are entirely insignificant in comparison with the evils inevitable upon their use; and in an especial manner the Committee look upon the License Laws as a system continued only with a view to moderate, restrain and abridge a mischief, which the Legislature has not the power entirely to suppress.

The Committee, for reasons that were last year fully discussed in the House, recommends that the sale of intoxicating liquors be disconnected from the sale of groceries and other articles, and that the sale by retail be confined to Taverns kept bona fide for purposes of general entertainment, and wherein intoxicating liquors shall be sold only for use on the premises.

The Licenses will thus be distinguished into two classes—*Shop Licenses*, under which intoxicating Liquors can only be sold above a limited quantity (which the Committee recommends to be continued at a quart) in shops exclusively devoted to such sale, and wherein no intoxicating liquors shall be drunk; and *Tavern Licenses*, under which intoxicating liquors shall only be sold by retail for use on the premises in houses qualified to furnish general entertainment.

The Committee recommend that the amounts paid for Licenses be raised very considerably above the present rates.

Also that the nett amount realized from monies paid for Licenses be no longer devoted to local uses, but be paid into the Provincial Treasury to a separate account, to be appropriated, by Legislative enactment, toward supporting a Lunatic Asylum, or an Alms-house in the several Counties—the Penitentiary, or some other institution whose inmates, when there incarcerated, are chiefly provided through the instrumentality of the licensed importation and sale of intoxicating Liquors.

The Committee makes this recommendation not simply on the principles of retributive

retributive justice, but also because the policy is likely to be beneficial of securing the Licence fund for local interests.

The Committee recommends that greater power be given for the detection of the illicit sale of Liquors, and that the legal proceedings for the conviction of offenders be made more simple and certain.

The Committee is further of opinion that all intoxicating Liquors seized and condemned for illicit importation should be destroyed, with the casks containing them; and that the seizing officers be remunerated from the Public Treasury. The Committee forms this opinion in consequence of the collusions that may attend sales of forfeited Liquors, and of the noxious quality of much of these Liquors.

The Committee recommends the publication, semi-annually, of the names of all persons holding Licenses, and of their sureties.

The Committee reports a Bill for carrying out the objects recommended in the report.

J. W. JOHNSTON, Chairman.  
M. BECKWITH,  
SAML. CREEMAN,  
JOHN CAMPBELL.

*Return of Licenses issued within the City of Halifax, in the years 1846, 1847, 1848 and 1849.*

|                              |       |
|------------------------------|-------|
| 1846.                        |       |
| Tavern Licenses,             | 101   |
| Tavern and General Licenses, | 87    |
| Shop Licenses,               | 6     |
|                              | <hr/> |
|                              | 194   |
| 1847.                        |       |
| Tavern Licenses,             | 98    |
| Tavern and General Licenses, | 79    |
| Shop Licenses,               | 8     |
|                              | <hr/> |
|                              | 185   |
| 1848.                        |       |
| Tavern Licences,             | 108   |
| Tavern and General Licenses, | 62    |
| Shop Licenses,               | 8     |
|                              | <hr/> |
|                              | 178   |
| 1849.                        |       |
| Tavern Licenses,             | 137   |
| Tavern and General Licenses, | 46    |
| Shop Licenses,               | 9     |
|                              | <hr/> |
|                              | 192   |

[A. true Extract.]

JAMES S. CLARKE, City Clerk.

## No. 67.

(See page 548.)

The Committee to whom the claims for Seamen and for cases of Small Pox were referred, beg leave to report further, as follows :

*Sydney.*—They recommend that the sum of Three Pounds be voted for Archibald McDonald, Esquire, M. D., for services in a case of Small Pox, under the directions of the Board of Health.

*Cape Breton.*—They recommend payment to be provided for the following services :

Expenses of Board of Health—

|                                                  |          |
|--------------------------------------------------|----------|
| Halifax House, 9s. 6d., and W. C. McKinnon 20s., | £1 9 6   |
| Dr. Foreman,                                     | £6 5 10  |
| Do.,                                             | 7 10 0   |
|                                                  | 13 15 10 |
|                                                  | £15 5 4  |

The two above sums for Dr. Foreman are for services rendered by him to two Shipwrecked Sailors, Bradford and Thompson, the one belonging to the Ship "Peels One", and the other to the "Belinda," both wrecked in Cape Breton, and there being no funds saved from the sales of the materials.

*Barrington.*—They recommend that the House vote the sum of Twenty Pounds, in full of the accounts rendered for the case of William Kenny, afflicted with Small Pox, and taken in charge by the Board of Health. They think that the division of this Bill should be left to the Board. They have had some difficulty in passing on this claim, and advise the payment of the sum suggested, because necessary to relieve the Board from the liabilities they have incurred.

*Guysborough.*—In addition to the sums before voted for this County, they recommend that the sum of £12 13s. 5d. be paid to Mr. James G. McKeen, for supplies furnished by him to persons afflicted with the Small Pox, under the authority of Dr. Carritt, who had been duly appointed by the Board of Health ; and also the sum of £3 to pay Mr. Styles Hart, the Clerk of the Peace, for publishing notices in different parts of the County, at the request of the Board.

*Inverness.*—They recommend that the sum of £6 11s. 7d. be paid to George C. Lawrence, for provisions and other outlays incurred for the crew of the Schooner Clarinda. As the vessel belongs to the Port of Newcastle, in the neighbouring Province of New Brunswick, they suggest that this claim forms a charge upon the Legislature of that Province, which ought to be pressed without delay. They recommend also that the sum of £9 15s. be paid to Mr. Lawrence for expenditures for the relief of the crew of the Brig Philemon.

*Shelburne.*—They have agreed to recommend that the sum of £5 12s. be voted to the Board of Health at Shelburne, to meet the outlay made under their authority for the relief of Andrew Hagan, a Coloured Sailor, landed at that Port and suffering under Small Pox.

In closing this Report the Committee beg to state that they have deferred all claims for Vaccination, and the local expenses of the Boards of Health, to be provided for by the different Counties, under the Bill passed in relation thereto.

They are unanimously of opinion that all expenses incurred by the Boards hereafter, for cases of actual Small Pox—unless a strong and peculiar case upon the bounty of the Legislature occur, from a body of Emigrants afflicted with some infectious disease being unexpectedly thrown into one of our Seaports—be paid out of the County funds, it being, in their opinion, practically impossible to prevent otherwise extravagant expenditure. They lastly recommend that it should be distinctly published in some effective way, by the Executive, that no claims whatever shall be hereafter entertained by this House unless the Resolutions passed last Session be strictly complied with.

All which is respectfully submitted.

GEO. R. YOUNG, Chairman,  
J. J. MARSHALL,  
W. B. TAYLOR,  
CHARLES BUDD,  
HENRY MARTELL,  
SAML. CREELMAN.

Halifax, March 11th, 1850.

No. 68.

(See page 549.)

The Committee to whom the Petition of John Kelly, and others, colored persons residing at Preston, was referred, have agreed to report, and do report as follows:—

Your Committee have no reason to doubt but that owing to the failure of the Hay crop during the last season, as from other circumstances, the poor colored people at Preston, as in other sections of the County, are in a state of suffering and destitution; that they will feel this pressure the more as the season advances, and that in the spring of the year they will not be able to provide themselves with seed. They cannot, however, (in recommending relief) confine the proffered aid to the Petitioners; because they have reason to believe other portions of the same description of population stand in equal need.

They therefore respectfully submit to the House that the sum of £50 be placed at the disposal of His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor, to be expended in affording relief to the colored people generally, either in the purchase of provisions or seed, as circumstances may require and shall be approved of.

All which is respectfully submitted.

H. BLACKADAR,  
JOHN RYDER,  
WILLIAM CARD.

House of Assembly, March 6, 1850.



## No. 69.

(See page 556.)

The Committee appointed to suggest Regulations for the future management of the Savings' Bank, in reference to Deposits of Money therein, and payments therefrom, beg leave to report as follows—

They recommend that the existing Regulations be continued, excepting so far as altered by this Report.

They recommend that in place of the Rule now in force, requiring a Power of Attorney and other formalities to be adopted to enable a Depositor to withdraw even a small sum from the Bank unless attending in person, that the following plan be substituted :

There shall accompany each Deposit Book a Ticket made of Paste Board or some thick and strong substance, on which shall be written in figures and letters a number to correspond with the number of the Deposit Book and the number in the Ledger of the Bank. This Ticket shall be signed by the Cashier, and on it shall be legibly printed or written the following words—

“Caution to Depositor. Keep this Ticket in some safe place distinct from your Deposit Book.”

In the Rules and Instructions which are printed and annexed to the Deposit Book, the following should also be added—

“Deposits may be made at the Bank at the usual times by the production of this Book without the Ticket.”

“No Money can be withdrawn from the Bank or paid out by the Cashier without the production of both this Book and the Ticket.”

“As the Bank will not be responsible for the payment of any Money improperly or fraudently withdrawn, provided the Book and Ticket are both presented at the Bank, Depositors are cautioned to keep this Book in some place distinct from the Ticket, so as to prevent the probability of *both* being stolen from them.”

“If either the Ticket or Book is lost notice should at *once* be given at the Bank.”

This plan, your Committee believe, will prove a safeguard alike to the Depositors and the Officers of the Bank, as it is evidently quite impossible, under the present system, for the Cashier to be able to detect a fraud unless he is personally acquainted with the Depositor, Deposits being often made by agents for the parties interested, and no ready means of ascertaining whether or not a Power of Attorney be genuine, is within his reach.

All which is respectfully submitted.

JAMES D. FRASER, Chairman.

House of Assembly, 15th March, 1850.

## No. 70.

(See page 500.)

The Committee to whom has been referred the Petition of James Stephen, praying a continuation of the bounty of the Legislature to Campbell Sutherland Stephen, his son, a Deaf Mute, now in the Institution for Deaf and Dumb at Glasgow, Report as follows :—

That the said Campbell S. Stephen has been at the above Institution since 1845, during

during which he has cost £72, and the Legislature has contributed £69 19s. 5d.—of which £15 was appropriated to defray the expense of his return. Petitioner states that there is due £24 sterling in February last, and that he will require £20 sterling to defray the expense till 1st February, 1851. The Committee have agreed to recommend the House to grant the former sum, amounting to £30 currency. The Committee have also considered the application of Donald McDonald, of St. Ann's, and recommend the sum of £26 be granted for the education of his child at an Asylum at Hartford, or some other Asylum in the United States of America. The Committee are of opinion, while they participate in the sympathy with which these afflicted members of the community are viewed, that the Executive should require an account and vouchers for the expenditure of such sums as are appropriated to this humane service.

JAMES B. UNIACKE, Chairman.  
EDWARD L. BROWN.

Halifax, 10th March, 1850.

No. 71.

(See page 560.)

The Committee on the Probate Law beg leave to report as follows:—

Your Committee have considered the Act now in force, and recommend only one alteration to be made, that is to say, the addition of the following words to the 16th Section of the Act passed in 1842 relating to the Courts of Probate—“on the application of one or more creditors duly proved to him to be such creditor or creditors.”

Your Committee are however of opinion, some change should be made in the Table of Fees annexed to said Act, and recommend the adoption of the revised Table hereunto annexed, relating to the offices of Judge and Registrar.

W. A. HENRY, Chairman.  
SAML. CREELMAN,  
HENRY MIGNOWITZ,  
JOHN J. MARSHALL,  
W. B. TAYLOR.

Committee Room, 14th March, 1850.

JUDGES' FEES.

|                                                                                                                        |        |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------|
| Every Citation, including Order for same,                                                                              | £0 2 0 |
| Every Order not herein specially provided for,                                                                         | 0 2 0  |
| For the Probate of a Will or Letters of Administration, where the Estate does not exceed £200, and Order for the same, | 0 16 8 |
| Where above £200, not exceeding £1000, and Order,                                                                      | 1 0 0  |
| Where above £1000, and Order,                                                                                          | 2 6 8  |
| Warrant of Appraisement, and Order for same,                                                                           | 0 2 6  |
| Every Subpœna, Attachment, Execution, or other process not otherwise provided for, including Order for same,           | 0 1 0  |
| Letters ad Colligendum,                                                                                                | 0 10 0 |
| Appointment of Commissioners to examine and settle claims of Creditors,                                                | 0 5 0  |
| Sentence                                                                                                               |        |

|                                                                                                                                                                                                              |         |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------|
| Sentence or Decree in ordinary cases of granting License to Sell, Mortgage, or Lease Real Estate; Passing Accounts of Distribution, &c.                                                                      | £0 10 0 |
| Sentence or Decree for Probate of a Will or Codicil Letters of Administration; or granting License to Sell, Mortgage, or Lease Real Estate, Passing Accounts of Distribution, &c., where there is a contest, | 1 10 0  |
| Transmitting Appeal with statement of Decision,                                                                                                                                                              | 1 3 4   |
| Taking Testimony in writing, each folio, where there is a contest,                                                                                                                                           | 0 1 0   |
| Warrant to Appraise or divide Real Estate on petition of parties,                                                                                                                                            | 0 5 0   |
| Dedimus Potestatem to take Depositions of Witnesses, and Order therefor,                                                                                                                                     | 0 5 0   |
| Appointing and allowing Guardians to Minors, and Order therefor,                                                                                                                                             | 0 15 0  |
| Every Oath administered by him,                                                                                                                                                                              | 0 1 0   |
| Examining and Taxing Costs,                                                                                                                                                                                  | 0 2 6   |

## REGISTRAR'S FEES.

|                                                                                                                  |        |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------|
| Filing every Paper;                                                                                              | £0 0 4 |
| Probate of Will or Letters of Administration, and entry of Order therefor, where the Estate is under £200,       | 0 16 8 |
| Where above £200 and not exceeding £1000,                                                                        | 1 0 0  |
| All above £1000,                                                                                                 | 2 6 8  |
| Letters of Guardianship or ad Colligendum, and entry of Order,                                                   | 0 10 0 |
| Copy of Will and Probate, each folio of 100 words,                                                               | 0 0 6  |
| Preparing bond in all necessary cases,                                                                           | 0 4 0  |
| Preparing Citation and Seal,                                                                                     | 0 2 0  |
| Each Copy,                                                                                                       | 0 1 0  |
| Preparing necessary Affidavits,                                                                                  | 0 1 0  |
| Every Warrant and Seal,                                                                                          | 0 2 6  |
| Every Certificate of License to sell Real Estate,                                                                | 0 5 0  |
| All copies of Papers per folio of 100 words,                                                                     | 0 0 6  |
| Every Certificate and Dedimus Protestatem,                                                                       | 0 5 0  |
| Entry of every Decree in Registry Book, and of every Order not specially provided for, per folio of 100 words,   | 0 6 0  |
| Every search or inspection of Documents,                                                                         | 0 1 0  |
| Preparing Subpœna and Seal,                                                                                      | 0 2 0  |
| Each Ticket for same,                                                                                            | 0 0 6  |
| Every Caveat or Appeal,                                                                                          | 0 2 0  |
| Preparing every Execution, Attachment or other process, not specially provided for, and entry of Order therefor, | 0 2 0  |
| Every Decree,                                                                                                    | 0 10 0 |
| Every Oath administered by him,                                                                                  | 0 1 0  |
| Taxing Costs,                                                                                                    | 0 2 6  |

## No. 72.

*(See page 561.)*

The Committee to whom was referred a Memorial from Miss Dix, and the general subject of a Lunatic Asylum, beg leave to report :

That they cannot adequately express the respect and admiration they feel for the character and exertions of the amiable American Lady who, endowed with every quality calculated to advance Society, dedicates her time and thoughts solely to the cause of those who cannot appreciate her efforts. They have perused her Memorial with much interest, and having maturely considered the facts and observations reported by the Commissioners in 1845, and reviewed the more recent Reports and Pamphlets bearing on the general subject, have come unanimously to the conclusion, that the time has now arrived for the erection of an Asylum for the Insane in this Province, and they recommend that a Bill be passed during the present Session containing provisions for the appointment of Commissioners to Select a Site, and erect the requisite Buildings—the whole expense not to exceed £15000, to be borrowed as required, and repaid by instalments of £3000 per annum.

JAMES McLEOD,  
STEPHEN FULTON,  
JOHN RYDER,  
JOSEPH HOWE,  
SAML. CREELMAN.

15th March, 1850.

## No. 73.

*(See page 562.)*

The Committee appointed to enquire into the Accounts and Management of the Post Office, report as follows—

The Legislature having passed a Bill authorizing the Lieutenant Governor, by and with the advice of his Executive Council, to assume the management of our internal posts, have thereby relieved the Committee of much labour, and induced them to determine on letting the old system remain until His Excellency shall introduce the new arrangement, whereby the people will obtain uniformity and cheapness of rate.

The Committee annex Accounts for Franking, and Postage of the Public Offices, amounting to £1467 10s. 7½d. ; also, an Account of the Receipts and Disbursements of the Post Office Department for the year ending the 5th January last, and sundry other Accounts bearing on this Department, which they think should be preserved in the Journals of this Session.

The Committee have reported a Bill to continue the Post Office Acts of the Imperial Parliament until the new arrangement shall be duly and properly regulated.

The Committee have resolved, as a general rule, to establish no new prices or add to the expense, for the present, of the Department ; acting on which they have considered and agreed to recommend to the House the rejection of the prayer of the following Petitions of—

William

William Wallace, praying for change of route of Mail by Kerr's Mountain and Port au Pique to Parrsboro', instead of direct from Five Islands to Parrsboro' as lately established, until the new Postal arrangement comes into operation, when the route from Five Islands to Parrsboro' shall be omitted.

William Bent, and others, complaining of the Postal arrangement between the Cross Road at St. Mary's and Sherbrooke.

Mr. Hadley, claiming remuneration for carrying Mails at the Gut of Canso to Plaister Cove. This service is unsanctioned by the Post Office Authorities, and before Mr. Hadley's claim can be considered, an account of the Letters and Papers should be submitted to form an estimate of the work.

Joseph Doten, claiming a sum beyond his Contract—the Committee do not think him entitled to any additional sum; by notice he can put an end to his Contract.

Maurice Walsh, praying compensation for duties as Ferryman at Pugwash.—The keepers of licensed Ferries are bound by Law to ferry the Mails across free of any charge, and the Committee only recommend a deviation from the Law in extreme cases.

George Ernst, and others, praying a change in the time of making up and dispatching the Mails on the Shore route to Lunenburg, Liverpool and Yarmouth—the Committee deem the alteration unnecessary at present.

James Neville.—The Committee recommend that the prayer should not be considered until the alteration of the Post Office Department.

Allan Cameron, Esq. and others, of St. Andrew's, County of Sydney, asking for the establishment of a Weekly Mail from St. Andrew's to the Upper Settlement of the South River—the Committee defer the question as to this route with the others.

Henry Fader, and others, praying for Semi-Weekly Mail between Liverpool and Port Medway is important, and recommended by the Deputy Post Master General; the Committee however deferred it, with others, until the new Postal arrangements.

Michael Wrayton, and others, praying a change so as to secure two Mails—they recommend that the Postmaster should postpone any change until the present Contract expires, and taken afresh for the whole distance between Halifax and Yarmouth via Liverpool.

The Committee recommend that the Way Office at Lower Horton be put on a footing to insure the keeper thereof 20 per cent. on his Receipts as the Postmaster reports.

Also, that Forty Shillings a year be paid to William Browne and Augustin F. Comeau, each, for keeping the Way Offices in Clare, lately established by the Surveyor of the Department.

The Committee recommend that a Courier should be established between Newport and the Landing, so called, if the people will engage to defray the expense. They also recommend that the House should grant the usual sum to Charles Pernette and John Pernette for the Ferry at LaHave River.

The Committee recommend that the application for a Way Office at Big Pond, in the County of Cape Breton, should lie over for the present.

They also recommend that when the Contracts of the present Couriers terminate, that the route should be from Truro to Earltown, thence to Tatamagouche, and thence to Truro, returning through New Annan, provided it does not add to the expense; they think also that the Post Office in New Annan should be in the neighborhood of the Meeting House.

The Committee recommend that the sum of £10 be voted to Michael Cody, a Courier between Terfry's and Walton, as additional and arduous services have been imposed on him not contemplated by his contract.

The Petition of Thomas Waterman, praying for an extension of Mail route from Brookfield to Annapolis, the Committee think if the service can be performed for £40 it should be extended to Lawrencetown.

Finally, the Committee report that some arrangement should be made with the Postmaster General to insure the transmission of Parliamentary Papers and Periodical Publications by the Packet Mails at a reduced and uniform rate; they are now charged Letter or full postage; the citizens of the United States have already this advantage, and your Committee think the inhabitants of this Province should not submit to an imposition which utterly precludes the transmission of valuable information.

JAMES B. UNIACKE, Chairman.  
W. A. HENRY,\*  
GEO. R. YOUNG,  
J. W. JOHNSTON,  
JAMES D. FRASER,  
SAMUEL CREELMAN,  
THOMAS KILLAM.

Halifax, 13th March, 1850.

\* Dissenting as to the general Resolution not to establish new rides.

*An Account of the Receipts and Disbursements of the Post Office Department in Nova Scotia, for the year ended 5th January, 1850.*

### RECEIPTS.

|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          | Sterling.  |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------|
|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          | \$ 4s. 2d. |
| Amount of Postage on unpaid Letters received from England for Nova Scotia, and on paid Letters sent to England from Halifax; also on unpaid Letters received from, and on paid Letters sent to the United States, the British and Foreign West India Islands, Newfoundland, and Bermuda, | £2639 6 9½ |
| Amount of Postage of Towns in Nova Scotia,                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               | 3802 7 1½  |
| Amount of Colonial Postage collected at the General Post Office, Halifax,                                                                                                                                                                                                                | 3045 12 1½ |
| Amount of "Way Letters" and "Surcharges",                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                | 87 6 0     |
| Amount of Postage on "Ship Letters",                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     | 88 6 11    |
| Amount of Postage on Letters returned from the several Post Offices, and delivered in Halifax,                                                                                                                                                                                           | 7 13 8½    |
| Amount of Fees received at the G. P. Office on Letters addressed to Towns in Nova Scotia, but delivered in Halifax,                                                                                                                                                                      | 6 17 6     |
| Amount received from Merchants, &c., for privilege of "Private Letter Boxes",                                                                                                                                                                                                            | 18 17 2    |
|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          | Amount     |

|                                                                                     |             |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------|
| Amount of sums drawn from the Provincial Treasury in aid of<br>Post Communications, | £4 9 2 3    |
| Amount of Errors on General Accounts, from 1845 to 1847,                            | 18 7 8      |
|                                                                                     | <hr/>       |
|                                                                                     | £10123 17 3 |
| Deduct "Redirect" and "Dead" Letters,                                               | 1014 14 3½  |
|                                                                                     | <hr/>       |
| Net Revenue,                                                                        | £9109 2 11½ |
| Deduct "Payments",                                                                  | 8731 5 6½   |
|                                                                                     | <hr/>       |
| Surplus on the year,                                                                | £377 17 5   |

## PAYMENTS.

## SALARIES AND ALLOWANCES.

|                                                                                                                                                        | Currency.             | Sterling.<br>\$ 4s. 2d. |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------|-------------------------|
| Salary of the Deputy Postmaster General,<br>the Surveyor, four Clerks, one Messenger,<br>and Commission to thirty-six Post-<br>masters,<br>Less 1-6th, | £2454 2 2½<br>409 0 4 |                         |
|                                                                                                                                                        | <hr/>                 | £2045 1 10½             |
| Travelling Expenses,                                                                                                                                   |                       | 358 16 1½               |
| Amount paid by the Conveyance of the Mails, by Stage Coaches<br>and otherwise,                                                                         |                       | 3502 10 6               |
| Amount of sums paid for Canada <i>Express</i> Mails,                                                                                                   |                       | 846 13 4                |
| Amount paid to Ship-masters for "Ship Letters,"                                                                                                        |                       | 80 0 8                  |
| Amount paid for regulating Post Office Clock,                                                                                                          |                       | 1 0 10                  |
| Amount paid for Rent of Apartments in Dalhousie College, occu-<br>pied as the General Post Office,                                                     |                       | 104 3 4                 |
| Amount paid for Printing and Advertising, &c.                                                                                                          |                       | 59 19 11½               |
| Amount paid for Fuel, and Gas, and Candles, consumed at the<br>General Post Office, Halifax,                                                           |                       | 33 15 0                 |
| Amount of Credits to Postmasters,                                                                                                                      |                       | 3 18 2½                 |
| Amount paid to Postmasters, and Way Office Keepers, for loss of<br>"Franking privilege,"                                                               |                       | 130 8 4                 |
| Amount of Cash paid to Receiver General of Nova Scotia on ac-<br>count of surplus Postage,                                                             |                       | 297 5 7                 |
| Amount of Cash paid into the Commissariat Chest at Halifax,                                                                                            |                       | 1250 0 0                |
| Amount of Errors on General Accounts from 1845 to 1847,                                                                                                |                       | 3 7 6½                  |
| Miscellaneous Expenses,                                                                                                                                |                       | 14 4 3                  |
|                                                                                                                                                        |                       | <hr/>                   |
|                                                                                                                                                        |                       | 8731 5 6½               |

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A. WOODGATE, D. P. M. G.

FREDERICK PASSOW, Clerk Account Branch.

*Account of Expenses attending the Conveyance of Mails, in Nova Scotia, for the year ended 5th January, 1850.*

| HEADS OF SERVICE.                                              | Amount | Currency. |
|----------------------------------------------------------------|--------|-----------|
| Annapolis to Digby, via Hillsboro' and Bridgeport,             | £74    | 0 0       |
| Antigonishe to Cape George,                                    | 24     | 0 0       |
| Antigonishe to Guysboro',                                      | 75     | 0 0       |
| Antigonishe to St. Mary's,                                     | 18     | 0 0       |
| Amherst to Minudie,                                            | 20     | 0 0       |
| Amherst to Parrsboro',                                         | 33     | 0 0       |
| Arichat to Grandance,                                          | 24     | 0 0       |
| Ball's Creek to the Narrows,                                   | 41     | 10 0      |
| Baddeck to Whycomah,                                           | 15     | 0 0       |
| Bridgetown to Granville Ferry,                                 | 30     | 0 0       |
| Catalone to Louisbourg,                                        | 12     | 0 0       |
| Digby to Brier Island,                                         | 42     | 0 0       |
| Dunlap's, &c., to Lewis Head,                                  | 30     | 0 0       |
| Durham to New Lairig,                                          | 14     | 12 6      |
| Grandance to Plaister Cove,                                    | 39     | 10 0      |
| Gay's River to Musquodoboit,                                   | 40     | 0 0       |
| Granville Ferry to Annapolis Gut,                              | 5      | 0 0       |
| Guysboro' to Canso,                                            | 19     | 10 0      |
| Guysboro' to Cross Roads, St. Mary's, &c.                      | 33     | 0 0       |
| Guysboro' to Milford,                                          | 24     | 0 0       |
| Halifax to Annapolis,                                          | 533    | 0 0       |
| Halifax to Pictou,                                             | 470    | 0 0       |
| Halifax to Liverpool and Yarmouth,                             | 710    | 0 0       |
| Halifax to Sambro,                                             | 26     | 0 0       |
| Forks to St. Margaret's Bay,                                   | 8      | 0 0       |
| Kentville to Cornwallis and Aylesford,                         | 29     | 10 0      |
| L'Ardoise to Grand River,                                      | 7      | 10 0      |
| Louisbourg to Gaberouse,                                       | 18     | 0 0       |
| Liverpool to Brookfield, Harmony Corner, & Pleasant River,     | 34     | 7 6       |
| Liverpool to Port Medway,                                      | 10     | 0 0       |
| Londonderry to Five Islands,                                   | 27     | 10 0      |
| Londonderry to Pugwash, via Wallace River,                     | 35     | 0 0       |
| Lunenburg to Bridgewater,                                      | 11     | 14 6      |
| Maitland to the Gore, &c. &c.,                                 | 5      | 0 0       |
| Margaree to Boulardarie,                                       | 56     | 0 0       |
| Margaree to Cheticamp,                                         | 10     | 0 0       |
| Mabou to Lake Ainslie,                                         | 31     | 0 0       |
| Merigomishe to Barney's River,                                 | 7      | 19 0      |
| New Glasgow to Garden of Eden,                                 | 24     | 10 0      |
| New Glasgow to Springfield and Upper Settlement of East River, | 5      | 0 0       |
| Parrsboro' to Advocate Harbour,                                | 23     | 15 0      |
| Parrsboro' to Five Islands,                                    | 7      | 5 0       |
| Pictou to Amherst,                                             | 120    | 0 0       |
| Pictou to Earltown,                                            | 20     | 0 0       |
| Pictou to Plaister Cove,                                       | 173    | 0 0       |
| Plaister Cove to Margaree,                                     | 54     | 0 0       |
| Plaister Cove to Mouth of Mabou,                               | 24     | 0 0       |
| Plaister Cove to Whycomah, serving River Dennis,               | 15     | 10 0      |
|                                                                |        | River     |



|                                            |       |    |   |
|--------------------------------------------|-------|----|---|
| River Inhabitants to Malagawatch,          | £10   | 0  | 0 |
| River Inhabitants to St. George's Channel, | 15    | 0  | 0 |
| Scotch Village to Upper and Lower Rawdon,  | 22    | 12 | 6 |
| Sherbrooke to Indian Harbor,               | 5     | 0  | 0 |
| Shubenacadia to Maitland, Noel, Gore,      | 29    | 15 | 0 |
| St. Peter's to L'Ardoise,                  | 10    | 0  | 0 |
| St. Ann's to Ingonishe, (C. N.)            | 37    | 10 | 0 |
| Sydney to Boulardarie,                     | 52    | 0  | 0 |
| Sydney to Mainadieu,                       | 38    | 0  | 0 |
| Sydney to Sydney Mines,                    | 15    | 0  | 0 |
| Sydney to Grandance,                       | 162   | 12 | 6 |
| St. Ann's to Boulardarie,                  | 12    | 0  | 0 |
| Truro to Amherst,                          | 288   | 0  | 0 |
| Truro to Earltown,                         | 10    | 13 | 9 |
| Truro to Tatamagouche,                     | 30    | 0  | 0 |
| Trefoy's to Walton,                        | 35    | 0  | 0 |
| Wallace to Gulf Shore,                     | 10    | 0  | 0 |
| Windsor to Chester,                        | 20    | 8  | 4 |
| Windsor to Falmouth,                       | 7     | 10 | 0 |
| Windsor to Hantsport,                      | 4     | 10 | 0 |
| Whycocomah to Forks, Margaree,             | 15    | 0  | 0 |
| Wilmot to Lawrencetown,                    | 17    | 10 | 0 |
| Yarmouth to Digby,                         | 235   | 15 | 0 |
| Express Mails,                             | 568   | 0  | 0 |
| Express Mails,                             | 448   | 0  | 0 |
| Sydney to North Sydney,                    | 7     | 0  | 0 |
|                                            | <hr/> |    |   |
|                                            | £5218 | 10 | 7 |

*A Return showing the Amount of British Packet Postage collected in Nova Scotia for the year ending 5th January, 1850.*

| Quarter ending. | Amount Sterling. |
|-----------------|------------------|
| 1849.           | \$ 4s. 2d.       |
| April 5th,      | £651 17 7        |
| July 5th,       | 717 14 5         |
| October 5th,    | 692 7 10         |
| 1850.           |                  |
| January 5th,    | 577 6 11½        |
|                 | <hr/>            |
|                 | £2639 6 9½       |

Add "Paid" Packet Postage at Offices in the Interior, which in the Accounts appears as "Colonial Inland Postage," and not included in the above sum; also amount of "Unpaid" Packet Postage from the West Indies, Newfoundland, Bermuda and the United States, for the Interior, which is also included in amount of Inland Postage,

600 0 0

Total gross Receipt Packet Postage, Stg. £3239 6 9½

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*An Abstract of the Total number of Letters and charged Newspapers and Pamphlets, delivered from the several Post Offices in Nova Scotia, selected from Returns kept in three several Weeks, respectively, including the Packet Letters from the United Kingdom—year, 1849.*

| WEEKS.      |            | Total No. of Letters in each week. | Amount of Postage on Letters in each week. | Total No. of Papers, &c. in each week. | Amount of Postage on Papers, &c. in each week. | Average No. of Letters for one year. | Average Amount of Postage on Letters for one year. | Average No. of Papers, &c. for one year. | Average Amount of Postage on Papers, &c. for one year. |
|-------------|------------|------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------|
| Commencing. | Ending.    |                                    |                                            |                                        |                                                |                                      |                                                    |                                          |                                                        |
| 17th June,  | 23rd June, | 4159                               | £174 19 2½                                 | 5437                                   | £12 15 11½                                     | } 197808                             | £8845 8 4                                          | 263900                                   | £669 5 8                                               |
| 8th July,   | 14th July, | 3387                               | 159 15 11½                                 | 4848                                   | 13 8 0½                                        |                                      |                                                    |                                          |                                                        |
| 5th August, | 11th Aug.  | 3866                               | 175 11 2                                   | 4940                                   | 12 8 5                                         |                                      |                                                    |                                          |                                                        |

*Memo.—Salaries of Deputy Post Master General, Surveyor, four Clerks, and Messenger, at Halifax, and Postmasters.*

|                                  |       |    |     |
|----------------------------------|-------|----|-----|
| Mr. Woodgate,                    | £625  | 0  | 0   |
| “ Watson, (Surveyor),            | 250   | 0  | 0   |
| “ Hamilton,                      | 187   | 10 | 0   |
| “ Creighton,                     | 125   | 0  | 0   |
| “ Passow,                        | 125   | 0  | 0   |
| “ Willis,                        | 125   | 0  | 0   |
| “ Godfrey Schwartz, (Messenger), | 75    | 0  | 0   |
| 36 Postmasters,                  | 941   | 12 | 2½  |
|                                  | £2454 | 2  | 2½  |
| Less 1-6th,                      | 409.  | 0  | 4   |
| Sterling, \$ 4s. 2d.             | £2045 | 1  | 10½ |

*Amount of Expense incurred for conveying the Canada Mails Express through Nova Scotia, after the 5th January, 1849.*

| Quarter. | Contractors.                    | Amount Paid. |
|----------|---------------------------------|--------------|
| April,   | H. Hyde, Halifax to Truro,      | 420 0 0      |
| “        | C. Archibald, Truro to Amherst, | 320 0 0      |
| July,    | H. Hyde,                        | 148 0 0      |
| “        | C. Archibald,                   | 128. 0 0     |
|          |                                 | £1016 0 0    |
|          | Deduct 1-6th,                   | 169 6 8      |
|          | Sterling,                       | £846 13 4    |

*Return of Postage for the several Public Provincial Departments and the Legislature, for the year ending 31st December, 1849.*

|                         |       |    |     |
|-------------------------|-------|----|-----|
| Lieutenant Governor,    | £52   | 16 | 9½  |
| Provincial Secretary,   | 270   | 1  | 11½ |
| Receiver General,       | 79    | 4  | 3   |
| Financial Secretary,    | 16    | 2  | 5½  |
| Provincial Legislature, | 1049  | 5  | 2   |
|                         | £1467 | 10 | 7½  |

*List of Post Offices in Nova Scotia, shewing the Annual Amount paid to the Post Masters for the year ended 5th January, 1850, derived from a Commission of 20 per cent. upon the Postage collected at each Office.*

|                         |     |    |     |
|-------------------------|-----|----|-----|
| Amherst,                | £45 | 19 | 6½  |
| *Annapolis,             | 33  | 10 | 3   |
| Antigonish,             | 29  | 13 | 4   |
| Arichat,                | 29  | 8  | 3½  |
| Barrington,             | 14  | 7  | 4   |
| Bridgetown,             | 25  | 9  | 5   |
| Bridgewater,            | 3   | 16 | 6½  |
| *Chester,               | 9   | 14 | 5   |
| *Digby,                 | 30  | 12 | 4   |
| Durham,                 | 9   | 13 | 1   |
| Gay's River,            | 8   | 5  | 6   |
| Guysborough,            | 29  | 7  | 0½  |
| Kentville,              | 38  | 19 | 7   |
| Lawrencetown,           | 5   | 1  | 2   |
| Liverpool,              | 40  | 15 | 4   |
| *Londonderry,           | 18  | 11 | 1½  |
| Lunenburgh,             | 16  | 7  | 3½  |
| Merigomish,             | 3   | 12 | 6½  |
| New Glasgow,            | 42  | 19 | 6½  |
| Newport,                | 11  | 16 | 0   |
| Parrsborough,           | 12  | 0  | 4   |
| *Pictou,                | 112 | 0  | 2   |
| *Plaister Cove,         | 21  | 18 | 2   |
| Port Hood,              | 19  | 3  | 11½ |
| Pugwash,                | 19  | 8  | 0½  |
| St. Margaret's Bay,     | 2   | 16 | 4½  |
| *Shelburne,             | 15  | 13 | 0   |
| St. Peter's,            | 6   | 18 | 0½  |
| Sydney,                 | 65  | 7  | 11½ |
| Shubenacadie,           | 6   | 2  | 8½  |
| *Truro,                 | 36  | 1  | 7   |
| Wallace,                | 17  | 4  | 5   |
| *Weymouth,              | 14  | 0  | 3   |
| *Windsor,               | 48  | 16 | 3   |
| *Wolfville,             | 16  | 4  | 5   |
| Sherbrooke, (1 quarter) | 0   | 16 | 8½  |
| Yarmouth,               | 78  | 10 | 0½  |

\*These Offices are in the receipt of an allowance for extra attendance and night work, which is included in the above amounts.

*List of Way Offices in Nova Scotia and Cape Breton, the persons holding which do not receive any annual allowance, beyond Two Pence on each Letter, received for delivery or transmission.*

|                              |                        |
|------------------------------|------------------------|
| Apple River,                 | L'Ardoise,             |
| Albion Mines,                | Lock's Island,         |
| Blue Mountains,              | Louisburg,             |
| Broad Cove, (Marsh)          | Macan,                 |
| Broad Cove, (Interval)       | Mahone Bay,            |
| Brookfield,                  | Mabou Bridge,          |
| Canning,                     | Merigomish,            |
| Catalone,                    | Mainadieu,             |
| Clements,                    | Maitland,              |
| Cross Roads, (St. Mary's)    | Melford,               |
| Country Harbor,              | Moidart,               |
| Dartmouth,                   | Minudie,               |
| Douglas,                     | Musquodoboit, (Upper)  |
| Dunlap's, (Head Sable River) | Musquodoboit, (Middle) |
| East Bay,                    | New Larig,             |
| Falmouth,                    | Nictaux Falls,         |
| Fox Harbor,                  | Noel,                  |
| Fraser's Mills,              | North Bar,             |
| French River, Tatmagouche,   | North West Arm, C. B.  |
| Gabberous,                   | Portapique,            |
| Garden of Eden,              | Port Medway,           |
| Goose River,                 | Rawdon, (Upper)        |
| Grand River,                 | River Bourgeois,       |
| Gulf Shore,                  | River Philip,          |
| Hantsport,                   | Roger's Hill,          |
| Horton, (Lower)              | Ship Harbor,           |
| Hillsborough,                | St. Andrew's,          |
| Hopewell,                    | St. Ann's, (C. B.      |
| Hillsborough, (C. B.)        | St. George's Channel,  |
| Indian Harbor,               | Springfield,           |
| Ingonish,                    | Sydney Mines,          |
| Judique,                     | Wallace River,         |
| Kempt or Walton,             | Wycocomah.             |
| Lake Ainslie,                |                        |

*List of Way Offices in N. Scotia and C. Breton, the persons holding which being entitled to an Annual Allowance, as compensation for loss of the Franking Privilege.*

|                  |    |   |   |
|------------------|----|---|---|
| Advocate Harbor, | £2 | 0 | 0 |
| Aylesford,       | 2  | 0 | 0 |
| Boulardarie,     | 2  | 0 | 0 |
| Brier Island,    | 2  | 0 | 0 |
| Baddek,          | 2  | 0 | 0 |
| Canard,          | 2  | 0 | 0 |
| Cornwallis,      | 2  | 0 | 0 |
| Canso,           | 2  | 0 | 0 |

Cape

|                    |         |
|--------------------|---------|
| Cape George,       | £2 0 0  |
| Cheticamp,         | 2 0 0   |
| Earltown,          | 2 0 0   |
| Economy,           | 2 0 0   |
| Mabou,             | 2 0 0   |
| Malignant Cove,    | 2 0 0   |
| Margaree,          | 2 0 0   |
| Napan,             | 2 0 0   |
| Rawdon,            | 2 0 0   |
| River Inhabitants, | 2 0 0   |
| River John,        | 2 0 0   |
| Tracadie,          | 2 0 0   |
| Tusket,            | 2 0 0   |
| Westchester,       | 2 0 0   |
| Wilmot,            | 2 0 0   |
|                    | £46 0 0 |

*Memo.—Number of Letters and charged Newspapers received at Halifax, and the several Post Offices in Nova Scotia, for delivery, for three weeks—viz.: 1 week in June, 1 in July, and 1 in August, 1847, when no Packet Letters were received. Also, Estimate of probable deficiency on the introduction of the 3d. rate.*

|                                  | Letters.     | Newspapers. |
|----------------------------------|--------------|-------------|
| Total for Three Weeks,           | 8633         | 14788       |
| Average for One Year,            | 149639       | 256325      |
| Add 50 per cent. increase,       | 74819        |             |
|                                  | 224458       |             |
| Add 1-6th for Double Letters,    | 37409        |             |
|                                  | 261867       |             |
|                                  | Total,       |             |
| Amount at 3d. rate,              | £3273 6 3    |             |
| Add amount from Papers,          | 534 0 2      |             |
|                                  | 3807 6 5     |             |
| Less average amount Dead,        | 500 0 0      |             |
|                                  | £3307 6 5    | Currency.   |
| Probable amount of Nett Revenue, |              |             |
| Expenditure of 1849,             | £10477 10 7½ | Currency.   |
| Deduct Express Mails,            | 1016 0 0     |             |
|                                  | 9461 10 7½   |             |
| Less Nett Revenue,               | 3307 6 5     |             |
|                                  | £6154 4 2½   | Currency.   |
| Estimated Deficiency,            |              |             |

COPY.

*General Post Office, 26th May, 1848.*

SIR—

I am directed by the Post Master General to desire that you will furnish him, as immediately as possible, with a statement showing, as nearly as you can form, an estimate of the amount which you will require at the expiration of this quarter, over and above the balance now in your hands, and the amount to be collected during the quarter; as his Lordship presumes that there will be a deficiency in the Postage Revenue of Nova Scotia, in consequence of the payment you will have to make for the conveyance through that Province of the English and Canada Mails by Express.

His Lordship desires me to add, that Mr. Stayner has been requested to place himself in communication with you, for the purpose of devising the means by which the additional money required in Nova Scotia, in consequence of these expresses, may be most conveniently furnished from the Revenue of Canada, month by month; but he is to make you no payment on this account, until the arrangements which may be decided upon, shall receive the sanction of the Postmaster General.

I am, &amp;c.,

(Signed)

W. L. MABERLY.

A. Woodgate, Esq.

## TREASURY WARRANT.

WHEREAS by an Act passed in the fourth year of the reign of Her present Majesty, intituled "An Act for the regulation of the Duties of Postage," it is enacted, that it shall be lawful for the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury from time to time, and at any time after the passing of that Act, by Warrant under their hands to alter and fix any of the rates of British postage or Inland postage payable by law on the transmission by the post, of Foreign or Colonial letters or newspapers, or of any other printed papers, and to subject the same to rates of postage according to the weight thereof, and a scale of weights to be contained in such Warrant, and from time to time by Warrant as aforesaid, to alter or repeal any such altered rates, and make and establish any new or other rates in lieu thereof; and by Warrant as aforesaid, to appoint at what time the rates that might be payable were to be paid; and it is provided that the power thereby given to alter and fix rates of postage should extend to any increase, or reduction, or remission of postage.

And whereas by an Act passed in the eighth year of the reign of Her present Majesty, intituled "An Act for the better regulation of Colonial Posts," power is given to the said Commissioners from time to time by Warrant under their hands, to alter and fix any of the rates of Colonial postage payable by law for the transmission of letters by the post, and to subject the same to rates of postage according to the weight thereof in like manner as in the said first-mentioned Act is enacted in respect of British or Inland postage on Foreign or Colonial letters, and the power by the said last-mentioned Act given to alter and fix rates of postage, is declared to extend to any increase, or reduction, or remission of postage.

And whereas by a Warrant under the hands of three of the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury, dated the 8th day of March last, certain Packet and Inland rates of postage were fixed on letters transmitted by British packet-boats between a port in the United Kingdom and a port in British North America.

And whereas it is expedient that such rates should be repealed and that other rates should be established in lieu thereof.

Now, we the undersigned being three of the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury, do in exercise of a power for this purpose, reserved to us in and by the said Warrant and of all other powers, enabling us in this behalf, by this Warrant under our hands, repeal, annul, and make void, so much of the said Warrant of the 8th day of March last, as relates to letters transmitted between a port in the United Kingdom and a Port in British North America, and the packet and inland rates of postage thereby fixed on such letters.

And we the said Commissioners do, in exercise of the powers reserved to us in and by the said recited Acts, and in and by the said Warrant, and of all other powers and authorities, enabling us in this behalf order and direct,—

That on every letter not exceeding half an ounce in weight, transmitted by the post between any place in the United Kingdom, and any port or place in Her Majesty's provinces of Canada, New Brunswick, Nova Scotia, and Prince Edward's Island, in British North America, the sea conveyance being by British packet-boats, there shall be charged and taken (in lieu of any rates of British or Colonial postage now payable by law on such letters) an uniform British rate of tenpence, and a uniform Colonial rate of twopence.

And that on every letter not exceeding half an ounce in weight transmitted by the post between any part of the United Kingdom and any port in Newfoundland, the sea-conveyance being by British packet-boats, there shall be charged and taken (in lieu of any rates of postage now payable by law on such letters) an uniform British rate of one shilling.

And we direct that every letter not exceeding half an ounce in weight, transmitted by the post between Canada, New Brunswick, Nova Scotia, Prince Edward's Island or Newfoundland, and any of Her Majesty's Colonies or any foreign country through the United Kingdom (conveyed by British packet-boats between the United Kingdom and Canada, New Brunswick, Nova Scotia, Prince Edward's Island, or Newfoundland,) there shall be charged and taken (in lieu of any rates of British or Colonial postage, now payable by law on such letters,) the rates of postage hereinafter mentioned, (that is to say,) on every such letter posted in, or addressed to, any port or place in Canada, New Brunswick, Nova Scotia, and Prince Edward's Island, an uniform British rate of ten-pence, and an uniform Colonial rate of two-pence, for the conveyance of every such letter between the United Kingdom and any port or place in Canada, New Brunswick, Nova Scotia, and Prince Edward's Island. And on every such letter posted in or addressed to Newfoundland, an uniform British rate of one shilling for the conveyance of every such letter between the United Kingdom and Newfoundland. And on every such respective letter hereinbefore in this clause mentioned, there shall be charged and taken, over and above any British or Colonial rates of postage, such a further or additional rate of British postage for the conveyance of every such letter, between the port in the United Kingdom of the departure or arrival of the packet or ship conveying the same, and the colony or foreign



foreign country to or from which the same shall be forwarded, as shall from time to time be charged and payable for British postage on letters, not exceeding half an ounce in weight, posted or delivered at the port in the United Kingdom of the departure or arrival of the packet or ship conveying the same, and transmitted direct between such port and such colony or foreign country.

And we direct that, on every letter transmitted, as is mentioned in this Warrant, exceeding half an ounce in weight, there shall be charged, taken, and paid progressive, and additional rates of postage as follows, (that is to say,)

On every letter exceeding half an ounce in weight, and not exceeding one ounce in weight, two rates of postage.

On every letter exceeding one ounce, and not exceeding two ounces in weight, four rates of postage.

On every letter exceeding two ounces and not exceeding three ounces in weight, six rates of postage.

And for every letter exceeding three ounces, and not exceeding four ounces in weight, eight rates of postage.

And for every ounce in weight above the weight of four ounces, there shall be charged and taken two additional rates of postage; and every fraction of an ounce above the weight of four ounces shall be charged as one additional ounce, and each progressive and additional rate chargeable under this clause, shall be estimated and charged at the sum which any such letter would be charged with under this Warrant, if not exceeding half an ounce in weight.

And we direct that nothing herein contained shall be deemed or construed to alter or affect the rates of postage fixed by a Treasury Warrant bearing date the 9th day of May, 1843, on letters transmitted by the post between France or foreign countries or Her Majesty's Colonies via France and any part of Canada, New Brunswick, Nova Scotia, Prince Edward's Island, and Newfoundland, through the United Kingdom, which rates shall continue payable as if this Warrant had not been signed.

And we direct that nothing herein or in the said recited Warrant of the 8th day of March last contained, shall be deemed or construed to extend to any letters transmitted between the United Kingdom and the Provinces of Canada, New Brunswick, Nova Scotia, Prince Edward's Island, and Newfoundland, by private ships, which letters shall continue to be charged and chargeable with the same rates of postage as if this Warrant and the said Warrant of the 8th day of March last had not been signed.

And we direct that nothing herein or in the said Warrant of the 8th day of March last contained, shall be deemed or construed to annul, prejudice or affect any of the exemptions and privileges granted by the said recited Acts or any Treasury Warrants which have been issued under the same Acts or either of them, or by an Act made and passed in the first year of the reign of Her present Majesty, intituled "An Act for the management of the Post Office;" and that all such exemptions and privileges shall remain in full force.

And we direct that the terms and expressions used in this Warrant shall be construed to have the like meaning in all respects as they would have had if inserted in the said Act passed in the fourth year of the reign of Her present Majesty.

And

And we further direct that this Warrant shall come into operation on the 15th day of April, 1849.

Provided lastly, and we hereby declare and direct that it shall be lawful for the Commissioners for the time being of Her Majesty's Treasury, or any three of them, by Warrant under their hands, at any time hereafter to alter or repeal any of the rates hereby fixed or altered, or the regulations hereby made, and to make and establish any new or other rates or regulations in lieu thereof, and from time to time to appoint at what time the rates that may be payable are to be paid.

Whitehall Treasury Chambers, the third day of April, 1849.

W. GIBSON CRAIG.  
R. M. BELLEW.  
H. RICH.

No. 74.

(See page 564.)

*A Return of the Amounts paid from the Provincial Treasury for each County, for damage to Land occasioned by opening or altering the line of the Main Post Roads, during six years ending 31st December, 1849.*

| County.      | 1844    | 1845 | 1846     | 1847     | 1848     | 1849     | Total.     |
|--------------|---------|------|----------|----------|----------|----------|------------|
| Guysboro',   | £4 0 0  |      | 33 18 0  | £89 5 0  | £93 2 9  | £107 0 0 | £327 5 9   |
| Inverness,   | 20 0 0  |      |          |          | 114 2 0  | 523 5 2  | 657 7 2    |
| Lunenburg,   | 164 8 0 |      | 128 17 0 |          |          | 126 8 4  | 419 13 4   |
| Cape Breton, | 10 0 0  |      | 104 12 6 | 49 2 6   | 183 11 0 | 174 7 6  | 522 3 6    |
| Cumberland,  |         |      | 88 11 8  | 3 15 0   | 32 10 0  |          | 124 16 8   |
| Hants,       |         |      | 411 16 0 |          | 137 16 9 | 127 15 6 | 677 8 3    |
| Halifax,     |         |      | 40 19 2  | 68 15 8  | 278 3 7  | 22 5 0   | 410 3 5    |
| Sydney,      |         |      | 162 15 0 | 281 14 6 | 421 17 7 | 98 18 0  | 964 5 1    |
| Pictou,      |         |      | 22 8 0   |          | 149 9 0  | 87 6 0   | 259 3 0    |
| Yarmouth,    |         |      |          | 9 4 0    | 15 0 0   |          | 24 4 0     |
| Richmond,    |         |      |          |          | 15 5 0   | 16 10 0  | 31 15 0    |
| Colchester,  |         |      |          |          |          | 32 0 0   | 32 0 0     |
|              |         |      |          |          |          |          | 261 7 10   |
|              |         |      |          |          |          |          | £4711 13 0 |

Vouchers for 1845 missing, amounting to

## No. 75.

*(See page 565.)*

The Committee to whom was referred the Public Buildings' Accounts, beg leave to report—

That there was expended on Public Buildings in 1849 the sum of £1807 8s. 10d., viz: on Government House £709 16s. 4d. ; and on the Province Building, including alterations in the House of Assembly, £1097 12s. 6d. In the expenditure on Government House the Committee find the sum of £74 17s. 9d. charged for Gas consumed—and at the rate of £5 per annum charged for Water since its introduction into Government House. The Committee are of opinion that the above two items ought not to form a part of the Public expenditure, and recommend that they be disallowed in future. There is also a large sum charged for labour in Government House, a part of which the Committee think ought not to be charged to the Public.

The Committee cannot refrain from remarking that in many of the Accounts of expenditure on the Public Buildings, there is not that due regard to economy that is desirable. They do not intend by this remark in any way to censure the Commissioners, feeling sensible of the difficulties that exist in checking public expenditures of so various a character ;—the Committee, however, recommend that as far as practicable all future expenditures be thrown open to public competition. The Committee further recommend that in future there be submitted, in the early part of the Session, an estimate of the probable expenses necessarily connected with Public Buildings for the ensuing year.

All which is respectfully submitted.

STEPHEN FULTON, Chairman.  
SAML. CREELMAN,  
JAMES McLEOD.

Committee Room, Halifax, March 19th, 1850.

## No. 76.

*(See page 566.)*

*Return of the Names of Persons recommended during the year 1849, by the Members of the House of Assembly, for the Expenditure of Road Money, but who were not appointed—and of the Names of the Persons who were appointed in their places.*

*King's County.*

## RECOMMENDED.

## APPOINTED.

(By Messrs. Hall, Moore, Beckwith).

Sydney Shaw,  
Robert Collins,  
John M. Boles,  
Henry C. Charlton,  
George Beckwith,  
Charles Eaton,  
James Bligh,

William Chute,  
Richard Woodworth,  
Robert J. Lyons,  
James Bryden,  
Alfred Skinner,  
Peter Lawson,  
David Lawrence,

Leonard

Leonard Porter,  
 John M. Caldwell,  
 Joseph Lyons,  
 Gideon Cogswell,  
 Francis Starr,  
 Edward Parker,  
 Edward Took,  
 Parker Welton,  
 Wm. Pearce,  
 Zebina Roach,  
 William Patterson,  
 Willard Grant,  
 Wm. Taylor,  
 Wm. Brown,  
 William Taylor,  
 Edward Hamilton,  
 John Burbane,  
 James Armstrong,  
 Mark Cleaveland,  
 Ezek. Benjamin,  
 P. M. Benjamin,  
 D. Vaughan,  
 James Vaughan,  
 James T. Davison,  
 Augustus Eagles,  
 Abner Denman,  
 Henry Bent,  
 Edmund Palmer.

John Illoley,  
 William Rusco,  
 Levi Rhand,  
 Isahel Rockwell,  
 Wm. Robinson 3d,  
 William H. Bent,  
 Patrick Scanlon,  
 Andrew Robinson,  
 Lawrence Harris,  
 Foster Willis,  
 Thomas Welton,  
 Amos B. Patterson,  
 H. McMonagle,  
 Benjamin Duncanson,  
 Elisha Rathburn,  
 Charles Farris,  
 Wm. F. Gilmore,  
 Hiram Caldwell,  
 Thomas Moffit,  
 Thomas Martin,  
 Jeremiah Kinne,  
 Jeremiah Graham,  
 Thos. A. Davison,  
 Henry Caldwell,  
 James C. Newlan,  
 Daniel O'Leary,  
 Robert Pineo,  
 Alexr. Patterson.

*Digby.*

(Recommended by Mr. Budd.)

William F. Potter,  
 Harris Morgan,  
 Israel Rice,  
 Jacob Troop,  
 Jeremiah Noonan,  
 George Welsh,  
 Ambrose Toole,  
 George Nichols,  
 James Lambertson,  
 William Young,  
 Robert Haines,  
 William Zeigler,  
 Charles McNutt,  
 Joseph Marshall,  
 Cerit Melanson,  
 Joseph Doyle,  
 William Thomas,  
 Abraham Lears,  
 William Lent,

(Recommended by Mr. Bourneuf.)

David Rice,  
 Charles Yarigal,  
 Silas Rice,  
 William Berry,  
 Peter O'Brien,  
 Alexander Turnbull,  
 Hugh Simpson,  
 Abraham Warne,  
 John Donnegan,  
 Stephen Young,  
 William Haines,  
 Alexr. Mallett,  
 George Bell,  
 Samuel Waggoner,  
 John Gawson,  
 Urban Doucett,  
 Joseph Durland,  
 William Grant,  
 Robert Hankerson,

John Weaver,  
John McAlpine,  
Joseph Sabeau,  
Caleb Sabeau,  
Nedebiah Bent,  
Thomas Lettery,  
William B. Conden.  
Lemuel Morehouse,  
George Cornwell,  
Timothy LeBlanc.

Cerea N. Godet,  
Colin Porter,  
John Waggoner,  
John Brown,  
George Turnbull,  
John Wright,  
Christopher Stark,  
John Morehouse,  
Stephen Frost,  
Timothy Davoue.

*Lunenburg:*

(Recommended by the Members.)

George Duncan,  
Patrick Butler,  
Matthew Feaner,  
John Hurtle,  
John Kockh,

Charles Church,  
John Connell,

Charles J. Rudolf.

*Richmond.*

(Recommended by Mr. Harrington.)

William Tower.

(Recommended by Mr. Martell.)

Arthur Brymer.

*Annapolis.*

(Recommended by the Members.)

Jacob Bogart,  
Isaac Healey,  
John Ramson,  
Walter Willet,  
Charles Bent,  
Joseph Gidney,  
James Chute,  
Samuel Foster,  
Eneas Monroe,  
J. C. Tobias,  
John Morse,  
David F. Randolph,  
Wm. H. Morehouse,  
Elias Grimes,  
Lawrence Hall,  
John D. Potter,  
Thomas Eason,  
John Ditmars,  
James Long,  
John Merricraft,  
Thomas Anderson,  
Henry Whitman,

Abraham B. Thorne,  
Charles Healey,  
Jonathan Milner,  
Robert Mills, 1st.  
Robert Troop,  
Ambrose Parker,  
Gilbert Chute,  
James Mitchell,  
Oliver Foster,  
George Hardwich,  
David Morse,  
Peter Donahue,  
Elias Beals,  
Edward Martin,  
Thomas Gavaza,  
Silas Potter,  
Abraham Lent,  
Wm. Jones,  
Edmond Donnelly,  
Joseph Durland,  
John Dunn,  
John Merry,

William

William Riston,  
Handley Starrit,  
Silas Gates.

James Banks,  
David Marshall,  
Nathaniel Parker.

*Queen's County.*

(Recommended by the Members.)

Stephen Parks,  
Henry Gardner,  
William Shaw,  
Charles Payzant,  
Donald Campbell,  
Wm. Douglass,  
Lathrop Dogget,  
George Manthorn,  
Thomas Bayley,  
Robert Smith,  
Matthew Munro,  
James Purdy,  
Peter Kolp,  
Andrew Cowie,  
Elisha Christopher,  
Richard Telfer,  
James Morton,  
John Sheriffs,  
Luther Ledbetter,  
Robert Harlow,  
Joseph Brown.

Jona\$ Mack,  
Maurice Walsh,  
Joseph Gardner,  
John Payzant,  
Seth McLean,  
Robert Robertson,  
Nelson Payzant,  
Samuel Foster,  
Thomas Hemmeon,  
Thomas Kelly,  
Lewis Minard,  
Patrick Maguire,  
Silas West,  
Wm. Gold,  
Owen McGlinty,  
James B. McLeod,  
Donald McPherson,  
Richard Carder,  
James McLannen,  
Barnabus Miles,  
Nathan Ellis.

*Cumberland.*

(Recommended by the Members.)

James Huestis,  
John Miers,  
Stephen Moor,  
Neil McIver,  
Chas. Higgins,  
Richd. Woodland,  
Donald McAuley,  
Alex. McDonald,  
Wm. Jackson,  
Archd. McLeod,  
Berry Fillmore,  
James McNab,  
Michael Taylor,  
Philip Doyle,  
Gabriel Purdy,  
Chas. Colter,  
Joshua Huestis,  
Neil Morrison,

James Angevine,  
Thomas Giles,  
Saml. Webb,  
Malcolm McLeod, jr.,  
Rufus Purdy,  
Jas. Fountain,  
Fred. David, jr.,  
Harris Webb,  
Geo. Johnstone,  
John Fillmore,  
Richd. Thompson,  
Elijah Tuttle,  
Geo. Johnston,  
Saml. Burbridge,  
Harris Webb,  
John Crawford,  
John McFarlane, and  
Joshua Huestis,  
Kenneth Morrison,

Josiah Reeve,  
 Thomas McKay,  
 C. E. Ratchford,  
 John Vickery,  
 Francis Hanfield,  
 Francis Francis,  
 Alex. Graham,  
 Robert Ward,  
 Jesse Lewis,  
 Do. do.,  
 Edwd. Black,  
 Henry Smith,  
 Reeves Hunter,  
 R. Smith,  
 Amos Thompson,  
 Robert Burrell,  
 Thos. Dickie,  
 John Foye,  
 John Rutledge,  
 Henry Smith,  
 John Reeves,  
 Joseph Hoey,  
 Richard Black,  
 John Hannah.

William Atkinson,  
 James Mason,  
 John Salter,  
 Robert Salter,  
 Matthew Smith,  
 Nathan Knowlton,  
 Chas. Ward,  
 Wm. Elderkin,  
 Robt. Harrison,  
 Do. do.,  
 Calvin Bent,  
 Jas. Findlay,  
 Martin Hunter,  
 Corn. R. Smith,  
 Robert McElman,  
 Geo. Chapman,  
 Harris Eaton,  
 Jacob Porter,  
 Jos. Ripley,  
 David Henrict,  
 T. Brownell,  
 Wm. Harrison,  
 Jonathan W. Johnston,  
 Henry Hannah.

## No. 77.

*(See page 572.)*

The Committee on the Fisheries Report, that a steady demand in foreign markets continue for the production of the Fishery. The United States have taken between January 1st and December 31st 91,785 barrels of Pickled Fish, which have commanded high prices, and have been taken in most instances on the Nova Scotia Brand, thereby saving considerable expense. The Committee, from the Returns kept at the Custom House, find that the exports during the year were 236,028 barrels of Pickled Fish, 245,620 quintals of Dry Fish, 27,431 boxes of Smoked Fish, and 825 tons of Fish Oil ; abstracts shewing these facts are hereto annexed. The Committee have considered a Petition of John Locke and others, of Shelburne, praying the suspension of the clause in the Law for Inspection of Pickled Fish relative to barrels, until December, 1850. The Committee reluctantly recommend the alteration of the Law, which, they believe, has worked well and for the benefit of the fishing class ; yet the barrels have accumulated, and cannot be sold under the Statute Inspection without entailing serious loss, in consequence of the short catch of Fish. They recommend a rigid Inspection as best calculated to revive the character of that merchandize, in the home and foreign markets.

JAMES B. UNIACKE, Chairman.

Halifax, 15th March, 1850.

PROVINCE



## PROVINCE OF NOVA SCOTIA.

*An account of Imports and Exports of Fish and Fish Oil during the year 1849.*

|               | PICKLED FISH.<br>Barrels. | DRY FISH.<br>Qtls. | SMOKED FISH.<br>Boxes. | FISH OIL.<br>Tuns. |
|---------------|---------------------------|--------------------|------------------------|--------------------|
| Imports - - - | 17181                     | 80983              | 4570                   | 297                |
| Exports - - - | 236028                    | 245620             | 27431                  | 825                |

HENRY TREW,

Controller of Customs and Navigation Laws.

Custom House, Halifax, 11th February, 1850.

*An Account showing the quantities of Pickled Fish shipped from Halifax, N. S. to Ports in the United States, from January 1st to December 31st, 1849.*

| Date.               | Barrels Mackerel. |        |        | Total Number<br>Barrels<br>Mackerel. | Barrels<br>Herring. | Barrels<br>Salmon. | Total. |
|---------------------|-------------------|--------|--------|--------------------------------------|---------------------|--------------------|--------|
|                     | No. 1.            | No. 2. | No. 3. |                                      |                     |                    |        |
| January - - - - -   | 551               | 4245   | 273    | 5069                                 | 384                 |                    |        |
| February - - - - -  | 1320              | 6615   | 644    | 8579                                 | 497                 |                    |        |
| March - - - - -     | 1379              | 10135  | 3142   | 14638                                | 961                 | 620                |        |
| April - - - - -     | 571               | 9453   | 2808   | 12832                                | 193                 | 93                 |        |
| May - - - - -       | 273               | 3494   | 256    | 4023                                 |                     |                    |        |
| June - - - - -      | 177               | 980    | 10357  | 11514                                |                     | 2                  |        |
| July - - - - -      | 23                | 130    | 7628   | 7781                                 | 416                 | 46                 |        |
| August - - - - -    |                   |        | 6486   | 6486                                 | 30                  | 580                |        |
| September - - - - - |                   | 233    | 11355  | 11588                                | 31                  | 465                |        |
| October - - - - -   |                   | 29     | 464    | 493                                  | 100                 | 2                  |        |
| November - - - - -  | 223               | 988    | 213    | 1424                                 | 386                 | 32                 |        |
| December - - - - -  | 361               | 1467   | 100    | 1928                                 | 539                 | 53                 |        |
|                     | 4878              | 37769  | 43708  | 86355                                | 3537                | 1893               | 91785  |

Halifax, N. S., 31st December, 1849.

## No. 78.

*(See page 572.)*

The Committee, to whom was referred the Petition of Elijah Forsyth, and others, beg leave to report—

That they have carefully examined the statements of the Petitioners in reference to the subject matter of their application, and, for the guidance of the House, humbly submit,—

That the party on whose behalf the aid of this House is sought, was at a considerable expense during the last Summer in erecting a Woollen Cloth Factory in Cornwallis, and importing Machinery for that purpose. That after having put his Establishment in successful operation, he endeavored to obtain Insurance upon the same, but failed in his object.

That since such unsuccessful application the Mill and Machinery have been destroyed by fire, whereby the Petitioner has sustained a severe and serious loss.

That your Petitioner is desirous of rebuilding the Mill and importing new Machinery. That the existence of a Factory of this nature in the midst of a prosperous Agricultural Population cannot fail to prove of beneficial importance, not only to the Settlement wherein it is situate, but to the Districts in its vicinity, by stimulating their occupants to acquire the advantage of similar enterprizes.

That the Petitioner, it appears, has paid into the Treasury, Duties on the Machinery destroyed, and will necessarily be obliged to repeat such payment on such other similar articles of Import as may be required for his new Establishment.

Your Committee therefore recommend, that the sum of One Hundred Pounds be placed at the disposal of the Lieutenant Governor, to aid the said Petitioner in re-erecting his Manufactory, on its being made satisfactory to appear to His Excellency in Council that the sum of Five Hundred Pounds has been expended by the Petitioner, in the re-construction of the Buildings and the Importation of Machinery; and a further sum of £50 to be in full of all returns of Duties on Apparatus or Enginery, previously imported.

The Committee have felt some reluctance to recommend these grants; but, inasmuch as Silas Bishop is an enterprising native of the Province, and distinguished for his public spirit, they feel assured his claims will commend themselves to the confidence and patronage of the House.

JAMES B. UNIACKE,  
JOHN CAMPBELL,  
W. A. HENRY,  
JOHN WIER.

## No. 79.

*(See page 574.)*

The Committee appointed to consider the Petition of Abner W. Huntingdon, and others, Inhabitants of Yarmouth, asking your Honorable House to enact a Special Law which would guarantee to the Public at large the free and undisturbed use of the Sea Weed privilege along their Coast, and place it beyond the power of the Executive to reward its partizans, by giving them exclusive rights which, in equity, belong to the whole Public, beg to report—

That they consider, all Legislation unwise and unsound which would have a tendency to so great an extent to interfere with or cripple the legitimate right of the Crown, because occasions might arise when it would be advisable and right that the Crown should grant the soil between high and low water mark to the owner of the adjoining soil, for the purpose of erecting wharves, and for other Commercial interests.

Your Committee, however, beg to recommend the policy of this Legislature, adopted in a Report dated the 24th of February, 1846—in which it is stated, that considering the vast utility of the Shores of this Province, both for the uses of the Fisheries and for the purposes of obtaining Sea Manure, the Executive ought to exercise a jealous vigilance in granting Water Lots. The Common Law right of the people ought not to be invaded, except for the purpose of enabling proprietors to erect wharves and buildings for the purposes of general trade, and for the successful prosecution of the Fisheries;—and, therefore, they recommend, as such question has been referred to them, that the policy to be pursued by the Executive in such cases, should be, that where the Sea Weed is thrown up in large quantities on particular parts of the Shore so as to be generally useful to the Inhabitants of a Settlement, and accessible by public Roads or otherwise, that such Water Lots ought to be held by the Crown, and not granted to private individuals.

JOHN C. HALL, Chairman,  
THOMAS KILLAM.

Committee Room, 21st March, 1850.

No. 80.

(See page 575.)

The Committee on Monies granted for Seeds and Relief to the Destitute in the years 1848 and 1849, Report as follows :

|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   | Agricultural<br>Grant. | Special<br>Grant. | Total.   |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------|-------------------|----------|
| <i>County of Halifax.</i>                                                                                                                                                                                                         |                        |                   |          |
| Drawn by in 1848,                                                                                                                                                                                                                 | £80 0 0                | £100 0 0          | £180 0 0 |
| Expended in Provisions for the Destitute,                                                                                                                                                                                         | £51 11 10              |                   |          |
| Do. in purchase of Seeds,                                                                                                                                                                                                         | 128 8 2                |                   |          |
| Of which the Vouchers are satisfactory, with the exception of the sum of £28 Ss. 2d., of which the accounts of distribution are not returned—although your Committee have reason to believe the same has been faithfully applied. |                        |                   |          |
| Drawn in 1849,                                                                                                                                                                                                                    | 0 0 0                  | 100 0 0           | 100 0 0  |
| Of which the Accounts show the expenditure and distribution of the whole in Seeds.                                                                                                                                                |                        |                   |          |

*County*

*County of Yarmouth.*

|                                                                                                                  |     |    |    |      |   |   |      |   |   |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----|----|----|------|---|---|------|---|---|
| Amount drawn by, 1848,                                                                                           | £0  | 0  | 0  | £100 | 0 | 0 | £100 | 0 | 0 |
| Expended in Seeds, &c.                                                                                           | £92 | 18 | 5½ |      |   |   |      |   |   |
| Remaining in hands of A.                                                                                         |     |    |    |      |   |   |      |   |   |
| Lent,                                                                                                            | 7   | 1  | 6½ |      |   |   |      |   |   |
| Drawn in 1849,                                                                                                   | 0   | 0  | 0  | 100  | 0 | 0 | 100  | 0 | 0 |
| Expended and distributed in Seeds, &c.                                                                           |     |    |    |      |   |   |      |   |   |
| in Yarmouth Township,                                                                                            | £50 | 0  | 0  |      |   |   |      |   |   |
| There are no Returns before the Committee respecting the balance appropriated for Township of Argyle, being £50. |     |    |    |      |   |   |      |   |   |

*County of Colchester.*

|                                                                                        |     |    |   |     |   |   |     |   |   |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----|----|---|-----|---|---|-----|---|---|
| Drawn by, in 1848,                                                                     | 0   | 0  | 0 | 100 | 0 | 0 | 100 | 0 | 0 |
| Expended and distributed in Seeds, &c.                                                 | £85 | 1  | 0 |     |   |   |     |   |   |
| Charged for repairs on Roads and Bridges,                                              | 12  | 19 | 0 |     |   |   |     |   |   |
| Unexpended that year in hands of S. Archibald, but appropriated in Road Scale of 1849. | 2   | 0  | 0 |     |   |   |     |   |   |

The Returns do not, in some instances, show clearly to the satisfaction of the Committee, the prices of the Seeds purchased, nor the distribution; nor are the charges for repairs on the Roads and Bridges accompanied with such vouchers as the Law require, in the expenditure of monies on Roads.

|                                                   |     |    |    |     |   |   |     |   |   |
|---------------------------------------------------|-----|----|----|-----|---|---|-----|---|---|
| Drawn in 1849,                                    | 0   | 0  | 0  | 100 | 0 | 0 | 100 | 0 | 0 |
| Expended on Roads,                                | £20 | 0  | 0  |     |   |   |     |   |   |
| Do. on Seeds distributed,                         | 73  | 4  | 7½ |     |   |   |     |   |   |
| There is no Return of the application of Balance, | 7   | 15 | 4½ |     |   |   |     |   |   |

*County of Sydney.*

|                    |    |    |   |     |   |   |     |    |   |
|--------------------|----|----|---|-----|---|---|-----|----|---|
| Drawn by, in 1848, | 41 | 13 | 6 | 100 | 0 | 0 | 141 | 13 | 6 |
|--------------------|----|----|---|-----|---|---|-----|----|---|

The Returns exhibit the sub-division among Districts, and expenditure of this whole amount in the purchase of Seeds; but, with one exception, there is no voucher of the Seed being actually obtained by the persons entitled to receive Seeds, their portions being paid them in cash.

Drawn in 1849, from School funds, £150 0 0 £50 0 0 £100 0 0 £300 0 0  
 The Returns show expenditure and distribution in Seeds, &c., of the sum of £188 7 2  
 And the receipt of the further sum of 111 12 10 by persons authorized to distribute, but no vouchers have appeared showing the distribution of this amount, in Seeds or otherwise.

*County of Hants.*

Drawn by, in 1848, 0 0 0 100 0 0 100 0 0  
 Expended and distributed in Seeds, and repairs of Roads, &c., £99 5 0  
 Then remaining in hands of I. Dimock, Esq., 0 15 0  
 Drawn in 1849, 0 0 0 100 0 0 100 0 0  
 Expended and distributed in Seeds and on Roads, £95 3 0 including 15s. above, unexpended in 1848.  
 Remaining unexpended in hands of J. McDougall, Esq., 3 17 6  
 Do. do. Wm. O'Brien, 1 14 4

*County of Digby.*

Drawn by, in 1848, 0 0 0 100 0 0 100 0 0  
 Expended and distributed in Seeds, &c., £85 7 11  
 Remaining unexpended in hands of Charles Budd, Esq., 10 14 7  
 Do. in hands of Francis Bourneuf, Esq., 3 17 6  
 Drawn in 1849, 0 0 0 100 0 0 100 0 0  
 Expended and distributed in Seeds, £81 14 5½  
 Unexpended, in hands of G. Taylor, 2 1 3  
 In hands of Members, 16 4 3½

*County of Kings.*

Drawn by, in 1848, 0 0 0 100 0 0 100 0 0  
 Expended and distributed in Seeds, &c. £7 15 3  
 Do. on Roads, 7 19 6

There

There are no returns attested for this Road expenditure before the Committee to the amount of £1 15.

Remaining unexpended this year, 18s. 7d., in Dr. Brown's hands, and expended on Roads in 1849. There are no further returns of balance of £82 8 1.

Drawn in 1849, £0 0 0 £100 0 0 £100 0 0

This whole amount has been expended and distributed in Seeds, as appears by vouchers, with the exception of £4 in the account of Alexr. Patterson, of which there is no return of distribution in Seeds or otherwise. In the Township of Horton there is overexpended 17s. 10½d.

*County of Lunenburg.*

Drawn by, in 1848, 0 0 0 100 0 0 100 0 0

This sum appears, by an account returned, to have been all paid out in cash in small sums to many individuals (with the exception of £5), but no voucher appears to show that any part has been appropriated or distributed in seeds. The sum of £5 charged as commission thereon by George Ernst, Esqr., has since been expended on Roads. There appears unexpended, in the hands of the Custos, from 1847, £4 18 7.

Drawn in 1849, 50 0 0 100 0 0 150 0 0

Expended and distributed in Seeds, &c. £141 11 9

Unexpended, in hands of J.

Heckman and W. Ross, 5 1 3

Do. in hands of Philip

Beardsley, 2 14 6

Do. do. Thos. Bryden, 0 13 6

*County of Cumberland.*

Drawn by, 1848, 0 0 0 60 0 0 60 0 0

Expended and distributed in Seeds, £34 3 0

by Joshua Huestis, and a charge by him of amount paid E. Tuttle, 2 12 0

and to Rufus Purdy, 3 5 0

for which there are no vouchers.

There appears no return of the sum of £20 drawn for Parrsboro' Township.

|                |     |   |   |      |   |   |      |   |   |
|----------------|-----|---|---|------|---|---|------|---|---|
| Drawn in 1849, | £20 | 0 | 0 | £100 | 0 | 0 | £120 | 0 | 0 |
|----------------|-----|---|---|------|---|---|------|---|---|

The whole amount expended and distributed in Seeds, &c.

*County of Guysborough.*

|                 |   |   |   |     |   |   |     |   |   |
|-----------------|---|---|---|-----|---|---|-----|---|---|
| Drawn by, 1848, | 0 | 0 | 0 | 100 | 0 | 0 | 100 | 0 | 0 |
|-----------------|---|---|---|-----|---|---|-----|---|---|

Expended and distributed in Seeds, by Edmund Francheville, in Guysborough, £83 14 0  
being an overexpenditure of £6 4s. in that District.

|                                                           |    |    |   |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|-----------------------------------------------------------|----|----|---|--|--|--|--|--|--|
| Expended and distributed in Seeds in St. Mary's District, | 22 | 10 | 0 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|-----------------------------------------------------------|----|----|---|--|--|--|--|--|--|

|                |    |   |   |     |   |   |     |   |   |
|----------------|----|---|---|-----|---|---|-----|---|---|
| Drawn in 1849, | 25 | 0 | 0 | 100 | 0 | 0 | 125 | 0 | 0 |
|----------------|----|---|---|-----|---|---|-----|---|---|

Expended and distributed in Seeds, with the exception of £2 10 charged as paid in cash to parties, £33 0 0

|                                                  |    |   |   |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|--------------------------------------------------|----|---|---|--|--|--|--|--|--|
| Expended and distributed in St. Mary's District, | 33 | 0 | 0 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|--------------------------------------------------|----|---|---|--|--|--|--|--|--|

It appears that the sum of £25 of the Agricultural Grant was drawn by W. Taylor and E. J. Cunningham, on 9th of May last, under order of Sessions, of which there is no account of any distribution in Seeds or otherwise; nor are there any returns of appropriation of balance drawn, amounting to £34—the whole balance unaccounted for, £59.

*County of Annapolis.*

|                    |   |   |   |     |   |   |     |   |   |
|--------------------|---|---|---|-----|---|---|-----|---|---|
| Drawn by, in 1848, | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0   | 0 | 0 | 0   | 0 | 0 |
| in 1849,           | 0 | 0 | 0 | 100 | 0 | 0 | 100 | 0 | 0 |

The returns show expenditure and distribution of Seeds in Annapolis Co., (exclusive of Township), £25 0 0  
In Annapolis Township, 15 0 0

|                                                 |    |   |   |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|-------------------------------------------------|----|---|---|--|--|--|--|--|--|
| Expended and distributed in Granville Township, | 20 | 0 | 0 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|-------------------------------------------------|----|---|---|--|--|--|--|--|--|

There are no returns of balance of £40 being distributed.

*County of Inverness.*

|                    |    |   |   |     |   |   |     |   |   |
|--------------------|----|---|---|-----|---|---|-----|---|---|
| Drawn by, in 1848, | 50 | 0 | 0 | 100 | 0 | 0 | 150 | 0 | 0 |
|--------------------|----|---|---|-----|---|---|-----|---|---|

The returns show the expenditure of the whole sum in purchase of Seeds, but there are no vouchers of distribution thereof except to the amount of 311½ bush. Oats for £38 19s., leaving a balance, of which there are no accounts of distribution, of £111 1s.

Drawn



Drawn in 1849, from School

Fund, £438 10 0 £50 0 0 £100 0 0 £588 10 0

The returns show expenditure and distribution of Seeds by T. Ethridge and others, £144 9 4

By G. C. Lawrence, 119 5 0

There are no returns of the distribution of the balance, being £324 14 4.

*County of Cape Breton.*

Drawn by, in 1848, 0 0 0 100 0 0 100 0 0  
Of which there are no returns.

Drawn in 1849, from School

funds, £250 0 0 50 0 0 100 0 0 400 0 0

The returns show expenditure and distribution of 3479½ bush. Oats, and charges amounting to £404 11 3—being an over expenditure of £4 11 3.

*County of Richmond.*

Drawn by, 1848, 41 13 6 100 0 0 141 13 6  
Expended and distributed in Seeds, £144 5 7—being overexpended by Mr. Martell 5s., and Mr. Harrington, on charges, £2 17 1.

Drawn in 1849, 50 0 0 100 0 0 150 0 0  
Expended and distributed in Seeds, £151 0 5½; overexpended by Mr. Harrington, £1 0 5. Of the overexpenditure there is due Galatin LeBlanc, on freight, £2 0 6.

*County of Pictou.*

Drawn by, in 1848, 0 0 0 100 0 0 100 0 0

The returns show this amount has been apportioned among the three Townships of in equal proportions, and placed in the hands of Commissioners, who show by accounts that these sums have been paid to individuals; but there is nothing to show that any part of these sums has been appropriated in seeds. Of this amount the sum of £14 12 1 has been charged as applied on Roads and Bridges in Egerton Township; but there are no vouchers or attested returns thereof.

Drawn

|                |        |          |          |
|----------------|--------|----------|----------|
| Drawn in 1849, | £0 0 0 | £100 0 0 | £100 0 0 |
|----------------|--------|----------|----------|

The returns show the distribution of of £33 6 8 in the Township of Pictou, and the same sum in Township of Maxwellton, in cash, to different persons ; but there is no voucher to show that any part has been appropriated in purchase of Seeds ; nor are there any accounts of expenditure of the balance £33 6 8.

*County of Shelburne.*

|                    |       |         |         |
|--------------------|-------|---------|---------|
| Drawn by, in 1848, | 0 0 0 | 100 0 0 | 100 0 0 |
|--------------------|-------|---------|---------|

Expended and distributed in Seeds in Barrington Township, £50 0 0  
There are no returns of bal. 50 0 0

|                |        |         |         |
|----------------|--------|---------|---------|
| Drawn in 1849, | 50 0 0 | 100 0 0 | 150 0 0 |
|----------------|--------|---------|---------|

Expended and distributed in Seeds, &c. in Barrington Township, £75 0 0  
There are no returns of expenditure or distribution of balance, 75 0 0

*County of Queen's.*

|                 |       |         |         |
|-----------------|-------|---------|---------|
| Drawn by, 1848, | 0 0 0 | 100 0 0 | 100 0 0 |
|-----------------|-------|---------|---------|

Expended by A. Cowie, £92 0 8  
There appears no voucher of prices, quantity or distribution of any Seeds for this amount, the returns showing a subdivision thereof among various districts.

Remaining unexpended in hands of A. Cowie, £7 19 4.

|                |        |         |         |
|----------------|--------|---------|---------|
| Drawn in 1849, | 50 0 0 | 100 0 0 | 150 0 0 |
|----------------|--------|---------|---------|

The returns show the due expenditure of the sum of £33 11 9 on a Bridge by Charles Bill, and £2 3 by Thos. Leslie. Of the expenditure of the balance of £114 5 3 there is no account.

The Committee, on a careful investigation of all the accounts submitted to them, consider such accounts, in several instances, by no means as particular and satisfactory as they should have been ; nor can the Committee approve of the course pursued in some Counties, of distributing their Grants in small sums of money to numerous individuals instead of Seeds, as such distribution is contrary to the express direction and intent of the Resolution of the Legislature on that subject ; and has offered opportunities of much waste and abuse of the public money.

The Committee recommend that the sums drawn, and remaining unexpended, by the several Counties, be appropriated to the service of Roads and Bridges, or in the purchase and distribution of Seeds therein, respectively, during the present

sent year, or be otherwise refunded to the Treasury ; and that Returns thereof— and also the Accounts of Expenditures for Seeds not yet returned, be exhibited to the Legislature at the opening of the next Session.

All which is respectfully submitted.

C. F. HARRINGTON, Chairman.  
STEPHEN FULTON,  
ICHABOD DIMOCK,  
SNOW P. FREEMAN,  
H. MIGNOWITZ,  
THOMAS KILLAM,  
JOHN CROW.

20th March, 1850.

No. 81.

(See page 575.)

The Committee to whom was referred the Petition of the Fishermen of Chedabucto Bay, and the Gut of Canso, beg to Report—

That the Petitioners complain, and not without some reason, that they have to submit to hardships and unjust exactions, greater than any other class of men— that their interests have been neglected, and too little protection afforded to them ; their Fisheries are encroached upon by foreigners ; and they have to submit to exactions at home pressing heavily upon them. They state that the encroachments of the American Fishermen have, to a great extent, destroyed their former most productive Mackarel Fishery—that last year all protection was withdrawn, and the Americans fish in our waters without the least appearance of disapprobation on the part of Government. The Petitioners further state that large Grants of Fishing stations have been given, and passed into the hands of wealthy persons, who, by themselves or their agents, demand such exorbitant rents and charges, and make such unjust exactions for the privilege of hauling on the beach as to injure, to a great extent, that class of people.

On the first point your Committee would seriously recommend it to the notice of the Government, whether more efficient protection should not be afforded, so that the injuries they complain of may not be seriously, and to a great extent, diminished.

On the second point your Committee regret that this House, by its legislation, has no power to interfere. If these Grants are unconstitutional, or have been improvidently made, and in consequence thereof the Fishermen are prevented from using their common law right as enjoyed before the Grant, in a manner to make their Fisheries available, some other tribunal must be resorted to for the purpose of setting them aside. If the Grants have legally passed your Committee know of no power which can limit or abridge the right of the owner of the soil, and prevent him making such bargain with the Fishermen as both may agree to ; to attempt to interfere with his rights would be attended with more injustice than what is now complained of.

JAMES B. UNIACKE, Chairman.  
JOHN C. HALL,  
JOHN J. MARSHALL,  
JOHN W. HOMER.

Halifax, March 21, 1850.

No. 82.

*(See pages 580 and 581.)*

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(Circular.)

*Colonial Office, 25th February, 1850.*

SIR—

1. The modification of the Laws relating to Navigation and Trade, by the Act c. 29, of the last Session of Parliament, having removed the legal restrictions which previously existed upon the opening of Ports in the Colony under your Government, for the admission of Foreign as well as British Shipping and Goods, Her Majesty's Government have had under their consideration some local arrangements which it seems necessary to make in consequence, and which I proceed to state.

2. The effect of the Act is, that the Colonial Authorities may now open Ports for the admission of Foreign and British Shipping and Goods, without the necessity of applying for the leave or concurrence, in any shape, of the Home Government.

3. But in trading from any Colony to other parts of the British Dominions, Home or Colonial, various formalities and regulations are still to be observed and conformed to, relating, for instance, to the registry of Shipping and to certificates of produce and clearance: without obtaining which traders from Colonial Ports might be exposed to much inconvenience and probable loss.

4. In the principal Ports in the West Indian and North American Colonies, Officers deputed by the Imperial Board of Customs are already stationed, who can grant these documents and perform the necessary formal acts.

5. But if the Colonial authorities should establish any new Port where no such Officer is stationed, the difficulties to which allusion is above made would immediately arise.

6. It is, at the same time, desirable that provision should be made in all Ports for the transmission to England of various Returns and Documents relating to Trade and Shipping, which are required for the information of the Imperial Government and Parliament, and the compilation of which must be also extremely useful to the Colonial Governments and trading communities.

7. The course which Her Majesty's Government propose, with a view to obviate these difficulties, is the following:—In every new Port to be opened in a Colony, although there be no Imperial Officer of Customs, there will of necessity be a Colonial one. It is proposed that the Colonial Revenue Officers at such Ports, should be furnished with the necessary deputations from the Imperial Authorities, so as to enable them to perform those duties with regard to Registry and the issue of Certificates, which are above specified, and execution of whatever other functions of an Imperial character may still require to be performed, if any, on condition that the Colonial Governments will make it the duty of the same Officers to furnish the above-mentioned Returns.

8. In order, therefore, to carry this arrangement into effect, the Lords Commissioners of the Treasury will cause the Principal Comptroller of Customs and Navigation Laws already appointed in each Colony to be furnished with the requisite Deputation Warrants, and with instructions and authority to issue these Warrants to the Colonial Officers, upon directions being given by the Colonial Governments to those Officers, to comply with such regulations and requisitions regarding the performance of functions under the Imperial Law, or the preparation  
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tion of Trade Returns, as may be communicated to them by the respective Comptrollers.

9. You will accordingly consider yourself authorised to open for Foreign Trade whatever additional Ports you may consider to be required, provided that you are enabled to make arrangements for the performance of the duties adverted to by Officers whose appointment shall be unattended with expense to this country.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your obedient Servant,

(Signed)

GREY.

Lieut. Gov. Sir John Harvey, K. C. B., Nova Scotia.

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No. 49.

*Custom House, Halifax, 23rd March, 1850.*

SIR,—

I have the honor to transmit copy of a Minute of the Honorable the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Customs, of the 2nd March, 1850, for the consideration of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor and the Provincial Government; and respectfully await their determination on the points therein referred to for the information of Her Majesty's Government.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your most Obedient,

Humble Servant,

(Signed)

HENRY TREW,

Controller.

The Hon. the Provincial Secretary, &c. &c.

[Received 22nd March, 1850.]

No. 18.

SIR,—

The Lords Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury having, with reference to the Act of 12th and 13th Vict., cap. 29, which repealed the 2nd section of the British Possessions' Act of 8th and 9th Vict., cap. 93, establishing the Free Port system in the North American and West Indian Colonies, had under their consideration the measures, that it might be proper to adopt, with the view of providing for the due execution of the duties of Controllers of Customs and Navigation Laws, at those subordinate stations, where the Colonial Authorities have established, or may hereafter establish, ordinary Ports of Entry, to which the privileges in respect of Foreign Trade, heretofore confined to Free Ports, have now been, or may be hereafter, extended by Colonial Authority.

I have it in command to transmit for your information and government, a copy of a Letter from Mr. Hayter, one of the Secretaries of the Lords Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury, dated the 2nd February, 1850, together with a copy of their Lordship's Minute therein referred to, of the 29th January preceding, upon this subject; also a copy of this Board's Minute, dated 2nd March, 1850, which has been framed with a view of giving effect to the intentions of their Lordships,—and I am to direct you to lose no time in adopting the necessary measures for the purpose of carrying out the directions contained in the Board's Minute of the 2nd March, 1850, reporting your proceedings, and transmitting the information thereby required with all practicable dispatch to the Board.

I am,

Sir,

Your obedient Servant,

(Signed) C. SCOVELL.

Custom House, London,  
6th March, 1850.

Halifax.

*Treasury Chambers, 2nd February, 1850.*

GENTLEMEN,—

I am commanded by the Lords Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury to transmit herewith, with reference to your Report of the 26th November last, relative to the power of the Colonies to open Ports after the coming into operation of the Act of the 12th and 13th Vict., cap. 29, copy of their Lordship's Minute of the 29th ultimo on this subject, and I am to desire that you will furnish the several Controllers of Customs and Navigation Laws, in the North American and West Indian Colonies, with such Deputation Warrants and Instructions as may be requisite for carrying into effect their Lordship's intentions, as signified in this Minute.

I am,

Gentlemen,

Your Obedient Servant,

(Signed) W. G. HAYTER.

The Commissioners of Customs, &c. &c.

*Copy of a Treasury Minute dated 29th January, 1850.*

Write to Mr. Merivale, and referring to the communication made by direction of this Board to Mr. Hawes, on the 4th January, 1848, and to subsequent correspondence, respecting the Customs Establishment in the North American and West Indian Colonies, state to him for the information of Earl Grey, that My Lords have had under consideration the further arrangements that should be adopted in regard to those Establishments, in consequence of the modification of the Laws relating to Navigation and Trade, by the Act cap. 29, of the last Session of Parliament.

Request

Request Mr. Merivale will observe to Lord Grey, that it has not appeared to my Lords that there is now any legal restriction upon the opening of Ports by the Governments of those Colonies, for the admission of Foreign as well as British Shipping and Goods, although Provision may not be made for the appointment at such Ports of Officers deriving authority from, or amenable to, the direction of the Imperial Board of Customs; but at the same time, various requirements of the Imperial Laws, relating to Registry of Shipping, to Certificates of Produce and of Clearance, and such like, by default in the observance of which, Traders from Colonial Ports might be exposed to much inconvenience and probable loss, can only be complied with through the instrumentality of Officers having authority from the Imperial Board. Further state, however, that with the view of obviating inconvenience in this last mentioned respect, and of providing also for the due preparation and transmission of various Returns and Documents relating to Trade and Shipping, which are required for the information of the Imperial Government and Parliament; it is my Lords' intention, in cases where the Colonial Governments are prepared to concur in devolving on the Colonial Revenue Officers the duty of furnishing the above mentioned Returns, that these Officers shall also be duly deputed and empowered by the Board of Customs, or by My Lords' Board to perform the various other duties before adverted to; and in order to this My Lords will cause the Principal Controller of Customs and Navigation Laws already appointed in each Colony, to be furnished with the requisite Deputation Warrants, and with instructions and authority to issue these Warrants to the Colonial Officers, upon directions being given by the Colonial Governments to those Officers to comply with such regulations and requisitions regarding the performance of functions under the Imperial Law, or the preparation of Trade Returns, as may be communicated to them, by the respective Controllers.

COPY.

*2nd March, 1850.*

## NOVA SCOTIA.

Transmit to the Controller of Customs and Navigation Laws at Halifax, with reference to his Report of the 21st of September, 1849, No. 57, transmitting various returns in pursuance of the special directions contained in the Board's Order of the 3rd August last, No. 56:

Copy of Mr. Hayter's Letter of the 2nd February, and of the Treasury Minute therein referred to of the 29th January, 1850, explanatory of their Lordship's views in regard to providing for the duties of Controller of Customs and Navigation Laws at those Ports, which may have been, or may hereafter be, opened by Colonial authority, for the purposes of Foreign or other Trade, and at which no Imperial Officers are at present stationed; and in accordance with their Lordships' directions the Controller will ascertain, whether the Colonial Government of Nova Scotia and Prince Edward's Island will concur in devolving on their Colonial Revenue Officers, the duties of Controller of Customs and Navigation Laws, in the manner indicated in the Treasury Minute, either at the Ports that may hereafter be opened, or which have been already opened, as named in the margin, for the purposes of Trade, but at which it is the determination of Her Majesty's Government, that no Imperial Officers shall be appointed.

And acquaint the Controller that upon his transmitting to the Board, the names of those Officers upon whom the Colonial Government may concur in devolving the duties of Controllers of Customs and Navigation Laws, the Board will cause the necessary Forms of Appointment and Instructions to be transmitted.

P. E. ISLAND—  
Bedeque,  
Malpeque,  
Three Rivers,  
Colville Bay,  
Cascumpec.

In the event, however, of any case arising where a Port may be opened by Colonial Authority, and where the Colonial Government may be at once ready and willing to assent to their Officers performing the several duties pointed out in the Treasury Minute, the Controller will furnish the Colonial Officers with the necessary Forms and such general Instructions as he may consider necessary for their guidance in the execution of those duties, pending the receipt of the Boards final appointment and instructions.

Acquaint the Controller at Halifax further, that it is the intention of the Board to retain for the present, limited Imperial Establishments at the Ports named in the margin.

NOVA SCOTIA—  
Halifax,  
Pictou,  
Liverpool,  
Yarmouth,  
Sydney,  
Arichat.  
P. E. ISLAND—  
Charlotte Town.

With respect to the Ports of

Windsor,  
Digby,  
Lunenburg,  
Parrsboro',  
Shelburne,  
Wallace,

Guysboro',  
Barrington,  
Argyle,  
New Edinboro', and  
Cumberland,

The Board are of opinion that it would be no longer necessary to retain the services of the Imperial Controllers of Customs and Navigation Laws stationed at those places, provided arrangements could be made for transferring their duties to the Colonial Officer of Custom and Excise in the manner indicated in the Treasury Minute of the 29th January, 1850.

The Controller at Halifax will therefore ascertain and report, for the Board's further consideration, whether the Colonial Government of Nova Scotia would concur in devolving upon the Colonial Revenue Officers at those Ports, the duties of Controller of Customs and Navigation Laws upon the principle laid down in the Treasury Minute above referred to.

With respect to Cornwallis and Annapolis, it would appear from Report transmitted by the Controller at Halifax, to be quite unnecessary that any Officers should be retained at those stations; and measures will consequently be adopted by the Board for transferring any trifling duties that may remain to be executed to the Ports of Windsor and Digby respectively.

To the Controller of Customs and Navigation Laws, Halifax, N. S.

No. 83.

(See page 580.)

The Committee appointed to examine and report upon the Accounts of the Commissioners of the Electric Telegraph and all other matters relating to the Establishment, beg leave to Report—

That in the early part of the season certain gentlemen, viz., the Honorable the Provincial Secretary, the Honorable G. R. Young, William Murdoch, A. G. Archibald, and Thomas Logan, Esquires, were Commissioned by the Lieut. Governor to erect and manage the Line of Telegraph to be built within our borders and to connect with the New Brunswick Line.

These Commissioners by Public Advertisement called for Tenders for the Posts necessary for the Line; about 125 Tenders were put in, but only four comprehended the whole distance. For this the highest was £1300 and the lowest £1080. The Committee have, however, succeeded in making such selections amongst the other Tenders as have enabled them to perform this part of the service for the sum of £972 1s Id. Tenders



Tenders were also received for placing the Line, furnishing the Wires, &c., and completing the work. The highest was £36 15s. per mile, and the lowest £17 10s. The name signed to this latter Tender was T. Flynne, and of course it would have been accepted, but no person appeared to enter into the Contract; nor could the Commissioners obtain any intelligence respecting him. They therefore concluded a Contract with Mr. William Taylor, the next lowest Tender—viz., £18 15s. per mile—and the work was subsequently performed by him.

The total amount expended by the Commissioners which includes every service up to the completion of the Line, including their own commission, is £4248 5s. 10d. Currency.

All the Accounts appear properly receipted. There was one not rendered until recently—that of Mr. Samuel Tupper—on which he credits all the monies charged as paid him excepting £2 10s.—£1 5s. of which appears to be admitted as due, and the sum of £1 5s. was expended apparently for some service not explained. Mr. Tupper claims £20 8s. 9d. beyond the amount charged by the Commissioners—£3 10s. of this is a charge for measuring the Road, and appears inadmissible; the other difference your Committee believe can be best adjusted by the Commissioners. Mr. H. Hyde, on behalf of Mr. Taylor, claims £106 17s. 6d.—of which £46 17s. 6d. is for extra mileage, and £60 for extra expenditure in consequence of new line of Road being unopened near Black River. As the Account as receipted (see voucher B No. 1) corresponds, in reference to distance, with the survey of Messrs. Faulkner and Logan, your Committee consider that as conclusive against the first claim; in reference to that for detention they recommend the Commissioners to arrange the matter after due enquiry and investigation. He also asks for return of Duties paid on the importation of the Wire, &c., used in the construction of the Line, amounting to £45. Your Committee regret they cannot recommend this application favorably at present, the utility of the work has not yet been fully tested; but should it prove satisfactory after the lapse of a year, perhaps the House might then be induced to grant the sum asked for.

The Committee recommend to the attention of the House, the Report submitted by the Commissioners. To it is appended a statement of Receipts and Expenditures from the time the Telegraph was put in operation up to the 31st December last, showing gross receipts in 51 days, £129 11s. 8d., and expenses £118 2s. 4d., leaving nett only £11 9s. 4d., which would be but a trifling sum towards the interest of the capital invested. However, Mr. Gisborne, the Superintendent, in a letter which is also annexed to the Report, estimates that 20 per cent. nett will be realized in 1850. Without being quite so sanguine as Mr. Gisborne, yet judging from the returns of business for the 47 days succeeding the 31st December, and the remarks of Mr. Gisborne as to probable receipts, your Committee believe that a fair income beyond the expense of the establishment, may be justly expected.

The cost of the establishment for the year is thus estimated:—

|                                                                              |      |    |   |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------|----|---|
| Chief Inspector and Superintendent at Halifax,                               | £400 | 0  | 0 |
| Messenger, £60; Office Rent, £30; Fuel, £20;                                 | 110  | 0  | 0 |
| Stationery, £12 10s.; Batteries, &c., £12 10s.; repairs of the<br>Line, £75; | 100  | 0  | 0 |
| Truro Operator, £60; Office expenses, £12 10s.;                              | 72   | 10 | 0 |
| Amherst Operator, £75; Office expenses, £12 10s.;                            | 87   | 10 | 0 |
| Making altogether about                                                      | £770 | 0  | 0 |

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In reference to the arrangements adopted by the Commissioners for the general regulation of the Telegraph, your Committee have made every enquiry on this subject, and have also perused, with care and attention, not only the correspondence submitted by the Commissioners, but also certain Pamphlets which have been published by the Proprietor of the Line between Portland and Boston, and by the Agent of the Associated New York and Boston Press. They have, in addition, had the opinions of several Merchants and other gentlemen in this City, and after maturely considering all the facts which have been brought to their knowledge, they have come to the conclusion that, under all the circumstances, they do not think it their duty to recommend that the present arrangements should be disturbed; at all events, until the Commissioners themselves feel it necessary to do so. No complaints have reached your Committee of any dissatisfaction having been expressed by the communities of the large mercantile cities in America in consequence of the privilege granted by the Commissioners to the Associated Press, which, no doubt, would have been, had they not felt assured that that the priority accorded was used fairly and for the general good. Your Committee regret to observe that, for the present, the messages from Halifax and St. John are not Telegraphed on from Portland to Boston, but are forwarded from Portland by Railway. This interruption of the direct communication, they believe, is merely temporary, a new Line of Telegraph being now in progress of erection between these Cities. Whilst this interruption continues they recommend that all messages received at the Office on the arrival of the Steamers, should be so forwarded as that they may be conveyed to Boston simultaneously with the dispatch for the Associated Press.

The Committee have had under consideration a letter from Mr. H. Hyde, on behalf of himself and others, suggesting the propriety of establishing a reduced rate for messages intended to be conveyed by a Line about to be erected between Pictou and Truro. They do not, however, feel justified in recommending this application to the favorable consideration of the House, not apprehending any sound reason why the rate of charge should be less for distance to a Company within our borders, than should be charged to individuals forwarding their communications to Lines on the border of our Province.

The several Petitions of the Inhabitants of Yarmouth have also been considered, but your Committee cannot recommend the adoption of their prayer. The establishment of Local Lines of Telegraph are more limited to individual enterprise, and your Committee can see no objection to grant to Petitioners (if they think it advisable to apply for it) an Act of Incorporation, similar in its character to that already passed at this Session, to enable them to construct a suitable Line between Halifax and Yarmouth, or any of the intermediate places.

All which is respectfully submitted.

JAMES D. FRASER, Chairman.  
JOHN C. HALL,  
H. Y. MOTT,  
THOMAS KILLAM,  
JOSHUA SNOW.

House of Assembly, 21st March, 1850.

TO HIS EXCELLENCY, LIEUTENANT GENERAL

SIR JOHN HARVEY,

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

The Commissioners appointed to build the Electric Telegraph between Halifax and the north western boundary of Nova Scotia, beg to report to your Excellency as follows:—

That, shortly after the date of their appointment, they proceeded to make preliminary arrangements for the building of the Telegraph, and after obtaining the necessary information published Contracts for the supply of Posts, and subsequently for the building and completion of the Line, by Tender; and they are happy to state that the whole of the work was done in this way—except the fitting up of the Halifax and other Offices—upon satisfactory and moderate terms. Every regard was paid by them to promote economy, and in proof they refer to the fact, that, while in New Brunswick the Line built in connection with this cost, by contract, £37 10s. currency per mile, the Line in Nova Scotia including all extras, except the fittings of the Office at Halifax, has been completed at the cost of about £31 per mile. There may be extras in New Brunswick above the Contract, not known to your Commissioners; but they are satisfied that the Line has been cheaply built, and that no extra expense has been permitted. This rate per mile includes the Apparatus Batteries for the three stations at Halifax, Truro and Cumberland.

They beg to state further, that before the erection of the Posts was begun, they were fortunate in securing the services of F. N. Gisborne, Esquire, as Superintendant—a gentleman who brought to them very high and satisfactory testimonials as to his fitness and qualifications for the office, and with whose general deportment and services, it is due to him to state, they are, up to this time, entirely satisfied.

The Line was constructed either under their own personal inspection or that of the Superintendant, and they have reason to believe that the work has been substantially and faithfully done. Since it went into operation in November last, the intercourse, while repeatedly broken in more distant points of the Line, and especially in New Brunswick, has not been interrupted in Nova Scotia but on one or two occasions. Of the erection of the Posts they will be better able to report after the opening of the Spring. Expense will be inevitably incurred by the displacement of some of these by the frost, and from the nature of the soil; but with this reservation they report to Your Excellency, that all engaged have been, as they believe, faithful in their endeavours to build a safe and working line.

They annex an Account Current of the outlays made, with the vouchers; and respectfully pray that your Excellency may direct that they be examined and reported upon.

They annex also a statement of the receipts at the different Offices since the Line was put in working order up to the end of January last, and also an estimate furnished by Mr. Gisborne of the probable income which may be expected for the ensuing year. If these expectations are realized your Excellency will be gratified to perceive that the enterprize, in addition to the unquestionable benefits it con-

fers upon the public, will yield a profit and surplus fund, which your Commissioners trust your Excellency will be disposed to recommend to the Legislature to have appropriated in the building of other and less profitable Lines, so as to extend to various portions of our Province the advantages conferred by this the most remarkable, and perhaps most useful, invention of the age.

Your Commissioners beg lastly to state to your Excellency, that they have had both difficulty and anxiety in effecting arrangements for the transmission of the public news on the arrivals of the English Steamers, onwards to New Brunswick and the United States. They have endeavoured to enter only into such Contracts as, while affording an adequate revenue, would meet the approval of the managers of the connecting Lines between this and New York, and also best subserve the public interests. With this view they have at present completed an arrangement with the Proprietors of the "Associated Press" of New York, and they now submit to your Excellency copies of the correspondence conducted by them in relative thereto. Upon being examined they believe that these terms will not fail to secure your Excellency's approval; but as they have been subject of complaint and enquiry, your Commissioners beg respectfully to suggest that this question may be submitted to the Assembly, there to be discussed and settled; and the arrangement made be there either approved of, or such instructions furnished as may guide safely in future. The sole object of your Commissioners has hitherto been, with a just regard to the obtainment of a suitable return, to promote the public convenience, to prevent *private* speculators from obtaining any monopoly at the sacrifice of the public interests, and to secure for their Officers and the conduct of the Line a high reputation for fidelity, fairness and dispatch.

All which is respectfully submitted.

JOSEPH HOWE,  
GEO. R. YOUNG,  
WILLIAM MURDOCH, } Commissioners.

Halifax, February 24th, 1850.

*The Province of Nova Scotia in Account Current with the Commissioners appointed for Building the Line of Electric Telegraph through Nova Scotia.*

Dr.

1849. To amount paid for—

Posts.

|                                            |      |     |                    |
|--------------------------------------------|------|-----|--------------------|
| To Samuel Tupper, as per Voucher A. No. 1, | £472 | 10  | 0                  |
| Joseph Oxley, " " "                        | 2,   | 171 | 15 0               |
| Joseph Dickson, " " "                      | 3,   | 113 | 6 10 $\frac{1}{2}$ |
| William Jones, " " "                       | 4,   | 19  | 5 0                |
| J. Beattie, " " "                          | 5,   | 4   | 0 0                |
| Wm. Duncan, " " "                          | 6,   | 13  | 10 0               |
| Ebenezer Beattie, " " "                    | 7,   | 54  | 12 0               |
| Wm. Aylward, " " "                         | 8,   | 53  | 5 9                |
| Archibald Scott, " " "                     | 9,   | 10  | 18 9               |
| Peter Donaldson, " " "                     | 10,  | 4   | 7 6                |
| R.N.B. McLellan, " " "                     | 11,  | 34  | 13 4               |

To

|                                          |                   |      |      |
|------------------------------------------|-------------------|------|------|
| To Wm. Bentley, as per Voucher A No. 12, | £1 18 9           |      |      |
| And. Richardson, " " " 13,               | 17 12 2           |      |      |
| Edward Leahy, " " " 14,                  | 0 6 0             |      |      |
|                                          | <u>          </u> | £972 | 1 1½ |

*Building Line.*

|                                     |                   |      |      |
|-------------------------------------|-------------------|------|------|
| To amount of Wm. Taylor's Contract, |                   |      |      |
| As per Voucher B. No. 1,            | 2512 10 0         |      |      |
| Wm. Taylor, extra, " " 2,           | 136 0 0           |      |      |
| H. Hyde, Freight, &c. " " 3,        | 7 7 6             |      |      |
|                                     | <u>          </u> | 2655 | 17 6 |

*Measuring and Inspecting Line, &c.*

|                                              |                   |    |      |
|----------------------------------------------|-------------------|----|------|
| To William Dowling, as per Voucher C. No. 1, | 6 0 0             |    |      |
| William Faulkner, " " " 2,                   | 5 1 4½            |    |      |
| Joseph Taylor, " " " 3,                      | 4 5 0             |    |      |
|                                              | <u>          </u> | 15 | 6 4½ |

*Salaries to Nov. 10.*

|                                             |                   |     |      |
|---------------------------------------------|-------------------|-----|------|
| To F. N. Gisborne, as per Voucher D. No. 1, | 133 6 8           |     |      |
| Joseph Bernier, " " " 2,                    | 15 0 0            |     |      |
| Amherst Operator, " " " 3,                  | 12 8 0            |     |      |
|                                             | <u>          </u> | 160 | 14 8 |

*Office Furniture and Fittings.*

|                                         |                   |     |      |
|-----------------------------------------|-------------------|-----|------|
| To John McKay, as per Voucher E. No. 1, | 3 9 6             |     |      |
| J. Douall & Co. " " " 2,                | 7 18 9            |     |      |
| Jas. Williamson, " " " 3,               | 9 4 1½            |     |      |
| W. Caldwell & Son, " " " 4,             | 0 4 0             |     |      |
| Peter Bulger, " " " 5,                  | 1 16 0            |     |      |
| S. Studley, " " " 6,                    | 5 15 0            |     |      |
| Thompson & Esson, " " " 7,              | 21 9 0            |     |      |
| J. McDonald, " " " 8,                   | 2 10 0            |     |      |
| John G. Nelson, " " " 9,                | 2 0 0             |     |      |
| H. Hyde, " " " 10,                      | 7 10 0            |     |      |
| Robt. Richardson, " " " 11,             | 30 5 6½           |     |      |
| Thomas Boggs, " " " 12,                 | 9 2 0½            |     |      |
| Jas. F. Blanchard, " " " 13,            | 1 4 0             |     |      |
| Gas Company, " " " 14,                  | 7 14 11           |     |      |
| Sydney Crowe, " " " 15,                 | 21 13 6           |     |      |
| John Longard, " " " 16,                 | 0 12 0            |     |      |
|                                         | <u>          </u> | 132 | 7 9½ |

*Chemicals, Paper, &c.*

|                                           |                   |    |     |
|-------------------------------------------|-------------------|----|-----|
| To Edw. H. Kent, as per Voucher F. No. 1, | 33 5 0            |    |     |
| For Freight, " " " 2,                     | 0 15 0            |    |     |
| To J. R. Dewolf, " " " 3,                 | 13 5 11           |    |     |
| Sundries disbursed by Sup't., " " " 4,    | 17 18 6           |    |     |
|                                           | <u>          </u> | 65 | 4 5 |

Stationery,

*Stationery, Printing, &c.*

|                                               |    |    |    |            |
|-----------------------------------------------|----|----|----|------------|
| To A. & W. McKinlay, as per Voucher G. No. 1, | 15 | 17 | 8½ |            |
| Railroad Journal, " " "                       | 2, | 2  | 12 | 6          |
| A. Grant, " " "                               | 3, | 5  | 10 | 0          |
| John Munro, " " "                             | 4, | 0  | 12 | 0          |
| William Annand, " " "                         | 5, | 8  | 12 | 6          |
| Richard Nugent, " " "                         | 6, | 8  | 17 | 0          |
| English & Blackadar, " " "                    | 7, | 2  | 6  | 3          |
|                                               |    |    |    |            |
|                                               |    |    |    | 44 7 11½   |
|                                               |    |    |    | 4045 19 10 |
| Commissions on £4045 19 10 at 5 per cent.,    |    |    |    | 202 6 0    |
|                                               |    |    |    | £4248 5 10 |

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| 1849.     |                                   |         |  |       |      |
| June 19.  | By amount received from Treasury, |         |  | £250  | 0 0  |
| July 24.  | " " " "                           |         |  | 500   | 0 0  |
| August 3. | " " " "                           |         |  | 500   | 0 0  |
|           | 31.                               | " " " " |  | 500   | 0 0  |
| Sept. 24. | " " " "                           |         |  | 500   | 0 0  |
| Oct. 19.  | " " " "                           |         |  | 500   | 0 0  |
|           | 23.                               | " " " " |  | 500   | 0 0  |
| Novr. 13. | " " " "                           |         |  | 500   | 0 0  |
|           | 22.                               | " " " " |  | 250   | 0 0  |
| 1850.     |                                   |         |  |       |      |
| Feby. 11. | " " " "                           |         |  | 248   | 5 10 |
|           |                                   |         |  | £4248 | 4 10 |

E. E.

JOSEPH HOWE,  
WILLIAM MURDOCH,  
GEO. R. YOUNG,  
THOMAS LOGAN,  
ADAMS G. ARCHIBALD,

} Commissioners.

Halifax, N. S., February 11th, 1850.

No. 84.

(See page 581.)

The Committee on Indian Affairs beg leave to report as follows :

Your Committee have considered the several applications of Dr. Tupper, James Page, and Dr. Page, all of Amherst ; Dr. Willobiske and Dr. Forbes, of Liverpool ; Joseph Wheelock, of Annapolis ; Dr. Farish, of Yarmouth ; Dr. Geddes, and Dr. Wilson, of Barrington ; Dr. McDonald, of Antigonish ; and Dr. Carrett, of Guysborough ; for remuneration for professional services and supplies to Indians in their different localities ; and recommend payment of the several sums hereinafter mentioned :—

To

To Dr. Tupper, for attendance upon Indians sick with the Small Pox, Four Pounds Nineteen Shillings and Three Pence.

To Dr. Tupper, for vaccinating Indians, Two Pounds and Fifteen Shillings.

To James Page, for supplies to Indians sick with the Small Pox, Six Pounds and Ten Shillings.

To Dr. Page, for attendance upon sick Indians, Seven Pounds and Ten Shillings.

Dr. Willobiske, for attendance upon sick Indians, in full of his account, Fifteen Pounds.

To Joseph Wheelock, for supplies to sick Indians, Fifteen Shillings.

To Dr. Forbes, for professional services, in full of his account, Eight Pounds.

To Drs. Farish, for professional services, Three Pounds and Five Shillings.

To Dr. Geddes, for professional services in full, Three Pounds and Five Shillings.

To Dr. Wilson, for professional services, Two Pounds and Three Shillings.

To Dr. McDonald, for vaccinating Indians, by order of the Board of Health, Nine Pounds.

To Dr. Carrett, for professional services, Five Pounds Thirteen Shillings and Six Pence.

The above sums to be paid out of the grant of £300 for the current year.

Your Committee further recommend the following appropriations of a portion of the grant for this year, that is to say—

The sum of Fifteen Pounds towards the education of Michael Christmas, who is now being educated as a native teacher for the Indians.

That the sum of Fifteen Pounds be placed in the hands of the Rev. Mr. Geary, for the benefit of the Indians at Clare—a number of whom are very aged and infirm.

Your Committee have also considered the Petition of the Indians at Ascasoni, Cape Breton, asking aid to erect a School House, and recommend that the Indian Commissioner at Sydney be authorized to expend a portion of the Grant of this year for that purpose, if he deems it advisable so to do.

Also, the letter of Dr. Anderson, of Pictou, asking aid from the Government towards the education, at the Pictou Academy, of two young Indians desirous of obtaining the advantages offered by that institution, and recommend that the Government should make inquiry into the practicability of carrying out the views of Dr. Anderson; and, if advisable, make a small grant for that purpose.

Also, a letter from John Creighton, Esquire, of Lunenburg, asking aid for relief for sick Indians at Gold River; and recommend that Five Pounds should be sent to Mr. Creighton for that purpose.

Your Committee recommend that the usual sum of Thirty Pounds be sent to the Right Rev. Dr. Fraser, for the Indians at Antigonishe.

By returns from the Provincial Secretary the Grant of last year was appropriated by the Government as follows :

|                                     |         |
|-------------------------------------|---------|
| Overseers of the Poor, Horton,      | £0 15 0 |
| Dr. Gesner, Indian Commissioner,    | 90 14 0 |
| Provincial Secretary,               | 10 0 0  |
| Dr. Fraser, Indian Commissioner,    | 30 0 0  |
| Hon. D. Crichton,                   | 30 0 0  |
| Hon. H. Huntington,                 | 10 0 0  |
| John Tempest,                       | 15 0 0  |
| W. H. Crawley, Indian Commissioner, | 50 0 0  |

|                                  |          |
|----------------------------------|----------|
| J. C. Hall,                      | £14 7 6  |
| Provincial Secretary,            | 12 6 6   |
| Dr. Fraser, Indian Commissioner, | 11 17 11 |
| Dr. Walsh,                       | 25 0 0   |
|                                  | <hr/>    |
|                                  | £300 0 0 |

Of this sum satisfactory returns of expenditure have been presented for the following sums, that is to say—

|                                                                |          |
|----------------------------------------------------------------|----------|
| Overseers of the Poor, Horton,                                 | £0 15 0  |
| Dr. Fraser, Indian Commissioner,                               | 30 0 0   |
| Hon. D. Crichton,                                              | 30 0 0   |
| W. H. Crawley, Indian Commissioner,                            | 50 0 0   |
| Dr. Fraser, Indian Commissioner,                               | 11 17 0  |
| Hon. Provincial Secretary, per the Rev. G. Townshend, Amherst, | 10 0 0   |
| Right Rev. Dr. Walsh,                                          | 25 0 0   |
| Provincial Secretary,                                          | 12 6 6   |
| J. C. Hall, Esqr.,                                             | 14 7 6   |
| Hon. H. Huntington,                                            | 10 0 0   |
|                                                                | <hr/>    |
|                                                                | £194 6 0 |

From the following gentlemen no returns have been received—

|                      |          |
|----------------------|----------|
| Dr. Gesner,          | £90 14 0 |
| John Tempest,        | 15 0 0   |
|                      | <hr/>    |
|                      | 105 14 0 |
| Amount accounted for | 194 6 0  |
|                      | <hr/>    |
|                      | £300 0 0 |

|                                        |          |
|----------------------------------------|----------|
| Balance in the hands of W. H. Crawley, | £1 1 2½  |
| Right Rev. Dr. Fraser,                 | 1 0 0    |
| Provincial Secretary,                  | 4 11 11½ |

Your Committee also recommend the adoption of the Resolution accompanying this Report, in order to check what appears to your Committee to be a growing desire to draw from the Treasury, remuneration for services which ought to be otherwise provided for.

All which is respectfully submitted.

W. A. HENRY, Chairman.  
G. McKENNA,  
Wm. H. MUNRO,  
S. S. THORNE,  
JAMES McLEOD,  
GEORGE ERNST,  
CHARLES BUDD,  
H. Y. MOTT,  
H. BLACKADAR.

Committee Room, 22nd March, 1850.



## No. 85.

(See page 584.)

The Committee appointed to consider the claims for cases of Small Pox and Sick Emigrants, beg leave further to Report as follows :

*Schooner Barbara Ann.*—They have examined the Accounts for expenditures made by Mr. Simon Donovan, of Arichat, under the authority of a Committee of Magistrates, to relieve a number of distressed Emigrants landed from the Schooner Barbara Ann, while on a voyage from St. John's, Newfoundland, bound to Charlottetown, P. E. Island. There were 25 passengers in all. The amount expended in their support, and in forwarding some of them to their original place of destination, was £74 8s. 5d. ; less the proceeds of the sales of the materials saved from the wreck, £38 2s. 3½d. ; leaving a balance due of £36 6s. 1½d. They recommend that this, less the sum of £7 10s., being the amount of Daniel Mullins' Bill for the board and lodging of Michael Neal and James Campian, be paid—that is to say, £28 16s. 1½d.—it not being made apparent to your Committee why these two men, able-bodied and free from sickness so far as information is afforded, were so long supported at the public expense. They refer this claim for subsequent enquiry and information, and to be provided for at the next Session, if the explanation afforded be then satisfactory.

All which is respectfully submitted.

GEORGE R. YOUNG, Chairman.  
SAMUEL CREELMAN,  
W. B. TAYLOR,  
CHARLES BUDD,  
JOHN J. MARSHALL.

Halifax, March 25th, 1850.

## No. 86.

(See page 584.)

The Committee to whom were referred the Dispatch of the Right Honorable Earl Grey, and the Commission which the Queen has been pleased to issue for the promotion of Exhibition of the Works of Industry of all nations, to be holden in London early in next year, Report as follows :

That they have perused the documents referred to them with much interest, and recommend that His Excellency should, without delay, appoint Commissioners to correspond with the Commissioners appointed by Her Majesty for the promotion of the Exhibition above referred to.

JAMES B. UNIACKE,  
J. D. FRASER,  
J. W. JOHNSTON,  
R. McG. DICKEY,  
GEORGE R. YOUNG,  
ICHABOD DIMOCH,  
PETER SMYTH.

Halifax, March 20th, 1850.

## No. 87.

(See page 585.)

The Committee appointed to consider the Petition of Jonathan Archibald, asking compensation for losses sustained by him in consequence of not obtaining from the Government in 1846, a Grant of Lands for which he had received an order of Survey in 1845, and in improving upon which in the meantime he had expended a sum of money, beg leave to report as follows :—

Evidence has been produced to your Committee which proves satisfactorily that on the 18th April, 1845, an order of Survey was issued to lay off for him Two Hundred Acres of Land at the head of Liscomb Harbour—that shortly afterwards the Land in question, amounting to 80 Acres, in one Lot, was laid out for him, and a plan thereof returned into the Surveyor General's Office. On the 11th June following he petitioned for this Lot, with another, further down the Harbour, containing 36 Acres, the Survey of which had been returned with that of the first mentioned Lot ; and on the 21st of July then next the Petition was confirmed, and the Petitioner having paid for the Grant, was directed to take possession thereof and use the same ; and that the Grant would issue within a reasonable time. Upon this Lot of 80 Acres was a valuable Mill-seat which Mr. Archibald says was his principal inducement to purchase the same. Having, as he imagined, secured this Mill-seat, Mr. Archibald subsequently on the 19th December, 1845, obtained an order of Survey for 400 Acres more, some distance up Liscomb River, for the purpose of procuring timber for a Mill which he intended erecting upon the first mentioned Lot. This Lot was also Surveyed and paid for, and the Grant issued on the 7th October, 1846. Mr. Archibald also obtained a Grant of 200 Acres of Land between those two Lots on the River on the 14th August, 1845. These several Grants were obtained and paid for after his application for the Mill Lot had been approved, and the money for the same paid, as before mentioned. During the Autumn of 1845 and the Winter of 1846, the Petitioner expended about Sixty Pounds in improving the Lot upon which the Mill-seat was, in preparing a frame for a Mill thereon, and in procuring logs for said Mill—the whole of which has been lost to him in consequence of the Grant of that Lot being subsequently withheld. That he paid the sum of £94 14s. 4½d. for the several Lots at Liscomb, and he complains that in consequence of the other Grant having been refused, the other Lots are of no value to him. After the foregoing expenditures had been made, one Alexander Sinclair, in May, 1846, entered a Caveat with the Government against the Grant of the Mill Lot, alleging it was included in a prior Grant to him. The Government after investigation confirmed the application of Mr. Sinclair and refused the Grant to Mr. Archibald. Your Committee have had all the Grants and examined them ; and the disappointment to the Petitioner has arisen from the fact that by the *description* of Sinclair's Grant the Lands in question were not granted to him, but by a plan annexed to the Grant, referred to in the description, they *are included*. The *description* in the Grant gives, by actual measurement, but 100 Acres, whilst the plan which is wholly incorrect, as regards the site of the River and in other respects, will cover about 300 Acres. This being the state of the matter, the Government refused the Grant to Petitioner, and he thereupon, in June, 1847, applied to the Government and received back the money paid for the Grant, which sum being deducted from the £94 14s. 4½d., the whole amount paid, that is to say £25 12s. 6d., would leave him minus the sum of £69 1s. 10½d., for money paid for these Grants, which, he says are, for the reasons before given, of no value to him. He therefore wishes to re-convey the Lands granted him, and claims

claims repayment of the money paid for them with the amount expended in improvements, and such further reasonable sum as he should receive for interest and loss of time and disappointment. Your Committee give no opinion upon the legal point involved in the construction of the Grant to Alexander Sinclair, which, having been decided by the late Government in his favor, has caused the disappointment to the Petitioner, for which he now asks redress. Your Committee are of opinion that the Petitioner has been put to serious loss and disappointment in consequence of having his Petition for the Lot approved by the Government and subsequently withheld as herein before stated, but leave it to the House to adopt measures, if considered proper, for recompensing the Petitioner therefor. Your Committee are of opinion that the Petitioner was not in any respect to blame for the unfavorable result of his Petition for the Grant of this Mill Lot.

All which is respectfully submitted.

W. A. HENRY, Chairman.  
W. B. TAYLOR,  
JOHN McDOUGALL.

Committee Room, March 25th, 1850.

No. 88.

(See page 585.)

The Committee appointed to consider the subject of the Mines and Minerals, and particularly the question pending in relation to the title of the General Mining Association, beg to Report as follows:—

That they have duly examined the matter reported upon by the Committee who examined the Accounts in relation to the Casual Revenue last Session, and have found that the Association have not paid Royalties on the Slack Coal since the time they commenced operations. By the returns furnished, it appears that the Slack Coal raised and sold from the 1st January, 1834, to 31st December, 1848, amounted to 52,002 Newcastle—equal to 104,004 Winchester—chaldrons, which, if a Royalty had been pressed, would have yielded the sum of £5416 17s. 6d. Currency. It is not disputed that Slack Coal, under the Lease, is subject to the payment of Royalty, and therefore, that if insisted upon, it must have been paid.

When the Executive lately applied to the Agent of the Mining Company for this amount of arrears, the claim was met by three objections: 1st—that the Mining Association held a series of receipts duly signed by the late Treasurer of the Casual Revenue, giving a discharge in full, up to their respective dates, for all the Rents and Royalties due; 2ndly—that the settlements thus made had the sanction of the British Government before the Casual Revenue had been transferred, and was binding upon the Legislature; and 3rdly—that it would be unequitable for the Legislature to press this claim for Royalty on Slack Coal at all. The reasons given by the Agent for this latter position are set out in the Letter of the 17th December, 1849, already laid upon the Table. In it the Agent not only indicates the relief afforded in the past, but solicits that the Association should be exempted in future. But your Committee are of opinion that this House would fail in its duty to the Country, if this portion of the public funds were surrendered. That, considering the facts that the Association, by the settlement lately made and hereafter referred to, have gained about £5500

by being relieved from Royalties for which they were justly liable, that they pay a Royalty only of 1s. 5½d. and 1s. per chaldron, while the former Lessees paid 3s. 4d. currency at Pictou, and 5s. currency per chaldron at Sydney—that they are only required to pay upon the Slack Coal *sold*, which is disposed of at 7s. 6d. per chaldron; and that the Coal, if not sold, would form a dead loss and cost a large sum for its removal from the mouth of the pit. Your Committee are of opinion that the Association have established no equitable grounds whatever for this exemption, and that the Royalty in future ought to be collected upon Slack as well as other Coal.

Your Committee beg to state further, that the claim suggested also by the Committee of last Session for the non-payment of Royalty on 3000 chaldrons of Coal, from 1st January to 30th June, 1845, amounting to £300, has been admitted by the Agent to be a fair claim.

That, in addition to these measures, your Committee find that since the date of the Dispatch of Lord Stanley, dated the 18th July, 1845, by which the privilege of raising 26,000 instead of 20,000 chaldrons, Newcastle measure, was ceded to the Association, in consideration of their paying a Rental of £3000 Stg. per annum, this sum was paid in Dollars at the old rate in place of the Sterling standard settled by statute and applied to other contracts. This difference amounted to the sum of £971 8s. 10d.

Your Committee have also been informed that the Agent of the Association stated, that if the Royalty on Slack Coal were persisted in, or put in Suit, it would be resisted. He proposed by way of compromise to pay the above sum of £300 and £971 8s. 10d., provided this claim for Slack Coals were abandoned up to the 31st December, 1849, and this proposal the Executive deemed it prudent to accept. The sum proposed has since been paid; and your Committee, although they do not concur unanimously in the opinion that the Association could have successfully resisted this claim in a Court of Law, recommend the House to confirm the settlement made. But the favourable terms which the Association have thus obtained, induce your Committee to recommend that payment of the Royalty on Slack Coal be hereafter enforced.

Your Committee on enquiry into the duties of the Superintendent of the Mines at Sydney, find that for some years past he has been unable to leave his room, and has not of course paid even a visit to the Mines—that ever since the Association have worked the Mines at Sydney the Office has been a sinecure. The advanced age of the incumbent renders him incapable of discharging its duties, and the Committee therefore recommend his removal. They recommend further that provision be made for the appointment of a competent Officer, both at Sydney and Pictou, to ensure a vigilant superintendance over the operations of the Company, and to establish a practical check over the Sales, Exports and Returns. The Association stands with the Province in the relation of Landlord and Tenant; and it is clearly the duty of the Legislature to see that this valuable inheritance, while yielding in the meantime the Rents fairly due, be used so that these Mineral resources may descend to the people, after the expiration of the lease, as little injured in value as circumstances will permit.

They have lastly to express their regret that the Right Honorable the Secretary of State has declined to renew further aid to effect a compromise with the Association, relative to their disputed right and title. Your Committee regard the terms contained in the Report made by the Committee and adopted last Session as conciliatory and most liberal. The Association, in place of meeting it in a corresponding spirit, have determined to stand upon their strict legal rights; and from the tenor of the Dispatch from Earl Grey, dated 16th August last, it is obvious

obvious, that this controversy has reached "a crisis," and that it is now incumbent on the House to settle a line of action, deliberately and gravely chosen, and to which they are determined steadily to adhere.

Two steps are now open :

1. An appeal to the Judicial Committee of the Privy Council, as suggested by the Secretary of State, to obtain a decision upon the question of legal right ; and—
2. An appeal, by Petition, to the Imperial Parliament to invoke the aid of the Lords and Commons in relieving our Mineral wealth from the effects of a Monopoly created by an improvident exercise of the Royal prerogative.

Your Committee, after deep and grave reflection, have come to the conclusion that this House, as guardians of the unalienable rights of the people of Nova Scotia, ought to adopt both of these decisive measures. They recommend, therefore, that the Imperial Parliament be addressed by Petition, in order that the aid and influence of both branches may be invoked to further their exertions to have our valuable Mineral resources relieved from the effects of a monopoly which has hitherto tended, and will hereafter more effectively tend, to retard the enterprise and prosperity of the people ; and further, that a sum of not less than £500 Stg. be placed at the disposal of His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor, to enable His Excellency in Council, when deemed expedient, to have a Case prepared to be annexed to said Petition, and also submitted to the Judicial Committee of the Privy Council, in order that the legal validity of the Lease to His late Royal Highness the Duke of York may be authoritatively decided. They recommended further that His Excellency be authorised to appoint a Commission for such purpose.

Your Committee lastly state that they are of opinion that these measures ought to be speedily and earnestly prosecuted—and that the Lieutenant Governor ought to put forward every energy to relieve the country from the operation of this monopoly, which in its practical effects has not only raised the price of Coals to a limit, far beyond what they could or would be supplied at if our Mines were opened to competition, but will effectually crush the enterprize of the people, and prevent the extensive and profitable developement of our Mineral wealth, for the next thirty or forty years.

GEO. R. YOUNG, Chairman.  
SAML. CREELMAN,  
W. A. HENRY,  
L. O'C. DOYLE,  
CH. F. HARRINGTON,  
R. McG. DICKEY.\*

Halifax, March 22nd, 1850.

\*Except to the full duty on Slack Coal, and also to allow the pledge of the Province for expenses of Five Hundred Pounds Sterling to be referred to the Lords of the Treasury, or any cost on this investigation, or any other.

No. 89.

(See page 585.)

The Committee to whom were referred the accounts of the Commissioners for Revising and Consolidating the Laws, beg leave to report as follows :

Your Committee have examined the said Accounts and Vouchers, and find them correct.

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The claim made by the Commissioners is as follows :

|                                                                                       |          |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------|
| To amount paid W. J. Allison, a Clerk employed in engrossing, for<br>184 days, at 5s. | £46 0 0  |
| Account of A. & W. McKinlay for Stationery,                                           | 18 12 1  |
|                                                                                       | £64 12 1 |

Your Committee have taken into consideration the amount of actual labour performed by the four Commissioners, who furnished the Revised and Consolidated Acts before the Legislature at the present Session, and recommend that a grant be made to them this Session on account of the general service performed and to be performed, (to include the sum of Sixty Four Pounds Twelve Shillings and One Penny hereinbefore reported on) to the extent of Three Hundred Pounds.

All which is respectfully submitted.

W. A. HENRY, Chairman.  
JOHN J. MARSHALL,  
W. W. BENT.

Committee Room, 25th March, 1850.

No. 90.

(See page 592.)

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*Government House, Fredericton, March 20th, 1850.*

SIR—

I have the honor to enclose an Act which received the Royal Assent on the 18th inst., and the provisions of which I shall be prepared to carry out.

I am, &c., &c., &c.

(Signed) EDMUND HEAD.

His Excellency Sir J. Harvey, K.C.B., K.C.H., &c., &c., &c.

*An Act relating to the Trade between the British North American Possessions.*

[Passed 18th March, 1850.]

WHEREAS, it is deemed advisable to make provision for Reciprocal Trade between this Province and the other British North American Possessions :

Be it therefore enacted, by the Lieutenant Governor, Legislative Council, and Assembly, That from and after the passing of this Act, it shall and may be lawful for the Lieutenant Governor, or Administrator of the Government for the time being, by and with the advice and consent of the Executive Council, whenever it may be thought advisable so to do, to declare, by Proclamation, what articles, the growth, production or manufacture of either of the British North American Possessions of Canada, Nova Scotia, Prince Edward Island and Newfoundland, or either of them, may be imported into this Province free of Duty.

No. 91.

(See page 593.)

## COUNTY OF HALIFAX.

*Resolved*, That the sum of Fifteen Hundred and Twenty Pounds, appropriated for Roads and Bridges in the County of Halifax, be applied as follows :

|                                                                |     |      |   |          |
|----------------------------------------------------------------|-----|------|---|----------|
| To pay Amount borrowed for the Preston Road,                   |     | £250 | 0 | 0        |
| Over expenditures by—                                          |     |      |   |          |
| L. McQuarry,                                                   | £8  | 2    | 7 |          |
| J. Murphy,                                                     | 9   | 10   | 0 |          |
| R. Ellis,                                                      | 6   | 7    | 0 |          |
| Luke Kellia,                                                   | 6   | 0    | 0 |          |
|                                                                |     |      |   | 29 19 7  |
| For Surveys by—                                                |     |      |   |          |
| Wm. Faulkner,                                                  | 1   | 17   | 3 |          |
| Wm. Anderson,                                                  | 9   | 8    | 2 |          |
|                                                                |     |      |   | 11 6 0   |
| To Repair the Road from Dartmouth to Little Salmon River,      | 6   | 0    | 0 |          |
| Little to Big Salmon River,                                    | 6   | 0    | 0 |          |
| Salmon River to Ormonds, (including Bridge at Taylor's)        | 15  | 0    | 0 |          |
| Musquodobit to Ship Harbor,                                    | 10  | 0    | 0 |          |
| Ship Harbor to Tangier,                                        | 5   | 0    | 0 |          |
| Tangier to Pope's Harbor                                       | 5   | 0    | 0 |          |
| Sheet Harbor to Spry Harbor (including Mushaboon Bridge)       | 15  | 0    | 0 |          |
| Leslie's, Westward, (including Bridge over Taylor's Brook)     | 15  | 0    | 0 |          |
| Sheet Harbor to Salmon River,                                  | 15  | 9    | 0 |          |
| Salmon River to Necum Teuch,                                   | 10  | 0    | 0 |          |
| Necum Teuch to County Line,                                    | 10  | 0    | 0 |          |
| Ecum Secum Bridge,                                             | 12  | 10   | 0 |          |
| Sheet Harbortowards Musquodobit,                               | 15  | 0    | 0 |          |
| Musquodobit towards Sheet Harbor, and to pay over-expenditure, | 15  | 0    | 0 |          |
| Road on Mosher's Island,                                       | 5   | 0    | 0 |          |
|                                                                |     |      |   | 159 10 0 |
| For the New Road, Archibald's Mills to Main Road,              | 15  | 0    | 0 |          |
| To rebuild Brown's Bridge,                                     | 140 | 0    | 0 |          |
| Repair Road from Brown's to Kerr's,                            | 15  | 0    | 0 |          |
| Kerr's to Kelly's,                                             | 10  | 0    | 0 |          |

|                                           |       |    |   |          |
|-------------------------------------------|-------|----|---|----------|
| To repair Road from Kelly's to Pollock's, | £10   | 0  | 0 |          |
| Wilson's Road, Musquodoboit,              | 5     | 0  | 0 |          |
| Hogan's, Glenmore, towards                |       |    |   |          |
| Colchester,                               | 10    | 0  | 0 |          |
|                                           | <hr/> |    |   | £205 0 0 |
| The Eastern Passage Road from Creigh-     |       |    |   |          |
| ton's to the Battery,                     | 10    | 6  | 0 |          |
| Battery to Stoney Beach,                  | 10    | 0  | 0 |          |
| Bridge near the Chapel,                   | 5     | 0  | 0 |          |
| Cow Bay Road, including Bridge,           | 10    | 0  | 0 |          |
| Road past J. Caldwell's,                  | 5     | 0  | 0 |          |
| Dartmouth to Lawrence Town,               | 10    | 0  | 0 |          |
| Lawrence Town Bridge,                     | 10    | 0  | 0 |          |
| Three Fathom Harbor to Porter's           |       |    |   |          |
| Lake,                                     | 10    | 0  | 0 |          |
| Road up West side of Porter's Lake,       | 10    | 0  | 0 |          |
| down West side do.                        | 5     | 0  | 0 |          |
| Road down Chezetcook Harbor,              | 10    | 0  | 0 |          |
| East side Jedore,                         | 5     | 0  | 0 |          |
| West side do.                             | 10    | 0  | 0 |          |
| East side Musquodoboit Harbor,            | 10    | 0  | 0 |          |
| From Bayer's Bridge to Lake Musquo-       |       |    |   |          |
| boit,                                     | 10    | 0  | 0 |          |
| East side Petpiswick,                     | 5     | 0  | 0 |          |
| West side do.                             | 5     | 0  | 0 |          |
| Evan's towards Lawrencetown,              | 5     | 0  | 0 |          |
| Carvery's Road,                           | 5     | 0  | 0 |          |
| New Road from Bell's to the Church,       |       |    |   |          |
| Preston,                                  | 10    | 0  | 0 |          |
| Road, Frog Lake,                          | 5     | 0  | 0 |          |
| Look-out Road,                            | 5     | 0  | 0 |          |
| Cross Road from Smith's to Evan's,        | 7     | 10 | 0 |          |
|                                           | <hr/> |    |   | 177 10 0 |
| Key's to Gay's River, (including al-      |       |    |   |          |
| terations)                                | 30    | 0  | 0 |          |
| Gay's River to Musquodobit, (ditto)       | 40    | 0  | 0 |          |
| Dewolf Road,                              | 5     | 0  | 0 |          |
| Road through Bell's and Taylor's Set-     | 5     | 0  | 0 |          |
| tlements.                                 |       |    |   |          |
|                                           | <hr/> |    |   | 80 0 0   |
| Road through Antrim,                      | 10    | 0  | 0 |          |
| Johnston's Road,                          | 6     | 4  | 5 |          |
| West's Road,                              | 5     | 0  | 0 |          |
| Wyse's Road,                              | 5     | 0  | 0 |          |
| Sedgewith's Road,                         | 5     | 0  | 0 |          |
| Doyle's Road,                             | 5     | 0  | 0 |          |
| From Wyse's Corner to the Grant           |       |    |   |          |
| Road,                                     | 10    | 0  | 0 |          |
| Lydiard's towards Little River,           | 10    | 0  | 0 |          |
| Through Bruce's Settlement.               | 5     | 10 | 0 |          |
|                                           | <hr/> |    |   | 61 14 5  |





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| To repair the Road from McIntosh's Bridge to the |     |    |           |
| Herring Cove Forks,                              | £12 | 10 | 0         |
| Herring Cove Forks to Por-                       |     |    |           |
| Portuguese Cove,                                 | 10  | 0  | 0         |
| Portuguese Cove to Ketch                         |     |    |           |
| Harbor,                                          | 5   | 0  | 0         |
| Ketch Harbor to Blacksmith's,                    | 5   | 0  | 0         |
| Herring Cove to York Redoubt,                    | 5   | 0  | 0         |
| Pay for Survey of new line of Road from Dover    |     |    |           |
| Swa to Prospect Bridge.                          | 4   | 1  | 0         |
|                                                  |     |    |           |
|                                                  |     |    | 41 11 0   |
|                                                  |     |    | £1520 0 0 |

### COUNTY OF HANTS.

*Resolved*, That the sum of One-Thousand Four Hundred Pounds, granted for the service of Roads and Bridges in the County of Hants, be applied as follows :

|                                                             |     |    |       |
|-------------------------------------------------------------|-----|----|-------|
| From Benoni Sweet's to St. Croix Bridge,                    | £50 | 0  | 0     |
| St. Croix Bridge to Windsor, to include £1 6s. over-ex-     |     |    |       |
| pended,                                                     | 50  | 0  | 0     |
| Avon Bridge to Horton line, to include £24 5s. 3d. over-    |     |    |       |
| expended,                                                   | 30  | 0  | 0     |
| Key's Bridge to Donald Philip's, West line,                 | 20  | 0  | 0     |
| David Philip's to Nelson's Bridge, in addition to £20 un-   |     |    |       |
| drawn,                                                      | 10  | 0  | 0     |
| To pay the following sums drawn from the Treasury in 1849 : |     |    |       |
| William Edwards, expended on Winsor Road,                   | 8   | 18 | 6     |
| Milton Thomlinson, expended on Walton Bridge,               | 18  | 0  | 0     |
| John L. Sweet, expended on alteration near Pence's,         | 110 | 9  | 10    |
| For new Road from St. Croix to Windsor,                     | 47  | 4  | 11    |
| To rebuild Bridge near William Stephens',                   | 80  | 0  | 0     |
| From Benjamin Curry's to Post Road,                         | 13  | 0  | 0     |
| Thomas Manning's to Bishop's,                               | 20  | 0  | 0     |
| Old Post Road to Horton,                                    | 7   | 0  | 0     |
| Windsor to Geldert's, Chester Road,                         | 20  | 0  | 0     |
| Rose Green's to Barthouse's,                                | 15  | 0  | 0     |
| Churchill's to Post Road,                                   | 6   | 0  | 0     |
| To repair London Bridge,                                    | 6   | 0  | 0     |
| From Churchill's to the Landing,                            | 5   | 0  | 0     |
| Isaac Dewolf's to Avon Bridge,                              | 18  | 0  | 0     |
| Forks to Falmouth line, Chester Road,                       | 20  | 0  | 0     |
| Old Pondhook Road,                                          | 7   | 0  | 0     |
| The Dawson Road,                                            | 5   | 0  | 0     |
| From Metzler's to the Forks,                                | 7   | 0  | 0     |
| Old Ardoise Road,                                           | 5   | 0  | 0     |
| New Road to St. Croix Bridge, to include the Bridge,        | 10  | 0  | 0     |
| Old St. Croix Bridge to new Road,                           | 8   | 0  | 0     |
| Tricothick Bridge to James Hunter's, Winkworth,             | 10  | 0  | 0     |
| Tenicape to William Church's, when certified that £10 12s.  |     |    |       |
| subscribed has been expended,                               | 30  | 0  | 0     |
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| From William Church's to Walton,                                                                                       | £12 | 0  | 0 |
| Walton to Rainy Cove,                                                                                                  | 5   | 0  | 0 |
| Rainy Cove to Shiverie,                                                                                                | 10  | 0  | 0 |
| Shiverie to Baptist Meeting House,                                                                                     | 7   | 0  | 0 |
| Baptist Meeting House to Newport line,                                                                                 | 5   | 0  | 0 |
| Newport line to Brown's clearing,                                                                                      | 8   | 0  | 0 |
| Brown's clearing to Scott's clearing,                                                                                  | 8   | 0  | 0 |
| Newport line to Mosher's Road,                                                                                         | 10  | 0  | 0 |
| Edward Murphy's, Esq., to William Gorman's,                                                                            | 6   | 0  | 0 |
| Landerkin's to Jacob Withrow's, Esq.,                                                                                  | 6   | 0  | 0 |
| Roache's Mills to Windsor Road,                                                                                        | 12  | 0  | 0 |
| Rawdon Church past Bond's Mill,                                                                                        | 8   | 0  | 0 |
| James Wood's past William Dimock's,                                                                                    | 4   | 0  | 0 |
| John Wilson's past John Gordon's,                                                                                      | 4   | 0  | 0 |
| Thomas Fenton's past Simm's,                                                                                           | 5   | 0  | 0 |
| Isaac Whittear's to Douglas line,                                                                                      | 6   | 0  | 0 |
| Isaac Whittear's to Taggart's,                                                                                         | 5   | 0  | 0 |
| Isaac Whittear's to Thomas Fahie's Farm,                                                                               | 12  | 0  | 0 |
| Thomas Fahie's Farm to James Fahie's Road,                                                                             | 10  | 0  | 0 |
| James Fahie's road to River Herbert,                                                                                   | 10  | 0  | 0 |
| River Herbert to Halifax County line,                                                                                  | 7   | 0  | 0 |
| William Withrow's Mills to Beaver Bank road,                                                                           | 8   | 0  | 0 |
| Withrow's Mill's past Wilson's,                                                                                        | 5   | 0  | 0 |
| Rawdon Church to Newport line,                                                                                         | 7   | 0  | 0 |
| Beaver Bank road past James Wall's,                                                                                    | 4   | 0  | 0 |
| To pay Henry Vaughn, over-expenditure on Hibert Bridge,                                                                | 16  | 17 | 3 |
| Stephen Harvie, expended on Meander Bridge,                                                                            | 10  | 9  | 6 |
| James Brown, expended rebuilding Cockmahagun Bridge,                                                                   | 13  | 0  | 0 |
| From Joseph Parker's to Sterling's, to include £4 19s. 9½d.,<br>expended,                                              | 7   | 0  | 0 |
| Parker's Mills to John Dimock's,                                                                                       | 18  | 0  | 0 |
| Road past Major Greeno's,                                                                                              | 5   | 0  | 0 |
| Levi Dimock's to Rawdon line,                                                                                          | 7   | 0  | 0 |
| Robert Harvie's to Smylie's,                                                                                           | 7   | 0  | 0 |
| Martin's to Meander Bridge, in addition to £1 2s. 9d., un-<br>drawn, and to pay John Sterling 10s. 7½d. over expended, | 10  | 0  | 0 |
| Meander bridge to John Lockhart's,                                                                                     | 10  | 0  | 0 |
| To repair new St. Croix bridge,                                                                                        | 10  | 0  | 0 |
| From Terrence Cochran's to St. Croix bridge,                                                                           | 10  | 0  | 0 |
| Chamber's to Muddy Marsh,                                                                                              | 10  | 0  | 0 |
| Town Landing to Darius Mosher's,                                                                                       | 7   | 0  | 0 |
| Darius Mosher's to Isaiah Dimock's,                                                                                    | 5   | 0  | 0 |
| Isaiah Dimock's to Constantine's,                                                                                      | 4   | 0  | 0 |
| Felix Cochran's to Village Dyke,                                                                                       | 20  | 0  | 0 |
| To reduce Hill, near Scott Nelson's,                                                                                   | 10  | 0  | 0 |
| From Kenetcook bridge to James Anthony's,                                                                              | 5   | 0  | 0 |
| James Dill's to Kempt line,                                                                                            | 10  | 0  | 0 |
| To raise the road near Cockmahagun bridge,                                                                             | 10  | 0  | 0 |
| Rebuild bridge near Hezekiah Crowel's,                                                                                 | 10  | 0  | 0 |
| Ryan's road, Cockmahagun,                                                                                              | 5   | 0  | 0 |
| Repair bridge near Daniel Lockhart's,                                                                                  | 5   | 0  | 0 |
| From Richard Anthony's to Rawdon line,                                                                                 | 5   | 0  | 0 |

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| From Marshal Mumford's to John Cochran's,                        | £5 | 0 | 0 |
| New road past Benjamin Harvie's, senr.                           | 7  | 0 | 0 |
| Windsor Road to John Hibbert's,                                  | 10 | 0 | 0 |
| John Hibbert's towards Beaver Bank road,                         | 6  | 0 | 0 |
| To finish bridge at Burncoat,                                    | 18 | 0 | 0 |
| Rebuild bridge near O'Brien's Mills,                             | 10 | 0 | 0 |
| Pay John Densimere over-expended on Noel River bridge,           | 12 | 0 | 0 |
| Pay William Bonnell, over-expended on Presly bridge,             | 10 | 0 | 0 |
| Finish the Presly bridge,                                        | 5  | 0 | 0 |
| Reduce Hill near Andrew Aisdale's,                               | 5  | 0 | 0 |
| From Five Mile River to Rian's Creek,                            | 38 | 0 | 0 |
| Shubenacadie towards Knowlan's,                                  | 4  | 0 | 0 |
| Road past Gary's,                                                | 4  | 0 | 0 |
| Burton's to Maitland,                                            | 10 | 0 | 0 |
| Burton's towards Nine Mile River,                                | 7  | 0 | 0 |
| Jacob Henigar's to Noel,                                         | 7  | 0 | 0 |
| To rebuild bridge near George Miller's,                          | 10 | 0 | 0 |
| From J. Clark's to N. M. R. road, to include £4 8 over-expended, | 10 | 0 | 0 |
| Nine Mile River road to Kenetcook bridge,                        | 5  | 0 | 0 |
| John Hanes' to John McDonald's,                                  | 5  | 0 | 0 |
| Gore to Carver's Farm,                                           | 5  | 0 | 0 |
| Rawdon line to Kenetcook bridge,                                 | 6  | 0 | 0 |
| Gore to Nine Mile River new road,                                | 12 | 0 | 0 |
| New road past McKenzie's,                                        | 4  | 0 | 0 |
| John Wright's to Indian road,                                    | 10 | 0 | 0 |
| John Caldwell's to Indian road,                                  | 4  | 0 | 0 |
| John McPhee's to Indian road,                                    | 12 | 0 | 0 |
| Indian road to Five Mile River,                                  | 6  | 0 | 0 |
| Road past Ainsley's,                                             | 6  | 0 | 0 |
| New road past John Murphy's,                                     | 10 | 0 | 0 |
| Nine Mile River to Shubenacadie, near Wardrobe's,                | 7  | 0 | 0 |
| Hall's bridge to McPhee's bridge,                                | 18 | 0 | 0 |
| Road past William Fisher's,                                      | 4  | 0 | 0 |
| Finish bridge near Garden's,                                     | 14 | 0 | 0 |
| Road to Grand Lake, past Horn's,                                 | 4  | 0 | 0 |
| Nine Mile River road to Grand Lake,                              | 4  | 0 | 0 |
| John McPhee's to Wallace's Mills,                                | 8  | 0 | 0 |
| To pay Milton Tomlinson, expended on Walton bridge,              | 9  | 0 | 0 |
| From O'Brien's Mills towards Tenicape,                           | 6  | 0 | 0 |
| Kenetcook Bridge to Noel,                                        | 8  | 0 | 0 |
| Thomas Andrew's past Ryan's,                                     | 4  | 0 | 0 |
| <i>The following sums from the Great Road Grant.</i>             |    |   |   |
| From Halifax County Line to Mount Uniacke,                       | 60 | 0 | 0 |
| Mount Uniacke Gate to Benoni Sweet's,                            | 80 | 0 | 0 |
| Benoni Sweet's to St. Croix bridge,                              | 60 | 0 | 0 |
| St. Croix bridge to Windsor,                                     | 25 | 0 | 0 |
| Windsor to Horton line,                                          | 50 | 0 | 0 |
| Key's bridge to David Philips', West line,                       | 40 | 0 | 0 |
| David Philips' West line to Nelson's bridge,                     | 40 | 0 | 0 |

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## COUNTY OF KING'S.

*Resolved*, That the sum of Eleven Hundred Pounds, granted for the service of Roads and Bridges in King's County, be appropriated as follows :

## TOWNSHIP OF CORNWALLIS.

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| From Kentville bridge on the new road to Charles Tobin's,                                                                | £20 | 0  | 0    |
| To open the new road from the Presbyterian Meeting House to Middle Dyke bridge,                                          | 15  | 0  | 0    |
| From Richard Woodworth's to Robert Collins, and northerly to the Post road, half on each,                                | 10  | 0  | 0    |
| To repair and finish the bridge, and on the road near Adam Hec-lars,                                                     | 5   | 0  | 0    |
| From the Widow Shaw's to the Baptist Meeting House, and to finish the bridge,                                            | 15  | 0  | 0    |
| Samuel Beckwith's to the Aylesford line and the road passing W. H. Goold's                                               | 6   | 10 | 0    |
| For the Long Point road, and the road westwardly passing Jakes' New Cove road, and thence westwardly to Long Point road, | 12  | 10 | 0    |
| From widow Hall's to the Bay Shore,                                                                                      | 8   | 0  | 0    |
| For the road passing Henry Hall's, and thence to the Bay,                                                                | 8   | 0  | 0    |
| From Gurden Turner's to the Givan Wharf, and thence to David Hamilton's,                                                 | 5   | 0  | 0    |
| John Givan's to Nathan Fisher's,                                                                                         | 10  | 0  | 0    |
| Alfred Skinner's to N. Fisher's,                                                                                         | 5   | 0  | 0    |
| Absolom Brown's to the Givan road,                                                                                       | 6   | 0  | 0    |
| To open a new road near James T. Goold's,                                                                                | 6   | 0  | 0    |
| From Canady Wharf to Charles Eaton's,                                                                                    | 5   | 0  | 0    |
| John Vaughan's to Hugh Newcomb's, and the road passing Samuel Chute's,                                                   | 5   | 0  | 0    |
| Joseph Nesbet's to the wharf,                                                                                            | 8   | 0  | 0    |
| John White's to John McCullough's,                                                                                       | 4   | 0  | 0    |
| C. V. Rawding's to Nathan Scofield's,                                                                                    | 6   | 0  | 0    |
| The top of the Mountain on the road passing Sarchfield's to the Bay,                                                     | 5   | 0  | 0    |
| William Turner's to the Bay, and to open a new road westwardly to Chute's,                                               | 10  | 0  | 0    |
| Henry Pelton's up the Mountain to William Turner's and the road by Parker's,                                             | 8   | 0  | 0    |
| Joseph Dunham's to David Strong's,                                                                                       | 5   | 0  | 0    |
| John Brown's to Abner Pearson's,                                                                                         | 7   | 10 | 0    |
| Seth Burgess' to John McCullough's,                                                                                      | 5   | 0  | 0    |
| For the Huntingdon Point road and the road westwardly therefrom,                                                         | 6   | 0  | 0    |
| From Nicholas Power's to Hall's Harbor,                                                                                  | 7   | 10 | 0    |
| Stephen Dunham's to the Bay Shore,                                                                                       | 7   | 10 | 0    |
| Samuel Woodworth's to the Bay Shore,                                                                                     | 5   | 0  | 0    |
| Noah Rockwell's to the top of the Mountain,                                                                              | 6   | 0  | 0    |
| Miner Rusco's to David Chipman's,                                                                                        | 5   | 0  | 0    |
| Andrew Bentley's to Michael Murphy's,                                                                                    | 5   | 0  | 0    |
| For the road passing W. H. Thorpe's,                                                                                     | 6   | 0  | 0    |
| Up the Wood Hollow and to finish the alteration near Sheffield Vault,                                                    | 12  | 10 | 0    |
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| From J. C. Rockwell's to John Rand's,                                                                                                       | £4    | 0     | 0        |
| For the road passing Edy Newcomb's from John Loomer's to Hood's<br>Saw Mill, half on each road,                                             | 8     | 0     | 0        |
| From Bester North's to Scotch Bay, and the road and wharf at<br>Apple Tree Landing,                                                         | 25    | 0     | 0        |
| Joseph Sandford's to the top of the Mountain,                                                                                               | 6     | 0     | 0        |
| James Whalan's to Owen Eaton's,                                                                                                             | 5     | 0     | 0        |
| Jonathan Ell's to the Bay,                                                                                                                  | 5     | 0     | 0        |
| For the road passing Daniel Porter's,                                                                                                       | 5     | 0     | 0        |
| From Levi Rand's to Blomedon,                                                                                                               | 5     | 0     | 0        |
| For the new road up the Mountain by Nathan Parker's,                                                                                        | 25    | 0     | 0        |
| To open a new road from Albert Chase's to Belcher Street,                                                                                   | 10    | 0     | 0        |
| From Gideon Cogswell's to Mahar's,                                                                                                          | 6     | 0     | 0        |
| For the bridge near Aaron Sheffield's,                                                                                                      | 8     | 0     | 0        |
| From Hugh Carr's to Scotch Bay Mountain                                                                                                     | 4     | 0     | 3        |
| The Post road passing Dudley Woodworth's to Baptist<br>Meeting House and the road passing Andrew Woodworth's,                               | 6     | 0     | 0        |
| For the road passing Levi Woodworth's Saw Mill,                                                                                             | 5     | 0     | 0        |
| From Bayard Borden's to Grand Dyke bridge,                                                                                                  | 5     | 0     | 0        |
| Doctor Hamilton's to Dickey's Carding Machine, for the<br>Hill near the Brick School House,                                                 | 8     | 0     | 0        |
| To make the alteration on Marster's Mountain,                                                                                               | 15    | 0     | 0        |
| From the Post road to Woodman's, and thence to James Sanford's,                                                                             | 5     | 0     | 0        |
| To repay J. C. Hall monies advanced of the following<br>services, namely, Ten Pounds balance due on bridge<br>built by Mr. Pineo, deceased, | £10   | 0     | 0        |
| Elijah West's account for the erection of the bridge at<br>Pero,                                                                            | 27    | 17    | 6        |
| To repay Joel Cogswell, bill on road leading to Corn-<br>wallis bridge,                                                                     | 8     | 10    | 0        |
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| To repay Mayhew Beckwith advance for over-expendi-<br>tures—                                                                                |       |       |          |
| To the road near John M. Boles,                                                                                                             | 8     | 10    | 0        |
| For the bridge near Daniel Mills,                                                                                                           | 3     | 0     | 0        |
| Alteration near Sheffield's Vault,                                                                                                          | 5     | 0     | 0        |
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## TOWNSHIP OF AYLESFORD.

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| To repay advanced to Felix McNeil, over-expenditure on County<br>line bridge,                  | 4  | 11 | 9   |
| From the Post road near Samuel Parker's to the Canaan road, and<br>from the School House East, | 7  | 10 | 0   |
| Cornwallis line Westwardly on the Canaan road,                                                 | 7  | 10 | 0   |
| Canaan road on the road to Sherbrooke and Dalhousie,<br>and to cut out the same,               | 17 | 10 | 0   |
| Canaan road on the same road to the Twelve Mile brook,<br>so called,                           | 17 | 10 | 0   |
| Dalhousie on the new road to Aylesford,                                                        | 12 | 10 | 0   |
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| For the Causeway from Patrick Scanlan's, Eastwardly,<br>Alton road, so called, in Dalhousie,                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           | £7 10 0<br>5 0 0                                                                            |
| From the Parker road on the road by Easson's Mills to Nichols'<br>road,<br>Nichols' road to Thos. Patterson's, and on the Glebe<br>road to Post road,                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  | 6 0 0<br>7 10 0                                                                             |
| On the road by Jonathan Morse's to the Jackson road, and on the<br>same,                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               | 7 10 0                                                                                      |
| From the Post road past Nichols' Mills to the Canaan road,<br>Nichols' road on the Jackson road to the Neily road,<br>Post road by Abraham Spinney's to the Canaan road,<br>Ward road along the Glebe road to the Jackson road,<br>Post road past Tuft's Mills to Walter Welton's,<br>Neily road on the road Eastwardly, and thence Souther-<br>ly to Wheelock's Mills,                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                | 10 0 0<br>6 0 0<br>7 10 0<br>7 10 0<br>7 10 0<br>7 10 0                                     |
| To pay Benjamin L. Palmer over-expenditure on bridge,                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  | 15 6 5                                                                                      |
| On the road passing Benaiah Spinney, to the Bishop road,                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               | 5 0 0                                                                                       |
| From the Post road on the Bishop road to the Bay, one half on the<br>Mountain,<br>Bishop road across Wand C. Foster's farm,<br>Post road on the Clermont road to the Bay, one half on<br>the Mountain,<br>Post road on the Morden road to the Bay, one half on the<br>Mountain,<br>Dempsey corner on the Ormsby road to the top of the<br>Mountain, and thence Eastwardly,<br>Mountain on the Ormsby road to the Bay,<br>Parker road on the new road on the rear of the Court-<br>land Estate,<br>Parker road on the new road westwardly, and to cut out<br>the same,<br>New road crossing Thomas Welton's farm,<br>Ormsby road past George West's to Cornwallis line, | 8 0 0<br>5 0 0<br>8 0 0<br>10 0 0<br>6 0 0<br>6 0 0<br>10 0 0<br>10 0 0<br>10 0 0<br>4 10 8 |
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## TOWNSHIP OF HORTON.

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| To repay Casualty Vote for expenditure at Lower Horton bridge,<br>Hiram Caldwell for expenditure on Wolfville and Gas-<br>pereaux road,<br>William McKettrick,<br>Thomas Martin for over-expenditure at Martin's Mill<br>bridge,                                                                                                                                                                                | 31 11 1<br>19 11 0<br>4 11 6<br>1 14 0                         |
| From Falmouth line to William Burns', old Mount Denson road;<br>Peleg Holmes' on old Mount Denson road, to the Shore,<br>The County line to Edwd. P. Borden's, on the Bluff Shore<br>road,<br>William Brown's to the Bluff Shore road,<br>Benjamin Fullerton's past Vye's, on the new line to the Post<br>road,<br>Simon Fitch's on the old Telegraph road,<br>Marsden Curry's westwardly to the old Post road, | 7 10 0<br>5 0 0<br>6 0 0<br>7 10 0<br>15 0 0<br>5 0 0<br>7 0 0 |
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| From Post road by W. McGorman's,                                                   | £4    | 0  | 0 |
| Martin's bridge, on the old Post road, to County line at Danl. Bishop's,           | 15    | 0  | 0 |
| Mud bridge to James Caldwell's Corner,                                             | 30    | 0  | 0 |
| Lawrence Caldwell's to Bishop's Corner, above Greenwich,                           | 4     | 0  | 0 |
| Bishop's Corner to Sandy Point,                                                    | 4     | 0  | 0 |
| John Guttridge's South line, up the Mountain, to Jeremiah Kenne's Corner,          | 5     | 0  | 0 |
| Daniel Bishop's by Edward Kelly's to the Post road,                                | 5     | 0  | 0 |
| Nictaux road by Abner Kenne's to Jeremiah Kenne's Corner,                          | 5     | 0  | 0 |
| Thos. A. Davison's by Coyle's on the new road to the old Post road,                | 15    | 0  | 0 |
| Thos. A. Davison's to Davison's Mill,                                              | 7     | 0  | 0 |
| John J. Vaughan's to Reid's Corner, on the Davison road,                           | 5     | 0  | 0 |
| For Black River new road,                                                          | 15    | 0  | 0 |
| From Freeman Davison's past Daniel Caldwell's to widow Johnston's,                 | 7     | 10 | 0 |
| Thomas Hancock's through the deep hollow,                                          | 25    | 0  | 0 |
| Black River School House to Sunken Lake, and from Abram Dorman's to John Carter's, | 7     | 10 | 0 |
| John Payzant's past Stephen Benjamin's,                                            | 7     | 10 | 0 |
| Jacob Dodge's west line to Rodick's Mills,                                         | 10    | 0  | 0 |
| Back Canaan road by Hugh Mitchell's,                                               | 5     | 0  | 0 |
| David Casey's to Lunenburg line,                                                   | 25    | 0  | 0 |
| Sherbrook road near Murphy's, westerly,                                            | 5     | 0  | 0 |
| Sherbrook Road to Daniel Lanes,                                                    | 4     | 0  | 0 |
| Beech Hill road by W. Ward's to Cornwallis line, and to make alterations,          | 4     | 0  | 0 |
| Nictaux road by John Fuller's to Daniel Bishops,                                   | 5     | 0  | 0 |
| John Caldwell's by John Harvey's on the new line of road,                          | 5     | 0  | 0 |
| Michael Davison's on the new line to old Post road,                                | 5     | 0  | 0 |
| Elias Bishop's to Sandy Point, and to make alterations,                            | 10    | 0  | 0 |
| Scovil road by H. Nowlan's, southerly,                                             | 5     | 0  | 0 |
| Jacob Seamen's to Charles Fitch's,                                                 | 5     | 0  | 0 |
| For the new road from Matthew Trenholm's to Perez Martin's,                        | 5     | 15 | 9 |
|                                                                                    | £1100 | 0  | 0 |

### COUNTY OF ANNAPOLIS.

*Resolved,* That the sum of One Thousand and Forty Pounds, granted for Roads and Bridges in the County of Annapolis, be applied as follows :

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| To repair the Gut road from James Johnson's to the Battery,                   | £7 | 10 | 0 |
| Shore road from the Battery to the Lamberson cross road,                      | 10 | 0  | 0 |
| Lamberson cross road from the main road to the Bay Shore,                     | 12 | 10 | 0 |
| Shore Road from the Lamberson cross road to Sloam's,                          | 7  | 10 | 0 |
| Shore road from Sloam's to the McKinzey cross road, including Robblie bridge, | 10 | 0  | 0 |
| To                                                                            |    |    |   |



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| To repair the Shore road from the McKinzey cross road to George John's,                                  | £7 | 10 | 0 |
| McKinzey cross road from main road to Shore road,                                                        | 15 | 0  | 0 |
| Shore road from George John's to the Parker cross road,                                                  | 7  | 10 | 0 |
| Parker cross road from the foot of the Mountain to the Bay Shore,                                        | 10 | 0  | 0 |
| Shore road from McCormick's Mill, East,                                                                  | 5  | 0  | 0 |
| Shore road from Abraham Young's, West,                                                                   | 5  | 0  | 0 |
| McCormick cross road from the foot of the Mountain to the first road over the Mountain,                  | 10 | 0  | 0 |
| Young's cross road from the main road to the Bay Shore,                                                  | 15 | 0  | 0 |
| Shore road from James Young's to Elijah Durland's West line,                                             | 7  | 10 | 0 |
| Phinney's cross road from the main road to the Bay shore,                                                | 15 | 0  | 0 |
| Shore road from the Phinney cross road to Elijah Durland's,                                              | 7  | 10 | 0 |
| Shore road from the Phinney cross road to the Chute's cross road,                                        | 5  | 0  | 0 |
| First road over the Mountain from the Phinney cross road to the Chute cross road, and to build a Bridge, | 7  | 10 | 0 |
| Chute's cross road from the main road to Shore road,                                                     | 10 | 0  | 0 |
| James' cross road from the limits of Bridgetown to Shore road,                                           | 15 | 0  | 0 |
| Shore road from the James' cross road to James Phinney's, to repair bridges,                             | 10 | 0  | 0 |
| Shore road from James Phinney's, East, to build a bridge over Hill's Brook,                              | 20 | 0  | 0 |
| First road over the Mountain from the James' cross road East,                                            | 5  | 0  | 0 |
| Road under the Mountain from Harris Miller's to the Sander's cross road,                                 | 10 | 0  | 0 |
| Cross road from the limits of Bridgetown to Green Morris',                                               | 7  | 10 | 0 |
| Messenger cross road, from the Shore road to the Bay Shore,                                              | 5  | 0  | 0 |
| Bridge and cut down the Hill, main road, by Reid Hall's barn, Granville,                                 | 20 | 0  | 0 |
| Morse cross road from the Two Mile Tree to Scofield's,                                                   | 10 | 0  | 0 |
| Morse cross road from Scofield's to Constant's field bridge,                                             | 5  | 0  | 0 |
| New road from the main road to the top of the Mountain on the Morse cross road,                          | 50 | 0  | 0 |
| New cross road from the Morse cross road to Paradise Lake,                                               | 10 | 0  | 0 |
| Stone bridge near Edward Kennedy's, Waldeck Settlement, and the Hill,                                    | 10 | 0  | 0 |
| Guinea road from Morse River to Mulligan's Hill,                                                         | 10 | 0  | 0 |
| Daniel's bridge opposite Lawrencetown,                                                                   | 10 | 0  | 0 |

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| To assist in repairs on Nictaux bridge and the adjoining Hill,                                                        | £7 10 0 |
| The cross road in Clement's from Post road near Samuel Purdy's to Waldeck line,                                       | 5 0 0   |
| The cross road in Clement's from Post road near Wm. Jones's to Waldeck line,                                          | 5 0 0   |
| Road from Negro line to East Branch Lake to Bear River,                                                               | 7 10 0  |
| Lake Hill road to Rice's Mill,                                                                                        | 7 10 0  |
| The Bridge crossing Morse River near Hessian line corner,                                                             | 7 10 0  |
| Shaw road from main post road to Hessian line corner,                                                                 | 10 0 0  |
| Dalhousie road from Hick's to Rosman's Mill,                                                                          | 10 0 0  |
| Norman's Mill to Farria's bridge,                                                                                     | 5 0 0   |
| MacClaffity settlement,                                                                                               | 5 0 0   |
| Road from Farria's bridge to Baker's in the Perot,                                                                    | 5 0 0   |
| Baker's to George McLaughlin's,                                                                                       | 5 0 0   |
| From the turn off the Perot road to Alexander Duagie's,                                                               | 5 0 0   |
| On the Durland road from the main road to Jacob Bank's,                                                               | 5 0 0   |
| For an alteration on the Beals' Mountain road,                                                                        | 10 0 0  |
| On the cross road from Robert Spurr's to the Dalhousie Settlement,                                                    | 10 0 0  |
| From the begining of the new Liverpool road near Annapolis to Lamb's brook,                                           | 10 0 0  |
| Lamb's Brook to the Indian Settlements,                                                                               | 7 10 0  |
| On the Durland cross road from Jacob Bank's to where they cross the Lake,                                             | 5 0 0   |
| Beals' Mountain road from New Albany to the Annapolis Township line,                                                  | 10 0 0  |
| Union road from Brae River Bridge to Maitland, commencing at the Annapolis County line, and running towards Maitland, | 10 0 0  |
| Handley Mountain road including alteration,                                                                           | 10 0 0  |
| On the Dalhousie road from King's County line to Forty-seven Mile Tree,                                               | 8 0 0   |
| Forty-seven Mile Tree to Lunenburg cross,                                                                             | 10 0 0  |
| Lunenburg cross to Waterloo River,                                                                                    | 5 0 0   |
| Waterloo River to Liverpool cross,                                                                                    | 10 0 0  |
| Liverpool cross to Twenty-three Mile Tree,                                                                            | 5 0 0   |
| Twenty-three Mile Tree to Nineteen Mile Tree,                                                                         | 8 0 0   |
| Nineteen Mile Tree to Fifteen Mile Tree,                                                                              | 8 0 0   |
| Fifteen Mile Tree to Eleven Mile Tree,                                                                                | 8 0 0   |
| Eleven Mile Tree to Annapolis Township line,                                                                          | 6 0 0   |
| Perot road South from Ten Mile River and road running East therefrom,                                                 | 10 0 0  |
| Road to Ramsey Settlement,                                                                                            | 5 0 0   |
| Morse road from Dalhousie to Constant's field, including bridge,                                                      | 10 0 0  |
| New road from Dalhousie to Durland Settlement,                                                                        | 5 0 0   |
| New road South of Paradise Lake from the Outlet thereof Eastward,                                                     | 5 0 0   |
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| On the Liverpool road from Queen's County line to Liverpool cross,                                         | £15 | 0  | 0 |
| Lunenburg road past Peter Morse's,                                                                         | 7   | 0  | 0 |
| Road through Allan's Settlement to Nictaux Falls,                                                          | 6   | 0  | 0 |
| Liverpool road through Maitland, from Queen's County line to long Causeway,                                | 8   | 0  | 0 |
| Long Causeway to Indian Settlement,                                                                        | 8   | 0  | 0 |
| To survey the same from the Liverpool River to the 11 Mile Brook,                                          | 7   | 0  | 0 |
| Stronach road from Post road to the Othet road,                                                            | 5   | 0  | 0 |
| Road past B. Spinney's from the King's County line to the Stronach Mountain road,                          | 5   | 0  | 0 |
| Phinney Mountain road from the top of Mountain to the Shore,                                               | 5   | 11 | 3 |
| Victoria road from the top of the Mountain Northward,                                                      | 5   | 0  | 0 |
| To the Spa Springs,                                                                                        | 5   | 0  | 0 |
| Road from the Spa Springs House to the Gates' Mountain road,                                               | 5   | 0  | 0 |
| Gates' Mountain road from the Post road to the Watering Place,                                             | 7   | 0  | 0 |
| Watering Place to the Breakwater,                                                                          | 5   | 0  | 0 |
| New road from Crawford's to the Gates' Mountain road,                                                      | 5   | 0  | 0 |
| Kitchen road from Crawford's to the Breakwater,                                                            | 10  | 0  | 0 |
| Shore road from Gates' Breakwater to Hanley Mountain road,                                                 | 5   | 0  | 0 |
| Road from the Clarence Meeting House up the Mountain,                                                      | 5   | 0  | 0 |
| Marshall Cove road from the Granville line East, including the bridge,                                     | 8   | 0  | 0 |
| Liverpool road between New Albany and Sander's road,                                                       | 5   | 0  | 0 |
| Road from Wheelock Settlement, Canaan, to the Middle River bridge on the Sander's road,                    | 8   | 0  | 0 |
| New road from bridge at Phinney's Mills to Sander's Road,                                                  | 5   | 0  | 0 |
| New road near Thomas Baker's, running East from Stronach road to Foster's road,                            | 5   | 0  | 0 |
| New road from the Back road to Baily's Street, commencing on line between Rev. E. Stewart's and the Glebe, | 10  | 0  | 0 |
| Road through district No. 61 in Wilmot,                                                                    | 5   | 0  | 0 |

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*Over-expenditures.*

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| Paid Shafner Armstrong, for Lawrence Town Bridge; drawn, | £66 | 3  | 6 |
| Warren Langley, for Paradise Bridge, "                   | 72  | 16 | 3 |
| John Crooker, for Middle River Bridge, "                 | 5   | 0  | 0 |
| John Munro for Bridge on Maitland Road, "                | 4   | 10 | 0 |
| Banaiah Morse, on Bayard Bridge, "                       | 17  | 0  | 0 |
| Isaac Balcom, for Guinea Bridge, "                       | 60  | 0  | 0 |
| Moses Shaw, on Moose River Bridge, "                     | 10  | 0  | 0 |
| John Pearce, on Bowlby Bridge (undrawn),                 | 2   | 0  | 0 |

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Amount of Appropriations for the present year brought down,, 802 11 3

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## COUNTY OF DIGBY.

*Resolved*, That the sum of One Thousand Pounds, granted for the service of Roads and Bridges in the County of Digby, be appropriated as follows, viz. :—

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| To His Excellency the Lieut. Governor to repay James H. Roop over-expended by him on Symond's bridge in 1849,                                  | £10 | 0  | 0 |
| Repair the road from Bear River Ferry to Harris' Brook,                                                                                        | 10  | 0  | 0 |
| Morgan road,                                                                                                                                   | 10  | 0  | 0 |
| Road from Sandy Brook to Lake Hill,                                                                                                            | 12  | 10 | 0 |
| Union road,                                                                                                                                    | 25  | 0  | 0 |
| Sissiboo road from Lot No. 1 South range Westward,                                                                                             | 10  | 0  | 0 |
| Township line road from Welch's Brook to Sissiboo road,                                                                                        | 10  | 0  | 0 |
| Road between Suli's and Smith's Farm in Hillsburgh, From Hollingshead's bridge to Randall's, and thence to the Township line on the back road, | 20  | 0  | 0 |
| Abbet's Mills to the Neck road,                                                                                                                | 25  | 0  | 0 |
| The main road to Bloomfield,                                                                                                                   | 25  | 0  | 0 |
| From Bloomfield to the North Range,                                                                                                            | 10  | 0  | 0 |
| The North Range to Zeigler's Settlement,                                                                                                       | 10  | 0  | 0 |
| McNeil's corner to the South Range,                                                                                                            | 15  | 0  | 0 |
| The South Range road from No. 28 to Zebo road,                                                                                                 | 8   | 0  | 0 |
| To Mumford's,                                                                                                                                  | 10  | 0  | 0 |
| Zebo road from the main road to Isaac Melanson's,                                                                                              | 10  | 0  | 0 |
| Thomas Robichau's to Sissiboo River,                                                                                                           | 10  | 0  | 0 |
| Road from Mistake to Doucett's road by Brophy's,                                                                                               | 10  | 0  | 0 |
| South Range road from No. 50 to No. 37,                                                                                                        | 10  | 0  | 0 |
| From the South Range road to the N. E. Branch of Sissiboo River                                                                                | 10  | 0  | 0 |
| St. Mary's Church to the North Range,                                                                                                          | 8   | 0  | 0 |
| Abram Lewis's, Springfield, to the main road by Stephen Melanson's,                                                                            | 10  | 0  | 0 |
| Sissiboo bridge,                                                                                                                               | 30  | 0  | 0 |
| From White's Brook to the Upper Falls, South side of Sissiboo River,                                                                           | 15  | 0  | 0 |
| Payson's Corner to the Township line,                                                                                                          | 15  | 0  | 0 |
| The Township line road to the Bend of Sissiboo River by John McAlpine's,                                                                       | 10  | 0  | 0 |
| Colin Porter's to the S. W. Angle of the Township,                                                                                             | 10  | 0  | 0 |
| The S. W. Angle to Provost Brook,                                                                                                              | 10  | 0  | 0 |
| Alder Cove to Brook's line, and thence to the main road,                                                                                       | 8   | 0  | 0 |
| The North Range road from McNeill's Corner to No. 33,                                                                                          | 9   | 0  | 0 |
| Turner's Brook towards Digby,                                                                                                                  | 8   | 0  | 0 |
| The Racket Bridge to Green Point,                                                                                                              | 7   | 0  | 0 |
| From Edward Middleton's to the Mountain road,                                                                                                  | 8   | 0  | 0 |
| Thomas Ross' East line to Gulliver's Hole cross road,                                                                                          | 10  | 0  | 0 |
| The foot of the Mountain to Daly's Bridge,                                                                                                     | 8   | 0  | 0 |
| The Bridge at Maghee's Brook,                                                                                                                  | 10  | 0  | 0 |

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| To repair the Bridge at the Sea Wall and the road Westward,                        | £15 | 0  | 0 |
| Road from Trout Cove to Sandy Cove, the new line,                                  | 15  | 0  | 0 |
| Little River to Petit Passage,                                                     | 10  | 0  | 0 |
| Petit Passage to Tibert's,                                                         | 15  | 0  | 0 |
| Tibert's to Fish Points,                                                           | 10  | 0  | 0 |
| Bridge at the head of the N. E. Cove,                                              | 10  | 0  | 0 |
| North Range road from Haines' to Bloomfield cross road,                            | 8   | 0  | 0 |
| Tebo's road Westward,                                                              | 8   | 0  | 0 |
| Road from G. C. Louis' to McConnell's farm, North side Sissiboo River,             | 10  | 0  | 0 |
| New road from the Branch Road to Peter Quinn's,                                    | 10  | 0  | 0 |
| Gulliver's Hole cross road from Cossaboom's to the main road,                      | 8   | 0  | 0 |
| Road through Milligan Swamp,                                                       | 10  | 0  | 0 |
| Cross road from St. Mary's to the Neck road, between Lots No. 1 and 2,             | 10  | 0  | 0 |
| New road from Lake Hill road to the Morgan road,                                   | 12  | 10 | 0 |
| Road on the Eastern side of Smelt Brook,                                           | 10  | 0  | 0 |
| Thomas' road between Bacon's line and John Van Buskirk's,                          | 8   | 0  | 0 |
| Barr's cross road,                                                                 | 7   | 0  | 0 |
| New cross road from the South Range Northward to the line of No. 26,               | 10  | 0  | 0 |
| From the Grand Passage to the Light House,                                         | 12  | 0  | 0 |
| The slip at Robinson's Point,                                                      | 20  | 0  | 0 |
| From the Broad Cove road to the Bay Shore near Thomas Stark's,                     | 7   | 0  | 0 |
| Salmon River road on the South side of Corning's Brook to the County line,         | 5   | 0  | 0 |
| Salmon River road to the County line by the School House,                          | 20  | 0  | 0 |
| Salmon River road to Helaire Frontain's,                                           | 9   | 0  | 0 |
| Helaire Frontain's to Bonaventure Davou's,                                         | 9   | 0  | 0 |
| The road back of Cheticamp Grant, commencing at the main road near Oliver Davou's, | 8   | 0  | 0 |
| Road on the line between Charles Mallet and Charles Boudro,                        | 6   | 0  | 0 |
| From the main road to Round Hill,                                                  | 6   | 0  | 0 |
| The road on Jesse Oake's line,                                                     | 9   | 0  | 0 |
| From Jesse Oake's line to Salmon River road,                                       | 9   | 0  | 0 |
| Francis Tarric to Joseph Devou's                                                   | 6   | 0  | 0 |
| On the line between Nicholas LeBlanc and the Hiers of Joseph Romin,                | 8   | 0  | 0 |
| The Hiers of Baptist Sonia and Peter Godet on the Tuskent road,                    | 9   | 0  | 0 |
| David Lombard and Celestin Comeau, 2nd division,                                   | 7   | 0  | 0 |
| From Timothy Sonia's road Eastwardly, 3rd Division,                                | 5   | 0  | 0 |
| On Eusebe Tibeau's line,                                                           | 8   | 0  | 0 |
| The road from Joseph M. Comeau's line to Peter D. Sonia's road,                    | 8   | 0  | 0 |

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| To repair the road from Joseph M. Comeau's line to Joseph Mallet's,                                    | £6    | 0 | 0 |
| On the line between Angel Godet and Seraphin Sonia,                                                    |       |   |   |
| 2nd division,                                                                                          | 8     | 0 | 0 |
| John Sonia's line,                                                                                     | 8     | 0 | 0 |
| Joseph Terrier's line,                                                                                 | 8     | 0 | 0 |
| From Joseph F. Comeau's road to Joseph A. LeBlanc's farm, 2nd Division,                                | 8     | 0 | 0 |
| Joseph F. Comeau's road to Joseph S. Sonia's road, 2nd Division,                                       | 8     | 0 | 0 |
| On Patrick Tebodo's road,                                                                              | 20    | 0 | 0 |
| Gatien Tebeau's road                                                                                   | 6     | 0 | 0 |
| Louis Bonnaufaut's road,                                                                               | 8     | 0 | 0 |
| Placide LeBlanc's line,                                                                                | 15    | 0 | 0 |
| Samuel Doucett's road,                                                                                 | 16    | 0 | 0 |
| The road on the line between Tousain Dugat's and Eusebe Godet's, 2nd division,                         | 8     | 0 | 0 |
| From Henry Terrio's to Samuel Dousett's road, 2nd division,                                            | 6     | 0 | 0 |
| Cornelius Crowley's to Charles Godet's, Junr.,                                                         | 10    | 0 | 0 |
| Jermain Corperon's to John Melanson's,                                                                 | 8     | 0 | 0 |
| Tusket road to Clay's Brook,                                                                           | 10    | 0 | 0 |
| Samuel Smith's to Patrick Nowlan's road,                                                               | 10    | 0 | 0 |
| Patrick Nowlan's road to Spavil's,                                                                     | 8     | 0 | 0 |
| The Tusket road to Colin Porter's, Duck Pond Settlement, and to repair the bridge over Montegan River, | 10    | 0 | 0 |
| The Montegan bridge on the main Post road,                                                             | 10    | 0 | 0 |
|                                                                                                        | £1000 | 0 | 0 |

### COUNTY OF YARMOUTH.

*Resolved,* That the sum of One Thousand Pounds, granted for the service of Roads and Bridges in the County of Yarmouth, be applied as follows :

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| From Beaver River to Starr's Corner,                                                                                                      | £15 | 0 | 0     |
| Starr's Corner to Vickery's,                                                                                                              | 10  | 0 | 0     |
| Vickery's to Ballum's,                                                                                                                    | 25  | 0 | 0     |
| Ballum's to Tusket Village, including repairs of Tusket bridge,                                                                           | 15  | 0 | 0     |
| Tusket Village to J. J. Porter's,                                                                                                         | 15  | 0 | 0     |
| To repair the road over the Dyke at Abram's River,                                                                                        | 20  | 0 | 0     |
| From J. J. Porter's to George Frost's, including repairs of Argyle Bridge, and to pay Andrew Ricker, over-expenditure in 1849, £17s. 6d., | 20  | 0 | 0     |
| George Frost's to the head of Pubnico Harbor,                                                                                             | 15  | 0 | 0     |
| Walter Larkin's to Barrington line,                                                                                                       | 30  | 0 | 0     |
| To repay amount advanced by the Lieutenant Governor, to repair the Argyle bridge, in the year 1849,                                       | 30  | 0 | 0     |
| From J. J. Porter's to the head of the Abuptic, thence to the old Baptist Meeting House,                                                  | 8   | 0 | 0     |
| Thomas Willett's to the Barrington road,                                                                                                  | 5   | 0 | 0     |
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| From Heaslin's to the great Pubnico Lake,                                                 | £10 | 0  | 0 |
| J. J. D'Entrimont's to the Pubnico Point,                                                 | 8   | 0  | 0 |
| J. Amero's to Abbot's Harbor,                                                             | 5   | 0  | 0 |
| Charles D'Eon's to John Spinney's,                                                        | 8   | 0  | 0 |
| Nathan Goodwin's to Abram Van Emburg's,                                                   | 8   | 0  | 0 |
| Benjamin Spinney's to the Shore,                                                          | 10  | 0  | 0 |
| Simon Frost's to Boyd's,                                                                  | 5   | 0  | 0 |
| Head of Abuptic to Joshua Frost's,                                                        | 20  | 0  | 0 |
| Sluice Bridge to Whitehouse's and to pay over-expenditure<br>in 1848 6s. 3d.,             | 7   | 10 | 0 |
| Henry Goodwin's to Joseph Robert's,                                                       | 7   | 10 | 0 |
| To repair the road on the West side of Abram's River,                                     | 5   | 0  | 0 |
| From Widow Babine's to the Fork of Tusket River,                                          | 30  | 0  | 0 |
| The Fork of Tusket River to Moody's Mill Seat,                                            | 15  | 0  | 0 |
| James Hatfield's to Kemptville bridge, and to alter the road<br>the head of Lake Carlton, | 40  | 0  | 0 |
| To repair or rebuild Kemptville bridge,                                                   | 15  | 0  | 0 |
| Pay James Hurlburt amount expended by him last year,                                      | 6   | 0  | 0 |
| On the new road parallel to the Tusket River near Cyril Suretts',                         | 10  | 0  | 0 |
| From the main road to Nicholas Porter's,                                                  | 10  | 0  | 0 |
| J. B. White's to Tusket Wedge Point,                                                      | 13  | 0  | 0 |
| Gavel's road to Bell Neck,                                                                | 5   | 0  | 0 |
| Great Meadow road to Nelson Gray's,                                                       | 5   | 0  | 0 |
| John Harding's to Elezor Forbes',                                                         | 5   | 0  | 0 |
| The Parade to Gavel's Falls,                                                              | 10  | 0  | 0 |
| Kemptville bridge to the Great Meadow,                                                    | 6   | 0  | 0 |
| To repair William Bollowell's road,                                                       | 5   | 0  | 0 |
| From Burnett's line to the Tusket River by Hemeon's,                                      | 7   | 10 | 0 |
| Crocker's to Burnett's line,                                                              | 7   | 10 | 0 |
| John Larkins' to Burnett's line,                                                          | 8   | 0  | 0 |
| Elijah Pinkney's to the Sluice at the great Tusket Island,                                | 10  | 0  | 0 |
| Pas de pra to Benjamin Muire's, at the Tusket River,                                      | 6   | 0  | 0 |
| To repair the bridge and road at Lent's Cove,                                             | 6   | 0  | 0 |
| From the Tusket road to the Tusket River, by Benjamin Burke's,                            | 4   | 0  | 0 |
| The Chapel at Eel Brook to the Sluice,                                                    | 5   | 0  | 0 |
| Ricker's Brook to Forbes',                                                                | 6   | 0  | 0 |
| The head of Eel Lake to the head of Abuptic,                                              | 8   | 0  | 0 |
| To repair the road around the North side of Cedar Lake,                                   | 7   | 10 | 0 |
| Repair the road on the South East side of Cedar Lake,                                     | 7   | 10 | 0 |
| From Lake George road to Josiah Porter's,                                                 | 12  | 0  | 0 |
| Josiah Porter's to E. Parry's,                                                            | 3   | 0  | 0 |
| The Sea Shore, on the County line, to Lake George road,                                   | 10  | 0  | 0 |
| James Churchill's to the Sea Shore, past J. Strickland's,                                 | 5   | 0  | 0 |
| Nathan Rose's to the Ohio road,                                                           | 5   | 0  | 0 |
| J. K. Crosby's to Ebenezer Eldridge's,                                                    | 15  | 0  | 0 |
| Wm. Whitehouse's to Gardner's Mill,                                                       | 20  | 0  | 0 |
| Crawley's, at Carlton, to the old Kempt road,                                             | 5   | 0  | 0 |
| Samuel Crosby's to the road leading to S. Hilton's,                                       | 10  | 0  | 0 |
| Samuel Crosby's, up the East side of Salmon River, to Plea-<br>sant Valley bridge,        | 10  | 0  | 0 |
| Pleasant Valley bridge to Raynard's,                                                      | 10  | 0  | 0 |
| Wyman's up Salmon River to Mood's,                                                        | 15  | 0  | 0 |

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| From John Scott's to the Tusket Road,                                                                                                       | £5    | 0  | 0 |
| Pitman's Mill to Boyd's,                                                                                                                    | 10    | 0  | 0 |
| Ward's to Thurston's Corner,                                                                                                                | 5     | 0  | 0 |
| Ward's to Healy's.                                                                                                                          | 5     | 0  | 0 |
| Healy's to Wyman's road,                                                                                                                    | 5     | 0  | 0 |
| William Thurston's to Foot's Cove,                                                                                                          | 5     | 0  | 0 |
| Samuel Bain's to Ritchie's, and to build a bridge,                                                                                          | 12    | 10 | 0 |
| Cranberry-head road to the Sea Shore at Isaac Foot's,                                                                                       | 7     | 10 | 0 |
| Penal's to the old Kempt road, and to pay Jesse Cann £3,<br>over-expended last year,                                                        | 8     | 0  | 0 |
| Joseph Raymond's to Lake Ogden,                                                                                                             | 5     | 0  | 0 |
| Fish Point to Wyman's,                                                                                                                      | 16    | 0  | 0 |
| Thomas Brown's to David Robertson's,                                                                                                        | 10    | 0  | 0 |
| R. Smith's to Pinkney's Point,                                                                                                              | 8     | 0  | 0 |
| W. Trefry's to Purdy's,                                                                                                                     | 10    | 0  | 0 |
| Leonard Parry's to Scott's Island,                                                                                                          | 5     | 0  | 0 |
| A. McCra's to Thomas Churchill's,                                                                                                           | 5     | 0  | 0 |
| C. Cann's to A. McCra's,                                                                                                                    | 5     | 0  | 0 |
| J. Hurlbart's Mill Southerly to the old Kempt road,                                                                                         | 10    | 0  | 0 |
| The old Kempt road, to the Westward of the Brazel Lake, to<br>E. Eldridge's,                                                                | 30    | 0  | 0 |
| J. Churchill's over the Barrens towards Coggen's Lake,                                                                                      | 10    | 0  | 0 |
| Joseph Durkee's to Dunn's Cove,                                                                                                             | 5     | 0  | 0 |
| Little River across where Weston's Mill stood to Durkee's<br>Island, in addition to £5 over-expended last year,                             | 15    | 0  | 0 |
| C. Tedford's up Salmon River to the old Kempt road,                                                                                         | 10    | 0  | 0 |
| Samuel Hilton's to Pleasant Valley bridge, thence to D. Hib-<br>bert's, and thence to Brittan's, at the disposal of the Lieut.<br>Governor, | 100   | 0  | 0 |
| W. W. Andrew's to Samuel Crosby's,                                                                                                          | 10    | 0  | 0 |
| To repair Broad Brook bridge, near Andrew Goudy's,                                                                                          | 8     | 0  | 0 |
| Repair John Gavel's road,                                                                                                                   | 5     | 0  | 0 |
| From S. Boudrou's to the Tusket Wedge Point,                                                                                                | 5     | 0  | 0 |
|                                                                                                                                             | £1000 | 0  | 0 |

### COUNTY OF SHELBURNE.

*Resolved.* That the sum of One Thousand Pounds, granted for the service of Roads and Bridges in the County of Shelburne, be appropriated as follows:

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| From Queen's County Line to Tom Tidney bridge,                                                   | £35  | 0 | 0 |
| Tom Tidney Bridge to David Hamilton's,                                                           | 34   | 0 | 0 |
| David Hamilton's to Jordan River Bridge,                                                         | 34   | 0 | 0 |
| Jordan River to John Swinburg's,                                                                 | 16   | 0 | 0 |
| John Swinburg's to Shelburne, and to repay John Swinburg<br>18s. 6d. over-expenditure last year, | 16   | 0 | 0 |
| Shelburne to Stephen Acker's, and repay Thomas Muir £2 2s.<br>over-expenditure last year,        | 15   | 0 | 0 |
| Stephen Acker's to Beaver Dam,                                                                   | 35   | 0 | 0 |
| Beaver Dam to Clyde River,                                                                       | 25   | 0 | 0 |
| Clyde River to Barrington Bridge,                                                                | 55   | 0 | 0 |
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| From Barrington Bridge to Yarmouth County line,                                                                                            | £35 | 0  | 0    |
| To pay John Lyle and David Swain, balance of over-expenditure for building bridge over Lower Falls, Clyde River,                           | 128 | 0  | 0    |
| From Indian Brook to Benjamin Perry's,                                                                                                     | 8   | 0  | 0    |
| Benjamin Perry's to Widow Littlewood's,                                                                                                    | 8   | 0  | 0    |
| To Round Bay Bridge,                                                                                                                       | 8   | 0  | 0    |
| Carleton Village to Church Hill,                                                                                                           | 16  | 0  | 0    |
| Church Hill to Post road,                                                                                                                  | 10  | 0  | 0    |
| Gunning Cove to Beaver Dam,                                                                                                                | 12  | 0  | 0    |
| Post road to John Harris's,                                                                                                                | 12  | 0  | 0    |
| John Harris's to Thomas McKay's,                                                                                                           | 12  | 0  | 0    |
| George McKay's to main road leading from Post road to John Harris's,                                                                       | 12  | 0  | 0    |
| Post road to John Dexter's,                                                                                                                | 15  | 0  | 0    |
| John Dexter's to foot of Long Lake,                                                                                                        | 12  | 0  | 0    |
| Foot of Long Lake to Robert McKay's and Build a bridge,                                                                                    | 24  | 0  | 0    |
| Robert McKay's to Philip Bower's,                                                                                                          | 15  | 0  | 0    |
| Widow Ryer's to John Dexter's,                                                                                                             | 5   | 0  | 0    |
| Shelburne to Sandy Point,                                                                                                                  | 3   | 0  | 0    |
| Sandy Point to John Cushroon's,                                                                                                            | 8   | 0  | 0    |
| John Cushroon's to Shelburne by Lake Rodney,                                                                                               | 15  | 0  | 0    |
| Shelburne to Jordan Ferry,                                                                                                                 | 6   | 0  | 0    |
| David McKay's to Joseph Holden's,                                                                                                          | 6   | 0  | 0    |
| Jordan bridge to William Nickerson's, and to repay John McPherson £3 9s. 0d., and George Haddy £3 5s. 0d., for over-expenditure last year, | 13  | 15 | 0    |
| William Nickerson's to Locke Island Beach,                                                                                                 | 25  | 0  | 0    |
| Joseph Williams' to main road leading to Locke Island,                                                                                     | 3   | 0  | 0    |
| Locke Island Beach to Thomas Crow's,                                                                                                       | 5   | 0  | 0    |
| Main road leading from Locke Island to Jordan, to Richard Wall's,                                                                          | 14  | 0  | 0    |
| Richard Wall's to Little Harbor,                                                                                                           | 7   | 0  | 0    |
| Little Harbor to Jonathan Craig's,                                                                                                         | 6   | 0  | 0    |
| Widow Ringer's to Mathew Ryan's, and to repay Samuel Lisk £2 14s. 9d., over-expenditure last year,                                         | 10  | 0  | 0    |
| Sable River to Richard Wall's,                                                                                                             | 9   | 0  | 0    |
| Tom Tidney bridge to Sable River Chapel,                                                                                                   | 9   | 0  | 0    |
| Port LaBear to Sable River,                                                                                                                | 9   | 0  | 0    |
| Clam Creek to Post Road,                                                                                                                   | 10  | 0  | 0    |
| Clam Creek to Elam Thomas',                                                                                                                | 10  | 0  | 0    |
| To repay Nathan Snow, over-expenditure for rebuilding Little McDougall's bridge last year,                                                 | 25  | 0  | 0    |
| From William Worthan's to main road,                                                                                                       | 7   | 10 | 0    |
| Samuel Snow's to Coffin Pinkham's,                                                                                                         | 20  | 0  | 0    |
| Seth Coffin's, Junr., to Hibbert's Brook,                                                                                                  | 15  | 0  | 0    |
| Raspberry Hill to Isaac Bank's,                                                                                                            | 7   | 10 | 0    |
| Theodore Smith's to Neil's Brook,                                                                                                          | 10  | 0  | 0    |
| Post road to John Atwood's,                                                                                                                | 6   | 0  | 0    |
| Main road to Edward Hopkin's,                                                                                                              | 7   | 10 | 0    |
| To repair Shag Harbor bridge,                                                                                                              | 20  | 0  | 0    |
| From John Lyons' to Great Brook,                                                                                                           | 12  | 10 | 0    |
| Great Brook to Robert Wilson's,                                                                                                            | 12  | 10 | 0    |
|                                                                                                                                            |     |    | From |

|                                                      |       |    |   |
|------------------------------------------------------|-------|----|---|
| From Wood's Harbor to Birch Hill,                    | £20   | 0  | 0 |
| Atwood's brook to Nehemiah Kenney's,                 | 10    | 0  | 0 |
| Elkanah Nickerson's to main road,                    | 7     | 10 | 0 |
| West Head to Seth Smith's,                           | 10    | 0  | 0 |
| To dig a drain from Baker's Inlet to Western Harbor, | 16    | 15 | 0 |
| From Nehemiah Crowell's to West Head,                | 6     | 10 | 0 |
| Paul Brown's to James McKay's,                       | 10    | 0  | 0 |
| Watson Nickerson's to main road,                     | 10    | 0  | 0 |
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|                                                      | £1000 | 0  | 0 |

### COUNTY OF QUEEN'S.

*Resolved*, That the sum of One Thousand Pounds, granted for Roads and Bridges in the County of Queen's, be applied as follows, viz.:—

|                                                                                                                         |      |    |   |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------|----|---|
| To pay the amount advanced out of the Casualty Vote to pay Fancy and Waterman towards rebuilding Pleasant River Bridge, | £30  | 0  | 0 |
| Pay balance of Report in favor of Zenas Waterman, 1849;                                                                 | 7    | 12 | 0 |
| From Lunenburg County Line to Stephen Parks',                                                                           | 20   | 0  | 0 |
| Mill Village to Mack's Meadows,                                                                                         | 10   | 0  | 0 |
| Mack's Meadows to Herring Cove,                                                                                         | 15   | 0  | 0 |
| Herring Cove to Jonathan Smith's,                                                                                       | 15   | 0  | 0 |
| Jonathan Smith's to William Dixon's,                                                                                    | 10   | 0  | 0 |
| Stephen Parks' to Mill Village,                                                                                         | 10   | 0  | 0 |
| Liverpool to John Payzant's, 1st Beach Hill,                                                                            | 10   | 0  | 0 |
| John Payzant's to Benjamin Smith's, 2nd Beach Hill;                                                                     | 5    | 0  | 0 |
| Benjamin Smith's to Broad River,                                                                                        | 5    | 0  | 0 |
| Broad River to Port Matoon,                                                                                             | 5    | 0  | 0 |
| Port Matoon to Michael Robertson's,                                                                                     | 15   | 0  | 0 |
| Michael Robertson's to Port Jolly,                                                                                      | 5    | 0  | 0 |
| Port Jolly to Shelburne County line,                                                                                    | 10   | 0  | 0 |
| To repair the Port Jolly Bridge,                                                                                        | 7    | 10 | 0 |
| From Paul West's to Jonas Philip's,                                                                                     | 5    | 0  | 0 |
| Jonas Philip's to White's Point,                                                                                        | 15   | 0  | 0 |
| White's Point to Hunt's Point,                                                                                          | 3    | 0  | 0 |
| Hunt's Point to Broad River,                                                                                            | 3    | 0  | 0 |
| Stewart's Creek towards Robert Fraser's;                                                                                | 5    | 0  | 0 |
| Robert Fraser's towards John Wallace's,                                                                                 | 5    | 0  | 0 |
| John Maxfield's to Robert Fraser's,                                                                                     | 3    | 0  | 0 |
| Catharine's River to Port Matoon,                                                                                       | 7    | 10 | 0 |
| Post road, Port Jolly, to Port LeBear,                                                                                  | 10   | 0  | 0 |
| Thomas Stubb's up Port LeBear River,                                                                                    | 5    | 0  | 0 |
| Robert Robertson's, Port Jolly, to Henry Fogler's;                                                                      | 5    | 0  | 0 |
| Henry Fogler's to Angus McIntosh's,                                                                                     | 5    | 0  | 0 |
| Post road down Western side Port Jolly Harbor;                                                                          | 7    | 10 | 0 |
| Robert McDonald's, Sandy Bay, to Port LeBear,                                                                           | 3    | 0  | 0 |
| To pay this sum over-expenditure by Philip Fancy, P. R. Bridge,                                                         | 3    | 1  | 0 |
| From Mill Village up Western side of River,                                                                             | 10   | 0  | 0 |
| William Hill's, Mill Village, to Tumbling Dam,                                                                          | 10   | 0  | 0 |
| John Briggin's towards John Campbell's, Mill Village,                                                                   | 5    | 0  | 0 |
| Mill Village towards LaHave Bridge in Queen's County,                                                                   | 10   | 0  | 0 |
|                                                                                                                         | From |    |   |

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| From William Sword's towards Port Medway,                                                   | £25 | 0  | 0 |
| Port Medway to Half-way bridge, Liverpool road,                                             | 12  | 10 | 0 |
| Half-way Bridge towards Solomon's,                                                          | 12  | 10 | 0 |
| Cross roads, Port Medway, towards Blueberry,                                                | 3   | 0  | 0 |
| Solomon's towards Frederick Wentzel's Mills,                                                | 7   | 10 | 0 |
| Wentzel's Mills to William Wentzel's, Eagle Head,                                           | 10  | 0  | 0 |
| William Wentzel's to Blueberry,                                                             | 5   | 0  | 0 |
| Blueberry to Pudding Pan,                                                                   | 5   | 0  | 0 |
| Between O'Neil's and Frederick Fralick's,                                                   | 5   | 0  | 0 |
| Frederick Fralick's and Cutlip Corkum's,                                                    | 5   | 0  | 0 |
| To repay Parker Christopher, repairs on Big Bridge,                                         | 0   | 17 | 6 |
| From Waterloo Street to African Chapel,                                                     | 5   | 0  | 0 |
| African Chapel to Jerry Johnston's                                                          | 5   | 0  | 0 |
| Jerry Johnston's to Matthew Munroe's                                                        | 5   | 0  | 0 |
| Matthew Munro's to Western Head,                                                            | 7   | 10 | 0 |
| Across Western Head from Philip Hartman's,                                                  | 3   | 0  | 0 |
| From Martin Wolf's towards Western Head,                                                    | 15  | 0  | 0 |
| Birch Point towards Milton,                                                                 | 27  | 19 | 6 |
| Up River from Levi Minard's Junr., towards Milton,                                          | 10  | 0  | 0 |
| Bristol towards Milton,                                                                     | 15  | 0  | 0 |
| To commence at Harlow's new building, Brookfield road, and work towards the Four Mile Mark, | 100 | 0  | 0 |
| Commence at the same building and work towards the Six Mile,                                | 15  | 0  | 0 |
| Between the Sixteen and Seventeen Miles,                                                    | 40  | 0  | 0 |
| Nineteen and Twenty Miles,                                                                  | 40  | 0  | 0 |
| From Cameron's bridge to James McCloud's,                                                   | 10  | 0  | 0 |
| Richard Kempton's to David Minard's,                                                        | 10  | 0  | 0 |
| Harmony road to George Minard's,                                                            | 3   | 0  | 0 |
| Brookfield to John Douglass'                                                                | 15  | 0  | 0 |
| George Freeman's to Whiteburn road, to avoid Hills,                                         | 25  | 0  | 0 |
| Brookfield road through Pleasant River,                                                     | 15  | 0  | 0 |
| To repair road and bridges from William Freeman's to Annapolis County line,                 | 15  | 0  | 0 |
| From Pleasant River road towards Donald McKay's,                                            | 3   | 0  | 0 |
| Towards James Smith's,                                                                      | 5   | 0  | 0 |
| Andrew Cowie's to Birch Point,                                                              | 15  | 0  | 0 |
| Martin Wolf's towards Lewis West's,                                                         | 10  | 0  | 0 |
| Benjamin Payzant's towards Devonshire road,                                                 | 5   | 0  | 0 |
| Middlefield towards Panhook,                                                                | 25  | 0  | 0 |
| Panhook Bridge towards Wellington,                                                          | 7   | 10 | 0 |
| Wellington towards Chelsea,                                                                 | 5   | 0  | 0 |
| Brookfield towards Chelsea,                                                                 | 10  | 0  | 0 |
| Wellington towards Brookfield,                                                              | 10  | 0  | 0 |
| Milton to Herring Cove Lakes,                                                               | 10  | 0  | 0 |
| Stephen Kempton's,                                                                          | 5   | 0  | 0 |
| On Grafton road, to commence at Grafton bridge,                                             | 10  | 0  | 0 |
| Northfield road from John Luxton's towards Pelig Ringer's,                                  | 7   | 10 | 0 |
| From Pelig Ringer's towards Annapolis County line,                                          | 3   | 0  | 0 |
| Winocht's to James Nickerson's, Great Hill,                                                 | 5   | 0  | 0 |
| Main Post road to Dean Annis',                                                              | 3   | 0  | 0 |
| White Point road towards George Irwin's,                                                    | 3   | 0  | 0 |
| Peter Cohoon's down Eastern side of Port Medway,                                            | 5   | 0  | 0 |

|                                                          |       |    |    |
|----------------------------------------------------------|-------|----|----|
| From Main Post road towards Peter Cohoon's,              | £5    | 0  | 0  |
| To amount required to finish Pleasant River bridge,      | 10    | 0  | 0  |
| On Devonshire road, from Butler's towards the Meadows,   | 15    | 0  | 0  |
| To Avoid Hill between Harmony Mill and Ludwick Morris's, | 10    | 0  | 0  |
| On Hibernia road,                                        | 7     | 10 | 0  |
| Whiteburn road,                                          | 10    | 0  | 0  |
| Albany road towards Half-way House in Queen's County,    | 5     | 0  | 0  |
| Brookfield road to Nine Mile Mill,                       | 5     | 0  | 0  |
| On Eastfield road,                                       | 5     | 0  | 0  |
| To complete Point Pleasant Bridge,                       | 7     | 10 | 0  |
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|                                                          | 1000  | 0  | 0  |
| <i>Special Grant.</i>                                    |       |    |    |
| From Liverpool to Port Matoon,                           | 250   | 0  | 0  |
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|                                                          | £1250 | 0  | 0  |
|                                                          | <hr/> |    |    |
| Seed money in hands of Andrew Cowie, Esq.,               | £7    | 19 | 2  |
| “ “ “ John Campbell,                                     | 58    | 2  | 10 |
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|                                                          | £66   | 2  | 0  |

The latter sums to be appropriated by the Members for the Town and County for Seed, or on the Roads and Bridges.

### COUNTY OF LUNENBURG.

*Resolved*, That the sum of Twelve Hundred and Forty Pounds, voted for the Road service of Roads and Bridges, and a Special Grant of Two Hundred and Fifty Pounds for Gold River Hill, in the County of Lunenburg, in the year 1850, be applied as follows :

|                                                                                 |      |    |   |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------|----|---|
| From Chester road to Blandford,                                                 | £7   | 0  | 0 |
| Chester Windsor Main Post road to David Pulsifer's Mill,                        | 5    | 0  | 0 |
| Margaret's Bay Shore road to Mill Cove,                                         | 5    | 0  | 0 |
| Post road to Little East River Blandford road,                                  | 5    | 0  | 0 |
| Blandford road to Mill Cove,                                                    | 10   | 0  | 0 |
| Post road from East River to Chester, and over-expenditure in repairing bridge, | 15   | 0  | 0 |
| Post road from Frail's and East River bridge, to Halifax County line,           | 10   | 0  | 0 |
| Chester Windsor road to Hunter's bridge in Sherbrooke,                          | 5    | 0  | 0 |
| Chester Town to Robinson's Corner, including repairs for bridge,                | 8    | 0  | 0 |
| Robinson's Corner to Chester Basin,                                             | 8    | 0  | 0 |
| Gold River bridge to Frederick Sauler's,                                        | 7    | 0  | 0 |
| The new road from Chester Basin to Gold River bridge,                           | 250  | 0  | 0 |
| Frederick Sauler's to Martin's River bridge,                                    | 7    | 0  | 0 |
| Gold River bridge to Beach Hill,                                                | 5    | 0  | 0 |
| Windsor road from Robinson's Corner to Weber's Mill,                            | 6    | 0  | 0 |
| Weber's Mill to Francis Vaughan's, Windsor road,                                | 7    | 10 | 0 |
| Card's to Hutchison's, Windsor road,                                            | 6    | 0  | 0 |
| Chester Basin including the Grant,                                              | 7    | 10 | 0 |
|                                                                                 | From |    |   |

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| From the Grant to Shiffer's,                                             | £10 | 0  | 0 |
| Shiffer's to Sherbrooke Church,                                          | 10  | 0  | 0 |
| Sherbrooke Church to Corbin's,                                           | 10  | 0  | 0 |
| Corbin's to Moses Brown's across the bridge,                             | 10  | 0  | 0 |
| Brown's bridge to Dalhousie Settlement, £10 ; over-expenditure, £2 16s., | 12  | 16 | 0 |
| Sherbrooke bridge to Henry Alder's, £6 ; over-expenditure £4 13s. 1d.,   | 10  | 13 | 1 |
| Henry Alder's to Horton County line,                                     | 7   | 10 | 0 |
| Sherbrooke Rosebank bridge,                                              | 10  | 0  | 0 |
| Martin's River bridge to Leonard Hirtle's,                               | 8   | 0  | 0 |
| Edward Brokner's to Langille's new Mill,                                 | 7   | 0  | 0 |
| Leonard Hirtle's to Kedy's bridge,                                       | 8   | 0  | 0 |
| Kedy's bridge to Mader's Cove,                                           | 10  | 0  | 0 |
| The Trout Hole bridge to Isaac Zwicker's,                                | 10  | 0  | 0 |
| Isaac Zwicker's to Thomas Zwicker's Farm,                                | 8   | 0  | 0 |
| Thomas Zwicker's to George Daurey's,                                     | 8   | 0  | 0 |
| George Daurey's to Peter Venot's,                                        | 8   | 0  | 0 |
| Ernst's Mill to Michael Daurey's,                                        | 5   | 0  | 0 |
| Mahone Bay to North West Street,                                         | 8   | 0  | 0 |
| John Mader's to Gasper Eisenhaur's,                                      | 5   | 0  | 0 |
| Block House to Mader's Mill road,                                        | 10  | 0  | 0 |
| Mader's Mill road to Robar's lower Mill,                                 | 10  | 0  | 0 |
| Robar's lower Mill to Halimore's,                                        | 10  | 0  | 0 |
| Halimore's to Jacob Franks,                                              | 10  | 0  | 0 |
| Jacob Frank's to Michael Barkhouse's,                                    | 10  | 0  | 0 |
| Michael Barkhouse's to Jacob Findle's,                                   | 10  | 0  | 0 |
| Jacob Findle's to John Duggan's,                                         | 10  | 0  | 0 |
| New Germany road to Charles Joodry's, and across the bridge,             | 7   | 10 | 0 |
| Stephen Nicoll's to Joseph Langille's,                                   | 8   | 0  | 0 |
| Stephen Nicoll's leading past Michael Bardsley's,                        | 5   | 0  | 0 |
| The new bridge to Aylesford,                                             | 6   | 0  | 0 |
| Frederick Mader's to George Lohne's Farm,                                | 7   | 0  | 0 |
| Westaver's towards LaHave bridge, new road,                              | 10  | 13 | 2 |
| Langille's Lake to new Cornwall,                                         | 12  | 0  | 0 |
| George Lohne's Farm to Northfield road,                                  | 10  | 0  | 0 |
| On the road leading to Thomas Joodry's,                                  | 5   | 0  | 0 |
| From Maitland road to Venot's,                                           | 6   | 0  | 0 |
| George Venot's to James Lower's Farm,                                    | 6   | 0  | 0 |
| Thomas Zwicker's Block House to Westaver's Plank bridge,                 | 10  | 0  | 0 |
| James Berry's to Maitland School House,                                  | 9   | 0  | 0 |
| Maitland School House to John Ramy's,                                    | 10  | 0  | 0 |
| John Ramy's to cross road, Silver's,                                     | 10  | 0  | 0 |
| Silver's cross-road to George Ramy's,                                    | 10  | 0  | 0 |
| John Silver's to LaHave road,                                            | 5   | 0  | 0 |
| The bridge leading to new Germany,                                       | 10  | 0  | 0 |
| McKie's to LaHave road, leading past William Turner's,                   | 10  | 0  | 0 |
| Mader's Cove to Edw. Kedy's corner, £8 ; over-expenditure, 7s.           | 8   | 7  | 0 |
| Edward Kedy's corner to Town Common,                                     | 8   | 0  | 0 |
| Henry Shoop's to Goreham's Point,                                        | 5   | 0  | 0 |
| Town of Lunenburg to Heckman's Island,                                   | 6   | 0  | 0 |
| Town of Lunenburg to Blue Rocks,                                         | 8   | 0  | 0 |

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| From Town of Lunenburg to Steverman's corner,              | £10 | 0  | 0 |
| Steverman's corner to North West Meeting House,            | 8   | 0  | 0 |
| Meeting House to Block House,                              | 8   | 0  | 0 |
| Steverman's corner to John Langille's, LaHave,             | 8   | 0  | 0 |
| John Langille's to Charles Rudolf's,                       | 8   | 0  | 0 |
| Rudolf's to LaHave bridge,                                 | 10  | 0  | 0 |
| LaHave bridge to John Kokch's,                             | 10  | 0  | 0 |
| John Koch's to Sartey's,                                   | 8   | 0  | 0 |
| Sartey's to Conrad Wensell's,                              | 10  | 0  | 0 |
| Conrad Wensell's to Thomas Shipley's,                      | 10  | 0  | 0 |
| Shipley's to Church, New Germany,                          | 15  | 0  | 0 |
| The Church to Findle's Mill,                               | 8   | 0  | 0 |
| Findle's Mill to Annapolis County line,                    | 10  | 0  | 0 |
| Main road, New Germany, through the Bog,                   | 5   | 0  | 0 |
| DeLony's to Morton's and from Morton's to William Goudy's, | 6   | 0  | 0 |
| Paul Chesley's to the main road,                           | 5   | 0  | 0 |
| Berry's Mill road to James Dauphiney's,                    | 7   | 0  | 0 |
| James Dauphiney's to LaHave road,                          | 5   | 0  | 0 |
| James Egle's to Henry Winocht's Corner,                    | 10  | 0  | 0 |
| Silver's to LaHave River,                                  | 7   | 0  | 0 |
| Westaver's Corner to Slagenwhite's Lake,                   | 7   | 0  | 0 |
| Frederick Winocht's to Jacob Spidle's,                     | 7   | 0  | 0 |
| North West Meeting House to Gasper Kaulback's,             | 8   | 0  | 0 |
| Town of Lunenburg to Ackers' Mill,                         | 10  | 0  | 0 |
| Ackers' Mill to the Ferry, £7 ; over-expenditure, 5s. 3d., | 7   | 5  | 3 |
| McKeen's to Rudolf's Shore road,                           | 10  | 0  | 0 |
| South to the Ovens,                                        | 5   | 0  | 0 |
| Cross road to Mrs. Oxner's round the Shore,                | 10  | 0  | 0 |
| Acker's Mill to cross road, Rose Bay Church,               | 10  | 0  | 0 |
| Peter Kolf's to Rose Bay Church, Shore road,               | 7   | 10 | 0 |
| LaHave bridge to Lower Branch bridge,                      | 5   | 0  | 0 |
| Lower Branch bridge to Jacob Wile's,                       | 7   | 0  | 0 |
| Jacob Wile's to Henry Munro's,                             | 7   | 0  | 0 |
| Baker's to Upper Branch bridge,                            | 7   | 0  | 0 |
| Branch to Smith's Mill, Ohio road,                         | 7   | 0  | 0 |
| Pleasant River road to Baker's,                            | 7   | 0  | 0 |
| Bridgewater to McKeen's, Shore road,                       | 10  | 0  | 0 |
| Mogan's Corner to Sandy Brook,                             | 6   | 0  | 0 |
| Sandy Brook to Matthew Hebb's,                             | 8   | 0  | 0 |
| Matthew Hebb's to David Rynoe's,                           | 8   | 0  | 0 |
| Rynoe's to the County line,                                | 15  | 0  | 0 |
| Pleasant River road to Lapland,                            | 7   | 0  | 0 |
| Back Settlement to Pleasant River road to St. Andrew's,    | 7   | 0  | 0 |
| County line to Pleasant River road, (called Chelsea road), | 8   | 0  | 0 |
| Pleasant River road to Christopher Lohne's, Jr.,           | 7   | 0  | 0 |
| Chelsea road to Patrick Butler's,                          | 6   | 0  | 0 |
| Shore road to Leonard Hebb's,                              | 8   | 0  | 0 |
| Leonard Hebb's to Conquerall and Camperdown,               | 7   | 0  | 0 |
| New Italy and Camperdown,                                  | 8   | 0  | 0 |
| Mullock's to Blystaner's road,                             | 8   | 0  | 0 |
| Sarty's to Emenoe's, Montreal road,                        | 7   | 0  | 0 |
| Sarty's to Green Hill,                                     | 7   | 0  | 0 |

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| From Somerset to Krous Town, (Petite Reviere,)                          | £5    | 0  | 0 |
| Shore to David Hebb's,                                                  | 5     | 0  | 0 |
| Road leading to Frederick Krouse's,                                     | 5     | 0  | 0 |
| McKeen's to Pernette's Ferry,                                           | 7     | 0  | 0 |
| Pernette's Ferry to Petite Reviere,                                     | 10    | 0  | 0 |
| Petite Reviere to Broad Cove,                                           | 10    | 0  | 0 |
| Broad Cove to Queen's County line,                                      | 8     | 0  | 0 |
| Thomas Smith's to John Oxner's,                                         | 10    | 0  | 0 |
| To Pernette's Ferry, Shore road,                                        | 8     | 0  | 0 |
| From Main Post road to Dublin Shore Church (Petite Reviere,)            | 7     | 10 | 0 |
| Bridgewater to Araham Hebb's,                                           | 5     | 0  | 0 |
| Petite Reviere bridge to Dublin Shore Church,                           | 5     | 0  | 0 |
| Conquerall to New Italy Settlement,                                     | 6     | 0  | 0 |
| John Krouse's, Camperdown, to New Italy,                                | 5     | 0  | 0 |
| Parson Week's to Gerard Miller's new road,                              | 5     | 0  | 0 |
| Mr. Fancy's Mill to Krous Town,                                         | 6     | 0  | 0 |
| Camperdown, Conrad's Cove, Port Medway,                                 | 15    | 0  | 0 |
| George Ramy's to New Germany bridge,                                    | 5     | 0  | 0 |
| Conquerall to Leonard Frank's road,                                     | 5     | 0  | 0 |
| On the old North West road leading to Spidle's Marsh,                   | 5     | 0  | 0 |
| Newcastle road from Pleasant River road to Alexander Secker's,          | 10    | 0  | 0 |
| Philip Aulenback, over-expenditure,                                     | 7     | 0  | 0 |
| Thomas Zwicker, over-expenditure,                                       | 3     | 9  | 6 |
| Henry Milbury, over-expenditure,                                        | 11    | 16 | 0 |
| William Falkner, over-expenditure, new road Mahone Bay to Bridge-water, | 100   | 0  | 0 |
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|                                                                         | £1490 | 0  | 0 |

## COUNTY OF COLCHESTER.

*Resolved,* That the sum of One Thousand Two Hundred Pounds, granted for the service of Roads and Bridges in the County of Colchester, for the present year, be applied as follows :

|                                                             |       |    |    |
|-------------------------------------------------------------|-------|----|----|
| To refund the amount drawn from the Casualty Vote, in 1849, | £118  | 2  | 3  |
| To pay the following expenditures :                         |       |    |    |
| William McLearn, Upper Folly bridge,                        | £25   | 14 | 7  |
| John Phillips, Folly Mountain cross road,                   | 20    | 0  | 3  |
| Joseph Willson, on Cheganois bridge,                        | 1     | 10 | 11 |
| Daniel M. Stamper, Breakwater, Port au Pique,               | 3     | 0  | 0  |
| James Mahon, in 1848,                                       | 1     | 3  | 6  |
| William Peppard, in 1848,                                   | 0     | 17 | 8  |
| John Little, completing road round Folly Hill,              | 8     | 10 | 1  |
| Francis Fulton, on Breakwater,                              | 3     | 5  | 6  |
| Samuel Falkner, on Deburt road in 1848,                     | 2     | 1  | 9  |
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|                                                             | 66    | 4  | 3  |
| Repair the Birch Hill road,                                 | 21    | 0  | 0  |
| Hill at Bass River,                                         | 3     | 0  | 0  |
| Hill near Joseph Mahon's,                                   | 9     | 15 | 9  |
| Road to Castlreagh,                                         | 6     | 0  | 0  |
| Road to Cottam's,                                           | 5     | 0  | 0  |

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| To repair the road from McDormand's to Chiganois River,                                 | £5 0 0  |          |
| Folly to Cumberland County line, (Wallace road,)                                        | 33 0 0  |          |
| Crowel's to Joel Slack's,                                                               | 8 0 0   |          |
| Peppard's to Jotten's,                                                                  | 8 0 0   |          |
| Robert McNutt's to W. Fletcher's,                                                       | 7 0 0   |          |
| Upper Great Village bridge,                                                             | 5 0 0   |          |
|                                                                                         | <hr/>   | 110 15 9 |
| Green's Creek to Black Rock,                                                            | 14 0 0  |          |
| Black Rock to old Barns,                                                                | 15 0 0  |          |
| J. Bark's to Shubenacadie, past J. Creelman's,                                          | 4 0 0   |          |
| John Loaghead's to Phillips'                                                            | 5 0 0   |          |
| Alter the road at J. Short's Hill,                                                      | 7 0 0   |          |
| Repair the road from Dalton's to School House,                                          | 7 0 0   |          |
| School House to Halifax road at Brookfield,                                             | 7 0 0   |          |
| Brookfield bridge to Upper Brookfield,                                                  | 6 0 0   |          |
| Wm. McNutt's to Alexander Kent's,                                                       | 18 0 0  |          |
| Jesse Gourley's to Robert Johnson's                                                     | 4 0 0   |          |
| Halifax road to Lamman's past R. Johnson's,                                             | 3 0 0   |          |
| Halifax road to William Holstid's                                                       | 3 0 0   |          |
| Samuel Willson's to Harmony,                                                            | 3 0 0   |          |
| George White's to Harmony,                                                              | 6 0 0   |          |
| Stewiacke road to W. L. McCallum's,                                                     | 4 0 0   |          |
| John L. Fisher's to bridge, (new road)                                                  | 6 0 0   |          |
| Andrew Christie's to Thomas Dickson's,                                                  | 4 0 0   |          |
| Pay Samuel Archibald for over-expenditure on road from Mr. Barry's to Thomas Dickson's, | 12 6 4  |          |
|                                                                                         | <hr/>   | 128 6 4  |
| J. Barnhill for over-expenditure on Upper Chiganois bridge,                             | 32 13 0 |          |
| David Lynd's for expenditure on bridge,                                                 | 14 6 9  |          |
| Simeon H. Blair for expenditure on North River bridge,                                  | 3 6 0   |          |
|                                                                                         | <hr/>   | 50 5 9   |
| Repair the road from William Staples' to New Annan,                                     | 8 0 0   |          |
| Repair the road from Ephraim Staples' to Londonderry line,                              | 4 0 0   |          |
| Build a bridge near Jabez Rudie's,                                                      | 10 0 0  |          |



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| To repair the road from Crowe's Mills to James Graham's,                                         | £4 0 0 |         |
| Repair the bridge at Crowe's Mills,                                                              | 5 0 0  |         |
| Road from Onslow Meeting House, Barnkill,                                                        | 6 0 0  |         |
| Road from Wren Johnston's to Robertson's,                                                        | 10 0 0 |         |
| Road from Wren Johnson's to E. Blair's,                                                          | 4 0 0  |         |
| Bridge near David Blair's,                                                                       | 3 0 0  |         |
| James Wright's to John McLeod's,                                                                 | 5 0 0  |         |
| Jacob Lynd's to Chas. Hall's,                                                                    | 4 0 0  |         |
| Peter Blackamoor's to Henry Snooks',                                                             | 3 0 0  |         |
| Peter Blackamoor's to Thos. McCallum's,                                                          | 4 0 0  |         |
| Robertson's to Welch's (old Tat. road),                                                          | 3 0 0  |         |
| Abner McNutt's to Wat Up-ham's (new road),                                                       | 23 0 0 |         |
|                                                                                                  | <hr/>  | £36 0 0 |
| Pay Henry Roberts for over-expenditure on bridge at Henderson's Creek (when accts. are vouched), | 6 0 0  |         |
| Repair the road from Urquhart's Mill to Waugh's, and to pay 17s. 6d. expended in 1849,           | 2 17 0 |         |
| Bridge at David Murdoch's,                                                                       | 6 0 0  |         |
| Build a Bridge at Gavin Currie's,                                                                | 12 0 0 |         |
| David Gilmore's,                                                                                 | 5 0 0  |         |
| Repair the road from bridge at D. Gilmore's to main road (new line),                             | 5 0 0  |         |
| Road from bridge at Nine Mile Hole to main road, £5; and from Nelson's to main road, £2,         | 7 0 0  |         |
| Road from Dewar's Bridge to Henderson's,                                                         | 5 0 0  |         |
| George Fatrie's to Mattatal's Lake,                                                              | 5 0 0  |         |
| David Murdoch's to Pictou County line,                                                           | 7 0 0  |         |
| Pictou County line through Point Burly to Tatmagouche,                                           | 7 0 0  |         |
| Donald McIntosh's past Bentley's to Langille's,                                                  | 5 0 0  |         |
| Buckler's to main road,                                                                          | 3 0 0  |         |
| James Chamber's to Mark Mattatal's,                                                              | 10 3 0 |         |
| Lewis Mattatal's to main road,                                                                   | 5 0 0  |         |
| McIntosh's Mill to Lake road,                                                                    | 3 0 0  |         |
| Waugh's Church to Brown's £5, and from Brown's to Henderson's £1,                                | 6 0 0  |         |
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| To repair the road from A. Palley's to Middle Stewiacke bridge £20, and to repair the bridge and pay for expenditure of £4 12s.; on the same £11, | £31 | 0  | 0 |         |
| New road past George Rutherford's,                                                                                                                | 5   | 0  | 0 |         |
| Middle Stewiacke to Brookfield,                                                                                                                   | 10  | 0  | 0 |         |
| Taylor's to Mathew Fisher's, Upper Brookfield,                                                                                                    | 4   | 0  | 0 |         |
|                                                                                                                                                   |     |    |   | £50 0 0 |
| Pay James Ramsey for over-expenditure on bridges at Hill's in 1848,                                                                               | 15  | 0  | 0 |         |
| Daniel Moon for over-expenditure on Canal bridge,                                                                                                 | 6   | 1  | 0 |         |
| Build a bridge near Woodworth's, Lower Stewiacke,                                                                                                 | 11  | 0  | 0 |         |
| Samuel Marshall's,                                                                                                                                | 5   | 0  | 0 |         |
| Repair the road from Green's Creek to Fort Ellis,                                                                                                 | 5   | 0  | 0 |         |
| Open the new line of road past Franes' on the road from Parker's to Gay River,                                                                    | 5   | 0  | 0 |         |
|                                                                                                                                                   |     |    |   | 47 1 0  |
| Build the bridges near Wall's, Kemptown,                                                                                                          | 15  | 0  | 0 |         |
| Repair the road from Fulton's, Castlereagh, to Cumberland County line,                                                                            | 6   | 0  | 0 |         |
| Greenfield to Truro new line,                                                                                                                     | 8   | 0  | 0 |         |
|                                                                                                                                                   |     |    |   | 29 0 0  |
| Moore's Mill to Tatmagouche,                                                                                                                      | 6   | 0  | 0 |         |
| McKay's Mill towards Onslow,                                                                                                                      | 8   | 9  | 0 |         |
| Robert Payne's towards Pictou County line,                                                                                                        | 9   | 0  | 0 |         |
| Main road to John McIntosh's Shop,                                                                                                                | 5   | 0  | 0 |         |
| M'Kay's Mills to widow Ross',                                                                                                                     | 10  | 0  | 0 |         |
| Widow Ross' to River John line,                                                                                                                   | 12  | 0  | 0 |         |
| Donald Ross' to Pictou Co. line,                                                                                                                  | 10  | 0  | 0 |         |
| Meeting House, Earltown, to A McDonald's,                                                                                                         | 6   | 0  | 0 |         |
| Donald Mathewson's to John Nelson's,                                                                                                              | 8   | 0  | 0 |         |
| Build a bridge between Alexander McDonald's and Meagher's,                                                                                        | 16  | 0  | 0 |         |
|                                                                                                                                                   |     |    |   | 90 0 0  |
| Pay Robert L. Byer's for expenditure on bridge near Oliver's,                                                                                     | 51  | 13 | 8 |         |
| James Pugh for expenditure on bridge in 1849,                                                                                                     | 4   | 17 | 0 |         |
| Repair the road from Tatamagouche road to Wm. Bell's,                                                                                             | 5   | 0  | 0 |         |

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| To repair the road from Donald McLeod's, Cumberland Co. line,                                                                   | £3 10 0 |           |
| New line past James Pugh's, New Annan,                                                                                          | 4 0 0   |           |
|                                                                                                                                 | <hr/>   | £69 0 8   |
| New Tatamagouche road,                                                                                                          |         | 40 0 0    |
| Pay William Reynold's for expenditure on new road past Bentley's,                                                               | 4 0 0   |           |
| William Dunlap for expenditure on bridge near Fisher's Mill,                                                                    | 1 4 0   |           |
| Open the new line of road from Stewiacke to New Larig,                                                                          | 100 0 0 |           |
|                                                                                                                                 | <hr/>   | 105 4 0   |
| Repair the road from the main road near Cameron's to Samuel Dewis's,                                                            | 5 0 0   |           |
| Robert Lewis' to Pleasant Valley,                                                                                               | 5 0 0   |           |
| William Moore's to John Campbell's,                                                                                             | 5 0 0   |           |
| Main Road to Hill's Cove,                                                                                                       | 5 0 0   |           |
| Main road near P. Hill's to J. McLaughlin's,                                                                                    | 5 0 0   |           |
| Main road near Rock Brook to Pleasant Hill, and to pay for expenditure on the same in 1849, when accounts are properly vouched, | 5 0 0   |           |
| Pay James Moore, Esq., for expenditure on Black Rock bridge,                                                                    | 8 12 9  |           |
| Repair the old River Philip road, Economy,                                                                                      | 5 0 0   |           |
| East and West road from J. Crawford's through the Back Settlement to Economy River,                                             | 5 7 3   |           |
| Main road from Daniel Falkner's to the top of the Mountain,                                                                     | 6 0 0   |           |
|                                                                                                                                 | <hr/>   | 55 0 0    |
| East Maccan road,                                                                                                               | 10 0 0  |           |
| North River bridge, Five Islands,                                                                                               | 3 10 0  |           |
| Bass River bridge, do,                                                                                                          | 2 10 0  |           |
| Main road, Five Islands,                                                                                                        | 6 0 0   |           |
| Boyd road,                                                                                                                      | 3 10 0  |           |
| Mackie road,                                                                                                                    | 2 10 0  |           |
| West Maccan road,                                                                                                               | 4 0 0   |           |
| Little York road,                                                                                                               | 3 0 0   |           |
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*Also that the following Sums be appropriated out of the Great Road Grant as follows :*

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| To repair the main Post road from Hants County line, to Polley's, and to pay William Faulkner £1 10s. for Plan and Estimate for Stewiacke bridge, | £85 | 0 | 0 |
| Repair the road from Polley's to McLure's,                                                                                                        | 60  | 0 | 0 |
| Barney's to Dickson's,                                                                                                                            | 35  | 0 | 0 |
| Build Chiganois bridge,                                                                                                                           | 175 | 0 | 0 |
| Repair the road from Truro to Kemptown, and to cover Salmon River bridge,                                                                         | 40  | 0 | 0 |
| Repair the Main Post road through Kemptown,                                                                                                       | 20  | 0 | 0 |
| Open the new line from Stewiacke to New Larig,                                                                                                    | 150 | 0 | 0 |

### COUNTY OF PICTOU.

*Resolved, That the sum of One Thousand Four Hundred and Sixty Pounds, appropriated for the service of Roads and Bridges in the County of Pictou, be applied as follows :*

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| Bridge at John Cameron's, East River,                                 | £20 | 0  | 0    |
| To repair Post road from Sutherland's River to Huggan's Brook,        | 12  | 10 | 0    |
| Road from Huggan's Brook to County line,                              | 7   | 10 | 0    |
| From Lowden's Mills, County line, to Vanie's brook,                   | 5   | 0  | 0    |
| Cross road from County line by Glen, do.,                             | 5   | 0  | 0    |
| Cut at Lowden's Mills, Knoidart,                                      | 10  | 0  | 0    |
| Bridge at Upper Church, Barney's River,                               | 7   | 10 | 0    |
| Road from D. Murray's to John Robertson's,                            | 4   | 0  | 0    |
| Bridge at Hattie's, Barney's River,                                   | 7   | 10 | 0    |
| Road from Alexander Robertson's to head of Settlement, do.,           | 5   | 0  | 0    |
| John Robertson's to Adam McKenzie's, Esq., do.,                       | 4   | 0  | 0    |
| Adam McKenzie's to Head of Settlement, East side do.,                 | 6   | 0  | 0    |
| Forbe's road,                                                         | 4   | 0  | 0    |
| Road from Bruce's to Blue Mountain,                                   | 7   | 10 | 0    |
| Church, Blue Mountain, to Sutherland's Settlement,                    | 7   | 10 | 0    |
| Blue Mountain by Webster's,                                           | 7   | 10 | 0    |
| New road from New Glasgow to St. Mary's by Blue Mountain,             | 10  | 0  | 0    |
| At Marsh and to build a bridge,                                       | 10  | 0  | 0    |
| Road at Piedmont Valley,                                              | 10  | 0  | 0    |
| From Little Harbor to New Glasgow,                                    | 15  | 0  | 0    |
| John McQueen's to Pine Tree Gut,                                      | 5   | 0  | 0    |
| Bridges at Little Harbor,                                             | 5   | 0  | 0    |
| Road from Fisher's Grant to New Glasgow,                              | 15  | 0  | 0    |
| New Glasgow to Marsh,                                                 | 10  | 0  | 0    |
| David McLean's house to bridge at Mines,                              | 10  | 0  | 0    |
| To build bridge near Peter Ross's in addition to £15 granted in 1849, | 15  | 0  | 0    |
| Road from Mines to Middle River (old road),                           | 15  | 0  | 0    |
| To embankments of new bridge, Middle River, near Isaac Archibald's,   | 10  | 0  | 0    |
| Road from Fraser's Point to New Glasgow, West side East River,        | 5   | 0  | 0    |
| Old road over Fraser's Mountain from New Glasgow,                     | 5   | 0  | 0    |
| New road from Marsh to McLellan's Brook,                              | 5   | 0  | 0    |
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| Rev. A. McGilvery's road, East Branch East River, to the main road,<br>McLellan's Mountain, | £5    | 0  | 0 |
| Bridge and road, East River to St. Mary's,                                                  | 7     | 10 | 0 |
| Road from Samuel McDonald's to Isaac Archibald's, Middle River,                             | 6     | 0  | 0 |
| New line from Middle River to Albion Mines,                                                 | 7     | 10 | 0 |
| To repair the road from New Glasgow to Pine Tree Gut at New<br>Glasgow end,                 | 10    | 0  | 0 |
| Road from Fall Brook to past Charles Fraser's to Sutherland's River,                        | 5     | 0  | 0 |
| Road through Garden of Eden to St. Mary's,                                                  | 10    | 0  | 0 |
| Bridge at Pottery above New Glasgow,                                                        | 22    | 16 | 4 |
| Road from New Larig to Wilkins' Grant, and build a bridge,<br>Glenfalloch road,             | 7     | 10 | 0 |
|                                                                                             | 25    | 0  | 0 |
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|                                                                                             | £371  | 16 | 4 |

## EGERTON AND MAXWELTON.

*Over-expenditures to be paid.*

|                                                                                                                                                   |     |    |      |
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| 1. Alexander Fraser and George McLeod, to rebuild a bridge at<br>Middle River, £59 9s. and £1 3s. 5d.,                                            | £60 | 12 | 5    |
| 2. Ronald and Donald McDonald, to rebuild bridge at Gusset,                                                                                       | 32  | 9  | 0    |
| 3. Adam McKenzie, road through Marshy Hope to County Sydney,                                                                                      | 42  | 12 | 8    |
| 4. Robert McDonald, repairs at Hattie's bridge,                                                                                                   | 5   | 2  | 0    |
| 5. James Porter, wharf at Lochbroom,                                                                                                              | 5   | 2  | 3    |
| 6. Matthew Sproul, road Fisher's Grant to Boat Harbor,                                                                                            | 6   | 8  | 8    |
| 7. John W. Dawson, road from Boat Harbor to Little Harbor,                                                                                        | 6   | 7  | 8    |
| 8. John Fraser, road from Glen to Church at McLellan's Mountain,                                                                                  | 7   | 13 | 0    |
| 9. Donald Fraser, road from Holmes' to Robertson's Mills,                                                                                         | 21  | 15 | 6    |
| 10. Samuel Archibald, road to A. Cameron's, in addition to £10 in<br>Road Scale,                                                                  | 13  | 0  | 3    |
| (The above Nos. 1 to 10 to be paid to the order of G. R. Young<br>and A. Robertson, to repay monies advanced by them, and in-<br>terest thereon.) |     |    |      |
| James Primrose, balance on Glenfalloch road—leaving a balance of<br>£25 due,                                                                      | 26  | 10 | 0    |
| James Stewart, road from Ferry to Middle River—leaving £10 to be<br>paid in 1851,                                                                 | 10  | 0  | 0    |
| Donald and Robert Fraser's new bridge at Mills, Middle River,                                                                                     | 25  | 0  | 0    |
| John McDonald's road and bridge at East Branch East River,                                                                                        | 15  | 0  | 0    |
| Donald McGrigor, repairs on road at Bailey's Brook,                                                                                               | 4   | 2  | 6    |
| Donald McKay, bridge at Mines, West Branch,                                                                                                       | 7   | 3  | 4    |
| James Porter, for wharf at Lochbroom, paid by Mr. Young 1848—<br>to be paid to the order of Mr. Young,                                            | 5   | 0  | 0    |
| George McLeod, balance due since 1842, at Collie's bridge M. R.,                                                                                  | 1   | 0  | 0    |
| John Forbes, over-expenditure on road from Point to New Glasgow,                                                                                  | 2   | 10 | 0    |
| Thomas Kerr, bridges at Collie's, Middle River,                                                                                                   | 2   | 2  | 5    |
| Peter Crerar, extra expenditure at Bailey's Brook in 1847,                                                                                        | 1   | 10 | 0    |
| Robert Copeland, repairs of bridges on main Post road,                                                                                            | 2   | 4  | 3    |
| Thomas Kerr, bridges at Collie's, Middle River,                                                                                                   | 11  | 7  | 6    |
| William Miller, bridge from Garden of Eden to St. Mary's,                                                                                         | 20  | 1  | 0    |
| N. Balfour, new bridge at Balfour's, Middle River,                                                                                                | 9   | 15 | 4    |
|                                                                                                                                                   |     |    | John |

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| John Fraser, bridge and road at McLellan's Mountain,      | £2    | 3  | 3      |
| John Gray, balance due on bridges at Hopewell since 1848, | 24    | 9  | 9      |
| Peter Cruikshank, over-expenditure on St. Mary's road,    | 5     | 15 | 0      |
| To repay monies advanced to—                              |       |    |        |
| D. Smith, for repairs of roads at Merrigomish,            | £4    | 4  | 6      |
| Ron. McDonald, et. al., for bridges at Bailey's Brook,    | 7     | 0  | 11     |
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|                                                           | £388  | 3  | 8      |

## TOWNSHIP OF PICTOU.

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| To due Mr. Peter Crerar and Matthew Patterson for building bridge near Dickson's Hill, and to complete the embankments at each end, | £66   | 0  | 0        |
| Alexander Graham for repairing bridge at 8 mile Brook,                                                                              | 12    | 16 | 6        |
| Peter Stewart for repairing bridge at the West River,                                                                               | 3     | 1  | 0        |
| Kenneth Munro for building bridge on road to Mount Dalhousie,                                                                       | 12    | 8  | 0        |
| William Ingram for work on road from Ingram's to Post road,                                                                         | 7     | 10 | 3        |
| William Gunn for building bridge and repairing road to 6 mile Brook,                                                                | 7     | 0  | 0        |
| Murdock McKenzie, for repairing bridge at the West Branch,                                                                          | 5     | 8  | 0        |
| Jacob Miner, balance repairing Miner's bridge,                                                                                      | 1     | 18 | 6        |
| James Elliott, for building Torry River bridge, and to repay this amount already advanced,                                          | 26    | 3  | 4        |
| William Cameron, for repairing Salt Spring bridge,                                                                                  | 5     | 0  | 0        |
| Donald McLeod, for bridge at Big Carraboo,                                                                                          | 15    | 8  | 8        |
| James Walter, for repairs on bridge at Stiles',                                                                                     | 1     | 0  | 0        |
| Alexander Munro, for repairs on road 8 to 6 mile Brook,                                                                             | 20    | 1  | 5        |
| Thomas Fraser, for repairing bridge at Mill Brook,                                                                                  | 5     | 0  | 0        |
| David Matherson, Esq., for repairing Metford bridge, and to repay advances already made, to the extent of £19 19s.,                 | 25    | 0  | 0        |
| D. McKay, for bridge, Munroe's to West Branch,                                                                                      | 7     | 3  | 4        |
| Alex. McKenzie, for West Branch bridge, built or made in 1848,                                                                      | 2     | 10 | 0        |
| Alex. McRae, for building bridge across the West River,                                                                             | 43    | 7  | 0        |
|                                                                                                                                     | <hr/> |    | 266 16 0 |
| To repair the road from Dickson's Mill to the cross roads,                                                                          | £5    | 0  | 0        |
| The cross roads to Grog Brook,                                                                                                      | 15    | 0  | 0        |
| Grog Brook to McCabe's,                                                                                                             | 7     | 10 | 0        |
| McCabe's to River John bridge,                                                                                                      | 7     | 10 | 0        |
| River John bridge to County line,                                                                                                   | 10    | 0  | 0        |
| Build a bridge at River John over Frederick Langill's Brook,                                                                        | 15    | 0  | 0        |
| Repair the road from Colchester road to Tatmagouche road,                                                                           | 5     | 0  | 0        |
| Repair the road from Cape John road to River John road, (Holmes' road),                                                             | 5     | 0  | 0        |
| Repair the road at Cape John from Melville's to Gollan's Mill,                                                                      | 5     | 0  | 0        |
| Repair the road from Melville's to Forbe's road,                                                                                    | 5     | 0  | 0        |

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| To repair the road from Hugh Mackintosh's to the cross roads,                                 | £5 0 0         |
| Ruddick's Mill, Carraboo, to Cape John road, and to cut Hill at Bruce's,                      | 5 0 0          |
| Bridge at Paul McKenzie's, Carraboo,                                                          | 5 0 0          |
| Road from Torrey's River to Post road, River John,                                            | 10 0 0         |
| Road from McDonnell's Hill, Carraboo, to the Shore,                                           | 5 0 0          |
| Road from little to big Carraboo, To Sandy Cove, from Graham's to Murdock's,                  | 5 0 0          |
| Cover the bridge at the West Branch River John, leading to Campbell's,                        | 7 10 0         |
| Repair the road from Murdock McKenzie's, West Branch River John, to County line,              | 5 0 0          |
| Repair new line from West Branch River John to County line, by D. Cameron's,                  | 7 10 0         |
| Repair the road at the Forks, West Branch River John, to County line, by Thos. McKay's,       | 5 0 0          |
| Repair the road from Murdock McKenzie's, West Branch River John, towards Thom's Brook,        | 5 0 0          |
| Repair the road from West Branch River John by Moor's,                                        | 7 10 0         |
|                                                                                               | <hr/> 157 10 0 |
| Repair the road from Wm. McKenzie's to West Branch River John, from Dalhousie,                | 5 0 0          |
| Repair the road from Peter Arthur's (Mr. Dalhousie's) new line to County line,                | 5 0 0          |
| Open the upper end of new road from Mr. Dalhousie's to Salmon River,                          | 7 10 0         |
| Repair the road from John Rae's to Wm. Ried's, Mount Dalhousie,                               | 5 0 0          |
| Repair the road at Mount Dalhousie, from Murray's to Norman Douglass',                        | 5 0 0          |
| Repair the road at Roger's Hill, from Murray's to Roger's Hill Church,                        | 7 10 0         |
| Repair the new road from the Church at Roger's Hill on North side Hardwood Hill,              | 10 0 0         |
| Repair the new road from McKenzie's to Roger's Hill Church, South side Hardwood Hill,         | 17 10 0        |
| Repair the road from Roger's Hill Church to Angus Sutherland's,                               | 5 0 0          |
| Repair the Auchnicairn road,                                                                  | 5 0 0          |
| Road from Mount Thom to McRae's Mill, Robert Short's to Wm. Cameron's, South side West River, | 7 10 0         |
| 8 Mile Brook to the Post road,                                                                | 5 0 0          |
| William Redpath's to McFarlane's,                                                             | 7 0 0          |
| At 6 mile Brook from Murdo Munroe's to Ritchie's,                                             | 5 0 0          |

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| From Fraser's Mill Brook to the Green Hill,                                                                  | £5 0 0  |         |
| Green Hill past Wm. Matherson's, Esq., (new cut)                                                             | 7 10 0  |         |
| From Ruddock's Mill, 8 mile Brook (West River), to<br>the main road,                                         | 5 0 0   |         |
| John Munro's (Mill Brook), to the Lime Rock<br>(West River),                                                 | 5 0 0   |         |
| At the Middle River from Collie's to Belfour's,                                                              | 5 0 0   |         |
| Road between the West and Middle Rivers, from Hugh<br>McKay's to Donald Cameron's,                           | 5 0 0   |         |
|                                                                                                              | <hr/>   | 137 0 0 |
| To repair the road on the North side of West River from<br>David McKenzie's, Salt Spring's, to McRae's Mill, | 7 10 0  |         |
| On the North side West River, from McRae's Mill to<br>McDonald's,                                            | 5 0 0   |         |
| New cut from Mill Brook to Gairloch,                                                                         | 10 0 0  |         |
| The road at West River at Wm. McLeod's, near Mac-<br>Rae's Mill,                                             | 5 0 0   |         |
| Repair the road from Donald Campbell's (West River),<br>through Gairloch to Sutherland's, Mill Brook,        | 5 0 0   |         |
| Road from Lime Rock to John Munroe's, Mill Brook,                                                            | 5 0 0   |         |
| Cross roads to Carraboo Bridge, past Stiles',                                                                | 8 0 0   |         |
| Road, Ten Mile House, to the Mines, via Green Hill,                                                          | 26 16 6 |         |
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*Additional over-expenditures.*

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| To pay John Munroe part, for balance due on Caledo-<br>nia bridge,            | 40 10 0 |          |
| J. & W. Clark, for bridge at West River,                                      | 3 0 0   |          |
| Peter Crerar, for new cut on the main Post road<br>on the West River, Pictou, | 22 17 6 |          |
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### COUNTY OF CUMBERLAND.

*Resolved,* That the sum of of Twelve Hundred Pounds, appropriated for the service of Roads and Bridges in the County of Cumberland, be applied as follows :

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| To repay advance to Wallace bridge,                                                           | £12 0 4 |
| Thomas Arnison,                                                                               | 5 0 0   |
| Pay Benjamin Steven's expenditure on bridge near Benjamin Ste-<br>ven's in 1849,              | 7 5 0   |
| Alexander McKenzie, for rebuilding bridge on North Shore<br>in December, 1849, (burned down,) | 11 0 0  |
| Repair the road from Wm. E. Angevine's to Wallace Harbor,                                     | 5 0 0   |
| Stake road on the North Shore by Mc-<br>Kenzie's,                                             | 5 0 0   |
| James D. Purdy's to Stephen Tuttle's,                                                         | 5 0 0   |
| Tuttle's to Gulf Shore road,                                                                  | 5 0 0   |
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| To repair the road from Blands' to Rindress's,                   | £6 | 0 | 0 |
| County line, Dewar's bridge, to Wallace Harbor,                  | 10 | 0 | 0 |
| Widow Webb's to Isaac Rushton's by Moor's,                       | 5  | 0 | 0 |
| Fillemore's Mill to Widow Ryan's,                                | 6  | 0 | 0 |
| David Teed's by Palmer's to Moses Teed's,                        | 5  | 0 | 0 |
| Henry Teed's to Mattatall's Lake,                                | 5  | 0 | 0 |
| Robert Harrison's clear through Victoria Settlement,             | 6  | 0 | 0 |
| H. N. Oxley's to bridge at Fox Harbor,                           | 5  | 0 | 0 |
| John Forshner's to James McNab's,                                | 5  | 0 | 0 |
| Benjamin Hurd's Mill to Folly Lake,                              | 50 | 0 | 0 |
| Samuel Treen's to Malagash Point,                                | 5  | 0 | 0 |
| Wm. E. Angevine's to Charles Oxley's, to include bridge,         | 15 | 0 | 0 |
| Robert Harrison's to John Brown's by Graham's,                   | 6  | 0 | 0 |
| Henry Teed's to Wm. E. Angevine's,                               | 5  | 0 | 0 |
| South shore road, Malagash, to North shore road, and down shore, | 5  | 0 | 0 |
| James D. Purdy's to Westchester old line,                        | 5  | 0 | 0 |
| Wm. Hurd's to Wm. E. Angevine's,                                 | 12 | 0 | 0 |
| East Branch road leading to Barr's River,                        | 7  | 0 | 0 |
| James McNab's to Eaton's, on new line, (left out)                | 0  | 0 | 0 |
| Pugwash to Thomas Thompson's by Dewar's,                         | 6  | 0 | 0 |
| Thomas Thompson's to main road near Fillemore's,                 | 8  | 0 | 0 |
| John Fillemore's to River Philip,                                | 10 | 0 | 0 |
| John Fillemore's to widow Forshner's,                            | 10 | 0 | 0 |
| R. McNutt's to Plaister Creek past John Dickson's,               | 7  | 0 | 0 |
| Plaister Creek to River Philip road, Creek included,             | 10 | 0 | 0 |
| John Robertson's to road leading to Levi Steven's Mill,          | 5  | 0 | 0 |
| River Philip Bridge by Irvine's,                                 | 5  | 0 | 0 |
| Collingwood Oxley's to James Maxfield's,                         | 5  | 0 | 0 |
| James Maxfield's to Teed's Hill,                                 | 8  | 0 | 0 |
| Purdy Bett's to New Annan by Swallow's,                          | 5  | 0 | 0 |
| Aden Bebees to New Annan road, by Higgins',                      | 5  | 0 | 0 |
| Palmer's to Farringsboro road, past Oxley's,                     | 5  | 0 | 0 |
| Pugwash river to Post road West of Stewart's,                    | 3  | 0 | 0 |
| Robert O'Brian's past Widow Reed's to Strang's clear,            | 5  | 0 | 0 |
| Stephen Tuttle's to Burbidge Mill, by Doyle's,                   | 5  | 0 | 0 |
| Cyprian Stevens' to Gray's road,                                 | 5  | 0 | 0 |

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| To repair the road from Crawford's road past Mitchell's to William O'Brian's,                                                                              | £5 | 0  | 0  |
| James D. Purdy's to Westchester new line,                                                                                                                  | 5  | 0  | 0  |
| Dewar's old Mill Brook to six mile road, past Steven's Mill,                                                                                               | 5  | 0  | 0  |
| Strangs clear to R. Harrison's, past Chas. Colter's,                                                                                                       | 5  | 0  | 0  |
| Main post road past Methodist Chapel to Gulf Shore road, near Elijah Tuttle's,                                                                             | 10 | 0  | 0  |
| Bridge at Fox Harbor to Gulf Shore road,                                                                                                                   | 5  | 0  | 0  |
| North Shore to School House, past Smith's,                                                                                                                 | 6  | 0  | 0  |
| McDonald's place to D. Campbell's, to include bridge,                                                                                                      | 7  | 0  | 0  |
| Benjamin Stevens' to McKenzie's Mill, by Chisholm's,                                                                                                       | 5  | 0  | 0  |
| Fountains, Westchester, to Castlereagh,                                                                                                                    | 5  | 0  | 0  |
| Bridge near Wm. Tuttle's to James Tuttle's, on new line,                                                                                                   | 5  | 0  | 0  |
| Gulf Shore road, near Alexander McFarlane's, to Pugwash new line,                                                                                          | 7  | 0  | 0  |
| Levi Stevens' to Peter Angevine's new line, £15 subscription to be certified expended,                                                                     | 15 | 0  | 0  |
| Main road near John Waugh's to John Robertson's new line,                                                                                                  | 5  | 0  | 0  |
| Wallace Harbor to Kenneth McKenzie's, Victoria Settlement to Jacob Bett's, through Street's bridge Settlement, (£5 subscription to be certified expended,) | 5  | 0  | 0  |
| Complete the Wallace bridge,                                                                                                                               | 25 | 0  | 0  |
| Repair the Aboiteau, near McKim's, £20 subscription to be certified expended,                                                                              | 24 | 14 | 8  |
| Repair the road from Amos Trueman's to Goose River, Little River road past George Thompson's, including alteration,                                        | 12 | 10 | 0  |
| Repair the road from Salt Spring's to River Philip,                                                                                                        | 5  | 0  | 0  |
| Maccan bridge to River Herbert bridge,                                                                                                                     | 10 | 0  | 0  |
| Martin Hunter's to Blackferry, including N. Angus' Mill Brook,                                                                                             | 8  | 0  | 0  |
| Purdy's to E. Niles' on new line,                                                                                                                          | 15 | 0  | 0  |
| Shipley's to Post road near Calvin Bent's,                                                                                                                 | 5  | 0  | 0  |
| J. W. Oxley's to Chapman's road,                                                                                                                           | 6  | 0  | 0  |
| Chapman's road to Goose River road,                                                                                                                        | 7  | 10 | 0  |
| Tidnish bridge near James Chappel's to E. Brownell's Mill Brook, bridge included,                                                                          | 20 | 0  | 0  |
| E. Brownell's Mill Brook to Mud Creek, including Creek,                                                                                                    | 21 | 3  | 9  |
| Mud Creek to Goose River road,                                                                                                                             | 5  | 0  | 0  |
| Shinimecas bridge near Burns', on new line, past T. Brownell's,                                                                                            | 8  | 0  | 0  |
| Thos. Doncaster's, Leicester, to Post road,                                                                                                                | 5  | 0  | 0  |
| End of Little River road to B. Smith's road,                                                                                                               | 5  | 0  | 0  |
|                                                                                                                                                            |    |    | On |

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| On East end of Leicester road to John Bigelow's, when certified that £8 subscription is expended,                          | £8 | 0  | 0 |
| From Bates', River Philip, past Captain Handley's,                                                                         | 4  | 0  | 0 |
| Isaac Stewart's through Little Forks, new line,                                                                            | 7  | 0  | 0 |
| Leicester road past Thomas Dickson's,                                                                                      | 3  | 0  | 0 |
| Goose River road to Leicester road by Benjamin Smith's,                                                                    | 4  | 0  | 0 |
| Leicester to River Philip by Bates'                                                                                        | 3  | 0  | 0 |
| River Hebert bridge to Captain Glennie's,                                                                                  | 10 | 0  | 0 |
| On road through Porter Town past Hood Chapman's,                                                                           | 5  | 0  | 0 |
| From bridge in Porter Town to main Post road,                                                                              | 5  | 0  | 0 |
| Ragged Reef to Coal Mine road,                                                                                             | 5  | 0  | 0 |
| Main road past Samuel Baird's to Leicester,                                                                                | 5  | 0  | 0 |
| On cross road past D. Etter's,                                                                                             | 5  | 0  | 0 |
| Cross road past Henry Smith's towards River Philip,                                                                        | 5  | 0  | 0 |
| From Little Forks past L. Hunter's to Salt Springs,                                                                        | 5  | 0  | 0 |
| Bend of main road above B. Smith's to Robert Ripley's,                                                                     | 4  | 0  | 0 |
| William Harrison's to Maccan bridge,                                                                                       | 5  | 0  | 0 |
| Little Forks to Pugsley's,                                                                                                 | 8  | 0  | 0 |
| Forks' settlement to Post road near Hugh Logan's,                                                                          | 5  | 0  | 0 |
| D. Dickinson's up past Shipley's,                                                                                          | 12 | 10 | 0 |
| J. W. Oxley's, on the Shore road, to Sydney Chappel's,                                                                     | 5  | 0  | 0 |
| Maccan Mountains to Five Islands, past George Harrison's,                                                                  | 10 | 0  | 0 |
| On new line from Richard Chapman's to Leicester, when certified that £7 10s. subscription has been expended,               | 8  | 0  | 0 |
| From bridge near Burns', past Keiver Hunter's, to Goose River road, new line,                                              | 8  | 0  | 0 |
| South Branch bridge past Alexander Hannah's, to include alteration,                                                        | 7  | 0  | 0 |
| Nappan bridge on Post road towards Parsboro', to build bridge,                                                             | 60 | 0  | 0 |
| To pay William Sharp balance of over-expenditure on Maccan bridge,                                                         | 45 | 3  | 0 |
| From Leicester, near Daniel Bent's, to Goose River road, near Amos Trueman's, when certified £10 subscription is expended, | 10 | 0  | 0 |
| From Shinimecas road to the landing near John Johnson's, when certified £10 subscription is expended,                      | 5  | 0  | 0 |
| To repay advance to Thomas Logan,                                                                                          | 37 | 3  | 3 |
| Harrison and Lawrence,                                                                                                     | 15 | 0  | 0 |
| Hon. J. McCully, bridge near H. Logan's,                                                                                   | 8  | 0  | 0 |
| Lewis Jenks, for over-expenditure on bridge near Mill Village,                                                             | 12 | 10 | 0 |
| From Partridge Island to Mill Village,                                                                                     | 10 | 0  | 0 |
| Mill Village to bridge near William Fullerton's,                                                                           | 15 | 0  | 0 |
| On Boar's Back road,                                                                                                       | 5  | 0  | 0 |
| From William Fullerton's bridge, on new line, to Maccan bridge,                                                            | 30 | 0  | 0 |
| On Canaan alteration, near Ruscoe's,                                                                                       | 5  | 0  | 0 |
| From Parrsboro' Post road to John Morris',                                                                                 | 4  | 0  | 0 |
| George Newcomb's to Parish Church,                                                                                         | 5  | 0  | 0 |
| Newcomb's bridge to Swan Creek old School House,                                                                           | 15 | 0  | 0 |
| Moose River to Swan Creek old School House,                                                                                | 10 | 0  | 0 |
| Moose River to Harrington's River,                                                                                         | 10 | 0  | 0 |
| Dickson's to Black Rock,                                                                                                   | 10 | 0  | 0 |
| Cross road to Diligent River School House,                                                                                 | 10 | 0  | 0 |

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| From Diligent River School House past Eli Welton's,                 | £10   | 0  | 0 |
| P. Huragon's to Fox River inclusive,                                | 10    | 0  | 0 |
| Fox River to Ratchford's River inclusive,                           | 15    | 0  | 0 |
| Ratchford's River to Hanning's,                                     | 10    | 0  | 0 |
| Hanning's to Francis Fraser's,                                      | 10    | 0  | 0 |
| Francis Fraser's to Robert Spicer's,                                | 10    | 0  | 0 |
| Robert Spicer's to Advocate Harbor,                                 | 7     | 10 | 0 |
| Armstrong's, on Three Sisters road, to Spicer's,                    | 5     | 0  | 0 |
| N. Knowlton's to E. Fowler's, at Apple River,                       | 10    | 0  | 0 |
| Union Meeting House to Jenk's Meadow,                               | 5     | 0  | 0 |
| Jenks' Meadow to Sand River,                                        | 5     | 0  | 0 |
| Main Post road near Charles McGuire's, on road past Cranberry Lake, | 15    | 7  | 6 |
| To pay J. W. Smith, over-expenditure, 1849,                         | 0     | 12 | 6 |
| Build bridge near J. B. Davison's,                                  | 5     | 0  | 0 |
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|                                                                     | £1200 | 0  | 0 |

*Out of the Great Road Grant £125.*

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| To repair the road from Londonderry line, Westchester, to River Philip, | £30   | 0 | 0 |
| River Philip to Isaac Stewart's bridge over Mill Brook,                 | 15    | 0 | 0 |
| Isaac Stewart's to Charles D. Roach's,                                  | 30    | 0 | 0 |
| Amherst over the Fort Lawrence Marsh,                                   | 50    | 0 | 0 |
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|                                                                         | £125  | 0 | 0 |

**COUNTY OF SYDNEY.**

*Resolved,* That the sum of One Thousand Pounds, granted for the service of Roads and Bridges in the County of Sydney, be applied as follows :

|                                                                                   |       |    |    |
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| To repay Government for this sum advanced in 1848,                                | £150  | 0  | 0  |
| Government for this sum advanced to repair Purhie bridge,                         | 20    | 0  | 0  |
| Government for this sum advanced to repair S. River bridge,                       | 23    | 12 | 9  |
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|                                                                                   | £193  | 12 | 9  |
| <br>                                                                              |       |    |    |
| .Pay Hugh McKenzie for repairing road from Antigonish to Lochabar Lake,           | 103   | 8  | 11 |
| Hugh McKenzie for erecting bridge on same road,                                   | 148   | 13 | 0  |
| A. McDonald for repairing road from Back Settlement to main Post road, Knoydiart, | 1     | 0  | 6  |
| A. McDonald and James McNeil for finishing new road at Malignant Cove,            | 18    | 17 | 9  |
| Lauchlan McPherson, for erecting bridge on Soulk River,                           | 5     | 5  | 0  |
| Matthew McNair for this sum expended on road near Campbell's Bank, Cape George,   | 5     | 4  | 4  |
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| To Repair road from Pictou County line to Arasaig Chapel,              | £10 0 0 |         |
| Chapel to Malignant Cove,                                              | 10 0 0  |         |
| Malignant Cove to Cape Chapel,                                         | 50 0 0  |         |
| Levingston's Cove round Cape to Ballyntine's Cove,                     | 7 10 0  |         |
| Graham's to Back Settlement Cape, by McIsaac's to Cape road,           | 7 10 0  |         |
| Malignant Cove to Morristown,                                          | 7 10 0  |         |
| Arisaig to Egg Mountain,                                               | 5 0 0   |         |
| Knoydiart to Mountain road,                                            | 5 0 0   |         |
| McKarras' Brook through the Gullet to McEachen's,                      | 5 0 0   |         |
| Donald Ban McDougall's Cape to Michael Hefferen's,                     | 4 0 0   |         |
| Big Marsh to Cape road,                                                | 1 10 0  |         |
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| Big Marsh to Morristown,                                               | 7 10 0  |         |
| Ogden's bridge to Anderson's,                                          | 7 10 0  |         |
| Anderson's to Ballyntine's,                                            | 10 0 0  |         |
| Village to St. Andrew's,                                               | 5 0 0   |         |
| John McDonald Ban to S. River Village,                                 | 5 0 0   |         |
| Fraser's Mill to County line, East side,                               | 12 10 0 |         |
| Herraha's to County line,                                              | 15 0 0  |         |
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| For erecting Bridge at Thomson's Mill, near Village,                   | 20 0 0  |         |
| Repairing road from Hulbert's Mill to Soulk River Lake,                | 4 0 0   |         |
| Sutherland's Church to County line,                                    | 5 0 0   |         |
| M'Phee's, Upper Soulk River, to County line,                           | 4 0 0   |         |
| Donald McMillan's, W. S. Loch Lomond Lake, to County line,             | 7 10 0  |         |
| John Cameron's, East side Loch Lomond Lake, to County line,            | 20 0 0  |         |
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| Pompquet Forks to Little River,                                        | 5 0 0   |         |
| Near Widow McLean's to Roderick McNeil's Mill,                         | 3 0 0   |         |
| Leading to Egg Mountain and D. McDougall's,                            | 3 0 0   |         |
| From Anderson's, by McDougall's, to McPherson's, Back Settlement Cape, | 5 0 0   |         |
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| For repairing road from A. McDonald's (Lody,) to Henry's road,             | £5        | 0  | 0 |         |
| Knoydiart's to Donald McMillan's,                                          | 5         | 0  | 0 |         |
| Donald McMillan's to widow Renan's,                                        | 5         | 0  | 0 |         |
| Allan Mahony's through Hollowell Grant,                                    | 5         | 0  | 0 |         |
| Campbell's old Gulf road on new line to Antigonish,                        | 20        | 0  | 0 |         |
| Road from James Campbell's to Glen Hide,                                   | 5         | 0  | 0 |         |
| John Bishop's to John Grant's,                                             | 5         | 0  | 0 |         |
| Chapel, Lichobar, to Back Settlement,                                      | 5         | 0  | 0 |         |
|                                                                            | <u>55</u> | 0  | 0 | £55 0 0 |
| Moses Summer's to Sutherland's,                                            | 7         | 10 | 0 |         |
| Manchester road by Sheppard's, to Fraser's Grant,                          | 5         | 0  | 0 |         |
| Fraser's Grant to Pompquet Forks,                                          | 5         | 0  | 0 |         |
| Fraser's Grant, by Bailie's, to Back road, Tracadie,                       | 5         | 0  | 0 |         |
| Gorman's to Guysboro' Co. line, and to include over-expenditure last year, | 10        | 0  | 0 |         |
| Cross road, Tracadie, to Guysborough Co. line,                             | 7         | 10 | 0 |         |
|                                                                            | <u>40</u> | 0  | 0 | 40 0 0  |
| Devoust Bridge to Guysboro' Co. line, East side River,                     | 3         | 0  | 0 |         |
| Ditto to ditto, West side do.,                                             | 5         | 0  | 0 |         |
| Gorman's to Jerroir's,                                                     | 3         | 0  | 0 |         |
| Pictou County line to Cross road, Hugh McGilvray's,                        | 4         | 0  | 0 |         |
| James Power's to John Cumming's, Back Settlement, Souk River,              | 5         | 0  | 0 |         |
| Joseph Symond's to Back Settlement,                                        | 4         | 0  | 0 |         |
| David Fraser's, thro' Capoch to Stewart's Mill,                            | 7         | 10 | 0 |         |
|                                                                            | <u>31</u> | 10 | 0 | 31 10 0 |
| Ohio to Lochabar Lake,                                                     | 5         | 0  | 0 |         |
| Lochabar Lake to Herrahan's,                                               | 3         | 0  | 0 |         |
| Johnson's to Back Settlement,                                              | 5         | 0  | 0 |         |
| Widow D. McLean's, West side Ohio, to Addington Forks,                     | 10        | 0  | 0 |         |

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| For repairing road from Town Point Ferry, round<br>Monk's Head, to Brussard's<br>bridge, | £3 0 0 |           |
| Doran's to County line,                                                                  | 5 0 0  |           |
| Haver au Bushie to Maddex's,<br>Church, Little River, to Levi<br>Irish's,                | 4 0 0  |           |
|                                                                                          | 6 0 0  | £39 0 0   |
| McDonald's Mill, East side<br>Souk River, to Back Set-<br>tlement,                       | 5 0 0  |           |
| Levingston's Cove to Ballyn-<br>tine's Cove,                                             | 5 0 0  |           |
| Pay Angus McMillan for repairing road to Canso,                                          | 3 13 0 | 13 13 0   |
| This sum appropriated by Government, where required,<br>throughout the County,           |        | 86 4 9    |
|                                                                                          |        | £1000 0 0 |

COUNTY OF GUYSBOROUGH.

*Resolved,* That the sum of One Thousand Pounds, granted for the service of Roads and Bridges in the County of Guysborough, be appropriated as follows :

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| To repair the road from Guysborough to the County line, on the Post<br>road to Antigonish, and to pay Wentworth Taylor over-expen-<br>diture in 1848, 16s. 4d.,                | £30 0 0 |
| Complete the section of the new Eastern road from Miller's<br>Cove, in the Town of Guysborough, to John Godfrey's, and<br>to pay Wentworth Taylor over-expenditure £3 3s.,     | 20 0 0  |
| Repair the new Eastern road from John Godfrey's to Edward<br>Neil's, and to pay Daniel Lawlor over-expenditure,<br>£2 18s. 9d.,                                                | 12 10 0 |
| The road from Edward Neil's to Pembroke Lake,                                                                                                                                  | 8 0 0   |
| Pembroke Lake to Country Harbor bridge,                                                                                                                                        | 7 10 0  |
| Open a new line of road from near Wentworth Taylor's to the<br>new bridging place near Robert Gould's, on Salmon River,<br>and from thence to the old Canso road, near Hyde's, | 16 10 0 |
| Repair the road from Hyde's to Delany's near Half-way Cove,<br>and to complete the alteration at Sandy<br>Cove,                                                                | 15 0 0  |
| Delany's to Peas' Brook,                                                                                                                                                       | 10 0 0  |
| Peas' Brook to Hurst's Brook,                                                                                                                                                  | 10 0 0  |
| Hurst's Brook to Indian Cove,                                                                                                                                                  | 12 10 0 |
| Indian Cove to Canso, and to pay George<br>Norris for repairing bridge £3 10s.,                                                                                                | 20 0 0  |
| Improve the new line of road from Salmon River to New Harbor,                                                                                                                  | 15 0 0  |
| Repair the road from William Sangster's to the mouth of New<br>Harbor on the Eastern side,                                                                                     | 7 10 0  |
| New Harbor to Laurey's River,                                                                                                                                                  | 7 10 0  |

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| To repair the road from Laurey's River to White Head, and to pay to Martin Meagher over-expenditure £2 18s. 6d.,                                    | £12 10 0 |
| Improve the road from White Head River to Half Island Cove,                                                                                         | 7 10 0   |
| Crow Harbor to Cole Harbor,                                                                                                                         | 7 10 0   |
| Repair the old Salmon River road to Minister's Brook,                                                                                               | 5 0 0    |
| Road from Edward Niele's to Gallacher's bridge at the Lake Settlement,                                                                              | 9 4 7    |
| Salmon River bridge to Cahill's Brook, and to pay Jas. Cahill over-expenditure 70s.,                                                                | 7 0 0    |
| The Cross road at McKay's to the County line on the little River road, and to pay William Ferguson for building a bridge £8 16s. 5d.,               | 10 0 0   |
| Milford Haven to Half-way Run, old Tracadie road,                                                                                                   | 5 0 0    |
| Half-way Run to County line on the Back Settlement road,                                                                                            | 5 0 0    |
| Pay Stephen Digden expenditure on road at Whitehaven, by the sanction of J. J. Marshall,                                                            | 8 0 0    |
| Repair the road from Broad Cove, by Meagher's Lake, to Wilson's, on the new Tracadie road,                                                          | 5 0 0    |
| Wilson's to Tracadie River,                                                                                                                         | 5 0 0    |
| Morris' Mill, on Atwater's line, through Matty's River Settlement to the County line,                                                               | 3 0 0    |
| Dennis Summer's to James Somers',                                                                                                                   | 3 0 0    |
| Improve and open the line from Broad Cove, by the Mill Brook, to Clam Harbor River, on the Gut road,                                                | 20 0 0   |
| Complete the alteration from Walker's to Goose Harbor River, and repair the bridges on the old road, from thence to Clam Harbor River on said road, | 20 0 0   |
| Repair the old road, and bridges thereon, from King Creek to Anderson's, on said road,                                                              | 5 0 0    |
| Pay Lawrence Haheisy over-expenditure in building the bridge at Anderson's,                                                                         | 6 4 0    |
| Edward Carrigan over-expenditure in building bridges,                                                                                               | 7 13 9   |
| William Grant over-expenditure on road,                                                                                                             | 3 2 0    |
| John F. Taylor and Joseph G. Hadley over-expenditure on Goose Harbor bridge,                                                                        | 39 16 11 |
| Thomas Keating over-expenditure on road,                                                                                                            | 13 15 2  |
| John McKeough over-expenditure on road to the Lower Ferry,                                                                                          | 31 17 9  |
| James Torey for building a bridge at McKay's,                                                                                                       | 20 6 6   |
| Build the bridge on Clam Harbor River, on the South Shore road to Sand Point,                                                                       | 50 0 0   |
| A bridge over Meadow Brook on said road,                                                                                                            | 20 0 0   |
| Repair the road from Goose River bridge to Meadow Brook,                                                                                            | 15 0 0   |
| Haheisy's to Steep Creek,                                                                                                                           | 7 10 0   |
| Steep Creek to People's,                                                                                                                            | 7 0 0    |
| People's to County line,                                                                                                                            | 7 0 0    |
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| To repair the road from the head of McNair's Cove to John Martin's North line on the Shore road,                                                          | £7     | 0  | 0  |
| COUNTRY HARBOUR:                                                                                                                                          |        |    |    |
| Build the bridge on Country Harbor River, above the Landing,                                                                                              | 15     | 0  | 0  |
| Improve the road from Archibald's to Isaac's Harbor,                                                                                                      | 15     | 0  | 0  |
| DISTRICT OF ST. MARY'S.                                                                                                                                   |        |    |    |
| Repair the road from Sherbrooke to Cochran's Hill, on the new line on the Post road to Antigonish, and to pay Henry Cumming over-expenditure, £6 16s 9d., | 115    | 0  | 0  |
| The cross road to Fisher's Mill on the new line to Antigonish,                                                                                            | 15     | 0  | 0  |
| Fisher's Mill to the County line on the Post road to Antigonish,                                                                                          | 10     | 0  | 0  |
| Fisher's Mill to the School House at Donald Sinclair's,                                                                                                   | 12     | 10 | 0  |
| The School House, by John Sinclair's and Stern's, to Duncan McIntosh's, and to build a bridge on the River, near Stern's,                                 | 12     | 10 | 0  |
| Old Guysborough road to John Walsh's,                                                                                                                     | 3      | 0  | 0  |
| Road from the Forks to George 'Tates',                                                                                                                    | 15     | 0  | 0  |
| And build a bridge at Robert Glencross',                                                                                                                  | 10     | 0  | 0  |
| From Duncan McDonald's to Big Barren Brook,                                                                                                               | 12     | 0  | 0  |
| Hugh Ross' to John McKenzie's Brook,                                                                                                                      | 5      | 0  | 0  |
| John McKenzie's Brook to the foot of Stillwater,                                                                                                          | 5      | 0  | 0  |
| Sherbrooke to the mouth of the River,                                                                                                                     | 10     | 0  | 0  |
| Indian Harbor Lakes,                                                                                                                                      | 7      | 10 | 0  |
| Indian Harbor Lakes to Furlong's,                                                                                                                         | 7      | 10 | 0  |
| Hemlow's to Gaspereau Brook,                                                                                                                              | 7      | 10 | 0  |
| Gaspereau Brook to Leonard Pye's,                                                                                                                         | 5      | 0  | 0  |
| Wm. Lang's to John Smith's, by the Beach,                                                                                                                 | 5      | 0  | 0  |
| Build a bridge over Ekemsecum River in addition to the sum allowed by the Members of the County of Halifax for this service,                              | 12     | 10 | 0  |
| Pay Donald McDonald for Building a bridge in 1848, carried away by the freshet,                                                                           | 5      | 16 | 6  |
| Build a bridge at the School House at Indian Harbor over Indian Harbor River,                                                                             | 7      | 10 | 0  |
| Repair the road from Peter Smith's to the new road,                                                                                                       | 5      | 0  | 0  |
| And build a bridge at Thomas McBain's on the East Branch of St. Mary's,                                                                                   | 20     | 0  | 0  |
| From the Meeting House at Samuel Cumming's to the Forks,                                                                                                  | 5      | 0  | 0  |
| Mary Joseph's to Clay Head,                                                                                                                               | 5      | 0  | 0  |
| The mouth of the River to Wine Harbor,                                                                                                                    | 5      | 0  | 0  |
| One quarter of the sum advanced by Government for the relief of distressed Settlers in the County of Guysborough,                                         | 80     | 12 | 10 |
|                                                                                                                                                           | £1000  | 0  | 0  |
|                                                                                                                                                           | COUNTY |    |    |

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**COUNTY OF CAPE BRETON.**

*Resolved, That the sum of One Thousand Four Hundred and Sixty Pounds, granted for the service of Roads and Bridges in the County of Cape Breton, be applied as follows:*

|                                                      |     |   |          |
|------------------------------------------------------|-----|---|----------|
| From the County line at Irish Cove to Robert Shaw's, | £30 | 0 | 0        |
| McCullochs Mill to Gaberous,                         | 100 | 0 | 0        |
| For a bridge at Burk's Ferry, Mire,                  | 150 | 0 | 0        |
| Bridge at the Eastern end of Louisburg,              | 30  | 0 | 0        |
| From Junction of Louisburg road to Mainadieu,        | 20  | 0 | 0        |
| South side Mire River to Lewis Bay,                  | 10  | 0 | 0        |
| North side Mire River to Lewis Bay,                  | 10  | 0 | 0        |
| Salmon River to East Bay Chapel,                     | 10  | 0 | 0        |
| Loch Lomond, (East,) to Post road,                   | 10  | 0 | 0        |
| Loch Lomond, (West,) to Post road,                   | 10  | 0 | 0        |
| Tweednoug to Indian Lands, Ascasoni,                 | 30  | 0 | 0        |
| Through Indian Lands, Ascasoni,                      | 100 | 0 | 0        |
| From Indian Land, Western line, to Narrows,          | 40  | 0 | 0        |
| Grand Narrows to Long Island bridge,                 | 50  | 0 | 0        |
| Grand Narrows, North side, to Little Narrows,        | 20  | 0 | 0        |
| Grand Narrows to Washabuck River,                    | 30  | 0 | 0        |
| Hoyley's Ferry to Ross', Boulardrie,                 | 30  | 0 | 0        |
| Howley's to West end Boulardrie, South side,         | 20  | 0 | 0        |
| Big Harbor, Post road, to Middle River,              | 30  | 0 | 0        |
| To repair McLellan's bridge, Wagamatcook,            | 25  | 0 | 0        |
| From Post road, St. Ann's, to Indian Brook,          | 60  | 0 | 0        |
| Indian Brook to Black Brook,                         | 40  | 0 | 0        |
| Black Brook to Bay, St. Laurent,                     | 40  | 0 | 0        |
|                                                      |     |   | £895 0 0 |

*For the following Over-expenditures on Roads and Bridges during 1849.*

|                                                                                          |     |    |        |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----|----|--------|
| Donald Gillis', Mire, to East Bay,                                                       | £10 | 0  | 0      |
| Donald Munro, Gaberous,                                                                  | 3   | 0  | 8      |
| John McLean, Gaberous Lake,                                                              | 3   | 3  | 2      |
| Alexander McLean, Morley's road,                                                         | 1   | 14 | 6      |
| John McNiel, Forks' Lake,                                                                | 1   | 2  | 7      |
| Alexander Gillis, Post road to St. Peter's,                                              | 12  | 0  | 0      |
| Alexander Gillis, at Open Pond,                                                          | 2   | 18 | 3      |
| Allan McDonald, East Bay,                                                                | 7   | 19 | 0      |
| Archibald Gillis, Grand Mire,                                                            | 3   | 15 | 6      |
| John D. Clarke, Mire roads,                                                              | 6   | 12 | 6      |
| Dugald McPhee, Indian Islands,                                                           | 2   | 9  | 8      |
| Hector McNiel, on Post road,                                                             | 10  | 12 | 0      |
| John Fergusson, Mire roads,                                                              | 1   | 6  | 9      |
| Donald McDonald, Cow Bay,                                                                | 1   | 8  | 6      |
| John Stubbert, Boulardrie, to repay this sum advanced on account appropriation for 1850, | 10  | 0  | 0      |
|                                                                                          |     |    | 78 3 1 |
|                                                                                          |     |    | Dugald |

|                                               |     |    |   |       |     |
|-----------------------------------------------|-----|----|---|-------|-----|
| Dugald B. McNab's Bill, for Engineering, &c., | £54 | 0  | 0 |       |     |
| John G. McKenzie, for Engineering,            | 57  | 9  | 6 |       |     |
| This sum for Casualties in the County,        | 17  | 11 | 7 |       |     |
|                                               |     |    |   | 129   | 1 1 |
|                                               |     |    |   | £1102 | 4 2 |

## TOWNSHIP OF SYDNEY.

|                                                                                                                                     |       |    |    |       |     |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------|----|----|-------|-----|
| To repay this sum ordered by the Governor and Council for the erection of a bridge at the Forks, destroyed by the freshets in 1848, | £110  | 11 | 2  |       |     |
| This sum to be placed at the disposal of the Governor and Council, to be applied to the service of the Township,                    | 389   | 8  | 10 |       |     |
|                                                                                                                                     |       |    |    | 500   | 0 0 |
|                                                                                                                                     |       |    |    | £1602 | 4 2 |
| Grant for the present year, 1850,                                                                                                   | £1460 | 0  | 0  |       |     |
| Proportion of Special Grant,                                                                                                        | 100   | 0  | 0  |       |     |
| Undrawn Monies in 1846 and 1847,                                                                                                    | 42    | 4  | 2  |       |     |
|                                                                                                                                     |       |    |    | £1602 | 4 2 |

## COUNTY OF INVERNESS.

*Resolved,* That the sum of One Thousand Five Hundred and Sixty-five Pounds, granted by the Legislature of 1850, for the purpose of the Repairs of the Roads and Bridges, in the County of Inverness, be applied as follows: Less Two Hundred and Thirty-five Pounds, to pay the third quarter of relief due to the Province:

*On the Main Post Road.*

|                                                                   |     |   |   |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------|-----|---|---|
| From Plaster Cove to Ship Harbor, and repair Plaster Cove Bridge, | £20 | 0 | 0 |
| Ship Harbor to River Inhabitants,                                 | 10  | 0 | 0 |
| Plaster Cove to Low Point,                                        | 20  | 0 | 0 |
| Low Point to Long Point,                                          | 15  | 0 | 0 |
| Long Point to Thomas McDonald's Marsh,                            | 35  | 0 | 0 |
| Thomas McDonald's Marsh to Little Judique,                        | 10  | 0 | 0 |
| Little Judique to Port Hood,                                      | 10  | 0 | 0 |
| Port Hood to S. E. Bridge, Mabou,                                 | 20  | 0 | 0 |
| S. E. Bridge to William Hawley's,                                 | 10  | 0 | 0 |
| William Hawley's half way to Ainslie Township line,               | 25  | 0 | 0 |
| Half way from William Hawley's to Ainslie Township line,          | 25  | 0 | 0 |
| Ainslie Township line to Margaree Township line,                  | 15  | 0 | 0 |
| Ainslie Township line to Smith's Brook,                           | 15  | 0 | 0 |
| Smith's Brook to Kennedy's Brook,                                 | 10  | 0 | 0 |
| Kennedy's Brook to Marsh at Broad Cove,                           | 10  | 0 | 0 |
| Marsh at Broad Cove to Chimney Corner,                            | 20  | 0 | 0 |
| Chimney Corner to mouth of Margaree,                              | 50  | 0 | 0 |
| Mouth of Margaree to Young bridge, and to repair said bridge,     | 30  | 0 | 0 |
| Young bridge to half way to Middle River,                         | 10  | 0 | 0 |
| Half way to Middle River to County line,                          | 10  | 0 | 0 |

*On Cross Roads.*

|                                                                                   |     |   |   |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----|---|---|
| From Lower bridge, R. Inhabitants, to Widow McDonald's Brook,                     | £10 | 0 | 0 |
| Widow McDonald's Brook to Upper bridge,                                           | 10  | 0 | 0 |
| Upper bridge to River Dennis road,                                                | 7   | 0 | 0 |
| River Dennis road to Duncan McIsaac's, Rear Interval,                             | 10  | 0 | 0 |
| Duncan McIsaac's, Rear Interval, to Ronald McEachan's,                            | 10  | 0 | 0 |
| Ronald McEachan's to Little Judique,                                              | 10  | 0 | 0 |
| Main Post road at Judique to Mount Noah,                                          | 7   | 0 | 0 |
| Main road, Judique, to cross roads, River Inhabitants,                            | 25  | 0 | 0 |
| Cross roads, River Inhabitants, to cross roads, River Dennis,                     | 15  | 0 | 0 |
| Cross roads, River Dennis, to Omen's bridge,                                      | 20  | 0 | 0 |
| Cross roads, River Dennis, to Whycocomagh,                                        | 7   | 0 | 0 |
| Alexander Chisholm's old Mill to River Dennis road,                               | 10  | 0 | 0 |
| Main road, Low Point, to River Inhabitants,                                       | 15  | 0 | 0 |
| Dalton's Brook to head of River Inhabitants,                                      | 10  | 0 | 0 |
| Little Judique to Big Judique by the Shore,                                       | 10  | 0 | 0 |
| Head of St. George's Channel to the Church at R. Inhabitants,                     | 7   | 0 | 0 |
| Head of St. George's Channel to Allan Cameron's Brook,                            | 10  | 0 | 0 |
| Allan Cameron's Brook to George McKenzie's,                                       | 10  | 0 | 0 |
| George McKenzie's to Seley's Brook,                                               | 10  | 0 | 0 |
| Seley's Brook to Omen's bridge,                                                   | 15  | 0 | 0 |
| Omen's bridge to Whycocomagh,                                                     | 10  | 0 | 0 |
| Church, Indian River, to Little Narrow's,                                         | 20  | 0 | 0 |
| Church, Indian River, to Blue's Cove,                                             | 10  | 0 | 0 |
| Malagowatch to Portage,                                                           | 10  | 0 | 0 |
| Plaster Cove to Long Stretch,                                                     | 15  | 0 | 0 |
| Indian Rear by Campbell's Mountain to S. E. Mabou,                                | 7   | 0 | 0 |
| Indian Rear to S. E. Mabou Turk Settlement,                                       | 10  | 0 | 0 |
| Indian to James Smith's Brook,                                                    | 15  | 0 | 0 |
| James Smith's Brook to John H. McKeen's, and to build a<br>bridge at Stony Brook, | 25  | 0 | 0 |
| New bridge to N. E. bridge,                                                       | 15  | 0 | 0 |
| N. East bridge to Mabou mouth, and to pay for embankment,                         | 30  | 0 | 0 |
| DeCost's to Archibald McPhee's,                                                   | 7   | 0 | 0 |
| Archibald McPhee's to Alexander Beaten's, and to pay for<br>over-expenditure,     | 15  | 0 | 0 |
| Alexander Beaten's to Sight Point,                                                | 7   | 0 | 0 |
| Sight Point to Angus McIsaac's, No. 1 Broad Cove,                                 | 7   | 0 | 0 |
| Angus McIsaac's, No. 1 Broad Cove, to meet the main road,                         | 7   | 0 | 0 |
| Main road to Shore at Widow McKinnon's Coal Mines,                                | 10  | 0 | 0 |
| North East Mabou to Ainslie Township line,                                        | 7   | 0 | 0 |
| Broad Cove Interval to Sight Point,                                               | 7   | 0 | 0 |
| Port Hood to Hugh the Tailors,                                                    | 10  | 0 | 0 |
| Hugh the Tailor's to Mabou Mouth,                                                 | 10  | 0 | 0 |
| Mabou Mouth to Paul's Cove,                                                       | 10  | 0 | 0 |
| S. W. bridge,                                                                     | 10  | 0 | 0 |
| S. W. bridge, Mabou, to Power's, thence to main road at<br>Sugary,                | 7   | 0 | 0 |
| Power's to the head of the S. W. River,                                           | 10  | 0 | 0 |
| Power's to meet the River Inhabitants road,                                       | 7   | 0 | 0 |
| S. W. Bridge to Turk Settlement, and to build a bridge,                           | 30  | 0 | 0 |

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|                                                                       |       |    |       |
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| From S. E. Turk Settlement to River Dennis,                           | £10   | 0  | 0     |
| New bridge, Mabou, to Turk Settlement;                                | 7     | 0  | 0     |
| Loch Ban to John McIsaac's, King's son, W. side Lake Ainslie,         | 7     | 0  | 0     |
| John McIsaac's, King's son, to James McDonald's,                      | 7     | 0  | 0     |
| James McDonald's to head of Lake Ainslie,                             | 10    | 0  | 0     |
| Head of the Lake to Indian Rear,                                      | 10    | 0  | 0     |
| Head of Lake Ainslie to MacMullan's Point,                            | 10    | 0  | 0     |
| MacMullan's Point to Outlet, Lake Ainslie,                            | 10    | 0  | 0     |
| Outlet, Lake Ainslie, to McFarlane's bridge, E. side,                 | 7     | 0  | 0     |
| Outlet, Lake Ainslie, to McFarlane's bridge, W. side,                 | 7     | 0  | 0     |
| Outlet, Lake Ainslie, to Doherty's Brook,                             | 7     | 0  | 0     |
| Doherty's Brook to Loch Ban,                                          | 7     | 0  | 0     |
| McFarlane's Upper bridge to McFarlane's bridge at Chapel,             | 10    | 0  | 0     |
| McFarlane's bridge at Chapel to Young bridge, West side,              | 7     | 0  | 0     |
| McFarlane's Upper bridge to Chapel, East side,                        | 7     | 0  | 0     |
| Chapel at McFarlane's to Young bridge, East side,                     | 20    | 0  | 0     |
| Chapel at S. W. Margaree to Broad Cove Chapel,                        | 10    | 0  | 0     |
| Mouth of Margaree to Big Pond,                                        | 10    | 0  | 0     |
| Big Pond to Cheticamp Chapel,                                         | 10    | 0  | 0     |
| Cheticamp Chapel to Little River,                                     | 5     | 0  | 0     |
| Little River to Grand Ann's, and to blaze out the old path,           | 15    | 0  | 0     |
| Mouth of Margaree to crossing place,                                  | 15    | 0  | 0     |
| Duncan McDonald's to Philip's,                                        | 7     | 0  | 0     |
| Philip's up the North side Margaree River,                            | 7     | 0  | 0     |
| North East Margaree to Big Interval,                                  | 7     | 0  | 0     |
| North East Margaree to Big Interval, S. E. side,                      | 7     | 0  | 0     |
| Mowatt's up the Big Brook,                                            | 7     | 0  | 0     |
| Lake Ainslie to S. E. Mabou, new line,                                | 10    | 0  | 0     |
| Lake Ainslie to S. E. Mabou to John H. McKeen's, by Lewis<br>Smith's, | 10    | 0  | 0     |
| Lake Ainslie towards Middle River,                                    | 15    | 0  | 0     |
| River Inhabitants Lower bridge up the West side,                      | 7     | 0  | 0     |
| New bridge, Mabou, to Murray's bridge, South side,                    | 7     | 0  | 0     |
| Widow M'Keen's to New Canada, to meet Whycocomagh road,               | 7     | 0  | 0     |
| Stephen King's to River Inhabitants,                                  | 5     | 0  | 0     |
| Widow McKinzie's Point to Donald Cameron's,                           | 10    | 0  | 0     |
|                                                                       | £1237 | 0  | 0     |
| For commissions on Relief Notes,                                      | £46   | 10 | 7     |
| Over-expenditure paid by Mr. Young,                                   | 23    | 0  | 0     |
| On the R. Inhabitants bridge,                                         | 2     | 3  | 2     |
| On S. W. bridge, Margaree, in 1848,                                   | 2     | 19 | 10    |
| Commission on Relief Acct. No. 37, to John Smith,                     | 1     | 1  | 0     |
|                                                                       | 75    | 14 | 7     |
|                                                                       | 1312  | 14 | 7     |
| Third quarter of Debt due to the Province for Relief, 1847 and '48,   | 235   | 0  | 0     |
|                                                                       | 1545  | 14 | 7     |
| Balance to be hereafter appropriated,                                 | 19    | 5  | 5     |
| Whole amount,                                                         | £1565 | 0  | 0     |
|                                                                       |       |    | Grant |

|                                                         |           |
|---------------------------------------------------------|-----------|
| Grant for Roads and Bridges in the County of Inverness, | £1380 0 0 |
| Portion of special Grant for Great Roads,               | 185 0 0   |
| Whole amount,                                           | £1565 0 0 |
| From Forristall's to Cape Porcupine, County Sydney,     | £10 0 0   |
| Commission on Relief Accounts, Nos. 38, 39, and 40,     | 5 1 4     |
| Over-expenditure at Paul's Cove, in 1849,               | 2 9 0     |
| Balance to be applied to commission on Relief Accts.,   | 1 15 1    |
| Amount above reserved,                                  | £19 5 5   |

### COUNTY OF RICHMOND.

*Resolved,* That the sum of One Thousand Pounds, granted for Roads and Bridges in the County of Richmond, be appropriated as follows, viz :

|                                                                                  |        |
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| From Ship Harbor Bridge to William Wright's,                                     | £5 0 0 |
| William Wright's to James Proctor's, (including bridge by Contract,)             | 10 0 0 |
| Anthony Oliver's to Ship Harbor road, North side River Inhabitants,              | 10 0 0 |
| River Inhabitants to Kempt road near McPherson's, including Survey,              | 14 0 0 |
| Anthony Oliver's to Lennox Passage,                                              | 14 0 0 |
| James Proctor's to Anthony Oliver's, (including bridge by Contract,)             | 10 0 0 |
| River Inhabitants Basin, near White's, to main Post road,                        | 10 0 0 |
| River Inhabitants bridge to West Bay road, including Survey made,                | 20 0 0 |
| Road to River Inhabitants bridge, West Bay, to Donald Morrow's,                  | 0 0 0  |
| Donald Morrow's to Black River bridge,                                           | 10 0 0 |
| Black River bridge to William McKenzie's,                                        | 20 0 0 |
| William McKenzie's to James Pringle's, on new line,                              | 10 0 0 |
| James Pringle's to Scott's River, including repair of bridge £3 15s., last year, | 15 0 0 |
| Cape George to St. Peter's main road,                                            | 10 0 0 |
| George Strachan's to William Urquhart's,                                         | 15 0 0 |
| Allan Morrison's to road to George Strachan's, including sum expended, 15s. 9d , | 12 0 0 |
| James Pringle's to William Urquhart's,                                           | 15 0 0 |
| Lauchlan McLean's to N. W. Arm cross road,                                       | 6 0 0  |
| River Tear to Patrick Kite's, including bridge there,                            | 10 0 0 |
| Patrick Kite's, including bridge there, to Hugh McDonald's,                      | 0 0 0  |
| Post road, near Madden's, to Kehoe's, River Bourgeoise,                          | 12 0 0 |
| Kehoe's to road from River Bourgeoise to St. Peter's,                            | 10 0 0 |
| River Bourgeoise to Fitzgerald's,                                                | 6 0 0  |
| Fitzgerald's to St. Peter's main road,                                           | 6 0 0  |
| St. Peter's main road to old Sydney road towards L'Ardoise,                      | 20 0 0 |
| From                                                                             |        |

|                                                                                       |     |    |   |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----|----|---|
| From Old Sydney road to Isaac Nicoll's,                                               | £20 | 0  | 0 |
| L'Ardoise to Salmon River,                                                            | 10  | 0  | 0 |
| Grand River bridge, new road, half way to McCaskill's,                                | 10  | 0  | 0 |
| Grand River to St. Esprit,                                                            | 12  | 0  | 0 |
| St. Esprit half way to Framboise,                                                     | 0   | 0  | 0 |
| Framboise to St. Esprit,                                                              | 10  | 0  | 0 |
| Grand River bridge to Loch Lomond,                                                    | 10  | 0  | 0 |
| Kenneth Morrison's to Framboise, new route,                                           | 10  | 0  | 0 |
| Loch Lomond to Thomas Johnston's,                                                     | 8   | 0  | 0 |
| Thomas Johnston's to Post road near McNab's,                                          | 8   | 15 | 6 |
| Loch Lomond to Red Islands, by Philip Morrison's,                                     | 0   | 0  | 0 |
| Loch Uist to Bras d'Or Lake, East Bay,                                                | 6   | 0  | 0 |
| Grand Antz half way to Black River, around McDonald's Hill,                           | 20  | 0  | 0 |
| Black River half way to Grand Antz,                                                   | 10  | 0  | 0 |
| Kempt road near Donald McPherson's, to Black River road,                              | 10  | 0  | 0 |
| Road leading to Black River, to the Kempt road past Mc-<br>Rae's Mill,                | 10  | 0  | 0 |
| Cross road L'Ardoise to Point Micheau,                                                | 9   | 0  | 0 |
| For Road at Red Islands from shore, past McLeod's Mill,                               | 0   | 0  | 0 |
| To pay for quarter of amount of advance for Meal, this 3rd Instalment,                | 94  | 5  | 0 |
| For advance to John Cash on main Post road in 1849, Red Islands,                      | 10  | 0  | 0 |
| Duncan Sutherland on main Post road in 1849,<br>Soldier's Cove,                       | 35  | 18 | 9 |
| Angus McDonald do. do.,                                                               | 30  | 16 | 6 |
| John Campbell do. do., from Ship Harbor,                                              | 25  | 0  | 0 |
| McIntyre do. do., repairing bridge,<br>Ship Harbor road,                              | 1   | 0  | 0 |
| do. do., repairing, Red Is-<br>lands,                                                 | 1   | 0  | 0 |
| For over-expenditure on Grand River bridge, by Roderick Matheson<br>in the year 1848, | 53  | 10 | 0 |
| By Kenneth Morrison on bridge at Loch Lomond,                                         | 17  | 13 | 6 |
| Donald McKenzie on Grand River road, North side,                                      | 11  | 13 | 0 |
| Alexander Sutherland on bridge at George Strachan's in 1848,                          | 11  | 15 | 9 |
| Duncan McKay, Grand River, Senior, as per return of Appraisers,                       | 9   | 0  | 0 |
| Abram Martell for building bridge at L'Ardoise in 1847,                               | 9   | 12 | 0 |
| To repair the road from Arichat to Grandique, and finish the same,                    | 10  | 0  | 0 |
| From Grandique to, and including bridge at Poulamond,                                 | 8   | 0  | 0 |
| The bridge, West end Poulamond, to Desire Boudrot's, Wes-<br>tern line,               | 8   | 0  | 0 |
| Desire Boudrot's, Western line, to Cape LaRonde,                                      | 13  | 0  | 0 |
| Cape LaRonde to LeContres, rear of the Ponds,                                         | 10  | 0  | 0 |
| Petit Nez to LeContres,                                                               | 6   | 0  | 0 |
| Wood's Cottage, on Discouse road, to LeContres,                                       | 12  | 0  | 0 |
| Arichat on Discouse road to Thomas Wood's,                                            | 12  | 10 | 0 |
| Thomas Wood's to Discouse Hill,                                                       | 6   | 0  | 0 |
| To cut the Hill at Discouse,                                                          | 10  | 0  | 0 |
| From cross roads, rear of Janvrin's at Arichat, to Barachoix road near<br>Bew's,      | 6   | 0  | 0 |
| Barachoix road near Bew's to Ballam's at Petit DeGrat,                                | 7   | 0  | 0 |
| Boudrot's at Petit DeGrat, to the road leading from Bew's to<br>Ballam's,             | 7   | 0  | 0 |

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| From Cape O'Guet to Brook, rear of Kavanagh's Point,                | £6    | 0  | 0 |
| Brook, rear of Kavanagh's Point, to head of Arichat Harbor,         | 8     | 0  | 0 |
| To repair Little Arichat bridge, North side,                        | 7     | 0  | 0 |
| From Little Arichat bridge, to the end of the road to Roman Forest, | 6     | 0  | 0 |
| Little Arichat bridge towards Arichat,                              | 7     | 0  | 0 |
| Towards finishing the Grand Ruisseau bridge,                        | 10    | 0  | 0 |
| From Grand Ruisseau bridge, Eastwardly to main road,                | 8     | 0  | 0 |
| Rocky Bay across to Discouse, by Doyle's,                           | 8     | 0  | 0 |
| Alexander Madden's to Thomas Wood's,                                | 7     | 0  | 0 |
| Discouse road to Merchaud's at Rocky Bay,                           | 5     | 0  | 0 |
| Wood's to McNeil's bridge, and to repair the same,                  | 5     | 0  | 0 |
| To make the road on North side of Petit DeGrat Harbor, Eastwardly,  |       |    |   |
| rear of John Martell's towards Ballam's,                            | 8     | 0  | 0 |
| Towards building bridge, head of Arichat Harbor,                    | 6     | 0  | 0 |
| On the road from Poulamond, Southerly to Discouse road,             | 6     | 0  | 0 |
| Simon Richard's to brook rear of Kavanagh's Point,                  | 10    | 0  | 0 |
| Leading from Gros Nez towards Petit DeGrat,                         | 10    | 0  | 0 |
| To make the road from John Edward's, Rocky Bay, Northerly to        |       |    |   |
| Discouse road,                                                      | 5     | 0  | 0 |
| Pay Mathew Maddock an over-expenditure of 1849,                     | 2     | 10 | 0 |
| Towards a road at Cape Porcupine, Gut of Canso,                     | 5     | 0  | 0 |
| On the road South side Petit DeGrat Harbor,                         | 5     | 0  | 0 |
|                                                                     | £1000 | 0  | 0 |

## No. 92.

(See page 593.)

The Committee to whom were referred certain Despatches and Papers, (received by the Lieut. Governor during the recess), in reply to the Address of this House, passed in the last Session, relating to the Fees collected by the British Consuls in the United States, from Colonial Vessels trading to that Country,—beg leave to Report :

That they do not find in the Letter from Mr. Addington, of the Foreign Office, any reason assigned why the prayer of the Address should not be accorded, excepting the following :

“ His Lordship (Viscount Palmerston,) apprehends that the grounds upon which this request is made, are not sufficient to call for the suggested alteration, inasmuch as it is assumed in the Address that Fees to the amount of Eight Thousand Seven Hundred and Fifty Pounds are levied annually by British Consuls on Nova Scotia Ships, whereas the total sum received by Her Majesty's Consuls in the United States during the last three years, in the shape of Fees, averaged only Three Thousand Eight Hundred and Ninety-six Pounds a year ; and these Fees have been levied not on Nova Scotia Ships only, but upon the whole of the British Trade with the United States, including Shipping from the Ports of all Countries, and including also various services not affecting Shipping. Moreover, owing to the demand for American Corn, the average of the last three years is unusually high,—the average of Fees for the last five years being Three Thousand Three Hundred and Two Pounds, and for the ten years preceding, only One Thousand Seven Hundred and Twenty-eight Pounds.

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“ It is further to be observed, that the number of Nova Scotia Ships trading annually with the United States is stated to be about 1000; their tonnage being 100,000; and it is further stated that these Ships make ten voyages a year, thus increasing the number of Nova Scotia Ships to 10,000 annually, and the tonnage to one million. Now by the best published Returns up to the 31st December, 1847, it appears that the whole of the Foreign Shipping arriving at all Ports of the United States, amounted in that year only to 6268 Ships of 1,176,605 tons; and it is scarcely to be supposed that the Province of Nova Scotia should supply a larger number of Ships than the number published by the United States as the total number of Ships arriving in the United States from all parts of the world, and little less than the whole of the Foreign tonnage.”

Now on reference to the 8th paragraph of the Address it is apparent that the House distinctly stated that the amount of Provincial tonnage employed in the trade between Nova Scotia and the United States could not be exactly ascertained; although they asserted what their opinion was, as regards its extent—an opinion founded on the fact that 160,000 tons of Shipping pay Light Duties, once each year at some port in Nova Scotia—and they imagined that 60,000 tons would cover the proportion of Foreign Shipping or of Colonial Shipping not in the United States trade. It is, however, evident that they over-estimated the amount of tonnage and the number of Vessels employed, or else the average number of voyages. But it must be observed that the principal reasons adduced, and on which they chiefly relied, and which are contained in the 3d, 4th, 5th, 6th and 7th paragraphs of the Address, seem to have been quite overlooked, or not thought worthy of much consideration. Your Committee are, however, induced to believe, that the subject being one not immediately under the supervision of the Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, has not as yet received that patient attention which its importance demands—and that but a very slight consideration was accorded to it. They infer this partly from the omission to notice the paragraphs already referred to, and principally because that in the statements made by Mr. Addington of the Foreign Trade of the United States, there is *manifest error* in every particular. From the published statements of United States Trade to 30th June, 1847, the Foreign Vessels entering Inwards were 6499 Vessels—1,220,346 Tons. Mr. Addington states that, by the best published Returns, up to the 31st December, 1847, the *Entries Inwards* were 6268 Vessels—1,176,605 Tons; whereas this statement of his corresponds exactly, both as to number of Vessels and amount of Tonnage, with the same account of Vessels *Cleared* from the United States to 30th June, 1847. These same accounts give the amount of Foreign Tonnage Entered from the British American Colonies, up to the same period, (not including the West Indies,) at 500,944 Tons; but, up to 30th June, 1848—six months previously to the Address—this amount of Tonnage had increased to 756,184, or more than 50 per cent., whilst the whole increase on all the Foreign Tonnage was only 184,845 Tons, thus showing that whilst the Foreign Tonnage Entering from British North America had increased, that from Great Britain and other Countries had diminished. The increase in Foreign Entries to 30th June, 1848, was 1132 Vessels, the average Tonnage 184 Tons each vessel—an average too small as applied to British shipping, and much too large for Colonial Traders. At this rate, however, it gives to the Colonial Trade 4110 Vessels, and more than half of all the Foreign Tonnage. If this be correct, then the Colonial Trade pays more than half of the Fees exacted by the Consuls on Shipping. The injustice of this will further appear by contrasting the amount of Tonnage Entering from Great Britain and Ireland, American and Foreign, and the value of the Imports from that Empire, with the American

American and Foreign Tonnage Entering from the British American Colonies, (not including the West Indies,) and the value of the Imports from them. The Tonnage from the British Empire to 30th June, 1848, was—American, 460,308; Foreign, 375,285; together, 835,593 Tons. The Imports for the same period were \$61,846,119. The Tonnage from the British American Colonies was—American, 367,240; Foreign, 756,184; or together, 1,623,424. The Imports, \$3,646,467. Thus double the amount of Tonnage is employed between the United States and the British American Colonies, to that between that Country and the United Kingdom, whilst the Exports from the latter are 17 time greater in value than the former; and to which may be added the conveyance furnished to nearly 200,000 Emigrants. If the 375,285 Tons of Shipping from Great Britain are all British, and the 756,184 Tons from B. N. America all Colonial, then it is also evident that Colonial Shipping must pay two-thirds of all the Consular Fees. It is equally clear that the increase on these Fees during the last five years, which is double the average of the preceding ten years, is not to be attributed to the cause assigned by Mr. Addington in his Letter, but to the increased Trade between the British American Colonies and the United States.

Your Committee now beg leave to note some facts, and make some statements in reference to our Colonial Trade and the Consular Fees. In a paper published at Newburyport, Mass., it is stated that 7 years since, one cargo—20 cords—of wood came there from N. Scotia; in 1848, 1500 cords; and in 1849, 4000 cords. To convey this would require 80 vessels; the value of the wood, at place of shipment, is \$2 per cord; the time expended on the voyage to and back is about ten days; the Consul therefore receives \$3 30 cts. out of every \$100 worth of wood, or upwards of 3 per cent. on its first cost; in addition a heavy advalorem duty has to be paid; and then the article must compete in the market with the Import from Maine of a similar kind, but free of either Duty or Consular Fees. In the Gypsum or Plaster Trade the average is higher. There was shipped from Walton and Shiverie, in Hants, during 1849, 398 cargoes of Gypsum; average, 100 tons; first cost of cargoes, £4975 currency; Consular Fees paid on 398 vessels say £300, or about 6 per cent. on first cost; the half of the vessels traded to Lubec and Eastport; average voyage about eight days. The numbers of British vessels (presumed to be all Colonial) Entered at Lubec and Eastport, in Maine, in 1849, was 718; and at Portland, in the same State, 9 vessels from G. Britain—Tonnage 2341, (an average of 360 tons,) and 314 from B. N. American Colonies—Tonnage 31431, (the average being about 100 tons;) about 100 others are given for the remaining Ports in Maine. This gives for Maine 1141 vessels, which, at \$3.30 per vessel, yields £941 5s. cy. for Consular Fees in that State alone. At the Port of Boston, Mass., the Entries are for 1849, 2076 British and 987 American: of these 2099 are from Ports in B. N. America and 1881 from Nova Scotia. Now 2076 British Vessels, at \$3.30, give £1712, cy., for Consular Fees on Shipping at this Port. Again, 811 British Vessels are reported to have entered New York:—these, at the same rate, would yield £669 cy., making for the Ports in Maine, for Boston and New York, 4028 Vessels, £3322 15s. cy. Consuls' Fees. Now, when to this is added all the Fees paid on the Colonial Vessels trading constantly during the season into the different Ports on the American Coast, from Cape Ann to New York, and so on South to Philadelphia, Baltimore, &c.,—and the Fees paid by the large amount of British and Colonial Tonnage employed in the Cotton, Tobacco, and Corn Trade from the Southern States, and also that as stated by Mr. Addington, the Consular Fees are levied “not on Nova Scotia Ships only but upon the whole of the British Trade with the United States, including Shipping from the Ports of all Countries; and including

ing also *various services not affecting shipping*”; and yet the amount stated as received for the whole Union is only £3302 stg., equal to £4129 cy. Your Committee are apprehensive that all the returns from the different Consulates and Vice Consulates in the United States could not have been examined. It is quite impossible, even if the number of Colonial Vessels trading to the United States could be exactly known, to estimate with certainty the amount of Fees paid. They vary in amount in different Ports on the same Vessel, and sometimes in the same Port: in one instance your Committee are informed that \$20 was paid. If, however, the Consular Returns contain the names of the Vessels and the Port of Registry of all from which Fees have been collected for the past two years, it would be very desirable if the Imperial Government could be induced to furnish the Lieut. Governor with Copies of these Returns for the information of the Legislature at its next Session. In conclusion your Committee beg leave to reiterate some of the statements contained in the address to Her Majesty, passed in 1849.

The Trade between the United States and this Province is to the latter *a trade of necessity*. It partakes largely of the character of a Coasting Trade—the time expended in the several voyages varying from 7 days to 14 and 30: The articles exported are bulky, and require an enormous amount of tonnage in comparison with their value to convey them to a market. The profits to the Vessels in the trade is hardly remunerative. The exports are (excepting Gypsum,) subject to heavy duties, and the repeated payment of the Consular charges is viewed both by the Producer, Shipper, and Carrier, as a heavy and vexatious tax. The Committee therefore recommend that the Provincial Government be instructed to take this subject into their most serious consideration, and earnestly to request the attention of the Imperial Authorities thereto—and your Committee do hope that they may be induced promptly to grant to our Colonial Trade that alleviation from the payment of these Fees which justice and sound policy alike dictate should at once be accorded to it.

All which is respectfully submitted:

JAMES D. FRASER, Chairman.  
CHAS. F. HARRINGTON,  
THOMAS KILLAM,  
EDWD. L. BROWN,  
S. S. THORNE.

House of Assembly, 26th March, 1850.

No. 93.

(See page 593.)

The Committee upon Agriculture beg to report—that the only Petitions submitted to them, have been sent from the County of Digby, asking aid for the erection of an Oat Mill. This subject has already been disposed of in the ordinary grant to each County, but your Committee recommend that the conditions adopted by your Honorable House with reference to this subject, as recommended by the Committee of Agriculture in the year 1848, be strictly adhered to.

The Report of the Central Board of Agriculture your Committee recommend; and as that report contains much valuable information on many subjects therein referred to, your Committee do not deem it necessary to enlarge thereon. Your Committee have examined the accounts of the Central Board and have found them

them correct. The report of the Board contains the returns from the different Counties, which are herewith submitted, and affords full and ample information of the condition of the local Societies in communication therewith.

The Accounts of the Central Board are herewith submitted, by which it appears that there remained a balance in their hands, at the end of the year, of £100 4s.

The expenditure of the monies in the hands of the Central Board during the past year, after the payment of the Salaries of their Clerks, and the purchase of a Threshing Machine—which cost £55 14s.7d., besides other charges—was confined solely to the publication of Agricultural information in different papers, and in procuring some seed-wheat, and also obtaining some Periodicals from the United States.

Your Committee recommend that the Threshing Mill be at once disposed of—that the publications referred to be discontinued—and that instead thereof the Central Board be directed to procure the best Periodicals now published; and that one or more copies thereof be sent to each Society in correspondence with the Central Board. By this means the different local Societies will obtain much useful and practical information on all the various subjects connected with Agricultural service.

Your Committee much regret that the Central Board have not been able to carry out their wishes, in endeavouring to induce Professor Johnston, on his return, to deliver a Lecture in Halifax. The Central Board have been in correspondence with that gentleman, but have not succeeded.

Your Committee would recommend to your Honorable House to adopt the views of the Central Board with reference to the propriety of holding a Public Fair or Cattle Show in some Eastern County—either at Truro or Pictou—and appropriating a certain portion of their funds for such purpose.

Your Committee think that the time has arrived when new importations of Stock should be made, for the purpose of ascertaining what description would best suit the Province. They therefore think that a person fully qualified should be selected to proceed at once to the United States, and procure Bulls of the Ayrshire, Durham, Hereford, and Devon breeds, and also Cows of the same description. The Bulls should not exceed two years old, and could be procured at an average cost of about £25 each—the Cows about half price; and for the accomplishment of this object, your Committee would suggest to the House the propriety of permitting the Central Board to draw from the Treasury such part of the grant of 1851 as may be required for the aforesaid purpose. Your Committee also suggest the propriety of selling the Stock at Public Auction immediately on their importation.

Your Committee would consider it their duty to go more at length into this interesting subject—but the report of 1848 brought in and signed by most of your Committee, contains their opinions, in every respect, at length.

JOHN C. HALL,  
W. W. BENT,  
PETER SMYTH,  
ANDREW ROBERTSON,  
J. SANGSTER,  
JOSEPH HOWE,  
SAMUEL CREELMAN,  
W. A. HENRY.

## No. 94.

(See page 596.)

The Committee appointed to examine and report on the Petition of Jane Morton, touching the amount claimed by the Province from the Estate of Elkanah Morton, Esq., late Collector of Excise at Digby, beg leave to Report as follows :

That it appears by the Report of the Committee of Public Accounts in 1849, the amount of £174 15 4 was considered due by the Deceased ; and it has been shown to your Committee that Mr. Morton claims to be allowed this amount, and also to be allowed certain amounts due on Bonds which he states had been given for Wines and Spirits imported at Digby, and subsequently shipped to St. John, N. B., in 1841 and 1842, although no certificates of landing had, in fact, been produced.

Your Committee have expended much time in the matter, and have ascertained that no satisfactory adjustment of this amount can be made.

If the Bonds of the parties had been regularly forwarded no such difficulty would have arisen, and the lapse of time prevents a correct investigation of the matter.

Your Committee, however, recommend as a final settlement of this long standing affair, that the Executors be released from any claim on behalf of the Province of the amount of £174 15 4—this release to be considered and held by the Heirs or Executors of Mr. Morton as in full of any claim they may conceive they have upon the Province.

JOHN J. MARSHALL, Chairman.

## No. 95.

(See page 598.)

The Committee appointed to examine the Road Scales, beg leave to report that they find them all correct.

*County of Halifax.*—£13 18s. 9d., reported as advance to John Hurley was provided for in Scale of 1849 ; the advance was made after the Committee of Public Accounts had reported.

*County of Annapolis.*—£4 11s. reported as advance to Felix McNeil has been provided for by King's County. Since Committee of Public Accounts reported there has been advanced to Beniah Morse, £17, and John Munroe £4 10s., both of which sums have been provided for in Road Scales.

*County of Richmond.*—£9 12s., of the £15 12s. referred to in report of Committee on Road Scales in 1849, has been provided for, £6 being previously paid.

STEPHEN FULTON, Chairman.

Halifax, March 27th, 1850.



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