



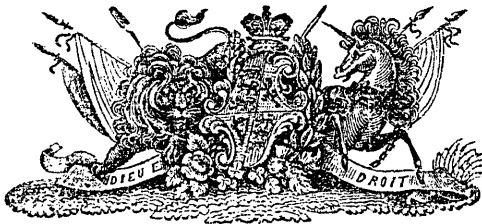
**JOURNAL**  
OF THE  
**HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY**  
OF  
**NEWFOUNDLAND,**

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***ANNO TRIDECIMO VICTORIÆ REGINÆ.***

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*His Excellency Sir JOHN GASPARD LeMARCHANT, Knight and Knight Commander of the Orders of St. Ferdinand and of Charles the Third of Spain, Governor and Commander-in-Chief in and over the Island of Newfoundland and its Dependencies, &c., &c.*



SECOND SESSION OF THE FOURTH HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY.

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## PROCLAMATION.

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J. G. LEMARCHANT,  
(L.S.)

*By His Excellency Sir JOHN GASPARD  
LEMARCHANT, Knight and Knight  
Commander of the Orders of St. Fer-  
dinand and Charles the Third of Spain,  
Governor and Commander-in-Chief in  
and over the Island of Newfoundland  
and its Dependencies.*

WHEREAS the GENERAL ASSEMBLY of this Island stands Prorogued until FRIDAY the *Twenty-second* day of *June* inst. ; and Whereas I think fit further to Prorogue the said General Assembly until THURSDAY the *Twenty-seventh* day of *September* next:

I do therefore, by this my Proclamation, further PROROGUE the said GENERAL ASSEMBLY until THURSDAY the *Twenty-seventh* day of *September* next ; of which all persons concerned are required and commanded to take due notice and govern themselves accordingly.

Given under my Hand and Seal at the Government-House at St. John's, in the aforesaid Island, the Eighteenth day of June, One Thousand Eight Hundred and Forty-nine.

By His Excellency's Command,

EDWARD E. RUSHWORTH,

*Pro Secretary.*







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WHEREAS the GENERAL ASSEMBLY of this Island stands Prorogued until THURSDAY the *Twenty-seventh* day of *September* next: And Whereas I think fit further to Prorogue the said General Assembly until THURSDAY the *Fifteenth* day of *November* next ensuing :

I do therefore, by this my Proclamation, further PROROGUE the said GENERAL ASSEMBLY until THURSDAY the *Fifteenth* day of *November* next; of which all persons concerned are required and commanded to take due notice and govern themselves accordingly.

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Given under my Hand and Seal at the Government-House at St. John's, in the aforesaid Island, the Eighteenth day of September, One Thousand Eight Hundred and Forty-nine, and in the Thirteenth Year of Her Majesty's Reign.

By His Excellency's Command,

JAMES CROWDY,

*Secretary.*



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WHEREAS the GENERAL ASSEMBLY of this Island stands Prorogued until THURSDAY the *Fifteenth* day of *November* instant: And Whereas I think fit further to Prorogue the said General Assembly until MONDAY the *Twenty-eighth* day of *January*.

I do therefore, by this my Proclamation, further PROROGUE the said GENERAL ASSEMBLY until MONDAY the *Twenty-eighth* day of *January* next ; *then to meet for the dispatch of business*. And all persons concerned are required and commanded to take due notice and govern themselves accordingly.

Given under my Hand and Seal at the Government-House at St. John's, in the aforesaid Island, the Sixth day of November, One Thousand Eight Hundred and Forty-nine, and in the Thirteenth Year of Her Majesty's Reign.

By His Excellency's Command,

JAMES CROWDY,

*Secretary.*



# JOURNAL

OF THE HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY OF NEWFOUNDLAND.

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MONDAY, JANUARY 28TH, 1850.

THE General Assembly having, by several Proclamations of His Excellency the Governor hereto prefixed, been prorogued until this day, then to meet for the dispatch of business, the members thereof accordingly met this day in the Assembly Room.

Members assemble.

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

*Mr. Speaker and Gentlemen of the House of Assembly—*

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

Message from His Excellency the Governor.

Accordingly, Mr. Speaker and the Members of the House of Assembly present attended His Excellency the Governor in the Council Chamber, and being returned,

Members attend His Excellency.

MR. SPEAKER having taken the chair, reported that the House had been in attendance on His Excellency the Governor, and that His Excellency had been pleased to make a Speech, of which Mr. Speaker said he had, to prevent mistakes, obtained a copy, and which he read to the House as follows:—

*Mr. President and Honorable Gentlemen of the Council—*

*Mr. Speaker and Gentlemen of the House of Assembly—*

Speech.

I have convened you at the usual period of the year for the consideration of the affairs of the Colony, relying with full confidence on your deliberations on the important interests committed to your charge being resumed in a spirit which will attest your zeal for the public welfare.

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In the late lamented death of Adelaide, the Queen Dowager, we have to deplore the loss of a most excellent Princess, and which will be mourned by all classes of Her Majesty's subjects, to whom her many eminent virtues rendered her the object of universal esteem and affection.

You will all, I am confident, unite with one voice in thanksgiving to Almighty God, that he has been so graciously and mercifully pleased to avert from this land that grievous pestilence the Cholera, with which other parts of this Empire have been so sorely afflicted.

It is also a cause of grateful acknowledgement that a bountiful Providence has, during the past season, vouchsafed an ample reward to the toil of our hardy fishermen, whose prosperity is essential to the welfare of the colony, and by the successful result of whose labours the energy of commercial enterprise is promoted.

It is further pleasing to me to be able to inform you that the results of the agriculture of the colony for the past year have more than realized the anticipations of those favourable to the experiment, and the progress made during that brief period has been such as to lead to the most encouraging anticipations for the future. The promotion of this branch of industry will merit your fostering care and encouragement, whether viewed in the light of a powerful auxiliary to the staple trade of the colony, or as a means of promoting some additional subsistence for our rapidly increasing population, for whose support the fisheries alone are becoming now inadequate.

As the Education Act will expire at the close of the present Session, the state of Education in the colony will necessarily engage your attention; from the reports received of the condition of many of the Schools, a more efficient system of instruction is urgently required. Although our financial condition will not, I regret to say, admit of any increase being made to the present grant, yet the system is susceptible of much improvement, and I hope the Session will not be allowed to pass without the adoption of some measure that will secure a more effective superintendence of the Schools generally throughout the Colony.

I will cause to be laid before you copies of several Despatches which have been received from Her Majesty's Secretary of State for the Colonies.

*Mr. Speaker and Gentlemen of the House of Assembly—*

The Accounts and Estimates will be laid before you. I feel confident of your readiness to provide for all that is necessary for the public service, and in the expenditure of the monies placed at the disposal of the Execu-

tive, you may rest assured that the utmost economy, consistent with the exigencies of the colony, will be observed.

*Mr. President and Gentlemen of the Council—*

*Mr. Speaker and Gentlemen of the House of Assembly—*

I feel assured that your best endeavours will be exercised to afford by wise legislation all practical extension and developement to the trade and productive capabilities of this Island ; and in the measures calculated to effect those important ends, and in your labours for the advancement of the welfare of all classes of the community, you may rely upon my cordial co-operation and support.

On motion of Mr. O'BRIEN, seconded by Mr. HOYLES,

*Resolved,*—That a Select Committee be appointed to prepare an Address of Thanks to His Excellency the Governor for his gracious Speech at the opening of the Session.

Select Committee to prepare Address of Thanks.

*Ordered,*—That Mr. O'Brien, Mr. Hoyles, Mr. Shea, Mr. Emerson, and Mr. Job do form such Committee.

On motion of Mr. WINSER, seconded by Mr. O'BRIEN,

*Resolved,*—That the House do now resolve itself into a Committee of Privilege.

Committee on Privilege.

And the House resolved itself into the said Committee accordingly.

Mr. SPEAKER left the Chair.

Mr. CARTER took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. SPEAKER resumed the Chair.

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

Report of Committee on Privilege.

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

Mr. PARSONS gave notice that on to-morrow he would move an Address of condolence to Her Most Gracious Majesty on the lamented death of the Queen Dowager.

Notice of motion for Address of condolence on the death of the Queen Dowager.

Also an Address to Her Most Gracious Majesty on the subject of the monies sent to this Colony for the relief of the Fire Sufferers in 1846.

Notice of motion for Address to Her Majesty on the money sent for relief of Fire Sufferers of 1846.

On motion of Mr. WINSER, seconded by Mr. DELANEY,

Governor's Speech printed.

*Resolved*,—That One Hundred copies of the Governor's Speech at the opening of the Session be printed for the use of members.

On motion of Mr. PRENDERGAST, the House adjourned till to-morrow at One of the clock.

T U E S D A Y , JANUARY 29, 1850.

Mr. HOYLES presented Petitions from Sarah J. Perchard, setting forth her long service of sixteen years as Librarian to H. M. Council and the House of Assembly, and praying that an apartment might be set aside for her use in the Colonial Building, so that she might thereby be enabled to give a more constant attendance to her duties.

Petition from Sarah J. Perchard.

And from Thomas Appleby, Thomas H. Newman, and 190 others, inhabitants of that part of the island lying between Bonnie Bay and Cape Ray, setting forth that notwithstanding their paying annually a large amount of duties to the support of the Revenue, they were unrepresented in the House of Assembly, and praying that they might no longer continue so.

Petition from Bonnie Bay.

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

Mr. O'BRIEN gave notice that on to-morrow he would move for a Select Committee on the subject of an increase of Members.

Notice of Motion for a Select Committee on the subject of an increase of Members.

On the order of the day for the House in Committee of the whole on Privilege being read, Mr. WINSER asked leave to withdraw his motion on that subject; as also Mr. PARSONS to postpone his motion for the Address of Condolence to Her Most Gracious Majesty on the lamented death of the Queen Dowager till to-morrow.

Postponement of Orders of Day.

Mr. JOB presented the report of his proceedings in England in reference to the Address of this House on the Fisheries of Newfoundland to Her Most Gracious Majesty and both Houses of Parliament, agreeable to instructions contained in a resolution of this House passed on the 23rd day of April last, and the same was received and read as follows:—

## R E P O R T.

In conformity with a resolution of the Honorable the House of Assembly passed on the 23rd of April last, in which it was declared that I should take charge of those copies of the Memorial on the subject of the Fisheries which were to be placed in the hands of certain Members of both Houses of Parliament, for presentation and support in those bodies; and that I should call at the Colonial Office and urge the prayer of said Memorial on the attention of the Government,

I beg leave to report, that soon after my arrival in England I proceeded to London, taking with me the said several Documents confided to my care.

As the Parliamentary Session was fast drawing to a close, I lost no time in attending to the object of my mission, and having obtained from J. Bramley Moore, Esq., Mayor of Liverpool, letters of introduction to the Earl of Harrowby and the Members for the Borough, Sir Thomas Birch and Mr. Cardwell, I waited on his Lordship and handed to him the Memorial to the House of Lords, laying before him at the same time such information as I thought it well he should possess in reference to the subject. His Lordship received me with great courtesy, and listened with interest to the statements and suggestions I offered for his consideration; and, on the 5th July, he presented the Memorial to the House of Lords, on which occasion His Lordship briefly but ably stated the views of the Legislature on the important subjects embraced.

The Memorial to the House of Commons was handed to G. R. Robinson, Esq., and presented by him on the day following. This long-trying friend of Newfoundland entered into the question with his accustomed zeal, and in presenting the Memorial, earnestly directed the attention of the House to the grievances of which it complained, and which he urged as being entitled to their grave consideration. Mr. Robinson had, previous to my arrival, given notice of his intention to bring the subject of our Fisheries before the House of Commons in the next Session, which I trust the improved state of his health will enable him to carry out with effect.

The communications addressed by this Assembly to the other Members of Parliament were also duly delivered, and I had personal interviews with Mr. Cardwell and Mr. McGregor, both of whom took a warm interest in our Colonial concerns, and expressed their willingness to advocate our interests whenever the matter became a subject of discussion in Parliament.

Report of Mr. Job of proceedings in England on the Address to the Home Government on the state of the Fisheries.



By special appointment, on the 4th July (accompanied by the Hon. Mr. Crowdy) I waited on the Secretary of State for the Colonies, and had a most gracious reception. I called His Lordship's attention to some of the leading points in the Memorial to the Queen, and especially to the want of protection to our Western Fisheries against the injurious encroachments of the French. To this Earl Grey replied that the views of Her Majesty's Government on the question of Free Trade might prevent any interference in this matter; but he stated his intention of consulting with the First Lord of the Admiralty, when all that attention would be given to the subject which its importance demanded. His Lordship's attention was also called to the existing Treaties with France, and the injury we sustained by the infringements of the same, which were of annual recurrence. I spoke of the strong feeling of the Legislature on the subject, and of their great desire that the conditions of the Treaties should be enforced. On these, and other subjects of Colonial interest, His Lordship made several inquiries, and received, in some cases, information which he had not before possessed.

I had subsequently an interview with the Under Secretary of State, when the condition of the Fisheries, chiefly with reference to French competition, was again urged on the attention of Government; and the fact of our being compelled to abandon the Deep-sea Fishery, was one which especially attracted the attention of Mr. Hawes, and elicited from that gentleman many important inquiries. I had just obtained the *Public Ledger*, of the 22nd June, containing the editorials of that and the other public journals relative to the Fisheries, called forth by an interesting letter published by Mr. C. F. Bennett, and this I handed to Mr. Hawes as an evidence of the unanimous opinion on the subject. On all points referred to in this interview, I was led to believe that he entertained sound, practical views of our position, and that when the question is considered, we may expect much benefit from his able and enlightened advocacy.

I had the advantage of an introduction from His Excellency the Governor to his brother, Sir Denis LeMarchant, Secretary of the Board of Trade, who expressed a deep interest in our affairs, and afforded me much assistance in obtaining for me a more ready access to the Public Offices. And I would here also desire to express my obligation to the Right Hon. Talbot Baines for much valuable aid of a similar character.

A well-known friend of Newfoundland, John Hatt Noble, Esq., formerly of Oporto, also afforded me many facilities in promoting the views of the Assembly, and his thorough acquaintance with the Trade rendered his advice useful to me on several occasions.

Taking into account the short time that intervened between my arrival in England and the prorogation of Parliament, it needed some exertion to accomplish the business entrusted to me; but with the exception of Vict. Mulgund and Messrs. Meagher and Baillie (who were absent from town) I succeeded in enlisting the interest of all the parties named in the resolution of the House.

The advanced period of the Session of Parliament would, of itself, have prevented any present proceedings beyond those above adverted to, but I have the satisfaction of believing that I have secured the interest of several influential Members, whose advocacy may be relied on whenever it may be required for the support of our interests; and if, as may be reasonably supposed, the visit of Admiral Lord Londondal was induced by the Memorial of the Legislature to the Queen, it is a gratifying proof that the attention of the Government has been awakened to our condition, and a step taken in a direction most likely to result in additional means for securing protection to our fisheries.

THOMAS B. JOB.

*St. John's, January 28, 1850.*

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

On Table.

On motion of Mr. DELANEY, seconded by Mr. HANRAHAN,

*Resolved*,—That the said Report be printed for the use of Members.

Printed for the use of Members.

Mr. WINSER gave notice that, in accordance with his notice given on the 21st April last, he would, on to-morrow, move an Address to His Excellency the Governor, requesting that the Chairman of Audit be furnished by the Colonial Treasurer with such Documents from time to time during the Session as shall be necessary in preparing an exposition of the public accounts.

Notice of motion for Documents to be furnished the Chairman of Audit.

Mr. HOYLES gave notice that on Monday next he would move for the appointment of a Select Committee to prepare and bring in a Bill for the encouragement of Education.

Notice of motion for Select Committee on Education Bill.

Mr. EMERSON gave notice that on Monday, the 4th day of February next, he would move for leave to bring in a Bill for the appointment of a Sheriff for each of the Electoral Districts of this Island, and to make certain alterations in the establishment and practice of the Circuit Courts of

Notice of motion for a Bill for the appointment of a Sheriff in the Northern and Southern Districts.

the Northern and Southern Districts, and to provide for the registration in the different Electoral Districts of all Deeds, Grants, Conveyances, and Documents of any description required to be registered.

Then the House adjourned till to-morrow at One of the clock.

W E D N E S D A Y , JANUARY 30, 1850.

Notice of motion for Bill to provide for the vacation of seats of members.

MR. PRENDERGAST gave notice that on the 5th day of February next, he would ask leave to introduce a Bill to provide for the vacation of seats of members of this House.

Address of Thanks reported from Select Committee.

MR. O'BRIEN, from the Select Committee appointed to prepare an Address of Thanks in reply to His Excellency the Governor's Speech at the opening of the Session, presented the draft thereof, and the same was read a first time, as follows:—

*To His Excellency Sir JOHN GASPARD LEMARCHANT, Knight and Knight Commander of the Orders of St. Ferdinand and of Charles the Third of Spain, Governor and Commander-in-Chief in and over the Island of Newfoundland and its Dependencies.*

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY:—

We, Her Majesty's loyal and dutiful subjects, the Commons of Newfoundland in General Assembly convened, beg leave to thank Your Excellency for the Speech with which Your Excellency has been pleased to open the present Session of the Legislature.

We sincerely unite with Your Excellency in an expression of heartfelt gratitude to the Almighty Disposer of events for our merciful preservation from the Cholera which has proved so fatal in many other countries, and for having a second time spared this Island, when some of the neighbouring colonies were so severely visited by its ravages.

We entirely concur with Your Excellency in deploring the decease of Her Majesty the Queen Dowager, a lady whose warm benevolence

and extensive charities have justly endeared her to all classes of Her Majesty's subjects, and whose munificence had been particularly extended to this colony.

We sincerely reciprocate the congratulations which Your Excellency has offered upon the success of our Fisheries, and upon the abundant crops which have rewarded the labours of our agriculturists; and we gladly avail ourselves of this opportunity of acknowledging the assistance and encouragement which Your Excellency has always given to the cultivation of the soil, not only as a valuable auxiliary of the fishery, but also as in itself an important branch of our industrial resources; and we assure Your Excellency of our readiness to assist in every plan having for its object the promotion of agriculture.

We regret that Your Excellency should be of opinion that our financial condition will not afford any increase in our Educational Grant; but we nevertheless indulge the hope that a close attention to economy in the various branches of our expenditure may enable us in some degree to add to the funds which should be available for a matter of such paramount importance.

We thank Your Excellency for the Despatches, Accounts, and Estimates which Your Excellency has directed to be laid before us, and for Your Excellency's promised assistance in our labours for the public good; and we assure Your Excellency of our sincere desire to co-operate in all measures tending to the extension of our trade, the development of the productive capabilities of the island, and the advancement of the welfare and prosperity of our people.

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

Time of 2nd reading.

On motion of Mr. PRENDERGAST, seconded by Mr. WINSER,

*Resolved*,—That Fifty Copies of the Address of Thanks to His Excellency the Governor be printed for the use of Members.

Printed.

On motion of Mr. JOB, seconded by Mr. HOYLES,

*Resolved*,—That the following Rules be adopted for regulating the accommodation of the public in the House of Assembly :—

Rules for admission of strangers.

That seats shall be placed without the Bar for the judges of the Supreme Court, the Members of Council, and the Heads of Departments.

That the corner seats within the Bar be reserved for the members of the learned professions, the members of the Grand Jury, Justices of the Peace, Coroners, and Sheriffs ; also, strangers admitted by those entitled to sit there.

That the Upper Gallery be open to all.

That the Reporters of the Public Press have a desk without and against the Bar.

That no one take a seat beside the Speaker, except such persons as he chooses to invite.

On motion of Mr. O'BRIEN, pursuant to notice, seconded by Mr. HOYLES,

Resolution for Select Committee on increase of Representatives Bill.

*Resolved*,—That a Select Committee be appointed to draft and bring in a Bill to increase the present number of Representatives in this Colony.

Committee.

*Ordered*,—That Mr. O'Brien, Mr. Hoyles, Mr. Shea, Mr. Prendergast, and Mr. Winser be a Committee for that purpose.

On motion of Mr. PARSONS, pursuant to notice, seconded by Mr. PRENDERGAST,

*Resolved*,—That the the following Address be transmitted to Her Most Gracious Majesty :—

TO THE QUEEN'S MOST EXCELLENT MAJESTY,—

Address of Condolence to Her Majesty on the death of the Queen Dowager.

We, Your Majesty's dutiful and loyal subjects, the Commons of Newfoundland in Session convened, beg to approach Your Majesty with sentiments of profound respect for Your Majesty's person, and to express our deep sympathy with Your Majesty on the bereavement occasioned by the lamented death of Her Majesty Adelaide, the Queen Dowager, whose unostentatious and extensive charities had acquired for her the respect of all classes in Your Majesty's wide-spread dominions, and in an especial manner, this distant and loyal appendage of the Crown.

Her late Majesty's Royal husband had particularly endeared himself to this island by the bestowal of a Local Legislature, and now that his virtuous consort has departed this earth, we are prompted to address Your Majesty on so melancholy an event, and to tender to Your Majesty our sincere condolence on the loss of a relative so illustrious, so benevolent, and so universally honored.

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

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

*To His Excellency Sir JOHN GASPARD  
LEMARCHANT, Knight and Knight  
Commander of the Orders of St. Fer-  
dinand and of Charles the Third of  
Spain, Governor and Commander-in-  
Chief in and over the Island of New-  
foundland and its Dependencies.*

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY :—

We, Her Majesty's dutiful and loyal subjects, the Commons of Newfoundland, in Legislative Session convened, beg leave to inform Your Excellency that we have agreed to an humble Address to the Queen on the subject of the lamented death of Adelaide, the Queen Dowager, which we respectfully pray Your Excellency will be pleased to transmit to Her Majesty's Principal Secretary of State for the Colonies, in order that the same may be laid at the foot of the Throne.

Address to His Excellency the Governor on forwarding Address of Condolence.

*Ordered*,—That the said Address be engrossed, and that Mr. Parsons and Mr. Prendergast be a Committee to present the same to His Excellency the Governor.

Engrossed and Committee to present.

Mr. O'BRIEN gave notice that on to-morrow he would move that the ordinary Rules of the House be suspended as regards the Address of Thanks to His Excellency in reply to his Speech.

Motion for suspension of Rules of the House.

Mr. PARSONS presented a Petition from Peter Sexton, of St. John's, and the same was received and read, setting forth,—

Petition from Peter Sexton.

That he had been engaged for forty years in the fisheries of this Island, during which time he had been instrumental in saving the lives of some shipwrecked seamen: that being now enfeebled from age, he was unable to follow his usual avocations, and praying that the House would appoint him to any situation that might be vacant for which he was considered qualified.

At Four o'clock several Members having retired, and the names of those present being taken down as follows: Mr. Speaker, Mr. Emerson,

House adjourned for want of a quorum.

Mr. Delaney and Mr. Parsons, the House adjourned for want of a quorum.

T H U R S D A Y , J A N U A R Y 31 , 1850.

Motion for appointment of Committee of Audit.

Mr. WINSER gave notice that he would on to-morrow move that a Committee of Audit be appointed to examine into the public Accounts, and to make a faithful report thereon.

Petition from Fortune Bay on Education.

Mr. HOYLES presented a petition from Thomas F. Gaden, and others, inhabitants of Fortune Bay, and the same was received and read, setting forth,—

The inadequate provision made for Education in that district, and praying that in any alterations that may be made in the Education Act, their case may be considered.

On Table.

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

Address of Thanks read 2nd time.

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

On motion of Mr. HOYLES, seconded by Mr. DELANEY,

Rules suspended.

*Resolved*,—That the ordinary rules of the House be suspended as regards the Address to His Excellency in reply to his Speech at the opening of the Session:

On motion of Mr. HOYLES, seconded by Mr. JOB,

Committee of whole on Address of Thanks.

*Resolved*,—That the House do now resolve itself into a Committee of the whole on the consideration of the said Address, and the House resolved itself into the said Committee accordingly.

Mr. SPEAKER left the Chair.

Mr. DELANEY took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. SPEAKER resumed the Chair.

The Chairman reported from the Committee that they had considered the said Address, and had made some Amendments thereon, which they had directed him to report to the House.

Address reported with Amendments.

The said Amendments were then severally read by the Clerk throughout a first and second time, and are as follow :—

In the third paragraph strike out the words “ We entirely concur,” and insert after the word Excellency “ we deeply deplore,” instead of the words “ in deploring,” also strike out the word “ lady” and insert “ Princess” in the second line.

In the fourth paragraph—

Insert the word “ shore” in the first line between “ our and fisheries,” and the words “ in general” between “ have and rewarded;” in the third line strike out the words “ having for its object” and insert the word “ for,” insert the word “ judicious” between the words “ every plan” in the last line.

In the fifth paragraph—

Strike out the words “ should be” in the fourth and fifth lines, and insert the word “ an.”

On motion of Mr. HOYLES, seconded by Mr. JOB.

*Resolved*,—That the said Amendments be adopted.

Amendments adopted.

*Ordered*,—That the said Address as amended be engrossed and read a third time this day.

The said Address being engrossed was read a third time accordingly.

Address of Thanks read 3rd time.

On motion of Mr. HOYLES, seconded by Mr. WINSER,

*Resolved*,—That the Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor by Mr. Speaker and the whole House.

Mr. JOB gave notice that on Tuesday next he would move for the appointment of a Select Committee to superintend the Miscellaneous and her printing of this House.

Notice for Select Committee on Printing.

Mr. JOB gave notice that on to-morrow he would move the appointment of a Committee to revise and carry out the Resolutions adopted in reference to the accommodation of strangers.

Notice for Committee to revise rules for admission of strangers.



Then the House adjourned till to-morrow at One of the clock.

F R I D A Y , FEBRUARY 1, 1850.

On motion of Mr. WINSER, seconded by Mr. DELANEY,

*Resolved*,—That a Select Committee be appointed to audit the Public Accounts, and to make a faithful report thereon.

Committee of Audit appointed.

*Ordered*,—That Mr. Winser, Mr. Delaney, Mr. Shea, Mr. Emerson, and Mr. O'Brien do form such Committee.

On motion of Mr. WINSER, seconded by Mr. DELANEY,

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

*To His Excellency Sir JOHN GASPARD LEMARCHANT, Knight and Knight Commander of the Orders of St. Ferdinand and of Charles the Third of Spain, Governor and Commander-in-Chief in and over the Island of Newfoundland and its Dependencies.*

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY :—

Address to His Excellency for documents required by Chairman of Audit.

The House of Assembly respectfully request that Your Excellency will be pleased to order that the Colonial Treasurer furnish the Chairman of Audit with such Documents as he may require from time to time in preparing an exposition of the Public Accounts.

*Ordered*,—That the said Address be engrossed, and that Mr. Winser and Mr. Delaney be a Committee to present the same to His Excellency the Governor.

Members attend His Excellency with Address of Thanks.

It being the time appointed for His Excellency the Governor to receive the House with the Address in answer to His Excellency's Speech at the opening of the Session, the House waited on His Excellency and presented the said Address.

And being returned,

Mr. SPEAKER reported that His Excellency had been pleased to make the following reply :—

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

I thank you for the assurances in this Address that you will direct your best attention to the objects which I have recommended to your consideration, and I feel confident that the result of your Legislative labours in this Session will be found beneficial in promoting the general welfare of all classes of the community.

On motion of Mr. SHEA, seconded by Mr. HOLYES,

*Resolved*,—That a Select Committee be appointed to revise and carry out the resolutions for the accommodation of strangers.

*Ordered*,—That Mr. Shea, Mr. Hoyles, Mr. Winsor, Mr. Parsons, and Mr. Delaney do form such committee.

Committee to revise rules for admission of strangers.

Then the House adjourned till Monday next at One of the clock.

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M O N D A Y , FEBRUARY 4, 1850.

Mr. FALLE presented a Petition from John Cyrus, A. Gathercole, and two hundred and twenty-six others, members of the Episcopalian Church in the district of Burin, and the same was received and read, praying that should any alteration take place in the present Education Act, a separate provision may be made for Schools in connection with the Church of England according to population.

Petition from Episcopalian  
of Burin.

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

On Table.

On motion of Mr. HOYLES, seconded by Mr. EMERSON,

*Resolved*,—That a Select Committee be appointed to bring in a Bill for the encouragement of Education.

Committee to draft Education Bill.

*Ordered,*—That Mr. Hoyles, Mr. Shea, Mr. Job, Mr. Prendergast, and Mr. Emerson do form such Committee.

Sheriffs' Bill read 1st time.

Mr. EMERSON, pursuant to notice and leave granted, presented a Bill "to regulate the establishment of the Northern and Southern Circuit Courts of this Island, and to provide for the appointment of Sheriffs and other Officers in the several Electoral Districts;" and the same was read a first time, and ordered to be read a second time on the 18th instant.

*Ordered,*—That the Bill in the meantime be printed.

Petition from St. John's on behalf of Newfoundland School Society.

Mr. JOB presented a Petition from Thomas Dunn, Robert Prowse, and three hundred and twenty others, inhabitants of St. John's, and the same was received and read, setting forth,—

That the Newfoundland School Society had been in existence for thirty years, during which time it had spent between Forty and Fifty Thousand Pounds in spreading Education in all parts of the Island among people of all denominations: that the funds of this Society have been chiefly raised by subscriptions in Great Britain and this Colony, and praying that the Legislature would be pleased to continue the grant heretofore made for its encouragement.

Referred to Select Committee on Education.

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

Petitions from Brigus on behalf of Newfoundland School Society.

Mr. MOLLOY presented the following Petitions from Charles Cozens, and others, of Brigus; and from John Daw, and others, of Burnhead, and the same were received and read, setting forth,—

The advantages that they had derived from the Newfoundland School Society, and praying that the House would continue the grant heretofore made for its encouragement.

Referred to Select Committee on Education.

*Ordered,*—That the said Petitions be referred to the Select Committee on Education.

Petitions on behalf of Newfoundland School Society.

Mr. PRENDERGAST presented petitions from Johnstone Vicars, and others, inhabitants of Port-de-Grave and Barenaed, on the same subject.

Mr. PARSONS from W. H. Earle, and others, of Petty Harbour; Robert Mundy, and others, of Pouch Cove; William Martin, and others, of Torbay; and Robert Davey, and others, of Portugal Cove, and

Mr. SHEA from John Gallon, and others, of St. John's, on the same sub-

ject : all of which were received, read, and referred to the Select Committee on Education.

Then the House adjourned till to-morrow at One of the clock.

T U E S D A Y , FEBRUARY 5, 1850.

Mr. WINSER, from the deputation appointed to wait upon His Excellency the Governor with the Address requesting that the Chairman of Audit might be furnished from time to time by the Colonial Treasurer with such Documents as may be required for the exposition of the Public Accounts, reported that His Excellency had been pleased to say the request of the House would be complied with.

Reply to Address in reference to Chairman of Audit.

Mr. PARSONS, from the deputation to wait upon His Excellency requesting that he would be pleased to forward the Address of Condolence to Her Most Gracious Majesty on the death of the Queen Dowager to the Secretary of State for the Colonies, reported that His Excellency had been pleased to say he should attend to the request of the House.

Reply to the Address on forwarding Address of Condolence.

The following Petitions from the Clergymen and Members of the Episcopal Church were severally presented, received, and read, setting forth,—

Petitions from Episcopalians in reference to Education.

That in the existing Act for promoting Education in this Colony, the principle of dividing the amount voted for that purpose is recognised so far as the two great classes of Roman Catholics and Protestants are concerned, and that annual grants are also made for the support of Schools in connexion with the Wesleyan Methodists and Presbyterians, and requesting that in any Act which may be passed on the expiration of the existing Education Law, provision may be made that a proportionate part of the yearly grant, according to population, may be awarded for the support of the Schools in connexion with the Church of England, to be placed under the direction of the Clergy and other members of that Church only.

By Mr. HANRAHAN, from James C. Harvey, James Pearce, and others, of Carboncar.

By Mr. MOLLOY, from H. W. Hoyles, and others, of Brigus; and George Wm. B. Carter of the South Shore, Conception Bay.

By Mr. WINSER, from H. H. Hamilton, and others, of Ferryland.

By Mr. JOB, from William Netten, Clergyman of Catalina, Henry Lind, and others, of Heart's Content, and Thomas M. Noad, and others, of the district of Trinity Bay North.

By Mr. SHEA, from William Kepple White, Thomas G. Collett, and others, of Placentia ; and from William Kepple White, James Slade, and others, of Harbour Beaufatte, in Placentia Bay.

By Mr. HOYLES, from John Cunningham, and others, of Lower Burgeo, Fortune Bay; from Joseph Brown, Grole, Hermitage Bay; from G. Mountain, of Harbour Briton ; from John Marshall, and others, Belloram.

*Ordered*,—That the said Petitions be referred to the Select Committee on Education.

Notice of motion for Select Committee to inquire into the Reserved Salaries.

Mr. WINSER gave notice that on Monday next he would move that a Select Committee be appointed to frame an Address to Her Most Gracious Majesty, humbly requesting that she will take into Her gracious consideration the financial difficulties under which this colony is placed, and that She will be graciously pleased to order that the Reserved Salaries amounting to £6550 sterling be reduced, so as to meet the present exigencies of this colony: or if the House should deem it more advisable, that the said Committee should prepare and bring in a Bill having the same tendency.

Vacation of Seats Bill read 1st time.

Mr. PRENDERGAST, pursuant to notice and leave granted, presented a Bill "to provide for the vacation of seats of Members of the House of Assembly in certain cases, and for the Election of Members in their stead," and the same was read a first time and

*Ordered*,—To be read a second time on Tuesday.

Printed.

*Ordered*,—That the said Bill be printed for the use of members.

Mr. JOB moved, pursuant to notice, seconded by Mr. HOYLES,

Motion for appointment of Select Committee on Printing.

That a Select Committee be appointed to superintend the Miscellaneous and other Printing of this House.

And the House dividing thereon, there appeared for the motion, *four* ; against it, *six*.

FOR THE MOTION—

Mr. Job  
 “ Rankin  
 “ Carter  
 “ Hoyles

AGAINST THE MOTION—

Mr. Hanrahan  
 “ Delaney  
 “ Prendergast  
 “ Winsor  
 “ Parsons  
 “ Molloy

Division.

So it passed in the negative, and

Negatived.

*Ordered* accordingly.

Mr. HOYLES gave notice that on to-morrow he would ask the Colonial Treasurer when the Public Accounts and the Education Returns would be laid before the House.

Notice of question to be asked the Colonial Treasurer.

Then the House adjourned till Thursday next at One of the clock.

T H U R S D A Y , FEBRUARY 7, 1850.

The following Petitions praying that a distinct grant might be made for Schools in connection with the Church of England in any Act that might be passed for the encouragement of Education this Session; were severally presented, received, read, and

Petitions for separate Education grants to members of the Church of England.

*Ordered*,—To be referred to the Select Committee on Education.

By Mr. PRENDERGAST, from John Chapman, and others of Harbor Grace; W. H. Taylor, and others, of Spaniard's Bay; Martin Blackmore, and others, of Bay Roberts; and from John Kingwell, and others, of Bishop's Cove and Island Cove.

Mr. WINSER gave notice that on Tuesday next he would ask the Colonial Treasurer to inform the House why the Address presented to His Excellency on Thursday, December 21st, 1848, respectfully requesting a full and detailed statement of the expenditure of the sum of Six

Notice of questions to be asked the Colonial Treasurer.

Thousand Pounds granted to the Sufferers by the gale of the 19th September, 1846, has not been complied with.

Also to inform the House why the Address of the House presented to His Excellency on Thursday, the 15th February, 1849, respectfully requesting a full and detailed statement of all sums of money received under the Act for the relief of sick and disabled seamen, fishermen, and other persons in the years of 1843, '44, '45, '46, '47 and '48, together with the application or expenditure of the same, has not been fully complied with.

Mr. SPEAKER laid before the House the following Returns received from the various Schools throughout the island, transmitted through the Hon. Mr. Secretary Crowdy, by command of His Excellency the Governor :—

<i>Returns from Protestant Boards.</i>	<i>Returns from Roman Catholic Boards.</i>
Harbor Grace	Harbor Grace
Brigus	Brigus
Trinity	Trinity Bay North
Trinity Bay West	Fogo
Do. do. South	Bonavista Bay
Carbonear	Carbonear
Twillingate	St. Mary's
Fogo	Placentia
Bonavista North	Burin
Harbour Briton	Bay Bulls
Placentia	St. Patrick's Free School, Harbour
Ferryland	Grace
Burin	Grammar School, Carbonear.
St. John's	
Ditto—Presbyterian.	

(For which see Appendix.)

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

Then the House adjourned till Monday next at One of the clock.

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M O N D A Y, FEBRUARY 11, 1850.

Petitions on behalf of the Newfoundland School Society.

The following Petitions, setting forth the benefit hitherto resulting from the exertions of the Newfoundland School Society in promoting Education in this colony, and praying that the usual grant might be continued by the Legislature for its support were severally presented, received, and read.

By Mr. RANKIN, from John Kingwell, senior, of Bishop's Cove and Island Cove; and from Charles Ballam, and others, of Carbonear.

By Mr. HANRAHAN, from Moses Goss, and others, of Spaniard's Bay; and Wm. S. Green, and others, of Bay Roberts.

*Ordered*,—That the said Petitions be referred to the Select Committee on Education.

Referred to Select Committee on Education.

Mr. EMERSON presented a Petition from Thomas Borne, and others, of the district of Twillingate, and

Petitions for separate Episcopal Education Grant.

Mr. PARSONS, from Augustus C. Bailey, and others, of Petty Harbour, which were received and read, praying that in any Bill for Educational purposes passed during this Session of the Legislature, a separate provision may be made for members of the Church of England according to population.

*Ordered*,—That the said Petitions be referred to the Select Committee on Education.

Referred to Select Committee on Education.

Mr. PARSONS gave notice that on Wednesday next he would move for a Select Committee to draft an Address to Her Most Gracious Majesty on the subject of the funds sent to this Colony for the benefit of the Sufferers by the fire of the 9th June, 1846.

Notice of motion for Select Committee on fire money, 1846.

Also, that on to-morrow he would move an Address to His Excellency the Governor praying that the name, and occupation (if any) of each individual forming the Night Police of this town, be laid before the House.

Notice of Address in reference to the Night Police.

On the order of the day being read for the appointment of a Select Committee to prepare an Address to Her Most Gracious Majesty on the subject of the Reserved Salaries, Mr. Winsor, leave being granted, postponed his motion on that subject till the 18th instant.

Postponement of motion for Select Committee on the Reserved Salaries.

Mr. SPEAKER laid before the House the following Despatches transmitted through the Hon. Mr. Secretary Crowdy, by command of His Excellency the Governor:—

Documents from His Excellency the Governor.

From the Secretary of State to His Excellency the Governor on the Bounties and Drawbacks allowed by the United States in support of their Fishery on the coast of Newfoundland.

Transmitting a return stating the nature and amount of the Bounty



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granted by the French Government in support of the French Trade in Codfish.

From the Governor of Canada transmitting copy of an Act of the Legislature of Canada, to amend the Law relative to the Duties of Customs.

From the Secretary of State, that two copies of the votes and proceedings of both branches of the Legislature, carried down to the latest date preceding the departure of the Packet, be transmitted to His Lordship.

Transmitting a correspondence relative to a revised Table of Fees for the Vice-Admiralty Court, &c.

Acknowledging receipt of Despatch from His Excellency the Governor, enclosing an Address from the House of Assembly on the subject of the future tenure of office.

Transmitting an Imperial Act confirming the Acts of the Local Legislature for regulating the re-building of the town of Saint John's.

Order in Council leaving certain Acts to their operation.

Transmitting an order in Council approving of the Act to regulate the importation of Books, and to protect the British Author.

Transmitting copies of an Act of the Imperial Parliament for enabling Colonial Legislatures to establish Inland Posts.

Transmitting an Act of the Imperial Parliament to amend the Laws now in force for the encouragement of British Shipping and Navigation.

Transmitting copies of an Act of the Imperial Parliament for regulating the carriage of Passengers in merchant vessels.

Transmitting an Order in Council conveying Her Majesty's assent to an Act to repeal certain Duties of Customs.

On the subject of an Act for "granting to Her Majesty certain Duties, &c., and directing that it be brought under the notice of the Colonial Legislature with a view to the equalization of certain Duties on British and Foreign Produce.

The said Documents were then read by the Clerk, and

*Ordered*,—To lie upon the Table.

On Table.

(*For which see Appendix.*)

*Ordered*,—That the Despatches transmitting a correspondence, relative to a revised Table of Fees for the Vice-Admiralty Court, and acknowledging receipt of a Despatch from His Excellency the Governor, inclosing an Address from the House of Assembly on the subject of the future tenure of Office, be printed.

Despatches Printed.

Then the House adjourned till to-morrow at One of the clock.

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T U E S D A Y , FEBRUARY 12, 1850.

Mr. MOLLOY presented a Petition from John Ryal, and others, of Salmon Cove, and

Petitions on behalf of the Newfoundland School Society.

Mr. PRENDERGAST from John Munn, and others, of Harbour Grace, and the same were received and read, setting forth,—

The usefulness of the Newfoundland School Society, and praying that the usual grant may be continued towards its support.

*Ordered*,—That the said Petitions be referred to the Select Committee on Education.

Referred to Select Committee on Education.

The following Petitions, all praying for a separate Educational Grant for Schools under the direction of the Church of England, were severally presented, received, and read—

Petitions for separate Episcopal Education Grant.

By Mr. EMERSON, from John Kingwell, and others, of Moreton and Tizzard's Harbour.

By Mr. O'BRIEN, from Francis Sullivan, and others, of Pouch Cove; William Pitts, and others, of Belle Isle; Thomas Cadwell, and others, of Quidi Vidi; Augustus C. Bailey, and others, of Petty Harbour; Benjamin Fleet, and others, of Broad Cove and Portugal Cove; also, from Edward Newfoundland, and others, of St. John's.

By Mr. CARTER, from Benjamin Smith, and others, of King's Cove ; and from James Gilchrist, and others, of Greenspond.

Referred to Select Committee on Education.

*Ordered*,—That the said Petitions be referred to the Select Committee on Education.

Documents from His Excellency the Governor.

Mr. SPEAKER laid before the House the following Documents, transmitted through Mr. Secretary Crowdy, by command of His Excellency the Governor :—

Returns from the various districts in reference to the use of Codseines and Jiggers.

Returns from different Boards of Education, as under—

Protestant Board—St. John's

Ditto ditto —Burin

Ditto ditto —Harbour Grace

Ditto ditto —Twillingate

Ditto ditto —Trinity, West

Ditto ditto —Ditto, North

Roman Catholic Board—St. John's.

And letter from Captain Whitmore, R.E., in reference to return duties claimed by him on personal baggage.

(For which see Appendix.)

On Table.

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

*Messages from His Excellency the Governor.*

Messages from His Excellency the Governor.

The Hon. Mr. Secretary Crowdy being admitted within the Bar, presented to the House three written Messages from His Excellency the Governor, signed by His Excellency.

And then the Messenger withdrew.

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

J. G. LEMARCHANT.

The Governor transmits to the House of Assembly the Copy of a Despatch which he has received from the Right Honorable the Principal Secretary of State for the Colonies, authorising the appointment of a Resident Magistrate at the settlement of St. George's Bay, on the West Coast of this Island.

Message in reference to the appointment of a Magistrate in St. George's Bay.

The Governor deems it a circumstance of great importance that a settlement, hitherto without official recognition, in a portion of the Colony presenting prospects of an advantageous character, both to the Agriculturist and Merchant, should receive those benefits which naturally result from placing them under the protection of British Institutions.

As it is desirable that a gentleman of fitting qualifications should be selected for the office to be thus created, the Governor recommends to the House of Assembly to appropriate a sum not exceeding Three Hundred Pounds per annum for a Stipendiary Magistrate for the Western Coast of Newfoundland, to reside in St. George's Bay.

J. G. LE M.

Government House, }  
11th February, 1850. }

(Copy, No. 132.)

DOWNING STREET,

1st November, 1849.

SIR,—I have to acknowledge the receipt of your Despatch, No. 47, of the 14th September last, relative to the appointment of a Magistrate at St. George's Bay; and adverting to the legal question raised by your Despatch, I have to acquaint you that Her Majesty's Government are of opinion, that the establishment of such a Magistracy would not contravene any existing Treaty between Great Britain and France relative to Newfoundland; and you are therefore at liberty to make the appointment in question.

I have, &c.,

(Signed) GREY.

Governor Sir J. G. LEMARCHANT,  
&c., &c., &c.

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**J. G. LE MARCHANT.**

Message in reference to the appointment of a Land Surveyor.

Previously to the departure of Captain Spearman, late Collector of Her Majesty's Customs in this Island, from the Colony, he addressed a communication to the Governor, expressing in strong terms his opinion of the necessity of the situations of Landing Surveyor and Tide Surveyor which, in the Customs Bill of the previous Session had been combined, being filled by two persons.

Although the Governor attached considerable value to the opinions of an officer of so much talent and experience as Captain Spearman, he abstained from making the appointment so recommended, wishing that the system introduced in the last Session should be tested in the interval between the coming into operation of that Act and the meeting of the Legislature.

The Governor now submits to the House of Assembly, together with Captain Spearman's letter, a communication from the gentleman who has filled the two offices, and should the House, on consideration of these documents, concur in opinion with the Governor that the important duties now imposed on this officer are more than can be efficiently performed by one person, the Governor recommends that provision be made to an amount not exceeding two hundred-and-fifty pounds per annum for the separate office of Landing Surveyor.

J. G. LE M.

Government House, }  
11th February, 1850. }

For Documents accompanying said Message,

(See Appendix.)

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**J. G. LEMARCHANT.**

Message in reference to the defalcation of the late Colonial Treasurer.

The Governor transmits to the House of Assembly the Copy of a Report of an examination and audit of the Books and Accounts of the late Colonial Treasurer, which took place immediately on the decease of that gentleman, and before the appointment of his successor; and laments to state that upon this investigation it was ascertained that the Treasurer (of whose fidelity and integrity no previous suspicion had been entertained) was a Defaulter, in his joint capacity of Treasurer and Cashier of the Savings' Bank, to the very large amount of £6,610 19s. 5d. sterling—a deficiency which, in our financial condition, is the occasion of considerable present inconvenience.

The Governor has caused the necessary proceedings to be taken for enforcing payment of this defalcation, as well from the Estate, as from the Sureties of the late Treasurer.

J. G. LE M.

Government House, }  
11th February, 1850. }

For Documents accompanying said Message

(See *Appendix.*)

Mr. Secretary Crowdy also, by command of His Excellency the Governor, presented the following Documents:—

Documents from His Excellency the Governor.

Report of the Directors of the St. John's Academy.

Estimate of the charge of defraying the Public Expenditure of the Island for the year ending 31st December, 1850.

Statement of account of the Colonial Treasurer, Quarter ending 31st December, 1849.

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

Mr. HOYLES, from the Select Committee appointed to bring in a Bill for the encouragement of Education in this Island, presented the following Report:—

Report from Select Committee on Education.

The Select Committee upon Education in submitting to the House the accompanying Bill, beg respectfully to report that in introducing into it the principle of the sub-division of the Protestant Grant, the majority of the Committee do not mean to express any opinion in favour of such principle, nor to recommend its adoption to the House; and that they have permitted this measure to be presented in its present form because the practical operation of combined Protestant Schools being already known by the working of the existing Act, they have deemed it but fair to those who desire a separation in this respect to allow them the opportunity afforded by the introduction of a new Bill, of putting before the House and the public the details of the system which they advocate.

12th February,  
1850.

H. W. HOYLES,

Chairman.

Mr. HOYLES moved, seconded by Mr. EMERSON,

Motion to receive Report.

That the said Report be adopted, and the Bill received,

Whereupon,

Mr. PRENDERGAST, moved in amendment, seconded by Mr. JOE,

That the Report of the Committee be to the following effect:—

Amendment.

That it is the opinion of the Select Committee on Education that the existing Act for Education be continued for a limited period, not to exceed one year.

After a lengthened debate,

Amendment withdrawn.

Mr. PRENDERGAST, on leave being granted, withdrew the Amendment,

Motion carried.

And the question being put on the original motion, passed in the affirmative without division.

Education Bill read 1st time.

Mr. HOYLES then presented a Bill for the encouragement of Education in this Island, which was read a first time, and

*Ordered*,—To be read a second time on the 26th instant.

Printed.

*Ordered*,—That the said Bill be printed.

Vacation of Seats Bill read 2nd time.

Pursuant to Order of the Day, the “ Bill to provide for the Vacation of Seats of Members of the House of Assembly in certain cases, and to provide for the election of others in theirstead,” was read a second time.

To be committed on Tuesday the 26th instant.

*Ordered*,—That the said Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House on Tuesday, the 26th instant.

Notice of motion for appointment of Financial Committee.

Mr. SHEA gave notice that on Friday next he would move that a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into the present financial condition of the Colony with a view to such reductions and modifications of expenditure as the public exigencies may appear to demand, and to report thereon to the House.

Notice of motion for Address requesting Despatches in reference to Burin.

Mr. FALLE gave notice that on Thursday next he would move a respectful Address to His Excellency the Governor, praying that he will furnish this House with any Despatches he may have received in reply to the Address of this House to Her Majesty on the subject of declaring Burin a Free Port.

Then the House adjourned till Thursday next at One of the clock,

T H U R S D A Y , FEBRUARY 14, 1850.

On motion of Mr. SHEA, seconded by Mr. WINNER,

*Resolved*,—That the following Documents be printed:—

Estimate of the charge of defraying the Public Expenditure for the year ending 31st December, 1850. Documents Printed,

Report of the Directors of the St. John's Academy.

Message from His Excellency the Governor transmitting copy of a Despatch from the Secretary of State for the Colonies, sanctioning the appointment of a Magistrate at St. George's Bay, and recommending that a sum not exceeding £300 per annum be appropriated for the office in question.

Message from His Excellency the Governor transmitting a letter from the late Collector of the Customs, and one from the present Landing and Tide Surveyor, on the subject of the duties of the officer last named, and recommending that £250 per annum be appropriated for the separate office of Landing Surveyor.

Mr. MOLLOY presented a Petition from John S. Addey, and others, inhabitants of Port-de-Grave and its vicinity, and the same was received and read, setting forth,—

Petition from Port-de-Grave on Education.

That they had heard with much concern that efforts were being made to separate the Protestant Education Grant, so as to divide it among Protestants of all denominations according to population, and praying that in any alteration that may be made in the Education Act, the principle of the two divisions into Roman Catholic and Protestant may still be continued.

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

On Table.



Notice of motion for Night  
Police returns.

Mr. PARSONS gave notice that on to-morrow he would move an Address to His Excellency the Governor praying that the name and occupation (if any) of each individual forming the Night Police of this town be laid before the House.

On motion of Mr. PARSONS, pursuant to notice, seconded by Mr. WINSER,

Select Committee to Address  
Her Majesty on the Fire-  
funds of 1846.

*Resolved*,—That a Select Committee be appointed for the purpose of drafting an humble Address to Her Most Gracious Majesty on the subject of the funds sent to the Colony for the sufferers by the fire of 1846.

*Ordered*,—That Mr. PARSONS, Mr. WINSER, Mr. O'Brien, Mr. Rankin, and Mr. Emerson be a Committee for that purpose.

Address on Burin being made  
a Free Port.

Mr. FALLE moved, seconded by Mr. HOYLES, pursuant to notice, that he following Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor :—

*To His Excellency Sir JOHN GASPARD  
LEMARCHANT, Knight and Knight  
Commander of the Orders of St. Fer-  
dinand and of Charles the Third of  
Spain, Governor and Commander-in-  
Chief in and over the Island of New-  
foundland and its Dependencies.*

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY:—

The House of Assembly respectfully request that Your Excellency will be pleased to direct that there be furnished this House copies of any Despatches which may have been received by Your Excellency in reply to the Address of this House to Her Majesty on the subject of declaring Burin a Free Port.

Whereupon,

Amendment on Address.

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

That the word "Carbonear" be added thereto after the word "Burin."

And the question being put thereon, it passed in the affirmative.

*Ordered*,—That the said Address as amended be engrossed, and that Mr. Falle and Mr. Hanrahan be a Committee to present the same to His Excellency the Governor.

Mr. SPEAKER laid before the House the following Documents, trans-

mitted through Mr. Secretary Crowdy, by command of His Excellency the Governor:—

Surveyor General's account of monies expended under the Crown Lands Act, with vouchers for the year 1849.

Documents from His Excellency the Governor.

Surveyor General's Return of all Lands disposed of by Public Auction under the Crown Lands Act for the year ending October 1st, 1849.

Surveyor General's Returns of Lands sold for persons who were in possession prior to the passing of the Crown Lands Act for the year ending October 1st, 1849, agreeably with the 17th Section of the said Act.

Returns from the Wesleyan Schools throughout the Island.

(For which see *Appendix.*)

Then the House adjourned till to-morrow at One of the clock.

F R I D A Y , FEBRUARY 15, 1850.

Mr. SHEA presented a Petition from George Davies, and others. of St. Mary's Bay, and the same was received, and read, setting forth,—

Petition for encouragement of Whale Fishery.

Their anxiety to prosecute the Whale Fishery in that locality, and praying that a bounty may be granted by the House for its encouragement in vessels of a smaller size than those hitherto employed.

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

On Table.

Mr. JOB gave notice that on Friday the 29th instant he would move the House into Committee of the whole on Ways and Means.

Notice for Committee on Ways and Means.

On motion of Mr. JOB, seconded by Mr. EMERSON,

*Resolved*,—That the notice of motion for the appointment of a Select Committee to inquire into the present Financial Condition of the Colony, be postponed till Monday next, then to stand first on the Order of the Day.

Postponement of Order of Day.

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

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

*To His Excellency Sir JOHN GASPARD  
LEMARCHANT, Knight and Knight  
Commander of the Orders of St. Fer-  
dinand and of Charles the Third of  
Spain, Governor and Commander-in-  
Chief in and over the Island of New-  
foundland and its Dependencies.*

Address for return of names  
of the Night Watch.

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY :—

The House of Assembly respectfully request that Your Excellency will be pleased to direct that there be laid before this House a Return of the names and occupation (if any) of each person now employed in the Night Police in St. John's.

*Ordered*,—That Mr. Parsons and Mr. Winsor be a Committee to present the same to His Excellency the Governor.

Document from His Excel-  
lency the Governor.

Mr. SPEAKER laid before the House Returns from the Magistrates of Harbour Grace in reference to the use of Codseines and Jiggers, transmitted through Mr. Secretary Crowdy, by command of His Excellency the Governor.

*(For which see Appendix.)*

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

Then the House adjourned till Monday next at One of the clock.

M O N D A Y , FEBRUARY 18, 1850.

Education Petition from  
Trinity.

Mr. JOB presented a Petition from Robert Slade, Francis Hepburn, and others, inhabitants of Trinity, and the same was received and read, praying that in any Act for the encouragement of Education passed this Session, the grant to the Newfoundland School Society may be continued.

On Table.

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

Upon motion of Mr. SHEA, pursuant to notice, seconded by Mr. HOYLES,

Financial Committee ap-  
pointed.

*Resolved*,—That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into the present Financial Condition of the Colony with a view to such reductions and modifications of expenditure as the public exigencies may appear to demand, and to report thereon to the House.

*Ordered*,—That Mr. Shea, Mr. Winser, Mr. Hanrahan, Mr. Hoyles, and Mr. Falle do form such Committee.

Pursuant to Order of the Day, the Bill to regulate the establishment of the Northern and Southern Circuit Courts of this Island, and to provide for the appointment of Sheriffs and other Officers, was read a second time.

Sheriffs' Bill read 2nd time.

On motion of Mr. EMERSON, seconded by Mr. DELANEY,

*Resolved*,—That the said Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House on Wednesday next.

Resolution for Committee of the whole on Sheriffs' Bill.

Mr. SPEAKER laid before the House the following Documents, transmitted through Mr. Secretary Crowdy, by command of His Excellency the Governor :—

Documents from His Excellency the Governor.

Certified Copy of the Accounts of the late Colonial Treasurer.

School Returns for the Districts of Ferryland and Placentia.

Codseine Returns for Placentia and Brigus.

Audited Accounts of the late and present Collector of Her Majesty's Revenue for the year ending 5th January, 1850, together with a Consolidated Statement by the Collector of the Revenue for the same period.

*(For which see Appendix.)*

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

On Table.

Then the House adjourned till to-morrow at One of the clock.

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T U E S D A Y , FEBRUARY 19, 1850.

Mr. FALLE, from the Committee appointed to wait upon His Excellency the Governor with the Address requesting information relative to the Addresses of this House to Her Most Gracious Majesty on making Burin and Carbonear Free Ports, reported that His Excellency had been pleased to say " that no answer had been returned to the Addresses."

Reply of His Excellency to the Address on Burin and Carbonear being made Free Ports.

Reply of His Excellency to  
Address on Night Police.

Mr. PARSONS, from the Committee appointed to wait on His Excellency the Governor with the Address for a return of the names and occupation of the Night Police of this town, reported that His Excellency had been pleased to say the return asked for should be laid before the House.

Notice of motion for Returns  
of Imperial Duties.

Mr. WINSER gave notice that on to-morrow he would move an Address to His Excellency the Governor, requesting that he will order a Return of the Imperial Duties collected from 5th January, 1849, to 10th October, and the expenditure of the same, to be laid before the House.

Petition from Dr. Carson  
for increase of salary as Dis-  
trict Surgeon.

Mr. HOYLES, with consent of His Excellency the Governor, presented a Memorial from Doctor Samuel Carson, District Surgeon, to His Excellency, and the same was received and read, setting forth,—

His having filled the situation since the year 1841, at a salary of £150 per annum: that since the first year of his appointment his patients had increased from 200 to 1333, thereby allowing him an average of little more than 2s. each: that the new Poor Law Regulations had also added greatly to the duties required of him, and praying that an increase might be made to his salary.

On Table.

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

*Messages from His Excellency the Governor.*

Messages from His Excel-  
lency the Governor.

The Hon. Mr. Secretary Crowdy being admitted within the Bar, presented two written Messages from His Excellency the Governor, signed by His Excellency.

And then the Messenger withdrew.

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

**J. GASPARD LE MARCHANT.**

The Governor acquaints the House of Assembly that by a recent decision of the Supreme Court in the case of a claim by a proprietor of ground fronting on Gower-street, to compensate for damage sustained by the operation of the 6th section of the 9th and 10th Vic. c. 3, which prohibits the erection of Houses or Buildings within 25 feet of the centre of that Street, the Court has directed the Appraisers appointed under the 9th Section of the 10th Vic., c. 1, (whose power to adjudicate in such a case was doubtful) to hear the claim and award compensation for the damage suffered.

While the Governor is most anxious that full indemnification should be granted to the proprietor in question, and to all others similarly circumstanced, he invites the attention of the Assembly to the fact, that the decision pronounced in the case mentioned will necessarily involve the present hearing and adjudicating upon claims to compensation in a large class of cases in which the Legislature appear to have contemplated compensation should not be made until some future period—declaring that by reason of the expense of making compensation, the streets and firebreaks, in respect of which compensation might be claimed, should not be opened beyond certain limits.

Viewing the very serious addition to the public debt, already occasioned by the widening of the Streets of this Town, which would thus be incurred for future improvements, the Governor submits for the consideration of the Assembly the expediency of an alteration of the existing Law which, providing a fair and just compensation to the party damaged in the case in which the decision has been pronounced, and to all others similarly situated, will prevent the necessity for incurring present liabilities for the sake of future and contingent improvements of the Streets.

J. G. LE M.

Government House, }  
February, 1850. }

J. GASPARD LE MARCHANT.

The Imperial Government having determined that on the coming into operation of the Colonial Act, 12th Vic., cap. 2, the Sub-Collectors previously employed in the Outports of this colony should, with the exception of the one at Harbour Grace, be discontinued, it became necessary for the Governor, and under the power vested in him by the Act 12th Vic., cap. 4, to appoint Officers to discharge in such ports the duties of collecting the Revenue hitherto performed by the Imperial Officers.

The Governor now acquaints the House that he has consequently made the following appointments:—

	SALARY.
Sub-Collector, Twillingate .....	£100
Ditto Trinity .....	150
Ditto Carbonear .....	100
Ditto Brigus .....	100
Ditto Ferryland .....	100
Ditto Placentia .....	100
Ditto Burin .....	100
Ditto Little Bay .....	100

Being the same salaries as were allowed to the former Sub-Collectors.

The Governor also transmits a copy of the Warrant under which the appointments have been made.

J. G. LEM.

Government House,, }  
15th Feb., 1850. }

(Signed)  
J. G. LEMARCHANT.

*By His Excellency Sir JOHN GASPARD  
LEMARCHANT, Knight and Knight  
Commander of the Orders of St. Fer-  
dinand and of Charles the Third of  
Spain, Governor and Commander-in-  
Chief in and over the Island of New-  
foundland and its Dependencies.*

TO ALL TO WHOM THESE PRESENTS SHALL COME GREETING:—

By virtue of the power and authority in me vested, I have thought fit to nominate, constitute, and appoint, and by these presents, do nominate, constitute, and appoint \_\_\_\_\_ to the Office or Employment of Sub-Collector of Her Majesty's Revenue at \_\_\_\_\_ by virtue of which Office or Employment the said \_\_\_\_\_ hath power to do all things to his said Office or Employment belonging. In which he the said \_\_\_\_\_ is to proceed in such manner as the Law directs, for which this shall be his sufficient Warrant.

Given under my Hand and Seal at St. John's, in the aforesaid Island, the Eleventh day of October, in the year of Our Lord One Thousand Eight Hundred and Forty Nine.

By His Excellency's Command,

(Signed) JAMES CROWDY.

On Table,

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

On motion of Mr. PRENDERGAST, pursuant to order of the day, seconded by Mr. DELANEY,

Committee of the whole on  
Vacation of Seats Bill.

*Resolved,*—That the House do now resolve itself into a Committee of the whole on the Bill “to provide for the vacation of Seats of Members of the House of Assembly in certain cases, and for the election of Members in their stead.”

And the House resolved itself into the said Committee accordingly.

Mr. SPEAKER left the Chair.

Mr. RANKIN took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. SPEAKER resumed the Chair.

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

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

Then the House adjourned till to-morrow at One of the clock.

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W E D N E S D A Y , FEBRUARY 20, 1850.

On motion of Mr. EMERSON, seconded by Mr. WINSER,

*Resolved*,—That the House do now resolve itself into a Committee of the whole on the consideration of the Bill to regulate the establishment of the Northern and Southern Circuit Courts of this Island, and to provide for the appointment of Sheriffs and other Officers in the several Electoral Districts. Committee of the whole on Sheriffs' Bill.

And the House resolved itself into the said Committee accordingly.

Mr. SPEAKER left the Chair.

Mr. DELANEY took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. SPEAKER resumed the Chair.

The Chairman reported from the Committee that they had considered the Bill to them referred, and had made some progress therein, which they had directed him to report to the House, and to ask leave to sit again on the further consideration thereof. Progress reported.

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

On motion of Mr. WINSER, seconded by Mr. DELANEY,

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



*To His Excellency Sir JOHN GASPARD LEMARCHANT, Knight and Knight Commander of the Orders of St. Ferdinand and of Charles the Third of Spain, Governor and Commander-in-Chief in and over the Island of Newfoundland and its Dependencies.*

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY :—

The House of Assembly respectfully request that Your Excellency will be pleased to direct that there be laid before this House Returns of the Imperial Revenues from 5th of January, 1849, to 10th October, with the expenditure thereof.

House of Assembly, }  
20th Feb., 1850. }

Committee to present.

*Ordered*,—That the said Address be engrossed, and that Mr. Winsor and Mr. Delaney be a Committee to present the same to His Excellency the Governor.

On motion of Mr. WINSOR, seconded by Mr. DELANEY,

Message in reference to Report of late Colonial Treasurer's Accounts printed.

*Resolved*,—That the Message from His Excellency the Governor transmitting copy of a Report of an examination and audit of the Books and Accounts of the late Colonial Treasurer, be printed.

Documents from His Excellency the Governor.

Mr. SPEAKER laid before the House the returns from all the Roman Catholic Boards of Education, St. John's, transmitted through Mr. Secretary Crowdy, by command of His Excellency the Governor.

*(For which see Appendix.)*

On Table.

*Ordered*,—That the said Returns do lie upon the Table.  
Then the House adjourned till to-morrow at One of the clock.

T H U R S D A Y , FEBRUARY 21, 1850.

On motion of Mr. PRENDERGAST, seconded by Mr. DELANEY,

Committee of the whole on vacation of Seats Bill.

*Resolved*,—That the House do now resolve itself into a Committee of the whole on the further consideration of the Bill to provide for the vacation

of Seats of Members of the House of Assembly in certain cases, and for the election of Members in their stead.

And the House resolved itself into the said Committee accordingly.

Mr. SPEAKER left the Chair.

Mr. RANKIN took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. SPEAKER resumed the Chair.

The Chairman reported from the Committee that they had considered the Bill to them referred, and had passed the same with some Amendments, which they had directed him to report to the House.

The said Amendments were then severally read by the Clerk a first and second time, and agreed to by the House. Amendments adopted.

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

On motion of Mr. EMERSON, seconded by Mr. HOYLES,

*Resolved*,—That the House do now resolve itself into a Committee of the whole on the further consideration of the Bill “to regulate the establishment of the Northern and Southern Circuit Courts of this Island, and to provide for the appointment of Sheriffs and other Officers in the several Electoral Districts.”

Committee of the whole on  
Sheriffs' Bill.

And the House resolved itself into the said Committee accordingly.

Mr. SPEAKER left the Chair.

Mr. DELANEY took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. SPEAKER resumed the Chair.

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

Progress reported.

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

Mr. SPEAKER laid before the House a Return of the names and occupation of the Night Police, transmitted through Mr. Secretary Crowdy, by command of His Excellency the Governor.

Documents from His Excellency the Governor.

On Table.

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

Then the House adjourned till to-morrow at One of the o'clock.

F R I D A Y , FEBRUARY 22, 1850.

Notice of motion for registration of Voters amendment Bill.

Mr. HOYLES gave notice that on Monday next he would ask leave to introduce a Bill to amend the Act for the Registration of Voters.

Notice of motion for Address for returns of expenditure on Roads and Bridges, and

Mr. DELANEY gave notice that on Monday next he would move a respectful Address to His Excellency praying that he will be pleased to direct that there be furnished this House a detailed statement of all monies expended during the past year in the repairs of Roads, Streets, and Bridges.

Returns from the Newfoundland School Society.

Also, a Return of the Schools of the Newfoundland School Society in operation this past year.

Reply of His Excellency to Address for Returns of Imperial Duties.

Mr. WINSER, from the Committee to present the Address requesting Returns of the Imperial Duties collected from 5th January, 1849, to 10th October, reported that His Excellency had been pleased to say the Returns should at once be furnished.

Vacation of Seats Bill read 3rd time.

Pursuant to order, the engrossed Bill to provide for the vacation of Seats of Members, &c., was read a third time.

On motion of Mr. PRENDERGAST, seconded by Mr. JOB,

Vacation of Seats Bill passed and titled.

*Resolved*,—That the said Bill do pass, and that its title be “An Act to provide for the vacation of Seats of Members of the House of Assembly in certain cases, and for the election of Members in their stead.”

Deputation to H.M. Council.

*Ordered*,—That Mr. PRENDERGAST and Mr. JOB do carry the said Bill to H. M. Council and desire their concurrence.

*Messages from His Excellency the Governor.*

The Hon. Mr. Secretary Crowdy being admitted within the Bar, presented two written Messages from His Excellency the Governor, signed by His Excellency.

And then the Messenger withdrew.

The said Messages were then read by Mr. Speaker; all the members being uncovered, and are as follow :—

J. GASPARD LE MARCHANT.

The Governor acquaints the House of Assembly that on strong representations made to him of the necessity of a Night Watch in this town, he consented to advance towards its support a sum equal in amount to what might be raised by subscription, and he has accordingly advanced from the Public Treasury on this account, the sum of Fifty-five Pounds, nine shillings and four pence.

Message on the Night Watch.

The Governor recommends to the House to indemnify him for this advance, and to take into consideration the expediency of making provision for a service to which much importance appears to be generally attached.

J. G. LE M.

Government House, }  
February 22nd, 1850. }

J. GASPARD LE MARCHANT.

The allowances to the Poor being on a greatly reduced scale, it is important that they should be regularly paid at least once a month, and as there is no grant for this service for the current year, the Governor recommends the House of Assembly to authorize him by Address to expend a sum not exceeding Five Hundred Pounds for this branch of the public service.

Message in reference to appropriating £500 for Poor Relief.

J. G. LE M.

Government House, }  
22nd February, 1850. }

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

Mr. SHEA, from the Select Committee appointed to inquire into the Financial State of the Colony, reported a certain statement which they had instructed him to present to the House in part of their report.

Preliminary Report of Financial Committee.

The said Statement was then read by the Clerk, and is as follows :—

*Financial Statement of the affairs of the Colony for 1850.*

## LIABILITIES.

Balance against the Colony	.....	.....	£3185	7	6
Unpaid appropriations of 1849	.....	.....	500	0	0
Ditto in Supply Act, 1849	.....	.....	4100	0	0
Estimates for 1850	.....	.....	18300	0	0
Reserved Salaries	.....	.....	6800	0	0
Contingencies of Legislature	.....	.....	3000	0	0
Education Grant	.....	.....	5100	0	0
Sheriffs	.....	.....	1250	0	0
Academy, St. John's	.....	.....	800	0	0
Ditto, Harbor Grace	.....	.....	150	0	0
Ditto, Carboncar	.....	.....	150	0	0
Supervisor	.....	.....	300	0	0
Clerk Peace, St. John's	.....	.....	300	0	0
Interest on Debt	.....	.....	6000	0	0
Amount Public Debt due this year	.....	.....	8600	0	0
Light Houses (including Cape Pine for 6 months)	.....	.....	1250	0	0
Salaries, &c., under Land Act	.....	.....	1000	0	0
Unexpended Amount last Road Act	.....	.....	3000	0	0
Collecting Revenue	.....	.....	3800	0	0
			£67,585	7	6

## ASSETS.

This Amount due by the late Treasurer			£3630	5	8
Estimated Revenue, 1850	57000	0	0		
Licenses	600	0	0		
Sheriffs' Fees	750	0	0		
Clerk of the Peace Fees	100	0	0		
Clerk Supreme & Central Courts Fees	250	0	0		
Amount Light Dues	1600	0	0		
Crown Land Receipts	1000	0	0	61300	0
Balance				2655	1
				£67,585	7
					6

The above balance of £2655 1s. 10d. is based on the assumption that the amount due by the late Treasurer will be available in the current year.

(Signed) A. SHEA,  
Chairman Financial Committee.

Committee Room, }  
Feb. 22, 1850. }

Statement showing the aggregate amount of the Debt of the Colony, and the years in which the several portions of it are payable.

Balance of Account current	.....	£2655	1	10	
Debentures payable in 1851	.....	7955	0	0	
Ditto ditto 1852	.....	1345	0	0	
Ditto ditto 1854	.....	8911	5	4	
Ditto ditto 1855	.....	5534	0	0	
Ditto ditto 1856	.....	9791	12	0	
Ditto ditto 1857	.....	19663	0	0	
Ditto ditto 1858	.....	30993	0	0	
Ditto ditto 1859	.....	7347	0	0	0-94194 19 2
Amount of loans yet to be raised, viz:—					
Colonial Building and Market House	.....		4000	0	0
Street Act—Debentures awarded for Debentures to be issued—probable amount	.....		3000	0	0
Harbour Grace Streets	.....		3000	0	0
			£104,194 19 2		

The sum of £4000 above stated for the completion of the Colonial Building, &c., will be payable this year. It has however been placed by the Committee as an item in the debt, there being authority to raise the amount on loan.

In addition to the above amount there are further awards to be made under the Street Act by a recent decision of the Court. The amount is uncertain.

A. SHEA,

*Chairman Financial Committee.*

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

Mr. Secretary Crowdy being admitted within the Bar, presented to the House the Annual Report of the Commissioners of Light Houses, by command of His Excellency the Governor.

Documents from His Excellency the Governor.

And then the Messenger withdrew.

*Ordered*,—That the said Report and Documents be printed.

On motion of Mr. SHEA, seconded by Mr. DELANEY,

*Resolved*,—That One Hundred Copies of the Statement of the Financial Committee be printed.

Report of Financial Committee printed.

On motion of Mr. EMERSON, pursuant to order, seconded by Mr. WINNER,

Committee of the whole on  
Sheriffs' Bill.

*Resolved*,—That the House do now resolve itself into a Committee of the whole on the further consideration of the Bill to regulate the establishment of the Northern and Southern Circuit Courts of this Island, and to provide for the appointment of Sheriffs and other Officers in the several Electoral Districts.

And the House resolved itself into the said Committee accordingly.

Mr. SPEAKER left the Chair.

Mr. DELANEY took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. SPEAKER resumed the Chair.

Chairman reports progress.

The Chairman reported from the Committee that they had considered the Bill to them referred, and had made some progress therein, which they had directed him to report to the House, and to ask leave to sit again on the further consideration thereof.

*Ordered*,—That the said Report be received, and that the Committee have leave to sit again on Monday next.

Notice of Address in reply  
to Message for appropriating  
£500 for poor relief.

Mr. CARTER gave notice that on Monday next he would move an Address to His Excellency the Governor on the subject of His Excellency's Message recommending this House to authorize the expenditure of £500 for the relief of the Poor.

Then the House adjourned till Monday next at One of the clock.

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M O N D A Y , F E B R U A R Y 25 , 1850.

Petition from Island Cove on  
Education.

Mr. RANKIN presented a Petition from Nathaniel Garland, S. W. Sprague, and others, inhabitants of Lower Island Cove and its vicinity, and the same was received and read, praying :—

That the main principles of the present Education Act may be continued as respects the division of the grant between Roman Catholics and Protestants, and that an increased amount may be awarded for the purpose of building Schools, and increasing the salary of the Schoolmasters.

Also, Mr. JOB, from Joseph March, and 273 others, inhabitants of Old Perlican, and its vicinity, on the same subject.

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

Mr. WINSER presented a Petition from Edward Neal, mariner, of St. John's, and the same was received and read, setting forth,—

Petition from Edward Neal for compensation.

That while walking peaceably along Duckworth-street he had been set upon and maltreated by a party of soldiers, and praying that his case might be taken into consideration.

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

On Table.

Mr. HOYLES, pursuant to notice, and leave granted, presented a Bill to amend an Act entitled “ An Act for registering the names of persons entitled to vote at Elections,” and the same was read a first time, and

Registration Amendment Bill read 1st time.

*Ordered*,—To be read a second time to-morrow.

Time of 2nd reading.

On motion of Mr. DELANEY, seconded by Mr. WINSER,

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

*To His Excellency Sir JOHN GASPARD LEMARCHANT, Knight and Knight Commander of the Orders of St. Ferdinand and of Charles the Third of Spain, Governor and Commander-in-Chief in and over the Island of Newfoundland and its Dependencies.*

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY:—

The House of Assembly most respectfully request that Your Excellency will be pleased to direct that there be furnished this House a detailed statement of monies expended in the repairs of Roads and Bridges the past year; also a Return of the Schools connected with the Newfoundland School Society in operation for the same period.

Address for Returns under Roads and Bridges, and Newfoundland School Society.

House of Assembly, }  
25th February, 1850. }

*Ordered*,—That the said Address be engrossed, and that Mr. Winser and Mr. Delaney be a Committee to present the same to His Excellency the Governor.



Mr. CARTER moved, pursuant to notice, seconded by Mr. HOYLES,

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

*To His Excellency Sir JOHN GASPARD LEMARCHANT, Knight and Knight Commander of the Orders of St. Ferdinand and of Charles the Third of Spain, Governor and Commander-in-Chief in and over the Island of Newfoundland and its Dependencies.*

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY.—

Address in reply to Message on appropriating £500 for Poor Relief.

In reply to the Message received from Your Excellency recommending this House to authorize Your Excellency to expend the sum of Five Hundred Pounds for the support of the Poor, the House of Assembly respectfully request Your Excellency to appropriate the above sum for the above service, and this House will make provision for the same in the Bill of Appropriation.

House of Assembly, }  
25th Feb., 1850. }

Whereupon,

Mr. PARSONS moved in amendment, seconded by Mr. WINSER,

That the Address be postponed till Thursday next.

And the House dividing thereon, there appeared for the Amendment, *two* ; against it *eight*.

Division on Amendment,

FOR THE AMENDMENT—

AGAINST THE AMENDMENT—

Mr. Parsons  
“ Winser

Mr. Carter  
“ Molloy  
“ Hanrahan  
“ Rankin  
“ Hoyles  
“ Job  
“ Delaney  
“ Prendergast.

So it passed in the negative, and

Amendment negatived.

*Ordered* accordingly.

The House dividing on the original motion, then there appeared for motion, *six*; against it, *three*.

FOR THE MOTION—

AGAINST THE MOTION—

Mr. Hanrahan  
 “ Delaney  
 “ Rankin  
 “ Carter  
 “ Prendergast  
 “ Molloy.

Mr. Winser  
 “ Parsons  
 “ Emerson.

So it passed in the affirmative, and

Original motion carried.

*Ordered* accordingly. •

*Ordered*,—That the said Address be engrossed, and that Mr. Carter and Mr. Prendergast be a Committee to present the same to His Excellency the Governor.

Committee to present.

Mr. PARSONS gave notice that on to-morrow he would move an Address to His Excellency the Governor praying for a detailed statement of the expenditure of the sum of £750 voted in the last Session of the Legislature for the support of the Poor for the District of St. John's.

Notice of motion for Returns of expenditure of £750 voted in 1849 for relief of the poor.

Mr. SPEAKER laid before the House a Return of the Imperial Revenue from the 5th January, 1849, to the 10th October, transmitted through Mr. Secretary Crowdy, by command of His Excellency the Governor.

Document from His Excellency the Governor.

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

Then the House adjourned till to-morrow at One of the clock:

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T U E S D A Y , FEBRUARY 26, 1850.

Mr. WINSER gave notice that on to-morrow he would move an Address to His Excellency the Governor requesting that he would cause to be laid before the House of General Assembly a full and detailed statement of all

Notice of motion for Returns from the Bank of British North America.

sums of money paid into or by the Branch Bank of British North America for this Colony, together with the names of the persons who have received the same by order or cheque from the Colonial Treasurer, during the years of 1847, '48, and '49, with a statement of the balance on the 31st December, 1849:

Also, a Statement of all sums paid into and by the same Branch Bank of British North America for the Savings' Bank, during the years 1847, '48, and '49, with a statement of the balance on the 31st December, 1849:

Also, an abstract Statement of all sums of money paid to the Colonial Treasurers in the year 1849, under the heads of

Imperial Revenue, Colonial Revenue, Customs' Bonds, Light Dues, Crown Rents and Land Fees, License Fund and Fines, Sheriffs' Fees, Chief Clerk and Registrar Supreme and Central Circuit Court Fees, and Clerk of the Peace Fees, particularizing what was paid to the late Treasurer from the sums paid to the present Treasurer.

Petitions for alteration of Ferry at Chapel's Cove.

Mr. EMERSON presented Petitions from David Foley, and others, of Chapel's Cove; and John Rorke, and others, of Carbonear, and the same were received and read, setting forth,—

That great inconvenience arose from the removal of the Ferry between Chapel's Cove and Fortune Pond, and praying that it may be returned to the old situation.

Referred to Financial Committee.

*Ordered*,—That the said Petitions be referred to the Select Committee on the Financial State of the Colony.

Petitions from Wesleyans on Education.

The following Petitions from the Clergymen and others, members of the Wesleyan Congregations, were severally presented, received, and read, praying,—

That no division be made in the Protestant grant for Education, other than exists in the present Act.

By Mr. JOB, from Charles Williams, and William Faulkner, chairman and secretary of the Wesleyan clergymen of Newfoundland.

By Mr. PRENDERGAST, from William Ewen Shenston, and others, of Harbour Grace.

By Mr. HANRAHAN, from William Bemister, and others, of Carbonear.

On Table.

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

Mr. SHEA presented a Petition from Philip Power, and others, inhabitants of the east end of Duckworth-street, all engaged as retailers of spirituous liquors, setting forth,—

Petition from retailers of  
Duckworth-street.

That they paid for their Licenses the same amount as persons carrying on a similar trade in Water-street ; while in some parts of Duckworth-street, retailers do not pay more than five pounds, and praying that they may be placed on a similar footing.

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

On Table.

Mr. PARSONS presented a Petition from James Lynch, master mariner, and the same was received and read, setting forth,—

Petition from James Lynch,

That in the summer of 1848 the Collector of H. M. Customs had seized and sold 12 barrels Indian Meal, imported by him from Boston in the brigantine *Abeona*;—the same being over the quantity stated in the Customs' clearance : that he had taken the requisite steps to enter the same, thereby proving he had no intention of defrauding the Revenue ; but not withstanding his repeated enquiries to have the proceeds of the same refunded, his request had not been complied with, and praying that this House would take his case into their consideration.

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

On Table.

Mr. PARSONS also presented a Petition from Richard Williams, and others, Wesleyans, of St. John's, and the same was received and read, praying,—

Petition from Richard  
Williams, and others,  
on Education.

That no other alteration be made in the present Education Act, except what at present exists between Roman Catholic and Protestant.

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

On Table.

Mr. HOYLES moved, pursuant to order, seconded by Mr. EMERSON,

Motion for 2nd reading of  
Education Bill.

That the " Bill for the encouragement of Education in this colony " be read a second time.

Whereupon,

Mr. PRENDERGAST moved in amendment, seconded by Mr. JOB,

Amendment on 2nd reading  
of Education Bill.

That the Bill be read a second time this day six months.

And the question being put thereon, there appeared for the Amendment, *ten* ; against it, *three*.

Division.

FOR THE AMENDMENT—

AGAINST THE AMENDMENT—

Mr. Job

Mr. Hoyles

“ Parsons

“ Carter

“ Prendergast.

“ Emerson

“ Falle

“ Rankin

“ Winsor

“ Delancy

“ Shea

“ Hanrahan

“ Molloy.

Amendment carried.

So it passed in the affirmative, and

*Ordered*,—That the said Bill be read again this day six months.

Registration Bill read 2nd time.

Pursuant to order, the Bill to amend the Act entitled “ An Act for registering the names of persons entitled to vote at Elections,” was read a second time.

*Ordered*,—That the said Bill be printed.

Resolution of Committee of the whole on said Bill.

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

Committee of the whole on Sheriffs' Bill postponed.

Mr. EMERSON, on leave granted, postponed the order of the day for the House in Committee of the whole upon the “ Bill to regulate the establishment of the Northern and Southern Circuit Courts of this Island, and to provide for the appointment of Sheriffs and other officers in each of the Electoral Districts” until to-morrow, then to stand first on the order of the day.

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

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

*To His Excellency Sir JOHN GASPARD LEMARCHANT, Knight and Knight Commander of the Orders of St. Ferdinand and of Charles the Third of Spain, Governor and Commander-in-Chief in and over the Island of Newfoundland and its Dependencies.*

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY:—

The House of Assembly most respectfully request that Your Excellency will be pleased to direct that there be laid before this House a detailed statement of the expenditure of the sum of £750 voted in the last Session of the Legislature for the Relief of the Poor of St. John's.

Address for returns of expenditure of £750 voted in 1849 for relief of the poor.

House of Assembly, }  
26th February, 1850. }

*Ordered,*—That the said Address be engrossed, and that Mr. Parsons and Mr. WINSER be a Committee to present the same to His Excellency the Governor.

Committee to present.

Mr. PRENDERGAST gave notice that on Tuesday, the 12th day of March next, he would introduce a Bill to continue the Act now in operation for Educational purposes, with certain Amendments.

Notice for Education Amendment Bill.

Mr. SPEAKER laid before the House the Report of the Superintendent of Roads for 1849, transmitted through Mr. Secretary Crowdy, by command of His Excellency the Governor.

Document from His Excellency the Governor.

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

On Table.

(For which see Appendix.)

On motion of Mr. PRENDERGAST, seconded by Mr. MOLLOY;

The House adjourned till Friday, the 8th March.

F R I D A Y, MARCH 8, 1850.

Mr. WINSER gave notice that on to-morrow he would move an Address to His Excellency the Governor; most respectfully requesting that he would cause to be laid before the House an abstract and detailed statement of all sums of money received and paid on account of the Colonial Building to the 1st day of March, 1850:

Notice of motion for returns of expenditure of Colonial Building and Market House.

That is to say, an abstract statement of the sums received by loan on account of the Colonial Building and Market House, with the name of the person or persons who received the same, and a detailed statement of the sums paid, and names of the persons to whom paid, and a statement of the balance remaining on hand (if any) on the 1st day of March.

Petition from distressed labourers of St. John's.

Mr. PARSONS presented a Petition from Richard Ryan, and others, distressed labourers, of St. John's, and the same was received and read, setting forth,—

That they had applied to His Excellency the Governor for employment on the public roads, but had not succeeded in obtaining it : that they were in great distress and unable to procure employment, and praying that this House would take their case into consideration.

On Table,

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

Notice of motion for Address in reference to labourers' petition.

Mr. PARSONS gave notice that on to-morrow he would move an Address to His Excellency the Governor in reference to the Petition from the distressed inhabitants of St. John's.

Petition from Salvors of specie at Bacalieu in 1835.

Mr. JOB presented a Petition from John Avery, and ten others, inhabitants of Grate's Cove, and the same was received and read, setting forth,—

That in the year 1834 they had picked up, near the Island of Bacalieu, the sum of £1750 in Spanish Dollars ; £1076 of which they had paid into the Admiralty Court here in the presence of Messrs. Peter Carter, G. Emerson, and G. Webber, in the belief that a portion thereof would ultimately be returned to them : that since then they had received no part of the same, although frequently applied for, and praying that the House would take their case into consideration.

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

On motion of Mr. EMERSON, seconded by Mr. HOYLES,

Committee of the whole on Sheriffs' Bill,

*Resolved*,—That the House do now resolve itself into a Committee of the whole on the further consideration of the “ Bill to regulate the establishment of the Northern and Southern Circuit Courts of this Island, and to provide for the appointment of Sheriffs and other Officers in the several Electoral Districts.”

And the House resolved itself into the said Committee accordingly.

Mr. SPEAKER left the Chair.

Mr. DELANEY took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. SPEAKER resumed the Chair.

The Chairman reported from the Committee that they had considered the Bill to them referred, and had passed the same with some Amendments, which they had directed him to report to the House.

Chairman reports Bill with amendments.

The said Amendments were then severally read throughout a first and second time, and upon the question put thereon, adopted by the House.

Amendments adopted.

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

On motion of Mr. HOYLES, pursuant to order of the day, seconded by Mr. JOB,

*Resolved*,—That the House do now resolve itself into a Committee of the whole upon the Bill to amend the Act entitled “An Act for registering the names of persons entitled to vote at Elections.”

Committee of the whole on Registration Bill.

And the House resolved itself into the said Committee accordingly.

Mr. SPEAKER left the Chair.

Mr. RANKIN took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. SPEAKER resumed the Chair.

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

Progress reported.

*Ordered*,—That the Report be received, and that the said Committee have leave to sit again on Monday next.

On the order of the day being read, that the House do resolve itself into a Committee of the whole on Ways and Means,

Mr. JOB, leave being granted, postponed his motion on that subject till Monday next, then to stand first on the order of the day, and

Orders of the day postponed.

Mr. WINSER his notice of motion for the Address to His Excellency for Returns from the Bank of British North America till the same day.

Mr. SHEA, from the Select Committee appointed to inquire into the Financial State of the Colony, presented the Report, which he handed in at the Clerk's Table, where it was read, and is as follows :—



Report of the Financial  
Committee.

The Select Committee, appointed by your Honourable House to inquire into the financial condition of the Colony, with a view to such reductions and modifications of the public expenditure as circumstances might appear to demand, beg leave to report that they lost no time in applying themselves to the consideration of the important matters which claimed their attention. They conceived it to be primarily essential that a statement of the present position of the colony should be prepared, shewing its condition for the current year, and the aggregate amount of the public debt, with the years in which the several portions of it are payable. Such a statement would necessarily form the groundwork and guide for the proceedings of your Committee, and they accordingly, with as little delay as was compatible with its accurate compilation and adjustment, prepared and submitted to your Honourable House the Financial Statement which was laid on the table on the 22nd February.

That statement shews that on the 31st December next, the current balance against the colony will be £2655 1s. 10d., to which must be added the sum of £3630 5s. 8d. due by the late Colonial Treasurer. Should this amount not be liquidated in the meantime, there will thus be an excess of expenditure above receipts of £6285 7s. 6d. on the account of the year; and this, too, without any provision being made for that class of appropriations styled special votes, involving often claims which the Legislature cannot refuse. The whole amount of the public debt at the end of the present year, as far as it can now be ascertained, will be £104,194 19s. 2d. In this amount the Committee have not, of course, included the balances not yet borrowed on existing Loan Acts, because these amounts, or such portion of them as may hereafter be borrowed, will go in liquidation of existing charges, and involve no increase in the aggregate amount of the debt.

The Statement of the financial affairs of the Colony which is thus exhibited, though not of that satisfactory character which were desirable, discloses, at the same time, nothing to create alarm or discouragement. It is true that from a variety of causes, which it is unnecessary to enumerate, a heavy debt has accumulated, and the colony in the present year cannot meet the charges upon it; and it is therefore manifest that the public faith cannot be maintained without a change in the disposition of our receipts and expenditure. This view is so clearly denoted in the statement submitted to your honourable House, that your Committee feel assured the Legislature will concur in the necessity of giving to it a practical development on those grounds which justice will sanction and the country may approve. And it is because your Committee have confidence that the

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House will deal wisely with this important question, that they see in the present condition of our affairs no reasonable grounds for apprehension as to the result.

The present conjuncture points to one of two courses. The colony is clearly unable to meet the present ordinary charges upon it and to provide for the redemption of the public debt, unless indeed the Legislature are prepared to affirm that all public improvement shall cease. These courses are, increased taxation on the one hand—and on the other, a reasonable modification of our present expenditure. Between these alternatives it appears to your Committee that the Legislature must determine its choice, for the necessity of resorting to either is clearly manifested by the present state of our financial affairs.

On this position of the case, your Committee would observe, that apart from the strong objections the country would entertain to any increase of the public burthens, they do not conceive that such increase is either necessary or desirable. In a colony like this a gross revenue of £60,000 a year ought to be, and the Committee think, is, sufficient for all legitimate demands upon it, and that its expenditure should be regulated in subservience to this view. This principle has not hitherto governed the proceedings of the Legislature, and, to a certain extent, the departure from it was unavoidable. It is not, however, with those proceedings your Committee have desired to deal, but with the facts which are now before them, and the antecedents are now referred to in connexion with these facts, to shew that the principles your Committee would urge will need a change in the system which has hitherto prevailed in the public appropriations.

That faith shall be kept intact with the public creditor, and a fair proportion of the revenue be allocated to purposes of public improvement, are positions which, your Committee feel assured, will be responded to by your honourable House. In the present posture of affairs where the financial difficulties have been seriously induced by claims arising from the necessities of the people since the period of the fire, and from the improvement of the capital, it would perhaps be unjust to other interests if views of public improvement were now urged to the extent which, in ordinary times, would be justified by their abstract importance; and these special reasons have been duly weighed by your Committee in the consideration of this question. They are accordingly of opinion that for the present the improvement of the country should proceed but on a modified scale, say to such an extent as to prevent former appropriations from being lost to the colony. The maintenance of these views, without an augmentation of

taxes, is incompatible with the sustainment of the present official expenditure, and after careful and anxious inquiry your Committee are brought to the conclusion which necessity seems to dictate—that a moderate reduction should be made on all the official incomes in the colony. The sacrifices this may in some instances entail, your Committee could most willingly avoid; but it is assuredly a matter of paramount concern, and in which the welfare of the government as well as of the country is concerned, to guard against the evils of financial embarrassment, and to restore to the public resources that necessary vitality and public confidence which alone can give a foundation to the future progress and improvement of the colony.

Such are the reasons which have led your Committee to the conclusion that a reduction of the official expenditure is a just measure, and indispensable as one of the means of placing the financial affairs of the colony on a satisfactory basis. This reduction they would not desire to see carried beyond the limits that necessity demands, and would therefore propose that a uniform rate of 10 per cent. be deducted from all official incomes in the colony. By this measure a sum of £2474 would be made available towards the defrayal of uncovered liabilities, while the abstraction would not be more than a reasonable contingent to the necessities of the country from those who have so deep an interest in its conservation and stability.

This principle the Committee would also recommend to be applied to the contingencies of the Legislature.

In the estimates laid before the House for 1850, the Committee have observed several items which they think may be omitted from the appropriations, viz. :—

Printing Acts Legislature.....	£200	0	0
Registration of Voters.....	150	0	0
Clearing snow from St. John's streets.....	100	0	0
Gas Light .....	148	0	0
Almanac.....	25	0	0
Duties on Military Wines.....	50	0	0
Ferries .....	532	0	0

They would also recommend that the following offices shall remain vacant on the demise or retirement of the incumbents, viz. :—

Private Secretary.

The first Protestant vacancy in the Police Magistracy, St. John's.

The first vacancy in the Magistracy, Harbour Grace.

These changes, the Committee apprehend could be effected without any detriment to the public service. A saving may also be made by blending the office of Chairman of Roads with that of Supervisor, there being, moreover, a natural connexion between the duties of both.

Your Committee would further suggest whether it would not be desirable in filling up future vacancies in the offices of the government, that the question of salary should be specifically left open for the consideration of the Legislature.

The Committee have not overlooked the question of the debt contracted in the improvement of the town, which so far exceeded the amount contemplated by the Legislature. Viewing this question with regard to the enhanced value which has hereby been given to property, they cannot regard the debt as one which should be wholly borne by the colony; and they would strongly recommend to your honourable House to consider whether the equity of the case would not demand that a portion of such debt should be made a charge on the owners of the land who have so largely benefited by the changes effected under the Street Act. The question is, assuredly, involved in some difficulty, but your Committee think the effort should not be wanting to relieve the colony of so much of the liability as your honourable House shall consider to belong of right to a peculiar interest.

The question of making a certain portion of the debt permanent stock was also considered by your Committee, with a view to the relief it might afford in any general scheme of provision for the settlement of the debt. The advantages of such a plan are not unperceived by your Committee, but they are of opinion that these may be fully obtained without recourse to a measure against which some objection would justly apply. The creation of such stock would contemplate an arrangement for the settlement of the other portion of the debt—without such concurrent arrangement the plan could not be entertained, and with it the necessity of a permanent debt is avoided—for experience has shown that when the financial affairs of the colony are healthy, loans are readily obtained at the ordinary rate of interest.

Your Committee cannot but advert to the practice of permitting loans to remain unpaid after they had fallen due—a practice which, they are of opinion, should be discontinued. The amount so placed at present the Committee have carried into the liabilities of the current year; and though the lenders have willingly permitted these sums to remain overdue at ir-

terest, it cannot be lost sight of that the colony may be seriously damaged by being exposed to an unexpected demand for an accumulated amount of such claims. If it be at any time necessary when loans are due, they might be renewed for a specified period, and so guard against the embarrassment which a sudden demand for past due engagements may create. The Committee are of opinion, however, that the amount of the debt due in each year should be ranked amongst the liabilities of such year, and be provided for in due course.

Your Committee have observed that the amount raised from the half per cent. duty, under the Street Act, has hitherto gone into the general revenue, and been made applicable for general purposes of expenditure.— That tax was evidently intended to form a fund for the defrayal of the Debentures issued under the said Act; and without prejudice to the question, how far a portion of the debt created by that Act should not ultimately fall on the property of the town, your Committee are of opinion that the amount of revenue arising from the duty imposed by the said Act should be kept as a distinct fund, and applied annually to the discharge of the liabilities it was intended to meet.

The rate at which the Reserved Salaries are paid is another subject to which your Committee are desirous of directing the attention of the House. In the year 1843, in consequence of the failure of the Imperial Revenue, out of which, under the Imperial Act 2 & 3 Wm. IV., cap. 78, the Reserved Salaries were previously payable, an Act of the local Legislature, passed in May, 6 Vic. cap. 12, granted for their defrayal the sum of £6550 annually out of the Colonial Revenue. Before the passing of the 6 Vic., the Reserved Salaries had been, and for one year afterwards were, paid at the rate of 4s. 4d. the dollar, such being the rate at which all other monies granted by local Acts were and now are paid, both at the Treasurer's office and at the Customs. In June, 1843, the Lords of the Treasury having directed that all monies received under the British Possessions Act (the Act imposing Imperial duties) should be received at the rate of 4s. 2d. to the dollar, the local Government in 1844, under the opinion of the law officers of the Crown in this colony, construed such direction as applicable to the payment of the Reserved Salaries, and they have consequently been since paid at that rate.

The legality of such payment, which is rendered still more doubtful by the recent repeal of the Imperial duties, has been frequently questioned in the Assembly, but without any definite proceeding with respect to it having been adopted; and as, by the refusal of one of the Auditors to sign the

accounts of the present Collector, the matter has been formally brought under the notice of the House, and as it is desirable that such payment, if legal, should rest on some unquestionable authority, and as not warranted by law, it is the duty of the Assembly to prevent such overpayment, the Committee respectfully recommend that an Address should be transmitted to the Secretary of State for the Colonies, requesting the opinion of the Crown officers in England on the subject.

Your Committee desire to express the opinion that the satisfactory conduct of the public business would be materially promoted by a statement from the Executive at the commencement of each legislative session, shewing the position of the colony as to its liabilities and receipts.

Though not directly within the scope of the inquiries of your Committee, yet as having a bearing on the financial interests of the colony, they feel satisfaction in adverting to a plan contemplated by the Managers of the Savings' Bank for the issue of Bank Notes—a measure which, under sound regulations, cannot but be beneficial to the community. The profits of the Bank, if well worked, may be made a handsome item in the assets of the colony; and the Committee trust this important question will have due consideration at the hands of your honourable House.

The statement at foot will show the amount of the reductions contemplated by the foregoing suggestions.

All which is respectfully submitted.

A. SHEA, *Chairman.*

PETER WINSER.

H. W. HOYLES.

JOSHUA G. FALLE.

Reserved Salaries	.....	£6800, at 10 per cent.	£680
Salaries in Estimate	.....	8324,	“ 832
Customs' Salaries	.....	3300,	“ 330
Legislative Contingencies	.....	3000,	“ 300
Special Salaries	.....	3320,	“ 332
Votes proposed to be omitted	.....		1200

£3674

On Table.

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

Printed.

*Ordered*,—That the said Report be printed for the use of members.

Notice for Committee of Supply.

Mr. CARTER gave notice that on Tuesday next he would move that the House resolve itself into a Committee of the whole on Supply.

Notice for Address in reply to Message on Night Watch.

Also, that he would on Monday next move a respectful Address to His Excellency the Governor in reply to his Message in reference to the Night Watch:

Documents from His Excellency the Governor.

Mr. SPEAKER laid before the House the following Documents, transmitted through Mr. Secretary Crowdy, by command of His Excellency the Governor:

Return of Wolves killed last year.

Returns from Placentia and Lamaline in reference to Codscines and Jiggers.

On Table.

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

Reply of His Excellency to the Address for Returns on Poor Relief.

Mr. PARSONS, from the Committee appointed to present the Address requesting a detailed Statement of the sum of £750 voted last year for relief of the St. John's Poor; reported that His Excellency had been pleased to say the request of the House would be complied with.

Then the House adjourned till Monday next at One of the clock.

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M O N D A Y, MARCH 11, 1850.

Petition from St. Mary's on Education.

Mr. SHEA presented a Petition from John Ryan, and others, inhabitants of St. Mary's Bay, and the same was received and read, setting forth,—

That the sum of money granted annually for the support of Education was so small as not to enable them to get their children instructed even in the elementary principles, and praying that a fair share of the Education Grant may be appropriated for their district.

On Table.

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

On motion of Mr. JOB, pursuant to order of the day, seconded by Mr. O'BRIEN,

*Resolved*,—That the House do resolve itself into a Committee of the whole on Ways and Means.

Committee on Ways and Means.

Mr. SPEAKER left the Chair.

Mr. DELANEY took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. SPEAKER resumed the Chair.

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

Committee reports progress.

*Ordered*,—That the Report be received, and that the Committee have leave to sit again on Wednesday next.

Mr. HOYLES moved, seconded by Mr. SHEA,

That the House do now resolve itself into a Committee of the whole on the Bill to amend the Act for registering the names of persons entitled to vote at Elections.

Motion for Committee of the whole on Registration Bill.

Whereupon,

Mr. DELANEY moved in Amendment, seconded by Mr. JOB,

That the committal of the Bill be postponed till Wednesday next.

Amendment.

And the House dividing on the Amendment, there appeared for it, *four*; against it, *six*.

FOR THE AMENDMENT—

AGAINST THE AMENDMENT—

Mr. Carter

Mr. Hoyles

Division.

“ Job

“ Shea

“ Delaney

“ Rankin

“ Parsons

“ O'Brien

“ Winser

“ Falle.

So it passed in the negative, and the question on the original motion being then put, passed in the affirmative without division, and

Amendment lost.



Committee of the whole on  
Registration Bill.

The House resolved itself into the said Committee accordingly.

Mr. SPEAKER left the Chair.

Mr. RANKIN took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. SPEAKER resumed the Chair.

Bill reported with Amend-  
ments.

The Chairman reported from the Committee that they had considered the Bill to them referred, and had passed the same with some Amendments, which they had directed him to report to the House.

Amendments adopted.

The said Amendments being then severally read by the Clerk throughout a first and second time, were, upon the question put thereon, adopted by the House.

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

Orders of the day postponed.

Mr. WINNER, leave being granted, postponed till to-morrow his motions for the Addresses to His Excellency the Governor for Returns from the Bank of British North America, and Returns connected with the Colonial Building, and Market House ; also,

Mr. CARTER, his motion for an Address to His Excellency the Governor in reply to his Message on the Night Watch.

Notice for Bill to declare the  
value of the Spanish Dollar.

Mr. JOB gave notice that on Thursday next he would ask leave to introduce a Bill to declare and fix the value of the Dollar at four Shillings and four Pence in payment of the Reserved and other Salaries of all Officers of the Colonial Government.

Notice of Bills for reduction  
of Salaries.

Mr. SHEA gave notice that on to-morrow he would ask leave to bring in a Bill to provide for the reduction of the Reserved Salaries ; also,

A Bill to provide for the reduction of certain Salaries reserved under Special Acts of the Legislature.

On motion of Mr. JOB, seconded by Mr. HOYLES,

Codseine and Jigger Re-  
ports printed.

*Resolved*,—That the Reports from the various Districts in reference to the use of Codseines and Jiggers be printed.

Then the House adjourned till to-morrow at Two of the clock.

T U E S D A Y, MARCH 12, 1850.

Mr. WINSER presented a Petition from Richard Barry, and others, distressed labourers of St. John's, and the same was received and read, setting forth,—the distressed state of themselves and families, and praying that employment may be afforded them on the public works.

Petition from distressed labourers of St. John's.

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

On motion of Mr. HOYLES, seconded by Mr. DELANEY,

*Resolved*,—That the order of the day for the third reading of the "Bill to regulate the establishment of the Northern and Southern Circuit Courts, and to provide for the appointment of Sheriffs and other officers, &c.," be postponed till Friday next.

Order of the day postponed.

On motion of Mr. JOB, seconded by Mr. DELANEY,

*Resolved*,—That the order of the day for leave to introduce a Bill to continue the Act for Educational purposes with certain Amendments, be postponed till Friday next.

Notice of motion for Education Bill

On motion of Mr. HANRAHAN, seconded by Mr. SHEA,

*Resolved*,—That the order of the day for the House in Committee of the whole on Supply, and for the Address to His Excellency the Governor in reply to his Message on the Night Watch, be postponed till to-morrow.

Orders of the day postponed.

Mr. SHEA, pursuant to notice, and leave granted, presented the following Bills, which were received, and read a first time:

A Bill to provide for a limited period for the reduction of the Reserved Salaries.

Reserved Salary Reduction Bill read 1st time.

A Bill for the reduction for a limited period of the Salaries provided for by the Acts within mentioned.

Reduction of Salaries under certain Acts Bill read 1st time.

*Ordered*,—That the first Bill be read a second time on Tuesday next, and the second Bill on Wednesday next.

Mr. WINNER gave notice that on to-morrow he would move an Address to His Excellency the Governor, respectfully requesting that His Excellency will cause to be laid before the House an abstract and detailed statement of all sums of money paid by the Commissioners for the Poor in St. John's during the year 1849 : that is to say, an abstract of all sums already accounted for ; and a detailed statement of all sums to the amount of £4351 4s. 2d., for which no vouchers have been found : also, a detailed account of all sums of money paid to James Douglas, Esq., and for which no voucher has been found.

Then the House adjourned till to-morrow at One of the clock.

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W E D N E S D A Y , MARCH, 13, 1850.

On motion of Mr. JOB, pursuant to order, seconded by Mr. SHEA,

*Resolved*,—That the House do now resolve itself into a Committee of the whole upon the further consideration of Ways and Means.

And the House resolved itself into the said Committee accordingly.

Mr. SPEAKER left the Chair.

Mr. HANRAHAN took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. SPEAKER resumed the Chair.

The Chairman reported from the Committee that they had considered the business to them referred, and had come to certain resolutions thereon which they had directed him to report to the House, as follows:—

*Resolved*,—Whereas, by a Despatch from the Secretary for the Colonies, it has been intimated that the Royal assent will not be granted to any Act imposing Duties discriminating between articles of Foreign growth and production when imported into this Colony.

Notice of motion for Address for returns under Poor Commissioners.

Committee of the whole on Ways and Means.

Resolutions reported from Committee.

*Resolved*,—That the Differential Duties contained in the Table of Duties imposed by the Local Act, 12th Vic., cap. 3, be discontinued, and that the following Duties be levied upon the undermentioned articles, classed in the said Table as differential, that is to say:

Coffee the cwt.....	5s.
Molasses the gallon.....	1½d.
Rum the gallon.....	9d.
Sugar unrefined, the cwt.....	5s.

And that Fish, fresh or salted, dried or pickled, be placed on the Table of Exemptions.

*Resolved*,—That the other Duties contained in the said Act be adopted.

*Resolved*,—That the Table of Exemptions in the said Act be adopted, except that Seeds of all kinds shall be admitted free, only when intended to be used for Agricultural purposes; and that in the said Table, Passengers' personal luggage, and Fish, fresh or salted, dried or pickled, be included.

On motion of Mr. JOB, seconded by Mr. O'BRIEN,

*Resolved*,—That the said Resolutions be adopted.

Adopted.

On motion of Mr. JOB, seconded by Mr. O'BRIEN,

*Resolved*,—That a Select Committee be appointed to prepare and report to this House a Bill imposing Duties for raising a Revenue.

*Ordered*,—That Mr. Job, Mr. O'Brien, Mr. Falle, Mr. Shea, and Mr. Hoyles do form such Committee.

On motion of Mr. CARTER, seconded by Mr. DELANEY,

*Resolved*,—That a Supply be granted to Her Majesty.

Supply.

*Resolved*,—That on Tuesday next this House will resolve itself into a Committee of the whole for the purpose of granting a supply to Her Majesty.

Resolution for Committee of the whole on Supply.

Mr. CARTER, upon leave granted, postponed his motion for an Address to His Excellency in reply to his Message on the Night Watch, till tomorrow.

Order of the day postponed.

On motion of Mr. WINNER, seconded by Mr. DELANEY,

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

*To His Excellency Sir JOHN GASPARD LEMARCHANT, Knight and Knight Commander of the Orders of St. Ferdinand and of Charles the Third of Spain, Governor and Commander-in-Chief in and over the Island of Newfoundland and its Dependencies.*

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY:—

The House of Assembly most respectfully request that Your Excellency will be pleased to direct that there be laid before this House an abstract and detailed statement of all sums of money paid by the Commissioners for the Poor in St. John's during the year 1849, viz.: an abstract of all sums already accounted for; and a detailed statement of all sums to the amount of £4351 4s. 2d. for which no vouchers have been found; also, a detailed account of all sums of money paid to James Douglas, Esq., and for which no vouchers can be found, amounting for several different purposes to £1117 2s. 4d.

House of Assembly, )  
13th March, 1850. )

*Ordered*,—That Mr. Delaney and Mr. Winsor be a Committee to present the same to His Excellency.

Reply of His Excellency to the Address in reference to the Newfoundland School Society, and expenditure on Roads and Bridges.

Mr. DELANEY, from the Committee to present the Address requesting Returns from the Newfoundland School Society, and the expenditure under Roads and Bridges, reported that His Excellency had been pleased to say the returns asked for should be laid before the House.

Then the House adjourned till to-morrow at One of the clock.

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T H U R S D A Y, MARCH, 14, 1850.

Notice for Committee on the St. John's Academy.

Mr. HOYLES gave notice that on Monday next he would move the House into a Committee of the whole upon the subject of the St. John's Academy;

And that on to-morrow he would ask leave to present an Address to the Secretary for the Colonies, requesting the opinion of the Law Officers of Her Majesty's Government on the subject of the legality of the payment of the Reserved Salaries in this Island in dollars at 4s. 2d.

Notice of Address to the Secretary of State for opinion on payment of Reserved Salaries at 4s. 2d.

Mr. O'BRIEN gave notice that on Monday, the 18th inst., he would ask leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Quarantine Law.

Notice of Quarantine Amendment Bill.

Mr. O'BRIEN presented a Memorial from Thomas King, Minister of St. Andrew's Church, on behalf of himself, and as chairman of a meeting of the Congregation, and the same was received, and read, as follows:—

*To the Honourable the House of Assembly of Newfoundland, the Petition of the undersigned Minister of the Church of Scotland, on behalf of himself, and as Chairman of a meeting of the congregation of St. Andrew's Church in the city of Saint John's,*

Memorial from Thos. King on Education.

HUMBLY SHEWETH,—

That an opinion has been expressed by the present masters of the St. John's Academy, concurred in by the Board of Directors thereof, and is generally prevalent, that some change is required in that Institution, in order to render it fit for supplying the educational wants of this important community.

That the system of *Grammar Schools* has been attended in Scotland with the most beneficial results, and that if a similar system were pursued here, your Memorialists believe that it would be attended with many valuable advantages.

That this system consists in having a separate Teacher for each of such branches of secular Education as may be deemed most appropriate for the community among which they are to be established.

That in St. John's it appears to your Memorialists that an Academy of *Five Classes* should be instituted, viz. :—

One of the five Teachers should be competent to impart instruction in English Literature, and Composition, and in writing.

One in Arithmetic and Geography,

One in Spanish and French,

One in Natural Philosophy and Mathematics,

And one in Latin and Greek.

That these Five Teachers should each have a distinct and separate portion of time, during all the days of the week, excepting Sundays, for giving instruction in that particular department to which they might be appointed.

That the sum of £550 sterling, now granted to the Academy, should be divided into five parts, giving to each of the *three* Teachers first enumerated, £100 each of the salary—and to each of the other *two*, £125: and that these salaries should be supplemented by *Fees*, on a moderate scale, to be paid by the scholars.

That the appointment of Teachers should rest with the Executive, to whom they should be directly responsible, and to whom they should be required to give in quarterly, written reports of the progress and state of the classes under their charge.

That in your Memorialists' opinion, the intervention of any Board of Directors is unnecessary.

That public examinations, twice a year, of all the classes, should take place in presence of the Executive and the public at large.

That your Memorialists therefore respectfully submit, that your honorable House should, during the course of the present Session of the Legislature, make such alteration in the constitution of the Academy, and the system of teaching pursued there, as will render it more useful to the community at large, according to the views above expressed.

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

THOMAS KING,

St. John's, N.F., March, 1850.

*Chairman.*

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

Mr. PRENDERGAST moved, seconded by Mr. DELANEY,

That the said Memorial be printed.

Whereupon,

Mr. HOYLES moved in Amendment, seconded by Mr. WINSER

That all Petitions on the subject of Education presented during the Session be printed.

After a lengthened debate, Mr. Hoyles, upon leave granted, withdrew the Amendment.

On Table.

Motion that the Memorial be printed.

Amendment.

And the question on the original motion being then put,

Mr. HOYLES moved in Amendment, seconded by Mr. WINSER,

That the House proceed to the business of the day.

And the House dividing thereon, there appeared for the Amendment, *three*; against it, *six*. Amendment lost.

FOR THE AMENDMENT—

AGAINST THE AMENDMENT—

Mr. O'Brien

Mr. Prendergast

Division,

“ Hoyles

“ Hanrahan

“ Winsor

“ Job

“ Delaney

“ Carter

“ Parsons.

So it passed in the negative, and the question on the original motion being again put, passed in the affirmative, and

*Ordered*,—That the said Memorial be printed.

Printed.

Mr. JOB gave notice that on to-morrow he would move a respectful Address to His Excellency, praying that he would cause information to be laid before this House as to whether the balance remaining in the Admiralty Court due the salvors, as appears by the Returns of the Legislature in 1835, out of specie picked up near Bacalieu, in 1835, has been paid over to the parties entitled to the same.

Notice of motion for Address to His Excellency in reference to specie picked up at Bacalieu in 1835.

Mr. DELANEY gave notice that on to-morrow he would move an Address to His Excellency the Governor requesting that he would cause a Return to be laid before the House of the number of letters transmitted to the various outports of the colony through the Post Office of St. John's annually, for the past five years.

Notice of motion for Returns from Post-office.

Mr. JOB, from the Select Committee on raising a Revenue, reported a Bill for granting to Her Majesty certain Duties on Goods, Wares, and Merchandize imported into this colony and its dependencies, and the same was read a first time.

Revenue Bill read 1st time.

*Ordered*,—That the said Bill be read a second time on Tuesday next, and in the meantime be printed. Time of second reading.



Bill to declare the value of the Dollar read 1st time.

Mr. JOB, pursuant to order of the day, asked leave to present a Bill to declare the sterling value of the Dollar in payment of the Reserved Salaries, and other charges on the Government, and the same was read a first time.

*Ordered*,—That the said Bill be read a second time to-morrow, and in the meantime be printed.

Mr. CARTER, pursuant to notice, presented the draft of an Address to His Excellency the Governor, which he read in his place, and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table, where it was again read a first time, as follows:—

*To His Excellency Sir JOHN GASPARD LEMARCHANT, Knight and Knight Commander of the Orders of St. Ferdinand and of Charles the Third of Spain, Governor and Commander-in-Chief in and over the Island of Newfoundland and its Dependencies.*

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY.—

Address in reply to His Excellency's Message on the Night Watch read 1st time.

In reply to the Message sent down to this House by Your Excellency, recommending this House to indemnify Your Excellency for the advance of £55 9s. 4d. made out of the Public Treasury on account of the Night Police, and to take into consideration the expediency of making provision for the above sum, the House of Assembly respectfully request that Your Excellency will be pleased to appropriate the sum of Fifty Pounds for the above service, in a similar manner as heretofore; for which sum and for that already advanced by Your Excellency, this House will indemnify Your Excellency in the Bill of Appropriation.

Time of 2nd reading.

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

Documents from His Excellency the Governor.

Mr. SPEAKER laid before the House the following Documents, transmitted through Mr. Secretary Crowdy, by command of His Excellency the Governor:—

Returns on Education for Bonavista Bay, South.

Statement of the expenditure of monies for relief of the Poor of St. John's.

On Table.

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

Then the House adjourned till to-morrow at One of the clock.

F R I D A Y, MARCH, 15, 1850.

Mr. WINNER, from the Committee to present the Address requesting Returns of the expenditure under the Poor Commissioners, and of expenditure made by James Douglas, Esq., reported that His Excellency had been pleased to say the Returns would be furnished the House.

Reply of His Excellency the Governor to the Address for Returns of expenditure under Poor Commissioners.

*Message from Her Majesty's Council.*

The Master-in-Chancery to Her Majesty's Council brought down the following written Message:—

Mr. SPEAKER,—

Her Majesty's Council acquaint the House of Assembly that they have passed the Bill sent up to this House entitled "An Act to provide for the Vacation of Seats of Members of the House of Assembly in certain cases, and for the Election of Members in their stead" with some Amendments, to which they request the concurrence of the House of Assembly.

Message from H.M. Council

ROBERT LAW,

*President.*

Council Chamber, }  
15th March, 1850. }

And then the Messenger withdrew.

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

The Amendments of Her Majesty's Council in and upon the Bill entitled "An Act to provide for the Vacation of Seats of Members of the House of Assembly in certain cases, and for the Election of Members in their stead" were read a first time, and are as follow:—

First line, 3rd page of the Bill—

Expunge the words "and he is hereby required."

Amendments of H.M. Council on the Vacation of Seats Bill read 1st time.

At the end of the second section, insert as follows—

“ Provided also that any Member so requiring and offering himself a Candidate at the Election consequent upon such resignation, shall bear the expenses of such Election, so far as the same have been usually borne by the Colony, and shall, before he shall be admitted as a Candidate for such election, deposit with the Colonial Secretary such sum of money, not exceeding the amount paid by the Colony for the last preceding Election of the District for which such Member was returned, as the Governor in Council shall direct, which sum or so much thereof as may be required for that purpose, shall be applied by the said Colonial Secretary in discharge of such expenses.”

In the fourth section—

Expunge the Parenthesis, and add at the end of the section the words “ he having first obtained a certificate of discharge, pursuant to law, and being otherwise duly qualified.”

Insert as the fifth section—

“ And be it further enacted that this Act shall not have any force or effect until Her Majesty’s pleasure thereon shall have been first duly signified.”

Insert over the form of Resignation the words—

“ Form of Resignation.”

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

The order of the day being read for the third reading of the Bill to amend the Act for the Registration of Voters,

On motion of Mr. PRENDERGAST, seconded by Mr. DELANEY,

*Resolved*,—That the said Bill be re-committed to a Committee of the whole House.

And the House resolved itself into the said Committee accordingly.

Mr. SPEAKER left the Chair.

Mr. DELANEY took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. SPEAKER resumed the Chair.

The Chairman reported from the Committee that they had re-considered the Bill to them referred, and had passed the same without amendment.

Reported from Committee without Amendment.

*Ordered*,—That the Report be received.

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

The order of the day being then read for the third reading of the "Bill to regulate the establishment of the Northern and Southern Circuit Courts, and to provide for the appointment of Sheriffs and other Officers in the several Electoral Districts,"

On motion of Mr. EMERSON, seconded by Mr. DELANEY,

*Resolved*,—That the said Bill be re-committed to a Committee of the whole House.

Sheriffs' Bill re-committed.

And the House resolved itself into the said Committee accordingly.

Mr. SPEAKER left the Chair.

Mr. FALLE took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. SPEAKER resumed the Chair.

The Chairman reported from the Committee that they had re-considered the Bill to them referred, and had made a further amendment therein, which they had directed him to report to the House.

Report from Committee with one Amendment.

*Ordered*,—That the Report be received.

The Amendment was then read by the Clerk a first and second time, and, on the question put thereon, agreed to by the House.

Amendment agreed to.

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

Mr. PRENDERGAST, pursuant to notice and leave granted, presented a Bill to continue the Act for Educational purposes, with certain Amendments, and the same was read a first time.

Education Amendment Bill read 1st time.

*Ordered*,—That the Bill be read a second time on Thursday next, and in the meantime be printed.

Printed, and time of 2nd reading.

On motion of Mr. JOB, pursuant to notice, seconded by Mr. HANRAHAN,

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

*To His Excellency Sir JOHN GASPARD LEMARCHANT, Knight and Knight Commander of the Orders of St. Ferdinand and of Charles the Third of Spain, Governor and Commander-in-Chief in and over the Island of Newfoundland and its Dependencies.*

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY:—

Address in reference to specie picked up at Bacalieu.

The House of Assembly respectfully request that Your Excellency will be pleased to cause information to be laid before this House as to whether the balance remaining in the Vice Admiralty Court due the salvors, as appears by the Returns to the Legislature printed in the Appendix to the Journals for the year 1843, on account of specie picked up on the coast near Bacalieu in the year 1835, has been paid over to the parties entitled to the same.

House of Assembly, }  
15th March, 1850. }

*Ordered,*—That the said Address be engrossed, and that Mr. Job and Mr. Hanrahan be a Committee to present the same to His Excellency the Governor.

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

*Resolved,*—That the following Address be presented to Her Majesty's Principal Secretary of State for the Colonial Department:—

*To the Right Honourable Earl Grey, Her Majesty's Principal Secretary of State for the Colonial Department.*

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR LORDSHIP,—

Address in reference to legality of the payment of the Reserved Salaries at 4s. 2d.

We, Her Majesty's dutiful and loyal subjects, the House of Assembly of Newfoundland, in Legislative Session convened, respectfully pray that Your Lordship will be pleased to direct that the opinion of Her Majesty's Law Advisers may be taken for the information and guidance of the Assembly upon the following case:

In the year 1832 an Act of the Imperial Parliament (2nd and 3rd Wm. 4, cap. 78) entitled "An Act to continue certain Acts relating to the Is-

land of Newfoundland to provide for the appropriation of all duties which may hereafter be raised within the said Island" was passed, whereby the sum of six thousand five hundred and fifty pounds was reserved out of all duties collected in this Island, under any Act of Parliament, to defray the Salaries of the Governor, or Administrator of the Government ; the Chief Justice and Assistant Judges ; the Colonial Secretary and Attorney-General of this Colony. In the year 1843 the Duties collected under Imperial Acts having failed, in consequence of the repeal or diminution by the Imperial Government of duties previously imposed, to produce an amount sufficient for the defrayal of the Salaries above mentioned, the Local Legislature, at the recommendation of the then Secretary for the Colonies, passed an Act (6 Vic. cap. 12) entitled " An Act to extend and continue certain provisions of an Act of the Parliament of the United Kingdom passed in the second and third years of the reign of His late Majesty King William the Fourth," whereby the said salaries were made chargeable upon the Colonial Revenue.

From the passing of the Act first above mentioned up to the year 1844, the Salaries thereby reserved were discharged in Dollars at the rate of four shillings and four pence sterling each, but in that year a change was adopted in the mode of payment, and the said salaries were then, and ever since have been, paid in Dollars at the rate of four shillings and two pence sterling each, whereby the salaries of the several Functionaries above named were much increased.

We beg further respectfully to state that all monies mentioned in any Act of the Local Legislature, whether imposing duties or penalties, or granting monies for any purpose, are, and always have been, without express enactment to that effect in any of these Acts, (except the regulation contained on that subject in the Annual Revenue Act) received, recovered, and paid, in Dollars at the rate of four shillings and four pence sterling each, at which rate the accounts in our Courts of Justice, and in public offices, are kept, and all monetary transactions for sterling are adjusted and settled, and at which rate Dollars are valued in the Blue Book.

We beg further to state, that with the permission of the Imperial Government, the Local Legislature in last Session, passed an act repealing all duties levied under Imperial Acts, so that at present the only duties raised in the Colony are levied under a Colonial Revenue Act, by which Dollars are made payable at Her Majesty's Customs at four shillings and four pence sterling each.

Upon application to the Executive Government in the last session, for the reasons and authority upon which such change in the mode of payment

was made, the Assembly were furnished with the documents contained in the Appendix to their Journals of 1849, from page 617 to page 628.

The Assembly pray the opinions of Her Majesty's Law Advisers, as to whether the change of payment of the reserved salaries in Dollars from four shillings and four pence to four shillings and two pence, was and is authorized by Law; in other words, they desire to know at what rate these salaries if discharged in Dollars, the principal and almost only Foreign coin with determinate Sterling value in this Colony, should be paid. The Assembly presume that as copies of the Colonial Acts, Journals, and Blue Book above referred to, are to be found at the Colonial Office, it is not necessary they should transmit herewith, written copies of the several documents necessary to form an opinion upon the question herein proposed.

House of Assembly, }  
15th March, 1850. }

On motion of Mr. HOYLES, seconded by Mr. HANRAHAN,

*Resolved*,—That the said Address be adopted and engrossed.

On motion of Mr. HOYLES, seconded by Mr. HANRAHAN,

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

*To His Excellency Sir JOHN GASPARD  
LEMARCHANT, Knight and Knight  
Commander of the Orders of St. Ferdinand and of Charles the Third of  
Spain, Governor and Commander-in-  
Chief in and over the Island of New-  
foundland and its Dependencies.*

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY.—

Address to His Excellency  
in reference to the foregoing  
Address to the Secretary of  
State.

The House of Assembly respectfully request that Your Excellency will be pleased to transmit the accompanying Address to Her Majesty's Principal Secretary of State for the Colonies, praying that he will be pleased to obtain the opinion of Her Majesty's Law Advisers upon the case therein submitted, as to the legality of paying the Reserved Salaries in Dollars at the rate of four shillings and two pence each.

House of Assembly, }  
15th March, 1850. }

*Ordered*,—That the said Address be engrossed, and that Mr. Hoyles and Mr. Falle be a Committee to present the same to His Excellency the Governor.

Committee to present.

Pursuant to order of the day, the Bill to declare the value of the Dollar in payment of the Reserved and other Salaries, was read a second time.

Bill to declare the value of the dollar in payment of the Reserved and other Salaries, read 2nd time.

On motion of Mr. JOB, seconded by Mr. SHEA,

*Resolved*,—That the said Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House on Monday next.

Mr. CARTER moved, pursuant to notice, seconded by Mr. HOYLES,

That the Address in reply to His Excellency's Message on the Night Watch be now read a second time, and the House dividing thereon, there appeared for the motion, *five*; against it, *four*.

Motion for 2nd reading of Address in reply to His Excellency's Message on the Night Watch.

FOR THE MOTION.

AGAINST THE MOTION.

Mr. Carter

Mr. Hanrahan

“ Job

“ Winsor

“ Hoyles

“ Prendergast

“ Shea

“ Molloy

“ Delaney

Division.

So it passed in the affirmative, and the said Address was then read a second time.

Mr. CARTER moved, seconded by Mr. JOB,

That the Address be committed to a committee of the whole House on Monday next.

Motion for committal of Address.

Whereupon,

Mr. PRENDERGAST moved in amendment, seconded by Mr. WINSOR,

That the Address be committed that day six months.

Amendment on committal of Address.

And the House dividing thereon, there appeared for the Amendment, *five*; against it, *six*.

FOR THE AMENDMENT—

AGAINST THE AMENDMENT—

Mr. Winsor

Mr. Hoyles

“ Delaney

“ Carter

“ Hanrahan

“ Shea

“ Prendergast

“ Falle

“ Molloy

“ Job

“ Emerson

Division on Amendment.



Original motion carried.

So it passed in the negative, and the question on the original motion being then put, passed in the affirmative without division, and

*Resolved*,—That the said Address be committed on Monday next.

Notice of motion for Address to His Excellency for Returns connected with the Post-office, withdrawn.

Mr. DELANEY, on leave granted, withdrew his motion for an Address to His Excellency for Returns connected with the Post Office.

Notice for leave to bring in Bills to regulate the public Coves and Market House.

Mr. CARTER gave notice that on Monday next he would ask leave to bring in a Bill to provide for the management of the Public Coves and Landings in the Town of St. John's; and a Bill to regulate the public Market House in the Town of St. John's.

Motion for consideration of Resolutions in reference to disposal of Surplus Revenue.

Mr. PRENDERGAST gave notice that on Monday next he would submit the following Resolutions for consideration of the House :

*Resolved*,—That the Treasurer, in a Statement to be submitted to this House, do certify the surplus (if any) which may remain in the public chest after the civil expenditure of the financial year be defrayed out of the Revenue.

*Resolved*,—That such surplus so certified as aforesaid (if any) be divided rateably in public improvements in the several Electoral Districts, taking the population of each district as the basis upon which to apportion such money as may be remaining in the Treasury.

Then the House adjourned till Monday next at One of the clock.

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M O N D A Y, MARCH 18, 1850.

Notice of motion for Address to His Excellency on reference to monies paid the Colonial Treasurer.

Mr. WINSER gave notice that on Wednesday next he would move an Address to His Excellency the Governor, requesting that he would cause to be laid before this House a Statement shewing to whom were paid the sums of money stated in the Customs' Consolidated Account for the year 1849, as having been paid to the Treasurer.

Bonds transferred to the Treasurer, £30,983 18 6

Paid the Treasurer. 12,296 3 6

Also, a Statement of the sums and to whom paid under the following heads:—

Light Dues for the year 1849.

Crown Rents and Land Fees, 1849.

License Fund and Fines.

Sheriffs' Fees, Clerk of the Supreme Court's Fees, Clerks of the Northern and Southern District Courts' Fees.

Clerks' of the Peace Fees.

Mr. PRENDERGAST presented a Petition from John Munn, and others, of Harbor Grace, and the same was received and read, setting forth,—

Petition for bounty on ship-building.

The great benefit that would result from encouraging Ship-building in this colony, and praying that the Legislature would grant bounty for that purpose.

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

On Table.

Mr. DELANEY presented the following Petitions, all praying for grants of money to promote Education, and the same were severally received, and read,—

Petitions for promotion of Education.

From Patrick Brown, and others, of Brown's Cove, in Sound Island.

From Michael Cummins, and others, of Coote's Pond, St. Mary's.

From James Kough, and others, of Oliver's Cove, White Cove, Mahoney's Cove, and North West Arm of Presque.

From John Power, and others, of Great Paradise, Little Paradise, Petit Frost and Bona.

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

On Table.

Mr. PRENDERGAST gave notice that on Wednesday next he would ask leave to bring in a Bill to encourage Shipbuilding in this Island.

Notice of motion for Bill to encourage Ship-building.

Mr. SPEAKER laid before the House the annual Return of the Saint John's Water Company, transmitted through Mr. Secretary Crowdy, by command of His Excellency the Governor.

Document from His Excellency the Governor.

On Table,

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

Pursuant to order of the day, the following Bills were read a third time as engrossed :

Registration of Voters Bill  
read 3rd time.

A Bill to amend the Act for the Registration of Voters.

Sheriffs' Bill read 3rd time.

A Bill to provide for the appointment of Sheriffs and other Officers in the Northern and Southern Districts of this Island.

On motion of Mr. HOYLES, seconded by Mr. O'BRIEN,

Passed and titled.

*Resolved*,—That the first Bill do pass, and that its title be an " Act to amend an Act passed in the fourth year of the reign of His late Majesty, entitled " An Act for the Registration of the names of persons entitled to vote at Elections. "

Deputation to H.M. Council.

*Ordered*,—That Mr. Hoyles and Mr. O'Brien do carry the said Bill to Her Majesty's Council and desire their concurrence.

On motion of Mr. EMERSON, seconded by Mr. DELANEY,

Passed and titled.

*Resolved*,—That the second Bill do pass, and that its title be " An Act to regulate the establishment of the Northern and Southern Circuit Courts of this Island, and to provide for the appointment of Sheriffs and other Officers in the several Electoral Districts, "

Deputation to H.M. Council.

*Ordered*,—That Mr. Emerson and Mr. Delaney do carry the said Bill to Her Majesty's Council and desire their concurrence.

Amendments of H.M. Council on the Vacation of Seats Bill read 2nd time.

Pursuant to order of the day, the Amendments made by Her Majesty's Council in and upon the Bill to provide for the Vacation of Seats of Members were read a second time.

On motion of Mr. HOYLES, seconded by Mr. JOB,

*Resolved*,—That the said Amendments be committed to a Committee of the whole House to-morrow.

Mr. HOYLES moved, seconded by Mr. JOB,

That the House do now resolve itself into a Committee of the whole upon the subject of the St. John's Academy.

Motion for Committee of the whole on the St. John's Academy.

Whereupon,

Mr. PRENDERGAST moved in amendment, seconded by Mr. PARSONS,

That the order of the day be discharged.

Amendment.

And the House dividing thereon, there appeared for the amendment, *three*; against it, *ten*.

FOR THE AMENDMENT—

AGAINST THE AMENDMENT—

Mr. Prendergast

“ Delaney

“ Parsons

Mr. Emerson

“ Falle

“ O'Brien

“ Molloy

“ Carter

“ Shea

“ Hoyles

“ Winser

“ Hanrahan

“ Job

Division,

So it passed in the negative, and the question being put on the original motion,

Amendment negatived.

Mr. PRENDERGAST moved in amendment, seconded by Mr. PARSONS,

That the House do now adjourn.

Amendment.

And the House dividing thereon, there appeared for the motion, *four*; against it, *nine*.

FOR THE MOTION.

AGAINST THE MOTION.

Mr. Prendergast

“ Delaney

“ Parsons

“ Winser

Mr. Emerson

“ Hanrahan

“ Carter

“ Shea

“ Molloy

“ Job

“ Falle

“ O'Brien

“ Hoyles

Division,

So it passed in the negative, and the question on the original motion being again put,

Amendment negatived.

Mr. PRENDERGAST moved in amendment, seconded by Mr. DELANEY,

Amendment,

That the House adjourn till to-morrow, at two o'clock.

After a lengthened debate, the amendment being withdrawn,

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

Debate adjourned.

That the debate be adjourned till to-morrow at One of the clock, which passed in the affirmative without division, and

*Ordered* accordingly.

Quarantine Amendment  
Bill read 1st time.

Mr. O'BRIEN, pursuant to notice and leave granted, presented a Bill to amend an Act entitled "an Act to provide for the performance of Quarantine, and more effectually to provide against the introduction of infectious or contagious diseases and the spreading thereof in this Island," and the same was read a first time.

Time of 2nd reading.

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

Then the House adjourned till to-morrow at One of the clock.

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T U E S D A Y, MARCH 19, 1850.

Increase of Representatives  
Bill read 1st time.

Mr. O'BRIEN reported from the Select Committee appointed to prepare a Bill for the increase of Representatives in this colony, a Bill to increase the present number of Representatives in the General Assembly of this Island, and to regulate the representation thereof, which, on leave granted, was read a first time.

Time of 2nd reading.

*Ordered*,—That the said Bill be read a second time on Monday next, and in the meantime be printed.

Petition from Twillingate in  
reference to cutting grass.

Mr. EMERSON presented a Petition from Samuel Stuckless, and others of Twillingate, and the same was received, and read, setting forth,—

The injury they suffered from parties cutting wild grass too early in the season, and praying that the House would pass an Act preventing any grass being cut before the 20th day of August.

On Table.

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

Mr. PRENDERGAST gave notice that on Thursday next he would ask leave to introduce a Bill to repeal the Road Act, 8 Vic., cap. 3.

Notice of motion for Bill to repeal the Act 8 Vic. cap.3.

Mr. HOYLES moved, pursuant to order of the day, that the House do now resolve itself into a Committee of the whole, and that the adjourned debate on the St. John's Academy be resumed,

Motion for debate on the St. John's Academy being resumed.

Whereupon,

Mr. PARSONS moved in amendment, seconded by Mr. PRENDERGAST,

That the House do now adjourn:

Amendment.

And the House dividing thereon, there appeared for the amendment, *four* ; against it, *nine*.

Amendment negatived.

FOR THE AMENDMENT

AGAINST THE AMENDMENT

Mr. Prendergast  
 " Parsons  
 " Delaney  
 " Molloy

Mr. Winser  
 " Carter  
 " Rankin  
 " Emerson  
 " Falle  
 " O'Brien  
 " Hanrahan  
 " Job  
 " Hoyles

Division.

So it passed in the negative, and the question on the original motion being then put,

Mr. PRENDERGAST moved in amendment, seconded by Mr. PARSONS,

That the Junior Master of the St. John's Academy be heard at the Bar of this House.

Amendment.

And the question being put thereon, the House again divided, when there appeared for the amendment, *six* ; against it, *seven*.

FOR THE AMENDMENT.

AGAINST THE AMENDMENT.

Mr. Parsons  
 " Hanrahan  
 " Molloy  
 " Winser  
 " Delaney  
 " Prendergast

Mr. Hoyles  
 " Falle  
 " Job  
 " Emerson  
 " Rankin  
 " O'Brien  
 " Carter

Division.

Amendment negatived.

So it passed in the negative.

Original motion carried.

And the question on the original motion being again put, passed in the affirmative without division, and

Committee of the whole on the St. John's Academy.

*Resolved*,—That the House do now resolve itself into a Committee of the whole, and that the debate upon the St. John's Academy be resumed.

And the House resolved itself into the said Committee accordingly.

Mr. SPEAKER left the Chair.

Mr. FALLE took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. SPEAKER resumed the Chair.

Progress reported.

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

*Ordered*,—That the Report be received, and that the Committee have leave to sit again to-morrow.

*Message from Her Majesty's Council.*

Message from H. M. Council.

The Master-in-Chancery to Her Majesty's Council brought down a Bill entitled "An Act for the limitation of Actions and Suits relating to real property, and for simplifying the remedies for trying the rights thereto."

And then the Messenger withdrew.

On motion of Mr. HOYLES, seconded by Mr. EMERSON,

Bill for limitation of Suits and Actions relating to real property read 1st time.

*Resolved*,—That the Bill be now read a first time.

And the said Bill was read a first time accordingly.

Time of 2nd reading.

*Ordered*,—To be read a second time on Thursday next.

Then the House adjourned till to-morrow at One of the clock.

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W E D N E S D A Y, MARCH 20, 1850.

Reply of His Excellency to the Address in reference to forwarding the Address on the Reserved Salaries to the Secretary of State.

Mr. HOYLES, from the Committee to present the Address requesting His Excellency the Governor to forward the Address of the House in reference to the payment of the Reserved Salaries in Dollars at 4s. 2d. stg.,

reported that His Excellency had been pleased to say he would comply with the request of the House.

Mr. JOB, from the Committee appointed to wait upon His Excellency with the Address requesting information in reference to the specie picked up at Bacalieu in 1835, reported that His Excellency had been pleased to say the information asked for should be laid before the House.

Reply of His Excellency to the Address in reference to specie picked up at Bacalieu.

Mr. PRENDERGAST gave notice that on to-morrow he would ask leave to bring in a Bill to amend the License Act.

Notice of motion of Bill to amend the License Act.

Mr. SHEA presented a Memorial from Job Brothers & Co., and others, chiefly merchants of St. John's, and the same was received, and read, setting forth,—

Petition in reference to encouragement of shipbuilding in this colony.

The benefit that would result from encouraging ship-building in this colony, and praying that the House would take the matter into its consideration.

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

On Table.

On motion of Mr. JOB, seconded by Mr. HOYLES,

*Resolved*,—That the House do now resolve itself into a Committee of the whole on the Bill to declare the value of the Dollar in payment of the Reserved and other Salaries.

Committee of the whole on Bill to declare the value of the dollar in payment of the Reserved Salaries.

And the House resolved itself into the said Committee accordingly.

Mr. SPEAKER left the Chair.

Mr. RANKIN took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. SPEAKER resumed the Chair.

The Chairman reported from the Committee that they had considered the Bill to them referred, and had made some amendments therein which they had directed him to report to the House.

Bill reported with Amendments.

The Amendments were then read throughout a first and second time, and, on the question put thereon, agreed to by the House.

Amendments adopted.

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

Time of 3rd reading.



Then the House adjourned till to-morrow at One of the clock.

T H U R S D A Y, MARCH 21, 1850.

Bill to declare the value of the dollar in payment of the Reserved Salaries read a 3rd time.

Pursuant to order of the day the engrossed Bill to declare the sterling value of the Dollar in discharge of the Reserved Salaries and other claims upon the Local Government, was read a third time.

On motion of Mr. JOB, seconded by Mr. HOYLES,

Passed and titled.

*Resolved*,—That the Bill do pass, and that its title be “An Act to declare the value of the Dollar in discharge of the Reserved Salaries, and other claims upon the Local Government.”

Deputation to H. M. Council.

*Ordered*,—That Mr. Job and Mr. Hoyles do take the said Bill to Her Majesty’s Council and desire their concurrence.

On motion of Mr. CARTER, seconded by Mr. HOYLES,

Committee of the whole on the Address to His Excellency in reply to the Message on the Night Watch.

*Resolved*,—That the House do now resolve itself into a Committee of the whole on the Address to His Excellency in reference to His Message on the Night Watch.

Mr. SPEAKER left the Chair.

Mr. HANRAHAN took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. SPEAKER resumed the Chair.

The Chairman reported from the Committee that they had considered the Address to them referred, and had made an amendment therein which they had directed him to report to the House.

The Amendment was then read by the Clerk throughout a first and second time, and is as follows:—

Address reported with Amendment.

That the words in the Address after “respectfully” be struck out and the following substituted—“acquaint Your Excellency that they will provide for the sum advanced by Your Excellency to the last of March in the annual Bill of Supply.”

On motion of Mr. PRENDERGAST, seconded by Mr. HOYLES,

*Resolved*,—That the said Address as amended be adopted.

Amendment adopted.

*Ordered*,—That the said Address be engrossed, and that Mr. Carter and Mr. Delaney be a Committee to present the same to His Excellency the Governor.

Engrossed, and Committee to present.

Mr. CARTER, pursuant to notice and leave granted, presented the following Bills, which were read a first time:

A Bill for the regulation and management of the Public Market House in the town of St. John's.

Market House Bill read 1st time.

A Bill to provide for the care and management of the Public Coves and Landings in the town of St. John's.

Public Coves Bill read 1st time.

*Ordered*,—That the Market House Bill be read a second time on Monday next, and the Public Coves and Landings Bill on to-morrow.

Time of 2nd reading.

*Resolved*,—That the said Bills be printed.

Printed.

Mr. PRENDERGAST, on leave granted, postponed his notice for submitting Resolutions in reference to the appropriation of the balance of Revenue for this year remaining in the hands of the Colonial Treasurer, till Thursday next.

Order of day postponed.

Mr. SHEA moved, pursuant to order of the day, seconded by Mr. WINSER,

That the Bill for the reduction of the Reserved Salaries for a limited period, be now read a second time.

Motion for 2nd reading of Reduction of Reserved Salaries Bill.

After a lengthened debate,

On motion of Mr. Prendergast, seconded by Mr. Hoyles,

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

Debate adjourned.

Then the House adjourned till to-morrow at One of the clock.

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F R I D A Y , MARCH 22, 1850.

Mr. SPEAKER laid before the House the following Documents, transmitted through Mr. Secretary Crowdy, by command of His Excellency the Governor :—

Documents from His Excellency the Governor.

Returns of Schools in connexion with the Newfoundland School Society.

Letter from the Registrar of the Vice Admiralty Court in reference to specie picked up at Bacalieu in 1835,

(For which see *Appendix*.)

On Table.

*Ordered*,—That the said Documents do lie upon the Table:

Notice of motion for Committee of the whole on the Financial condition of the colony.

Mr. EMERSON gave notice that on Wednesday, the 3rd day of April next, he would move that this House do resolve itself into a Committee of the whole on the Financial condition of the Colony, and with a view to the adoption of such Legislative measures as may be deemed necessary to lessen the Public Burdens, and to consider of such prospective reduction in our civil expenditure as may be consistent with the amount of our Revenue, and the necessary requirements and improvements of the country.

Mr. SHEA moved, seconded by Mr. WINSER, pursuant to order of the day,

Motion to resume the adjourned debate on the Bill for the reduction of the Reserved Salaries.

That the adjourned debate on the second reading of the Bill for the reduction of the Reserved Salaries for a limited period, be resumed.

Whereupon,

Mr. EMERSON moved in amendment, seconded by Mr. JOB,

Amendment.

That the Bill be read a second time this day six months.

And the question being put thereon, there appeared for the amendment, *eight*; against it, *five*.

Division.

FOR THE AMENDMENT

AGAINST THE AMENDMENT

Mr. Emerson

Mr. Falle

“ Carter

“ Hoyles

“ Job

“ Shea

“ Hanrahan

“ Winsor

“ Delaney

“ Parsons

“ Rankin

“ Molloy

“ Prendergast

Amendment carried.

So it passed in the affirmative, and

To be read this day six months,

*Ordered*—That the said Bill be read a second time this day six months.

Mr. CARTER, on leave granted, postponed his motion for a Committee of the whole on Supply, till Tuesday next, then to stand first on the order of the day.

Order of the day postponed.

Then the House adjourned till Monday next at One of the clock.

M O N D A Y, MARCH 25, 1850.

Mr. WINSER gave notice that in Committee of the whole House on the Revenue Bill, he would move that the articles of Lines, Twines, and Salt, be placed in the list of exemptions from duty.

Notice of motion for consideration in Committee of the whole on the Revenue Bill.

Mr. PARSONS gave notice that in Committee of the whole House on the Revenue Bill, he would move that Printing Materials of all kinds, and Printing Paper, be placed in the list of exemptions.

Pursuant to order of the day, the Bill for granting to Her Majesty certain duties on Goods, Wares, and Merchandize imported into this colony and its dependencies, was read a second time.

Revenue Bill read 2nd time.

On motion of Mr. JOB, seconded by Mr. O'BRIEN,

*Resolved*,—That the said Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House to-morrow.

Time of Committal.

On motion of Mr. PRENDERGAST, seconded by Mr. HANRAHAN,

*Resolved*,—That the House do now resolve itself into a Committee of the whole upon the Amendments made by Her Majesty's Council in and upon the Bill entitled "an Act to provide for the Vacation of Seats of Members of the House of Assembly in certain cases, and for the election of Members in their stead."

Committee of the whole on Amendments of H.M. Council on the Vacation of Seats Bill.

And the House resolved itself into the said Committee accordingly.

Mr. SPEAKER left the Chair.

Mr. DELANEY took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. SPEAKER resumed the Chair.

Committee report Amend-  
ments agreed to.

The Chairman reported from the Committee that they had gone through the Amendments to them referred, and had passed the same.

*Ordered*,—That the said Report be received.

Time of 3rd reading.

*Ordered*,—That the Amendments be read a third time to-morrow.

Then the House adjourned till to-morrow at One of the clock.

T U E S D A Y , MARCH 26, 1850,

On motion of Mr. PRENDERGAST, seconded by Mr. DELANEY,

Order of the day postponed.

*Resolved*,—That the order of the day for the third reading of the Amendments of Her Majesty's Council in and upon the Bill entitled "an Act to provide for the Vacation of Seats of Members of the House of Assembly in certain cases, and for the election of Members in their stead" be postponed till Wednesday the 3rd April.

On motion of Mr. CARTER, pursuant to order, seconded by Mr. HOYLES;

Committee of the whole on  
Supply.

*Resolved*,—That the House do now resolve itself into a Committee of the whole on Supply.

And the House resolved itself into the said Committee accordingly.

Mr. SPEAKER left the Chair.

Mr. HANRAHAN took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. SPEAKER resumed the Chair.

Progress reported.

The Chairman reported from the Committee that they had made some progress in the business to them referred, which they had directed him to report to the House, and to ask leave to sit again on Tuesday next.

*Ordered*,—That the Report be received, and that the Committee have leave to sit again.

Notice of motion for Bill to  
amend the Act to establish  
the Fees and Costs in the  
Supreme Court.

Mr. HOYLES gave notice that on to-morrow he would ask leave to introduce a Bill to continue an Act passed in the 6th year of the reign of Her present Majesty entitled "an Act to revise and amend an Act passed in

the third year of the reign of Her present Majesty entitled 'an Act to establish the Fees and costs chargeable in the several Police Offices and Courts of Session in this Colony.'"

Then the House adjourned till to-morrow at One of the clock.

W E D N E S D A Y , MARCH 27, 1850.

Mr. DELANEY gave notice that in Committee of Supply he would submit the following Resolution for consideration of the House:

That it is the opinion of this Committee that the expenses of the Civil Government of this country, together with the Debt of the colony (with the exception of that portion of Debt produced by the operation of the Acts connected with the improvement of the Town of St. John's,) and for every service having a general application to the entire colony, are legitimately chargeable upon the general Revenues; but that any surplus Annual Revenue that may remain for apportionment be proportionately divided according to population between the nine Districts of the Island, to be appropriated to the general local purposes of the said Districts, severally and exclusively.

Notice for consideration in Supply of Resolution to apportion Surplus Revenue according to population.

Mr. SHEA moved, pursuant to order of the day, seconded by Mr. WINSER,

That the Bill for the reduction for a limited period of the salaries provided for by the several Acts within mentioned, be read a second time.

Notice for 2nd reading of Bill for reduction of certain Salaries for a limited period.

Whereupon,

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

That the Bill be read a second time this day six months.

Amendment.

And the House dividing on the amendment, there appeared for the amendment, *six*; against it, *four*.

Division

FOR THE AMENDMENT

AGAINST THE AMENDMENT

Mr. Carter

Mr. Hoyles

" Job

" Shea

" Hanrahan

" Winser

" Delaney

" O'Brien

" Rankin

" Molloy

Amendment carried.

So it passed in the affirmative, and the question on the original motion being then put, passed in the negative on a similar division, and

*Ordered*—That the said Bill be read a second time this day six months.

On motion of Mr. WINSER, seconded by Mr. DELANEY,

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

*To His Excellency Sir JOHN GASPARD LEMARCHANT, Knight and Knight Commander of the Orders of St. Ferdinand and of Charles the Third of Spain, Governor and Commander-in-Chief in and over the Island of Newfoundland and its Dependencies.*

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY.—

Address to His Excellency in reference to monies paid the Colonial Treasurer.

The House of Assembly respectfully request that Your Excellency will cause to be laid before the House a Statement of to whom was paid the sums in the Customs' Consolidated Account for the year 1849, as having been paid the Treasurer ; Bonds transferred to the Treasurer, £30,-983 18s. 6d. ; paid the Treasurer, £12,296 3s. 6d. ; also a statement of the sums and to whom paid, under the following heads:—

Light Dues, 1849.

License Fund and Fines

Sheriffs' Fees

Clerk of Supreme Court Fees

Clerk of Northern and Southern Court Fees.

Clerk of the Peace Fees.

House of Assembly, }  
27th March, 1850. }

*Ordered*,—That the Address be engrossed, and that Mr. Winser and Mr. Delaney be a Committee to present the same to His Excellency the Governor.

Engrossed and Committee present.

On motion of Mr. HOYLES, pursuant to notice, seconded by Mr. O'BRIEN,

*Resolved*,—That the House do now resolve itself into a Committee of the whole on the further consideration of the St. John's Academy.

Committee of the whole on the St. John's Academy.

And the House resolved itself into the said Committee accordingly.

Mr. SPEAKER left the Chair.

Mr. RANKIN took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. SPEAKER resumed the Chair.

The Chairman reported from the Committee that they had considered the business to them referred, and had come to a Resolution therein which they had directed him to report to the House, as follows:—

Resolution reported from Committee.

*Resolved*,—That it is the opinion of this Committee that the Committee rise, report progress, and ask leave to sit again on the further consideration thereof on Monday next; and that in the meantime the Chairman be requested to summon the Senior and Junior Masters to the Bar of this House to give evidence in reference to the working of the St. John's Academy.

The said Resolution being read throughout by the Clerk, was, upon the question put thereon, agreed to by the House.

In absence of the mover, Mr. DELANEY, leave being granted, postponed the order of the day for the 2nd reading of the Bill to amend the Education Act, till Monday next; also, the motion for leave to bring in a Bill to regulate the Road Act, 8 Vic. cap. 3., till Wednesday next; and the motion for leave to bring in a Bill to amend the License Act, till Thursday next.

Orders of the day postponed.

Pursuant to order of the day, the following Bills were read a second time:

Bills read 2nd time.

The Bill to amend the Quarantine Act.

Quarantine Amendment Bill.

The Bill sent down from Her Majesty's Council for the Limitation of Suits

Limitation of Suits and Actions relating to real property.



and Action relating to real property, and for simplifying the remedies for trying the rights thereto.

Management and Regulation of Public Coves.

The Bill to provide for the regulation and management of the Public Coves and Landings in the Town of St. John's.

Increase of Representatives' Bill.

The Bill to provide for the increase of Representatives in this Island; and to regulate the representation thereof.

Regulation and Management of Public Coves.

The Bill to regulate the management of the Public Market House in the town of St. John's.

On motion of Mr. O'BRIEN, seconded by Mr. JOB,

Time of committal.

*Resolved*,—That the Bill for the amendment of the Quarantine Act be committed to a Committee of the whole House on Monday next.

On motion of Mr. HOYLES, seconded by Mr. EMERSON,

*Resolved*,—That the Bill for the Limitation of Suits and Actions relating to real property be committed to a Committee of the whole House to-morrow.

On motion of Mr. CARTER, seconded by Mr. SHEA,

*Resolved*,—That the Bill for the management of the Public Coves and Landings in the Town of St. John's, be committed to a Committee of the whole House on Wednesday next.

On motion of Mr. O'BRIEN, seconded by Mr. WINSER,

*Resolved*,—That the Bill to provide for the increase of Representatives in the General Assembly of this Island be committed to a Committee of the whole House on Thursday, the 4th April.

On motion of Mr. CARTER, seconded by Mr. WINSER,

*Resolved*,—That the Bill to provide for the management of the Public Market House in the Town of St. John's be committed to a Committee of the whole House on Wednesday next.

Light House Amendment Bill read 1st time.

Mr. JOB, pursuant to notice and leave granted, presented a Bill to amend an Act entitled "an Act to amend several Acts respecting Light Houses, and to make further provision for the said Light Houses," and the same was read a first time.

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

On motion of Mr. JOB, seconded by Mr. HOYLES,

*Resolved*,—That the order of the day for the Committee of the whole House upon the Revenue Bill be postponed till Monday next, then to stand second for that day.

Order of the day postponed.

Mr. HOYLES, pursuant to notice and leave granted, presented a Bill to establish the Fees and Costs chargeable in the several Police Offices and Courts of Sessions in this colony, and the same was read a first time.

Sessions Courts Fees Bill read 1st time.

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

Mr. CARTER gave notice that on Wednesday next he would ask leave to bring in a Bill to authorize the issue of Treasury notes, and to reduce the Public Debt of the colony; also, on the same day, a Bill in amendment of the St. John's Street Act.

Notice of motion for leave to bring in a Bill to authorize the issue of Treasury Notes.

Mr. SPEAKER laid before the House, by command of His Excellency the Governor, a Copy of a Despatch from the Secretary of State for the Colonies, in reference to the Addresses of the House last session on making Burin and Carbonear Free Ports.

Despatch from His Excellency the Governor in reference to making Carbonear and Burin Free Ports.

*(For which see Appendix.)*

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

Then the House adjourned till Tuesday next at One of the clock.

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T U E S D A Y , APRIL 2, 1850.

Mr. WINSER gave notice that on Monday next he would ask leave to present an Address for the purpose of being transmitted to Her Most Gracious Majesty, humbly and respectfully requesting that Her Majesty will be pleased to permit the House of Assembly of Newfoundland to make such immediate and prospective reductions in the Reserved Salaries and Civil List as shall be suited to the present exigencies of the colony.

Notice of motion for Address to Her Majesty on reduction of the Reserved Salaries and Civil List.

Mr. SPEAKER laid before the House, by command of His Excellency the Governor, the Report of the Physician to the Provisional Lunatic Asylum.

Document from His Excellency the Governor.

*(For which see Appendix.)*

On Table.

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

Committee of the whole on the St. John's Academy.

Pursuant to order of the day, the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole upon the further consideration of the St. John's Academy.

Mr. SPEAKER left the Chair.

Mr. RANKIN took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. SPEAKER resumed the Chair, on the Black Rod being at the door.

*A Message from Her Majesty's Council.*

Message from H.M. Council by the Master-in-Chancery, bringing down the Registration of Voters Bill with Amendments.

The Master-in-Chancery to Her Majesty's Council brought down the Bill sent up from this House entitled "an Act to amend an Act passed in the fourth year of the reign of His late Majesty entitled 'an Act for the Registering the names of persons entitled to vote at Elections,'" and informed the House that Her Majesty's Council had made some Amendments therein to which they requested the concurrence of the House.

On Table.

*Ordered*,—That the said Bill as amended do lie upon the Table.

The Chairman resumed the Chair of the Committee.

**And** after some time,

Mr. Speaker resumes on a question of order.

Mr. SPEAKER resumed the Chair, upon a question of order.

The Chairman resumed the Chair of the Committee:

Mr. SPEAKER resumed the Chair.

Progress reported.

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

Report received, and 1st order for to-morrow.

*Ordered*,—That the Report be received, and that the Committee have leave to sit again to-morrow, and stand first on the order of the day.

On motion of Mr. CARTER, seconded by Mr. JOB,

*Resolved*,—That the Committee of the whole on Supply stand second on the order of the day for to-morrow.

Then the House adjourned till to-morrow at One of the clock.

W E D N E S D A Y , APRIL 3, 1850.

MR. WINSER, from the Committee appointed to present the Address in reference to Documents required by the Chairman of Audit, reported that His Excellency had been pleased to say the request of the House would be complied with.

Assent of His Excellency to the Address in reference to Documents required by the Chairman of Audit.

MR. PARSONS presented a Petition from William Faulkner, Chairman of the Wesleyan Congregation of St. John's, and the same was received and read, as follows:—

Petition from the Wesleyans of St. John's on Education.

*To the Honorable the House of Assembly of Newfoundland.*

*The Petition of the undersigned Minister of the Wesleyan Church on behalf of himself, and as Chairman of a Committee of the Wesleyan Congregation in St. John's,*

RESPECTFULLY SHEWETH,—

That Memorialists beg leave to approach your Honorable House and to express to your Honorable House their desire of establishing without delay a respectable elementary School for the education of children belonging to the Wesleyan Congregation in St. John's, and for the purpose of training Teachers to be hereafter employed in conducting Wesleyan Schools in other parts of the Island.

That Memorialists beg leave to state to your Honorable House that the number of persons belonging to the Wesleyan Congregation in St. John's is about One Thousand, and that the sum of Twenty-five Pounds granted in the Education Act now about to expire is altogether inadequate to the maintenance of such a School as would be suitable to the wants of the Congregation, and satisfactory to the Legislature of the colony.

That Memorialists have learned from the details of a Bill now before your Honorable House to continue and amend the Act for the Encour-

agement of Education in this colony, that it is proposed by your Honorable House to grant to the Episcopal and Presbyterian Churches respectively, sums of money in addition to the interest which these denominations already have in the general appropriation for educational purposes.

That Memorialists respectfully submit to your Honorable House that the existence of the Wesleyan Church in this island during a period of seventy years—its present numbers—its services in promoting the public welfare—and the well known attachment of its members to the principles of the British Constitution, entitle them to that fair and impartial consideration, as compared with other religious bodies, which they have ever received from the Legislature of this colony.

That your Memorialists therefore pray your Honorable House to grant the sum of Pounds to enable your Memorialists to establish a respectable elementary School for educating children belonging to the Wesleyan Congregation in this town, and for training Teachers for Wesleyan Schools in other parts of Newfoundland.

And your Memorialists will as in duty bound ever pray.

WILLIAM FAULKNER,

*Chairman.*

On Table.

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

Notice for consideration of Petition in Committee on the Academy Bill.

Mr. PARSONS gave notice that, in Committee of the whole upon the Education Amendment Bill, he would move that provision be made agreeable to the prayer of the foregoing Petition.

Petition from Jas. Campbell.

Mr. HOYLES presented a Petition from James Campbell, teacher, of St. John's, and the same was received and read, setting forth,—

That he had been twenty-one years a Teacher in this town—that the Legislative enactment to promote the education of the middle classes had seriously injured his prospects as a private Teacher—and praying that his case might be taken into consideration.

On Table and printed.

*Ordered*,—That the said Petition do lie upon the Table and be printed for the use of members.

Notice for leave to bring in a Bill to authorize the remission of duty on Shipbuilding materials.

Mr. PRENDERGAST gave notice that to-morrow he would ask leave to bring in a Bill to authorize the remission of duties on articles used in Shipbuilding in this colony.

Also, a Bill to amend the Act to provide for the establishment of an Academy at St. John's.

Notice for leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Academy Act.

Mr. HOYLES moved, pursuant to order of the day, seconded by Mr. JOB,

That the Amendments of Her Majesty's Council in and upon the Bill entitled "An Act to provide for the vacation of Seats of Members of the House of Assembly in certain cases, and for the election of Members in their stead," be now read a third time.

Motion for 3rd reading of Amendments of H.M. Council on the Vacation of Seats' Bill.

Whereupon,

Mr. PRENDERGAST moved in amendment, seconded by Mr. PARSONS,

That the Amendments be read this day six months.

Amendment that 3rd reading be this day six months.

And the House dividing thereon, there appeared for the Amendment, *two* ; against it, *four*.

## FOR THE AMENDMENT.

## AGAINST THE AMENDMENT.

Mr. Parsons  
" Prendergast

Mr. Hoyles  
" Rankin  
" Winser  
" Job

Division.

So it passed in the negative.

Amendment lost.

The question on the original motion being then put,

Mr. PRENDERGAST again moved in amendment, seconded by Mr. PARSONS,

That a conference be demanded with Her Majesty's Council on the subject of their Amendments on the Vacation of Seats' Bill.

Amendment.

And the House dividing thereon, there appeared for the Amendment, *two* ; against it, *six*.

## FOR THE AMENDMENT.

## AGAINST THE AMENDMENT.

Mr. Prendergast  
" Parsons

Mr. Hoyles  
" Rankin  
" Job  
" Emerson  
" O'Brien  
" Winser

Division on Amendment.

Amendment negatived.

So it passed in the negative.

The question being again put on the original motion,

Mr. PRENDERGAST moved in amendment, seconded by Mr. PARSONS,

Amendment.

That the Amendments be read a third time on the 20th May next.

Amendment negatived without division.

And the question being put thereon, it passed in the negative without division.

Original motion carried.

And the question being then put, the original motion passed in the affirmative, and

*Resolved*,—That the said Amendments be now read a third time.

Amendments read 3rd time.

The said Amendments were then read a third time accordingly.

Mr. HOYLES moved, seconded by Mr. JOB,

Motion that the Amendments be adopted.

That the Amendments be adopted, and that a Message be sent to Her Majesty's Council acquainting them that this House has concurred in the same.

Whereupon,

Mr. PRENDERGAST moved in amendment, seconded by Mr. PARSONS,

Amendment on motion.

That the House do now adjourn.

And the question being put thereon, the House divided, when there appeared for the amendment, *three* ; against it, *four*.

FOR THE AMENDMENT.

AGAINST THE AMENDMENT.

Division on Amendment.

Mr. Prendergast

Mr. Rankin

“ Parsons

“ Winsler

“ Emerson

“ Job

“ Hoyles

Amendment negatived.

So it passed in the negative.

The question being then put on the original motion,

Mr. PRENDERGAST moved in amendment, seconded by Mr. EMERSON,

That the House adjourn.

And the House dividing thereon, there appeared for the Amendment, *three*; against it, *four*.

FOR THE AMENDMENT.

AGAINST THE AMENDMENT.

Mr. Prendergast

Mr. Hoyles

Division on Amendment.

“ Parsons

“ Rankin

“ Emerson

“ Job

“ Winsor

So it passed in the negative.

The question on the original motion being then put,

Mr. PRENDERGAST moved in amendment, seconded by Mr. PARSONS,

That the House adjourn till to-morrow.

And the House dividing thereon, it passed in the negative, on a similar division. Amendment negatived.

The original motion being then put, passed in the affirmative, and

*Ordered* accordingly.

*Ordered*,—That Mr. Winsor and Mr. Hoyles do take the said Message to Her Majesty's Council.

Then the House adjourned till to-morrow at One of the clock.

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T H U R S D A Y , A P R I L 4 , 1 8 5 0 .

Mr. PRENDERGAST gave notice that on to-morrow he would move an Address to His Excellency the Governor, requesting that His Excellency will be pleased to withhold his assent to the Bill to provide for the Vacation of Seats of Members, for the following reasons :—

Notice of motion in reference to passing the Amendments of Her Majesty's Council on the Vacation of Seats Bill without a quorum.

That on Wednesday the 3rd day of April, the SPEAKER and four other Members of the General Assembly, namely, RICHARD RANKIN, HUGH



W. HOYLES, PETER WINSER, and THOMAS BULLEY JOB, without a quorum being present, did illegally and unconstitutionally proceed to pass a Bill to provide for the Vacation of Seats of Members and other matters affecting the franchise and liberties of the Householders and Freeholders of Newfoundland, in opposition to, and in violation of, the rules, orders, and constitution of the said House of General Assembly, which House of General Assembly has decreed, ordered, and established, that it shall not be lawful for the said House of Assembly to proceed to pass any Bill or do any act or thing, anything to the contrary notwithstanding, unless there shall be six members, with the Speaker present; and that the said Speaker shall, on view of the House, not open the business of the House, or proceed with the business of the said House, unless the said number, a quorum, be present.

Notice of motion for increased duty upon wearing apparel.

Mr. PARSONS gave notice that, in Committee of the whole on the Revenue Bill, he would move that an increased ad valorem duty be imposed upon certain articles of ready-made rich apparel and on certain other articles.

Bills read 1st time.

The following Bills, pursuant to notice and leave granted, were brought in, and severally read a first time:—

Treasury Note Bill, and St. John's Street Amendment Act Bill.

By Mr. CARTER, a Bill to authorize the issue of Treasury Notes, and a Bill to amend the Saint John's Street Act.

Bill to repeal Act 8 Vic. cap. 3, & License Amendment Bill, Shipbuilding remission of duties Bill.

By Mr. PRENDERGAST, a Bill to repeal the Act 8 Vic., cap. 3: a Bill to amend the License Act, and a Bill to authorize the remission of duties on articles used in shipbuilding in this colony.

Time of 2nd reading.

*Ordered*,—That the Bill to repeal the Act 8 Vic. cap. 3, and the Bill to authorize the issue of Treasury Notes, be read a second time on Thursday next.

*Ordered*,—That the Bill to amend the Saint John's Street Act be read a second time on Monday next.

*Ordered*,—That the Bill to amend the License Act be read a second time on Friday, the 12th instant.

*Ordered*,—That the Bill to authorize the remission of duties on articles used in shipbuilding in this colony be read a second time on Monday the 15th instant.

Printed.

*Ordered*,—That the above Bills be printed.

Notice of motion for Academy Amendment Bill postponed.

Mr. PRENDERGAST, on leave granted, postponed his motion for leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Act to provide for the establishment of an Academy in the town of Saint John's.

On motion of Mr. HOYLES, seconded by Mr. JOB,

*Resolved*,—That the House do now resolve itself into a Committee of the whole upon the further consideration of the Saint John's Academy.

Committee of the whole on the St. John's Academy.

And the House resolved itself into the said Committee accordingly.

Mr. SPEAKER left the Chair.

Mr. RANKIN took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. SPEAKER resumed the Chair.

The Chairman reported from the Committee that they had considered the business to them referred, and had agreed to a Resolution which they had directed him to report to the House.

The said Resolution was then read by the Clerk, and is as follows:—

*Resolved*,—That it is the opinion of this Committee that the appointment of masters should be vested in the Directors; that three or more masters should be appointed as follows:—one Roman Catholic with a salary of £250; one of the Church of England with a salary of £200; one or more of any other Protestant denomination at salaries in the whole of £150; that until a building for such purposes may be erected by the colony, the said masters shall, at their own expense, provide school-rooms and the necessary contingencies for their respective Schools; and that they shall be permitted to retain for their own use all fees which they may respectively receive, except such amounts as may be necessary to defray the contingencies of the Board of Directors.

Resolution reported from Committee.

On motion of Mr. HOYLES, seconded by Mr. JOB,

*Resolved*,—That the Report of the Committee be adopted.

Report adopted.

Mr. HOYLES gave notice that on to-morrow he would ask leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Act for the establishment of the St. John's Academy.

Notice of Bill to amend the St. John's Academy Act.

Mr. PRENDERGAST gave notice that on to-morrow he would ask leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Act to provide for the establishment of an Academy in the town of Saint John's.

Notice of Bill to amend the St. John's Academy Act.

Then the House adjourned till to-morrow at One of the clock.

F R I D A Y, APRIL 5, 1850.

Petition from Agricultural Society.

Mr. O'BRIEN, with the consent of His Excellency the Governor, presented a Petition from Bryan Robinson, Andrew Milroy, C. F. Bennett, Joseph Noad, and Thomas B. Job, the officers of the Agricultural Society of Newfoundland, and the same was received and read, setting forth,—

The usefulness of the Society in furnishing seed grain throughout the island, and the impetus it has given to agricultural pursuits, and praying that the House would grant a sum of money towards its encouragement.

Supply.

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

Notice for leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Customs' Management Act.

Mr. JOB gave notice that on to-morrow he would ask leave to bring in a Bill in amendment of the Customs' Management Act.

Petition against taking caplin for manure.

Mr. HOYLES presented a Petition from James J. Grieve, and others, of St. John's, and the same was received and read, setting forth,—

The injury sustained by the fishermen of this country from the practice of taking bait in immense quantities for manure, and praying that the House would pass an Act to prevent the continuance of a system so ruinous to the fisheries.

On Table.

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

Petition against taking caplin for manure.

Mr. MOLLOY presented a Petition on the same subject from Thomas Webber, and others, inhabitants of Port-de-Grave and Bareneed, which was received, read, and

On Table.

*Ordered*,—To lie upon the Table.

Notice of Bill to prevent bait being used for manure.

Mr. HOYLES gave notice that on to-morrow he would ask leave to bring in a Bill to prevent the use of Caplin and other bait for manure.

Mr. PARSONS gave notice that on to-morrow he would move an Address to His Excellency the Governor, praying that he would cause to be laid before the House a Report of the proceedings of the Agricultural Society for the past year.

Notice of motion for Address to His Excellency for Return from the Agricultural Society.

On motion of Mr. PRENDERGAST, seconded by Mr. DELANEY,

*Resolved*,—That the Report of the Physician of the Lunatic Asylum be printed.

Lunatic Asylum Report printed.

Mr. HOYLES presented a Petition from Stephen Percy, and others, of Brigus, and the same was received and read, setting forth,—

Petition in reference to Ferry between Chappel's Cove and Fortune Point.

That the alteration of the Ferry between Chappel's Cove and Fortune Point has been productive of great inconvenience, and praying that it may be returned to its original station.

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

Referred to Committee of Supply.

Mr. HOYLES, pursuant to notice and leave granted, presented a Bill to amend an Act entitled "An Act to provide for the establishment of an Academy in St. John's," and the same was read a first time.

Academy Amendment Bill read 1st time.

*Ordered*,—That the said Bill be read a second time to-morrow, and in the meantime be printed.

Mr. PRENDERGAST, pursuant to notice and leave granted, presented a Bill to provide for the establishment of an Academy in Saint John's, and the same was read a first time.

Academy Amendment Bill read 1st time.

*Ordered*,—That the said Bill be read a second time to-morrow, and in the meantime be printed.

Pursuant to order of the day, the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole on Supply.

Committee of the whole on Supply.

Mr. SPEAKER left the Chair.

Mr. HANRAHAN took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. SPEAKER resumed the Chair.

The Chairman reported from the Committee that they had made some progress in the business to them referred, which they had directed him to report to the House, and to ask leave to sit again upon the further consideration thereof.

Progress reported.

*Ordered*,—That the Report be received, and that the Committee have leave to sit again on Tuesday next.

Notice of motion in reference to Poor Relief.

Mr. SHEA gave notice that on Tuesday next he would move an Address to His Excellency the Governor on the subject of the present system of Poor Relief.

Documents from His Excellency the Governor.

Mr. SPEAKER laid before the House the following Documents, transmitted through Mr. Secretary Crowdy, by command of His Excellency the Governor:—

Return of Paupers relieved in the month of December, 1848.

Return of Casual Poor relieved for the six months ending 30th June, 1849.

Return of Permanent Poor relieved for the quarter ending 30th June, 1849.

Return in connection with the expenditure for Roads.

Statements of Assistant Judge Des Barres and Acting Assistant Judge Emerson with reference to the Northern and Southern Circuit last year.

*(For which see Appendix.)*

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

Then the House adjourned till Monday next at One of the clock.

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M O N D A Y, APRIL 8, 1850.

His Management  
Amendment Bill read  
time.

Mr. JOB, pursuant to notice and leave granted, presented a Bill to amend "the Act to provide for the regulation, management, and collection of all Duties granted to Her Majesty, Her Heirs and Successors on all Goods, Wares, and Merchandize imported into this island and its dependencies," and the same was read a first time.

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

Mr. HOYLES, pursuant to notice and leave granted, presented a Bill to prohibit the taking and using of Caplin for manure, and the same was read a first time.

Caplin Manure prevention Bill read 1st time.

*Ordered*,—That the said Bill be read a second time on Monday, the 22nd instant.

Pursuant to order of the day, the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole upon the Bill for granting to Her Majesty certain duties on Goods, Wares, and Merchandize imported into this colony and its dependencies.

Committee of the whole on the Revenue Bill.

Mr. SPEAKER left the Chair.

Mr. HANRAHAN took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. SPEAKER resumed the Chair.

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

Progress reported

*Ordered*,—That the Report be received, and that the Committee have leave to sit again to-morrow, and stand first on the order of the day.

Mr. SHEA, on leave granted, postponed his motion for an Address to Her Majesty in reference to the duties imposed in Foreign Markets on fish exported from this colony, till to-morrow ; and

Notices of motion postponed,

Mr. PRENDERGAST his motion for consideration of Resolutions in reference to the disposal of the Surplus Revenue of the colony, for the year, till Tuesday, the 17th instant.

Mr. PRENDERGAST presented a Petition from Richard Landey, and others, Tide Waiters of the second class in the Customs of St. John's, and the same was received and read, setting forth,—

Petition from 2nd class Tide Waiters, St. John's.

The onerous duties of their situations, and the small amount of remuneration received for the constant attendance required of them, and praying that an increase may be made to their salaries.

*Ordered*,—That the said Petition be referred to the Committee of the whole on the Revenue Bill.

Referred to the Committee on the Revenue Bill.

Then the House adjourned till to-morrow at One of the clock.

T U E S D A Y , APRIL 9, 1850.

Notice for 1st reading of H. M. Council's Amendments on Registration of Voters' Amendment Bill.

Mr. HOYLES gave notice that on to-morrow he would move the first reading of the Amendments of Her Majesty's Council upon the Bill sent up from this House entitled " An Act to amend an Act for registering the names of persons entitled to vote at Elections."

Petitions from Trinity Bay on behalf of the Newfoundland School Society.

Mr. JOB presented Petitions from the inhabitants of English Harbour, of Ship Cove, of New and Old Bonaventure in Trinity Bay, and the same were received and read, praying that the grant to the Newfoundland School Society may be continued.

On Table.

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

Petition from Trinity Bay for a Stipendiary Magistrate.

Mr. JOB presented a Petition from Stephen March, and others, of Old Perlican, Grate's Cove, Hant's Harbour and Silly Cove on the South Shore of Trinity Bay, and the same was received and read, setting forth—that the nearest Court of Justice to which they have access by land is Harbour Grace, and that they are consequently put to great inconvenience, and praying that a Stipendiary Magistrate might be appointed for that district.

On Table.

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

Petition from W. Shelly.

Mr. SHEA, with consent of His Excellency the Governor, presented a Petition from Walter Shelly, and the same was received and read, setting forth,—

That he had prepared furniture suited to the Government Cottage on the Salmonier road, and praying that a sum of money may be granted him for a limited period as keeper of said House.

Referred to the Committee on Supply.

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

Petition from Butchers of St. John's in reference to the Market House.

Mr. O'BRIEN presented a Petition from John Kelly, and others, butchers and victuallers, of St. John's, and the same was received and read, as follows :—

*To the Honorable the Members of the House of Assembly  
of Newfoundland in Colonial Parliament assembled.*

*The Humble Petition of the undersigned, being Butchers  
Vicinuallers, resident in the Town of Saint John's in  
the said Island,*

RESPECTFULLY SHEWETH,—

That Petitioners beg leave to direct the attention of your Honorable House to that portion of the Bill now before your Honorable Body making certain provisions for the regulation of the new Market House, now in the course of completion in the said town, prohibiting the sale of all meat on certain days of the week in other parts of the town than the said Market House; and also prohibiting the slaughtering of cattle, sheep, and pigs within certain limits thereof.

That in Petitioners' humble opinion there is no portion of the said Market House adapted to the purposes of a meat-market: that for such purpose it is not sufficiently capacious and ventilated.

That the public health or convenience is by no means endangered by the present mode pursued by Petitioners in selling their meat on their own premises; that if Petitioners were prevented from doing so, and obliged to sell the same at the said Market, they humbly submit, such would be inflicting a great injury on them, and would likewise considerably interfere with the free exercise of this important and useful branch of the trade of this place.

That in the exercise of their trade in the slaughtering of cattle in the said town, Petitioners further submit that from the usual precautions taken by them from time to time for the removal of the offals from the slaughter-houses, the public health or convenience has not been hitherto in any way injured or endangered—and that such slaughter-houses are open to the inspection of the Magistrates of this town; and that if Petitioners were compelled to remove their slaughter-houses out of the town, such would be of much injury and inconvenience to them.

Petitioners therefore humbly pray that your Honourable House will be pleased to take the premises into your favourable consideration, and suffer Petitioners to pursue their trade as hitherto without any restriction, or do such in the premises as to your Honourable House may seem meet, and for which, as in duty bound, Petitioners will ever pray.

St. John's, 4th April, 1850.



Referred to Committee of the whole on the Market House Bill.

*Ordered*,—That the said Petition be referred to the Committee of the whole on the Market House Bill.

Petition in reference to splitting fish at Marticot.

Mr. DELANEY presented a Petition from James Lang, and others, inhabitants of Paradise, and the same was received and read, praying that the House would pass an enactment preventing the fishermen splitting fish at Marticot, as the practice if continued, would have the effect of driving the bait from their locality, and consequently be most injurious to the fishery.

On Table.

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

Notice of motion for Address in reference to the foregoing Petition.

Mr. DELANEY gave notice that on to-morrow he would move an Address to His Excellency the Governor in reference to the above Petition.

Notice of motion for Address to His Excellency in reference to expenditure on Market House and Court House.

Mr. HOYLES gave notice that on to-morrow he would move an Address to His Excellency the Governor, requesting that he would cause a Statement of the expenditure (out of the sums voted last year) for the completion of the Market House and Court House respectively, according to the estimates submitted to this House, with the report of the Superintendent last Session, to be laid before the House.

Committee of the whole on Revenue Bill.

Pursuant to order of the day, the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole upon the further consideration of the Bill for granting to Her Majesty certain duties on Goods, Wares, and Merchandize imported into this colony and its dependencies.

Mr. SPEAKER left the Chair.

Mr. HANRAHAN took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. SPEAKER resumed the Chair, the Black Rod being at the door.

*A Message from Her Majesty's Council.*

Mr. SPEAKER,—

Message from H.M. Council.

Her Majesty's Council acquaint the House of Assembly that they have passed a Bill entitled "An Act to fix and establish the terms of the Supreme, Circuit, and Sessions Courts, and to extend the jurisdiction and amend the practice of the said Courts," to which they request the concurrence of the Assembly.

ROBERT LAW,  
*President.*

Council Chamber, )  
9th April, 1850. }

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

On Table.

The Bill sent down from Her Majesty's Council entitled " An Act to fix and establish the terms of the Supreme, Circuit, and Sessions Courts, and to extend the jurisdiction and amend the practice of the said Courts," was read a first time.

Terms of Courts Bill read 1st time.

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

Time of 2nd reading.

The Chairman resumed the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. SPEAKER resumed the Chair.

The Chairman reported from the Committee that they had made some progress in the business to them referred which they had directed him to report to the House and to ask leave to sit again on the further consideration thereof.

Progress reported.

*Ordered*,—That the Report be received, and that the Committee have leave to sit again to-morrow, and stand first on the order of the day.

Then the House adjourned till to-morrow at Twelve of the clock.

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W E D N E S D A Y, APRIL 10, 1850.

Mr. SHEA gave notice that on to-morrow he would move a respectful Address to His Excellency the Governor, praying that he would adopt the proper measures to establish the claims of the colony to the St. John's Custom House.

Notice of motion in reference to the St. John's Custom House.

Mr. DELANEY presented Petitions from Wm. Bonew and others, John Bonew and others, John English and others, inhabitants of the district of St. Mary's, and the same were received and read, setting forth,—

Petitions from St. Mary's for a Road Grant.

The unfinished state of the roads in that district, and the inconvenience and loss sustained by not being enabled to bring their cattle to St. John's, and praying that the House would grant a sum of money to enable them to complete the roads in that district.

On Table.

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

Committee of the whole on the Revenue Bill.

Pursuant to order of the day, the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole upon the further consideration of the Bill for granting to Her Majesty certain duties on Goods, Wares and Merchandize imported into this colony and its dependencies.

Mr. SPEAKER left the Chair.

Mr. HANRAHAN took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. SPEAKER resumed the Chair.

Progress reported.

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

Report received.

*Ordered*,—That the said Report be received and that the Committee have leave to sit again to-morrow, and that it stand first on the order of the day.

Amendment of H. M. Council on the Registration of Voters' Bill read 1st time.

Pursuant to order of the day, the Amendment made by Her Majesty's Council in and upon the Bill entitled "An Act for registering the names of persons entitled to vote at Elections" was read a first time, and is as follows:—

In the preamble of the Bill 1st, 2nd, and 3rd lines expunge the words, "Expenses annually incurred in putting into operation," and

Insert in their place the words "Annual taking and revising of the list of Voters in the several Electoral Districts of this Island as prescribed and provided by."

Time of 2nd reading.

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

Documents from His Excellency the Governor.

Mr. SPEAKER laid before the House Returns from the Commissioners for the Relief of the Poor, transmitted through Mr. Secretary Crowdy, by command of His Excellency the Governor.

(For which see Appendix.)

On Table.

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

Committee of the whole on Supply.

Pursuant to order of the day, the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole on Supply.

Mr. SPEAKER left the Chair.

Mr. HANRAHAN took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. SPEAKER resumed the Chair.

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

Progress reported.

*Ordered*,—That the Report be received, and that the Committee have leave to sit again.

Report received.

Then the House adjourned till to-morrow at Twelve of the clock.

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T H U R S D A Y , APRIL 11, 1850.

Mr. WINSER gave notice that on to-morrow he would ask leave to address His Excellency, respectfully requesting that he would cause to be laid before the House of Assembly a full and detailed Statement of the sum of £761 8s. 1d. expended on the Outport Poor, for the half-year ending 31st December, 1849, mentioning each particular district or part of district, and the persons names to whom entrusted.

Notice of motion for Address to His Excellency for Returns for Outport Poor Relief.

Mr. JOB presented a Petition from George Crew and others, inhabitants of Bird Island Cove, and the same was received and read, praying that the House would grant them a sum sufficient to support a schoolmaster in that locality.

Petition for a Schoolmaster at Bird Island Cove.

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

On Table.

Pursuant to order of the day, the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole upon the further consideration of the Bill for granting to Her Majesty certain duties on Goods, Wares, and Merchandize imported into this colony and its dependencies.

Committee of the whole on the Revenue Bill.

Mr. SPEAKER left the Chair.

Mr. HANRAHAN took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. SPEAKER resumed the Chair.

Bill reported with Amendments.

The Chairman reported from the Committee that they had considered the Bill to them referred, and had made some Amendments therein which they had directed him to report to the House.

Adopted.

The said Amendments being severally read throughout a first and second time, were, upon the question put thereon, adopted by the House.

Time of 3rd reading.

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

Committee of the whole on Bill for limitation of Suits relating to real property.

Pursuant to order of the day, the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole upon the Bill sent down from Her Majesty's Council entitled "An Act for the limitation of Suits and Actions relating to real property, and for simplifying the remedies for trying the rights thereto."

Mr. SPEAKER left the Chair.

Mr. RANKIN took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. SPEAKER resumed the Chair.

Bill reported with Amendments.

The Chairman reported from the Committee that they had considered the Bill to them entrusted, and had passed the same with some Amendments, which they had directed him to report to the House.

Adopted.

The said Amendments being severally read throughout a first and second time, were, upon the question put thereon, agreed to by the House.

Time of 3rd reading.

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

Pursuant to order of the day, the following Bills were read a second time :—

Light House Bill read 2nd time.

The Bill to amend several Acts now in force respecting Light Houses, and to make further provision for the said Light Houses, and to consolidate the Laws respecting the same.

Amendment License Bill read 2nd time.

The Bill to amend and revise the "Act to establish the Fees and Costs chargeable in the several Police Offices and Courts of Session in this colony."

On motion of Mr. JOB, seconded by Mr. O'BRIEN,

*Resolved*,—That the Bill to amend several Acts now in force respecting Light Houses be committed to a Committee of the whole House to-morrow.

On motion of Mr. HOYLES, seconded by Mr. EMERSON,

*Resolved*,—That the Bill to amend and revise the Act to establish the Fees and Costs chargeable in the several Police Offices and Courts of Sessions in this colony be committed to a Committee of the whole House to-morrow.

Mr. PRENDERGAST moved, pursuant to order of the day, seconded by Mr. WINSER,

That the Bill to continue and amend an Act passed in the sixth year of the reign of Her present Majesty entitled "An Act for the encouragement of Education in this colony" be now read a second time.

Motion for 2nd reading of Education Amendment Bill

Whereupon,

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

That the House do now adjourn.

And the question being put thereon, it passed in the affirmative without division, and

Amendment carried.

*Ordered* accordingly.

Mr. SPEAKER laid before the House the following Documents, transmitted through Mr. Secretary Crowdy, by command of His Excellency the Governor:—

Documents from His Excellency the Governor.

Statement of Bonds transferred and monies paid to the Colonial Treasurer for the quarter ending 10th October, 1849.

Statement of sums paid by the Acting Clerk of the Peace at St. John's to the Colonial Treasurer for the year 1849.

Return of Fees paid by the Sheriffs of the Central District to the Colonial Treasurer for the year 1849.

Statement of sums paid to the Colonial Treasurer by the Clerk of the Supreme and Central Circuit Court for the year 1849.

Statement of Bonds and Monies paid to the Colonial Treasurer for the quarter ending 5th January, 1850.

(*For which see Appendix.*)

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

Then the House adjourned till to-morrow at Twelve of the clock.

F R I D A Y, APRIL 12, 1850.

Notice of motion for 2nd reading of Education amendment Bill.

Mr. PRENDERGAST gave notice that on to-morrow he would move that the Bill to amend the Act for the encouragement of Education in this colony be read a second time, and that it stand first on the order of the day.

Bill for limitation of Actions and Suits relating to real property read 3rd time.

Pursuant to order of the day, the Bill sent down from Her Majesty's Council entitled "An Act for the limitation of Actions and Suits relating to real property and for simplifying the remedies for trying the rights thereto," as amended, was read a third time.

On motion of Mr. HOYLES, seconded by Mr. SHEA,

Passed and Message to H. M. Council.

*Resolved*,—That the Bill as amended do pass, and that a Message be sent to Her Majesty's Council requesting their concurrence in the Amendments made by this House.

*Ordered*,—That Mr. Hoyles and Mr. Shea do carry the said Message to Her Majesty's Council.

Committee of the whole on Supply.

Pursuant to order of the day, the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole on Supply.

Mr. SPEAKER left the Chair.

Mr. HANRAHAN took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. SPEAKER resumed the Chair.

Progress reported.

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

*Ordered*,—That the Report be received and that the Committee have leave to sit again.

Mr. O'BRIEN gave notice that on Monday next he would move a respectful Address to His Excellency the Governor, praying that he will appropriate part of the unexpended grant of last year for shipwrecked sealers in remunerating those persons who lately rescued sealers on drift ice off the harbour of St. John's.

Notice for Address to His Excellency on shipwrecked sealers.

Mr. CARTER gave notice that on Monday next he would move the appointment of a Select Committee to inquire into the Contingencies of the Legislature.

Notice for Select Committee on Contingencies.

Mr. WINSER gave notice that on Monday next he would move an Address to His Excellency the Governor, requesting that he would cause a detailed Statement of the Outport Permanent Poor to be laid before the House.

Notice for return of Outport Permanent Poor.

Mr. O'BRIEN gave notice that on Monday next he would move that the 36th and 43rd rules of the House be suspended during the remainder of the Session.

Notice for suspension of Rules.

Mr. EMERSON gave notice that in Committee of the whole on Supply he would move the re-consideration of the vote in reference to the sum of £64 5s. claimed by the Imperial Government for articles handed over to the present Customs' Department by the late Collector.

Notice for re-consideration in Committee of Supply of claim of Imperial Government on Customs of Saint John's.

Then the House adjourned till Monday next at One of the clock.

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M O N D A Y, APRIL 15, 1850.

Mr. O'BRIEN, with consent of His Excellency the Governor, presented a Petition from Five Thousand inhabitants of Saint John's, and the same was received and read, setting forth,—

Petition in reference to Roman Catholic burial ground.

That owing to Legislative enactments preventing them using the old Roman Catholic Cemetery, they were obliged to purchase a piece of ground at some distance from town for that purpose, and praying that the House would reimburse them for the expense incurred.

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

Referred to Committee of Supply.



Mr. JOB, with consent of His Excellency the Governor, presented the following Petitions, which were severally received and read :—

From the St. John's Water Company for compensation.

From the Secretary of the Saint John's Water Company on behalf of the Company, setting forth,—

That the undertaking, although most beneficial to the community at large by affording an ample supply of water at all times and in all emergencies, had not up to this time, afforded the Shareholders any profit, and praying that the House would appropriate a sum of money in compensation for the heavy outlay made in laying down the public fire-plugs in Water-street, and superintending the same.

Referred to Committee of Supply.

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

From the Secretary and Treasurer of the Dorcas Society for a grant.

From the Secretary and Treasurer of the Dorcas Society, setting forth,—

The encouragement offered by the institution to industry, its usefulness to the poorer classes in affording them the means of employment, particularly at times when work is difficult to be had elsewhere, and praying that the House would continue the usual grant in support of it.

Referred to Committee of Supply.

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

From Wm. Vinecomb and others, for remuneration.

Mr. PARSONS presented a Petition from Wm. Vinecomb, and others, Pilots of St. John's, and the same was received and read, setting forth,—

The great exertions used by them and the risk incurred in their attempt to rescue some shipwrecked sealers from the drift ice off the harbour of St. John's on Wednesday last, and praying that some remuneration may be made them.

On Table.

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

From J. Maddock, & others, for grant for a road.

Mr. O'BRIEN presented a Petition from John Maddock and others, of Portugal Cove, and the same was received and read, setting forth,—

The impassable state of the road thence to St. John's, from the immense quantity of snow, particularly between Windsor Lake and the Cove, and praying that a small amount may be granted to clear the same.

On Table.

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

Mr. O'BRIEN presented the following Petitions, which were severally received and read,—

From James McGrath and others, farmers, living between Middle Cove and the Torbay Road, setting forth—the disadvantage under which they laboured for the want of a road by which they could bring manure to their farms, and praying that the House would take their case into consideration, and grant a sum of money for so desirable a purpose.

From James McGrath and others, for grant for a road.

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

On Table.

From Edmund Redmond and others, of Belle Isle, praying for a grant to open a branch road from Lance Cove to the eastern end of Belle Isle.

From E. Redmond & others, for grant for a road.

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

On Table.

From James J. Grieve and others, of St. John's, setting forth,—

That the proprietors of certain land situated on the north-side of Duckworth Street and near to Bell's Shute, have consented to give for the public benefit sufficient ground to open a new line of street from Bell's Shute to the Episcopal Cathedral, provided the House would appropriate the sum of One Hundred and Thirty Pounds for making drains and sewers in the same.

From J.J. Grieve, & others, for grant for a new line of street.

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

On Table.

From James Gray, and others, farmers, living on the Bay Bulls road, praying that a grant might be made to repair the Petty Harbour road, without which they could not bring manure to their farms.

From J. Gray and others, for grant to repair Petty Harbor road.

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

On Table.

From Jeremiah Merrigan, and others, farmers, residing on the roads leading from St. John's to George's Pond, and also to Branscomb's Pond, praying that a grant might be made to enable them to repair and open up the roads in that locality.

From J. Merrigan & others, for grant for roads.

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

On Table.

From Jacob Chaffe and others, living on the Bay Bulls Road near the Goulds, praying that a sum of money may be voted to complete the road between the Goulds and Petty Harbour, as without it they have no possibility of bringing manure to their farms.

From Jacob Chaffe & others, for a grant to complete road.

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

On Table.

From Thomas O'Connor and others, inhabitants of the south-shore of Conception Bay, setting forth,—

From T. O'Connor & others, of south-shore of Conception Bay for grant for a road.

The benefit that would result from a road being opened be-

tween Topsail and Portugal Cove, and praying that a grant might be made for that purpose.

On Table.

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

From Robinson, Brooking & Co., for grant to repair King's Road.

From Robinson, Brooking & Co., and others, of St. John's, setting forth,—the impassable state of the King's Road, from the large accumulation of rubbish, and its consequent inutility as a public thoroughfare, and praying that the House would grant a sum of money to repair the same.

On Table.

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

From P. Mullooney and others, for a grant to make bridges.

From Patrick Mullooney and others, farmers, living on the Portugal Cove and Torbay Roads, setting forth,—the difficulty of obtaining firewood in winter in these localities, and praying that the House would grant a sufficient sum to make bridges over Burned Tilt and Island Pond Rivers; as also over Kent's and Deer's Marsh Gullies, by which means a communication would be opened during winter with the country about eight miles from Saint John's extending north of Island Pond towards the east-shore of Conception Bay, and abounding in firewood.

On Table.

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

From J. Power and others, of Blackhead, for grant to make a road thence to St. John's.

From John Power and others of Blackhead, praying for a grant to open a road from thence to St. John's.

On Table.

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

From J. Funcheon and others, for agricultural road.

Mr. PARSONS presented Petitions from John Funcheon and others, of St. John's, residing between Branscomb's Pond and the Black Marsh, and the same were received and read, setting forth—the benefit that would result from opening an agricultural road in that locality, as many persons would be induced to settle there in consequence, and praying that a grant might be made for that purpose.

On Table.

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

From E. Flynn and others, for grant for road from Wind Gap to Topsail.

From Edward Flynn and others of Topsail, setting forth,—that the road from Wind Gap to Topsail was in a very bad state, and praying for a grant to repair the same.

On Table.

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

Notice for adjournment till 20th June.

Mr. HOYLES gave notice that on to-morrow he would move a resolution that the House adjourn till the 20th day of June next.

On motion of Mr. O'BRIEN, pursuant to notice, seconded by Mr. HOYLES,

*Resolved*,—That the 36th and 43rd Rules of this House be suspended during the remainder of the Session.

Suspension of Rules.

Pursuant to order of the day, the Bill for granting to Her Majesty certain duties on Goods, Wares, and Merchandize imported into this colony and its dependencies, was read a third time.

Revenue Bill read 3rd time.

On motion of Mr. JOB, seconded by Mr. O'BRIEN,

*Resolved*,—That the Bill do pass, and that its title be "An Act for granting to Her Majesty certain Duties on Goods, Wares, and Merchandize imported into this colony and its dependencies."

Passed and Titled.

*Ordered*,—That Mr. JOB and Mr. O'BRIEN be a Committee to take the said Bill to Her Majesty's Council and desire their concurrence.

Deputation to H.M. Council.

Pursuant to order of the day, the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole upon the consideration of the Bill to amend the Quarantine Act.

Committee of the whole on Quarantine Amendment Bill.

Mr. SPEAKER left the Chair.

Mr. SHEA took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. SPEAKER resumed the Chair.

The Chairman reported from the Committee that they had passed the Bill to them referred with some Amendments, which they had directed him to report to the House.

Bill reported with Amendments.

The Amendments being then severally read throughout a first and second time, were, upon the question put thereon, adopted by the House.

*Ordered*,—That the Bill as amended be engrossed and read a third time this day.

Pursuant to order, the said Bill being engrossed, was read a third time.

Read 3rd time.

On motion of Mr. O'BRIEN, seconded by Mr. JOB,

*Resolved*,—That the Bill pass, and that its title be "A Bill to amend an Act passed in the third year of the reign of His late Majesty, entitled 'An Act to provide for the performance of Quarantine, and more effect-

Passed and Titled.

ually to provide against the introduction of infectious or contagious diseases, and the spreading thereof in this island.

Sent to H.M. Council.

*Ordered*,—That Mr. O'BRIEN and Mr. JOB do carry the said Bill to Her Majesty's Council and desire their concurrence.

Mr. CARTER moved, seconded by Mr. HOYLES,

Motion for Committee of the whole on Public Coves and Landings Bill.

That the Bill to provide for the Management of the Public Coves and Landings in the town of St. John's be committed to a Committee of the whole House.

Whereupon,

Mr. JOB moved in amendment, seconded by Mr. WINSER,

Amendment.

'That the order of the day be discharged.

And the House dividing thereon, there appeared for the Amendment, *eight*; against it, *five*.

FOR THE AMENDMENT.

AGAINST THE AMENDMENT.

Division on Amendment.

Mr. Job	Mr. O'Brien
" Rankin	" Hoyles
" Shea	" Carter
" Molloy	" Parsons
" Falle	" Delaney
" Emerson	
" Prendergast	
" Winsor	

Original motion negatived.

So it passed in the negative, and

*Ordered* accordingly.

Committee of the whole on Market House Bill.

Pursuant to order of the day, the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole upon the Bill to provide for the regulation of the Public Market House.

Mr. SPEAKER left the Chair.

Mr. FALLE took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. SPEAKER resumed the Chair.

Bill reported with Amendments.

The Chairman reported from the Committee that they had considered

the Bill to them referred, and had passed the same with some Amendments which they had directed him to report to the House.

*Ordered*,—That the Report be received.

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

Amendments adopted.

Mr. CARTER moved, seconded by Mr. PRENDERGAST,

That the Bill be re-committed.

Motion that the Market House Bill bere-committed.

Whereupon,

Mr. JOB moved in Amendment, seconded by Mr. HANRAHAN,

That the Bill as amended be engrossed and read a third time this day, which passed in the affirmative.

Amendment on motion for re-committal.

The said Bill as amended being engrossed, was then read a third time.

Read 3rd time.

On motion of Mr. PRENDERGAST, seconded by Mr. HOYLES,

*Resolved*,—That the Bill do pass, and that its title be “An Act for the Regulation and Management of the Public Market House in the town of St. John’s.

Passed and titled.

*Ordered*,—That Mr. CARTER and Mr. HOYLES do carry the Bill to Her Majesty’s Council and desire their concurrence.

Deputation to present.

Mr. O’BRIEN, on leave granted, postponed his motion for the 2nd reading of the Bill to increase the present number of Representatives in the General Assembly of this island, and to regulate the representation thereof, till Wednesday next, then to stand first on the order of the day.

Order of the day postponed.

Mr. HOYLES moved, seconded by Mr. CARTER,

That the Bill to amend the Act for the establishment of an Academy at St. John’s be now read a second time.

Motion for 2nd reading of Academy Amendment Bill.

Whereupon,

Mr. PRENDERGAST moved in amendment, seconded by Mr. DELANEY,

That the said Bill be read a second time this day six months.

Amendment.

And the House dividing thereon, there appeared for the Amendment, *two* ; against it, *eight*.

## FOR THE AMENDMENT.

## AGAINST THE AMENDMENT.

Division on Amendment.

Mr. Prendergast  
 “ Delaney

Mr. Winsor  
 “ Job  
 “ Molloy  
 “ Hanrahan  
 “ Rankin  
 “ O'Brien  
 “ Carter  
 “ Hoyles

Amendment negatived.

So it passed in the negative, and the question being put on the original motion, it passed in the affirmative, and

Original motion carried.

*Ordered* accordingly.

Read 2nd time.

The said Bill was then read a second time.

*Ordered*,—That the said Bill be committed to a committee of the whole House to-morrow, and stand second on the order of the day.

Notice for reconsideration  
 in Supply of vote to Gas  
 Light Company.

Mr. WINSER gave notice that in Committee of the whole on Supply he would move the re-consideration of the vote in support of the Gas Light Company.

Then the House adjourned till to-morrow at Twelve of the clock.

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T U E S D A Y , APRIL 16, 1850.

Petition for reimbursement  
 of award paid John Roach  
 for value awarded by the  
 late Fire Companies,

Mr. O'BRIEN, with consent of His Excellency the Governor, presented the following Petitions which were severally received and read:—

From Ambrose Shea and others, late Wardens and Officers of the Fire Companies, setting forth,—

That in pursuance of the provisions of the Act for the regulation of Fire Companies, they, in the year 1845, appointed one John Roach to appraise property in St. John's subject to assessment under the said Act, and to collect the amount thereof: that they contracted to pay him for his services the sum of £75, and that he continued to fill the situation until the fire of 1846 terminated his labours. Having no funds, they refused payment of a balance of salary claimed by him amounting to £40: that he, having instituted legal proceedings against them, they had been obliged to pay the amount of his claim and costs amounting to £45 18s. 2d. stg., and praying that the House would reimburse them for the same, they being at the time of contracting with him, acting only for the public benefit, and without any personal pecuniary profit.

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

Referred to the Committee of Supply.

From Andrew Milroy and others, Shareholders in the St. John's Library and Reading Room, setting forth,—that with a view to remedy the serious loss sustained by this community from the destruction by fire in 1846 of the various Libraries in this town, they had founded a Library upon such principles as would make it generally useful to the public at a very moderate rate: that they had now collected about 1000 standard works, the cost of which and the various expenses of the institution being defrayed, little will remain to increase the stock of books: that they derive no profit from the institution, and praying for a grant to encourage its usefulness.

From Andrew Milroy and others, for a grant for the Library.

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

Referred to the Committee of Supply.

From Honora Mackay, widow, of St. John's, setting forth,—that in 1846 she, by direction of the late Colonial Treasurer, had boarded and lodged a shipwrecked crew, and praying that the sum of £10 sterling may be awarded her as compensation for expense incurred.

From Honora Mackay for compensation for boarding shipwrecked crew.

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

Referred to Committee of Supply.

From Daniel Dwyer, of St. John's, setting forth,—his own advanced age, severe family afflictions, and destitute circumstances; his many claims upon this community where he has for many years resided, and always been distinguished by the correctness of his conduct: his being now incapacitated by blindness from earning a livelihood, and praying that the House would take his case into consideration.

From Daniel Dwyer praying that the House would take his case into consideration.

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

Referred to Committee of Supply.



From Clift, Wood & Co., praying that an amount of duty overpaid may be refunded them.

From Clift, Wood & Co., merchants, of St. John's, setting forth,—that being ignorant of the value of two cargoes of building stone (not having the invoices thereof) imported into this country for the Episcopal Cathedral, they had over-valued the same in the sum of £528, and praying that the duty overpaid, amounting to £29 0s. 10*d.* stg. may be refunded them.

Referred to the Committee of Supply.

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

Mr. PARSONS, with consent of His Excellency the Governor, presented the following Petitions, which were severally received and read :

From Mary Gear for compensation.

From Mary Gear, wife of Robert Gear, of St. John's, setting forth,—that her husband had been coxswain of the Customs' boat for the last ten years, during which time his conduct had met with the approval of his superiors: that hitherto she had resided in the Custom House as housekeeper without remuneration of any kind: that the duties required of her in the present Custom House were much more onerous than those formerly, and occupied the whole of her time and that of her family: that her husband being confined by a severe illness, is unable to render her any assistance as hitherto, and that he is also incapacitated by sickness from continuing his situation as coxswain of the Customs' boat, and praying that a suitable allowance may be made her, in accordance with the responsibility of the situation.

Referred to the Committee of Supply.

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

From Richard Perchard for amount of loss sustained by Act of the Legislature.

From Richard Perchard, of St. John's, setting forth,—that he had sustained a loss by the passing of an Act of the Legislature in 1844 for to amount of £307 4s. 6*d.*: that he had only received £200 of this amount, although the correctness of his claim had been certified by a Select Committee of the House of Assembly in 1846, and praying that the balance due, £107 4s. 6*d.*, might be paid him.

Referred to the Committee of Supply.

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

From Thomas Sullivan and others, for a grant for a road.

Mr. PARSONS presented a Petition from Thomas Sullivan and others, residing on the Bay Bulls road, and the same was received and read, praying that a grant of money might be made to open a road between that and the Deer's Marsh Path.

On Table.

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

Mr. DELANEY presented a Petition from George LeMessurier and others, inhabitants of Oliver's Cove and adjoining settlements of Placentia Bay, and the same was received and read, setting forth,—the insecure nature of the roadstead there, and praying for a grant to build a breakwater.

From George LeMessurier and others, for grant for a breakwater.

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

On Table.

Mr. HANRAHAN, with consent of His Excellency the Governor, presented a Petition from Charlotte Norris and others, the committee of the Dorcas Society of Carbonear, and the same was received and read, setting forth,—that during the last year they had provided clothing for fifty distressed families: that deeply grateful for the Legislative support afforded them hitherto, they rely with confidence upon its continuance, and praying that the House would grant a sum of money in support of so valuable an institution.

From Dorcas Society, Carbonear, for a grant.

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

Referred to the Committee of Supply.

Mr. PRENDERGAST, with consent of His Excellency the Governor, presented a Petition from Wm. Ewen Shenstone and others, members of the Wesleyan Church and Congregation, Harbour Grace, and the same was received and read, setting forth,—the destruction of the Wesleyan Church there on the 7th of February last, and praying that the House would take into consideration the claims of so large and respectable a body, and grant a sum of money to assist in its re-erection.

From Wm. Ewen Shenstone and others, for a grant to re-erection Harbour Grace Church.

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

Referred to Committee of Supply.

Mr. SPEAKER laid before the House by command of His Excellency the Governor, a Report from the Commissioners of the Harbour Grace Grammar School, transmitted through Mr. Secretary Crowdy.

Report from His Excellency the Governor.

(For which see *Appendix*.)

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

On Table.

Pursuant to order, the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole on Supply.

Supply.

Mr. SPEAKER left the Chair.

Mr. HANRAHAN took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. SPEAKER resumed the Chair.

Progress reported.

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

*Ordered*,—That the Report be received, and that the Committee have leave to sit again.

Notice for Address to His Excellency on the subject of Ferries.

Mr. DELANEY gave notice that on to-morrow he would move an Address to His Excellency on the subject of the Ferries throughout the Island.

Notice for reconsideration of vote to Magistrate at George's Bay.

Mr. EMERSON gave notice that in Committee of the whole on Supply he would move the reconsideration of the vote for the Magistrate at George's Bay.

Then the House adjourned till to-morrow at Twelve of the clock.

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W E D N E S D A Y , APRIL 17, 1850.

Petitions from Trinity Bay for Road Grants.

Mr. JOB presented Petitions from Henry Goldsworthy and others, inhabitants of Salmon Cove ; Robert Slade and others, of Trinity ; Charles McCarthy and others, of Heart's Content ; and the same were severally received and read, praying that grants might be made to enable them to repair and open roads in their different districts.

On Table.

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

Petition in reference to Education from the Wesleyans and others.

Mr. O'BRIEN presented a Petition from William Faulkner and others, of St. John's, clergymen and members of the Wesleyan, Congregational, Established Church of Scotland, and Free Church of Scotland, and the same was received and read as follows:—

*To the Honourable the House of Assembly of Newfoundland in  
Legislative Session convened.*

*The Petition of the undersigned Presbyterians of the Established Church of Scotland, Wesleyans, Congregationalists, and Presbyterians of the free Church of Scotland,*

HUMBLY SHEWETH,—

That your petitioners, impressed with a deep sense of the importance to the community of the means of high intellectual culture being placed within the reach of the middle and operative classes of society, have observed with satisfaction that the present state of the St. John's Academy has occupied much of the attention of your Honourable House, and that a Bill has been introduced, and is now before your Honourable House, to amend the Act for the establishment of the said Academy.

That your petitioners are convinced that the failure of that Institution is not attributable to any considerable number of parents undervaluing the importance of securing a superior education for their children, but that it is entirely traceable to other causes which your Honourable House are now endeavouring to remove.

That under existing circumstances, your petitioners are satisfied that a division of the Institution into three Academies is calculated to promote the object for which the Academy was originally established.

That your petitioners consider the sum of One hundred and fifty pounds per annum, allotted to them by the Bill before your Honourable House, to be a fair division of the present endowment, but as they consider it to be indispensable to the success of their institution, that the services of at least two competent Masters be secured for it, (which will involve an expenditure of about two hundred and ninety pounds additional, exclusive of contingencies,) your petitioners respectfully submit to your Honourable House the propriety of an equal division between the three Institutions, of the sum of Two thousand five hundred pounds unexpended of the amount appropriated for a building, by the first section of the Act for the establishment of the Academy.

That as the present measure must be considered as only an experiment, your petitioners admit that it is inexpedient to erect three separate buildings, until the success of the measure shall have been tested; but the annual interest of one-third of the unexpended sum of two thousand five hundred pounds for some years to come, would answer the purpose of

your petitioners, as it would be sufficient to defray the rent of a building for school-rooms, reserving the annual sum of One hundred and fifty pounds for the salaries of the Masters.

That your petitioners respectfully submit to your Honorable House, that to secure the success of the Institution intended for them, it is indispensable that it be placed under the management of Directors selected from among themselves, and that they deem the appointment of two Directors of the Wesleyan denomination, and one each, from the St. Andrew's Church congregation, the congregationists, and the Free St. Andrew's Church congregation, to be a fair apportionment of Directors for that Institution.

Wherefore your petitioners respectfully pray that your Honourable House will be pleased to take the premises into your consideration, and to enact in addition to the appropriation of "One hundred and fifty pounds towards defraying the salaries of one or more Masters of other Protestant denominations," provided by the Bill before your Honourable House, that one-third of the sum of Two thousand five hundred pounds, appropriated for an Academical building, &c., be granted for the erection of a building for school-rooms for these Masters, and that the Institution be placed under the management of five Directors as above stated.

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

WILLIAM FAULKNER, Wesleyan Minister.

ADAM STUART MUIR, Minister of the Free Church of Scotland.

GEORGE SCHOFIELD, Congregationalist Minister.

THOMAS KING, Minister of the Church of Scotland.

ELIAS BRETTE, Wesleyan Minister.

St. John's, Newfoundland, April 15, 1850.

*Ordered*,—That the said Petition be referred to the Committee of the whole upon the Bill to amend the act for the establishment of the St. John's Academy.

Referred to the Committee on the St. John's Academy.

Committee of the whole on the St. John's Academy Amendment Bill.

Pursuant to order of the day, the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole upon the Bill to amend the Act for the establishment of an Academy at St. John's.

MR. SPEAKER left the Chair.

MR. RANKIN took the Chair of the Committee.

MR. SPEAKER resumed the Chair, on the Black Rod being at the door.

*A Message from Her Majesty's Council.*

The Master-in-Chancery to Her Majesty's Council brought down the following written Message:—

Message from H. M. Council requesting conference in reference to the Amendments of the House of Assembly on the Bill for limitation of Actions and Suits relating to real property.

MR. SPEAKER,—

Her Majesty's Council request a conference with the House of Assembly on the subject of the Amendments made by the Assembly on the Bill entitled "An Act for the limitation of Actions and Suits relating to real property and for simplifying the remedies for trying the rights thereto," and have appointed the Honbls. Messrs. Archibald and Row conferees on the part of this House to meet the managers on the part of the House of Assembly in the Committee Room of the Council presently.

E. M. ARCHIBALD,

*Presiding Member.*

Council Chamber, }  
17th April, 1850. }

And then the Messenger withdrew.

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

On Table.

On motion of Mr. HOYLES, seconded by Mr. MOLLOY,

*Resolved*,—That a Message be sent to Her Majesty's Council acquainting them that this House agree to the conference requested by them.

Message to H.M. Council as-senting to conference.

*Ordered*,—That Mr. HOYLES, MR. EMERSON, MR. PRENDERGAST, and MR. PARSONS do manage the said conference on the part of this House.

Managers of conference ap-pointed.

And they went to the conference, and being returned,

Mr. HOYLES reported that the managers had been at the conference, and he read the Report in his place, and afterwards delivered it in at the Clerk's Table, where it was again read as follows:—

Her Majesty's Council have requested this conference with the House of Assembly upon the Amendments made in the Bill sent down from Her Majesty's Council entitled "An Act for the limitation of Suits and Ac-tions relating to real property, and for simplifying the remedies for try-

Report of Conferees.

ing the rights thereto" for the purpose of acquainting the House of Assembly that they do not concur in the first Amendment made by the House of Assembly in the said Bill, whereby it is proposed to expunge the 18th section, because by the omission of the provision contained in this section, a period exceeding the limitation of twenty years, and capable of being extended to double that period would, in opposition to the preamble of the Bill, be requisite to bar a party from recovering landed property, owing to the mere circumstance of a concurrent right or interest in the same property accruing to him during his present estate or interest in possession before the lapse of the first period of twenty years, and without any actual change in the circumstances of his relation to the property.

That the absence of such a provision would tend to disturb titles acquired under long possession, which it is one object of the Bill to quiet and settle, and would confer upon a supine party a privilege not extended to others virtually in as meritorious a position and entitled to equal consideration—a privilege resulting merely from a circumstance by which his estate or interest in *possession* may be confirmed or extended, but by no means necessary to the establishment of his right of possession.

It will be perceived that the second and fifth sections of the Bill protect the estates and interests of remainder men, reversioners, and all parties entitled to any future estate or interest until the time when these respectively become estates or interests in possession; while the saving clause in the section proposed to be expunged gives to a claimant the full benefit of his concurrent interest upon a contingency creating a new state of circumstances, and enabling him to enforce his rights without injury to those of other parties whose possession in the absence of such contingency the Bill is also intended to protect.

The Council beg leave to remind the House of Assembly that the section is a transcript of a section in the Imperial Statute, and was adopted doubtless after the most mature consideration of its effect as part of a code by which rights to the recovery of landed property should be governed. And, viewing it as merely carrying out the principle of the Bill, while its absence would extend a peculiar indulgence to a class of persons possessing in justice no peculiar claim to such indulgence, Her Majesty's Council trust that the House of Assembly on further consideration may recede from this Amendment.

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

The Chairman resumed the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. SPEAKER resumed the Chair.

The Chairman reported from the Committee that they had passed the Bill to them referred with some Amendments, which they had directed him to report to the House.

Bill reported with Amendments.

*Ordered*,—That the Report be received.

The Amendments having being severally read throughout a first and second time, were, upon the question put thereon, adopted by the House.

Amendments adopted.

*Ordered*,—That the said Bill be engrossed and read a third time this day.

Read 3rd time.

Pursuant to order, the said Bill being engrossed, was read a third time.

On motion of Mr. HOYLES, seconded by Mr. SHEA,

*Resolved*,—That the said Bill do pass, and that it be entitled “ An Act to amend an Act passed in the 7th year of the reign of Her present Majesty entitled ‘ An Act to provide for the establishment of an Academy in St. John’s. ’ ”

Passed and Titled.

Then the House adjourned till to-morrow at Twelve of the clock.

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T H U R S D A Y, APRIL 18, 1850.

Mr. EMERSON, with consent of His Excellency the Governor, presented a Petition from Robert Slade and others, of the district of Twillingate, and the same was received and read, setting forth,—that their remote situation from the capital subjected them frequently to great inconvenience from the want of regular Postal communication, and praying that a Packet may be employed in that service from the opening of the navigation to the end of November.

Petition from Twillingate for a Packet Boat.

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

Referred to Committee of Supply.



Petition from Hannah Gayler for compensation for loss of Fees sustained by her late father-in-law.

Mr. HOYLES, with consent of His Excellency the Governor, presented a Petition from Hannah Gayler, Administratrix to the estate of her late father-in-law, Thomas Gayler, Clerk of the Peace for the District of Bonavista, and the same was received and read, setting forth,—that in the year 1840 the fees appertaining to that office were made payable to the colony by an Act of the Legislature, and that the incumbents of these offices were remunerated for the loss sustained by them by special votes of the House, with the exception of petitioner's father-in-law: that being obliged to maintain the grandchild of her late father-in-law out of her own limited means, she humbly prays that the premises may be considered, and a sum of money voted her in compensation for the loss sustained by him.

Referred to Committee of Supply.

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

Report of Select Committee in reference to Fire-sufferers of 9th June, 1846.

Mr. PARSONS, from the Select Committee appointed to prepare an Address to Her Most Gracious Majesty on the subject of the funds sent to this colony for the relief of the sufferers by the fire of 1846, presented the Report and Address which were read a first time by the Clerk, as follows:—

The Committee to whom was referred the business of drafting an Address to Her Most Gracious Majesty on the subject of the funds sent to this colony for the relief of the sufferers by the great conflagration of the 9th June, 1846, beg leave to report that they have drawn their information from the only two sources within their reach, namely,—the printed pamphlet of the Relief Committee appointed by the late Governor, Sir John Harvey, and the Official Return sent down to the Assembly last Session in reply to an Address from the House.

Your Committee regret that there has never been any account published by the Executive (except the one hereunto annexed) to throw any light upon the appropriations of the money retained by the Local Government, and this seems the more extraordinary, seeing that, on the request of the aforesaid Relief Committee to be furnished with a statement of the receipts and expenditure by the Executive, the Government replied that it was of opinion that it would be a more desirable course that the Executive Government should, at a future period, publish their own report of the receipt and expenditure of monies on account of the sufferers by the late fire, rather than embody it with that of the Relief Committee.

This promised Report has never yet been published, and as your Commit-

tee had no power to send for persons and papers, they have been necessarily confined to the two Official Documents already mentioned ; but they, nevertheless, have been afforded sufficient matter in these papers upon which to base a Memorial to Her Most Gracious Majesty ; and your Committee respectfully submit the following to the House: —

R. J. PARSONS, *Chairman of Select Committee.*

TO THE QUEEN'S MOST EXCELLENT MAJESTY.

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR MAJESTY,—

We the Commons of Newfoundland, in General Assembly convened, beg leave to approach Your Majesty with feelings of the deepest devotion and loyalty.

*Address to Her Majesty in reference to the funds sent to this colony for the relief of the Fire-sufferers of 1846.*

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR MAJESTY—In the year 1846, the town of St. John's, the capital of Newfoundland, was entirely destroyed by fire, creating wide-spread distress and destitution, insomuch that thousands who were in affluence before, were, by that event, reduced to pauperism.

Your Gracious Majesty learning through the Local Executive the extent of the distress of your loyal people of Newfoundland, immediately expressed your condolence by your Royal Letter to the Archbishops of York and Canterbury, commanding these Prelates to cause to be raised in the Churches of Your Majesty's Kingdom collections of money to relieve the distresses and sufferings of your faithful people of Newfoundland.

In accordance with Your Gracious Majesty's Royal Letter, a large sum was collected, amounting in all to Thirty-one Thousand, Five Hundred and Sixteen Pounds, which was duly transmitted to this colony, and placed in charge of Governor Sir John Harvey, to be distributed, in addition to Thirty Thousand Pounds granted by the Imperial Parliament (under instructions from the Right Honorable Secretary of State) among the destitute sufferers by that awful calamity.

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR MAJESTY—We feel it our duty respectfully to apprise Your Majesty, and to complain that a great part of those charitable funds has been, not only diverted from the intention manifested by Your Majesty's Royal Letter, the views of the Imperial Parliament, and the earlier Despatches of the Secretary of State—to be distributed among the destitute, but has been positively detained from them, and other portions applied to purposes wholly foreign to the charitable design which called up the sympathies of the British nation in behalf of the victims of that fearful visitation which left our prospering city a mass of smouldering ruins.

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR MAJESTY—Whilst His Excellency Sir John Harvey remained Governor of this colony, the distribution of these funds was appropriately applied, and it was only after his departure that a widely different direction was given to them than that for which they were collected. Despatches were sent to Your Majesty's Secretary of State for the Colonies (*vide* correspondence published by order of the House of Lords)—not only misrepresenting the condition of the fire-sufferers, but absolutely falsifying their state and circumstances—which had the effect of inducing the Right Honorable Secretary to alter his first views, by having it impressed upon him that any farther distribution among the unfortunate people would have the effect of demoralising them ; and under this false pretence, his sanction was obtained to apply Fourteen Thousand Pounds to erect a Cathedral Church to which nineteen-twentieths of the sufferers do not belong, and the residue to be appropriated to public works. Under these representations, Your Majesty's Right Honorable Secretary was prevailed upon (contrary to his former expressed intention) to authorise the Administrator of the Government of Newfoundland to withhold the large sum of Fourteen Thousand Pounds collected under Your Majesty's Royal Letter, and Fifteen Thousand Pounds of the Imperial Grant—exclusive of other large sums received from the sister colonies (of which no proper account has been rendered) over which Your Majesty's Government nor the Local Executive had any justifiable control, and to divert them from their Christian and philanthropic object—“to feed the hungry and to clothe the naked;” and to appropriate them to the erection of public works—to which the entire colony should have contributed, is contrary to the spirit of Your Most Gracious Majesty's rule.

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR MAJESTY—The funds withheld from the fire-sufferers have been as lavishly expended as they have been improperly diverted. For the mere reparation of the residence of the Governor, Four Thousand Pounds of this money were paid. For the making of a Marine Promenade, of no earthly use to the community, Nine Hundred and Fifty-five Pounds were squandered. These are instances which may be taken as examples of the manner in which the monies retained from the fire-sufferers have been expended.

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR MAJESTY—The retention and misappropriation of these charitable donations and collections have created great dissatisfaction among a large portion of your loyal subjects in this colony—not only on account of the attentive ear bestowed by Your Majesty's Secretary for the colonies on the representations by which His Lordship was unhap-

pily misled, but particularly from the over-whelming misery and poverty in which they are plunged by the withholding of so large an amount intended wholly and exclusively for their benefit—thereby blasting their hopes and prospects. They justly feel that the immense sum of Fourteen Thousand Pounds devoted to replace a Church not worth Five Hundred Pounds, was an improper and unjust appropriation, and which no misrepresentation ought to have warranted on the part of the Colonial Secretary ; and to apply large sums to public works, while the poor victims of the fire were suffering extreme privations, are grievances of which we, as their representatives, have a just right to complain, and most energetically to pray that Your Majesty will forthwith cause an investigation to be made into the matters of this dutiful Memorial, and after such investigation, if Your Gracious Majesty shall be satisfied that a great wrong has been committed, Your Majesty will cause to be paid from the Imperial Treasury the sum retained, by order of Your Majesty's Government, from the fire-sufferers of St. John's.

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

On Table.

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

Time of 2nd reading.

Pursuant to order of the day, the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole upon the Bill to increase the present number of Representatives in the General Assembly of this Island, and to regulate the representation thereof.

Committee of the whole on Increase of Representatives' Bill.

Mr. SPEAKER left the Chair.

Mr. DELANEY took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. SPEAKER resumed the Chair, upon a Message being sent to Her Majesty's Council.

*Ordered*,—That Mr. JOB and Mr. HOYLES do take the Bill entitled “ An Act to amend an Act passed in the 7th year of the reign of Her present Majesty entitled ‘ An Act for the establishment of an Academy in Saint John's ’ ” to Her Majesty's Council and desire their concurrence.

Deputation to H.M. Council with Saint John's Academy Amendment Bill.

The Chairman again resumed the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. SPEAKER resumed the Chair, the Black Rod being at the door.

*Messages from Her Majesty's Council.*

The Master-in-Chancery to Her Majesty's Council brought down the following written Messages:—

Mr. SPEAKER,—

Messages from H. M. Council.

Her Majesty's Council acquaint the House of Assembly that they have passed the Bill sent up from the Assembly for the concurrence of this House entitled "An Act to regulate the establishment of the Northern and Southern Circuit Courts of this island, and to provide for the appointment of Sheriffs and other Officers in the several Electoral Districts," with some Amendments, to which they request the concurrence of the House of Assembly.

Her Majesty's Council have also passed a Bill entitled "An Act to authorize the granting a Patent for an improved Fog Bell or Gong, and other self-regulating machinery impelled by wind, to Thomas Robson, of Sackville, in the Province of New Brunswick, master mariner," to which they request the concurrence of the House of Assembly.

ROBERT LAW,

*President.*

Council Chamber, }  
18th April, 1850. }

Mr. SPEAKER,—

Her Majesty's Council acquaint the House of Assembly that they have passed the Bill sent up from the Assembly for the concurrence of this House entitled "An Act for granting to Her Majesty certain duties on Goods, Wares, and Merchandize imported into this colony and its dependencies" without Amendment.

ROBERT LAW,

*President.*

Council Chamber, }  
18th April, 1850. }

And then the Messenger withdrew.

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

The Amendments made by Her Majesty's Council in and upon the Bill sent up from the House of Assembly entitled "An Act to regulate the establishment of the Northern and Southern Circuit Courts of this island, and to provide for the appointment of Sheriffs and other Officers in the several Electoral Districts," were then read a first time, and are as follow :

Amendments of H.M. Council on the Bill to provide for the establishment of Sheriffs in the several Electoral Districts, &c. read 1st time.

In the preamble after the word "Southern" insert "Circuit."

Expunge the Sections of the Bill to the seventh, inclusive, and insert in lieu thereof as follows :

Be it therefore enacted by the Governor, Council, and Assembly of Newfoundland in Legislative Session convened, that the Sheriffs of the Northern and Southern Districts of this Island shall, and they are hereby required respectively to nominate and appoint in the several outports in which sittings of the Northern and Southern Circuit Courts are usually holden, fit and proper persons to act as their Deputies within their respective districts, for the execution of all process and orders issuing from the Supreme and Circuit Courts respectively.

Expunge the eighth and ninth sections, and insert the following :

And be it further enacted, that it shall and may be lawful for the Governor or Acting Governor, by warrant under his hand and seal, from time to time to nominate and appoint fit and proper persons resident in the said several outports in which sittings of the said Northern and Southern Circuit Courts are usually holden as aforesaid, to act as Commissioners of affidavits and for taking recognizances of bail in the Supreme or Circuit Courts, and also for issuing mesne process returnable in the Circuit Court of the District ; and such Commissioners shall also, in the absence of the Chief Clerk, act as Clerks of the said Northern and Southern Circuit Courts respectively, at the several places where the said Courts shall be holden as aforesaid, and shall have and exercise the same power and authority during the sittings of the respective Circuit Court at the place for which such Commissioner shall be so appointed, as the Chief Clerk of such Court hath heretofore had and exercised ; and such Commissioners in such absence aforesaid, shall respectively keep a record of all proceedings of such Circuit Court as aforesaid, during the sittings at the places for which they shall respectively be appointed, and shall likewise transmit to the Chief Clerk of the Court a copy of the entries and minutes of all such proceedings to be by him also recorded ; and

every such Commissioner shall and may, in the absence of the Court, issue final process for levying the amount of any judgment obtained in such Court during its sittings at the place for which such Commissioners shall be so appointed; and such Commissioners shall be entitled to demand and receive, to their own use, all fees by law now or hereafter to be payable for or in respect of the services to be performed by them respectively, in like manner as if such services had been performed by the Chief Clerk of the Court. Provided always, that it shall be lawful for the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court, from time to time, as he may deem it necessary, to appoint, in any other of the outports than those above referred to, fit and proper persons resident therein, to be Commissioners for taking affidavits and issuing mesne process, returnable into the Circuit Court for the district in which such Commissioners shall reside.

Expunge the tenth and eleventh sections, and insert in lieu thereof the following :

And be it further enacted, that it shall be lawful for the Registrars of Deeds for the Northern and Southern Circuits, and they are hereby required to appoint in their respective circuits, Deputy Registrars of Deeds to be nominated by the Governor or person administering the Government for the time being at the following places, that is to say: in the Northern Circuit, at Twillingate, Bonavista, and Trinity; and in the Southern Circuit, at Placentia, Burin, and Harbour Britain ; and such Deputy Registrars shall respectively take proof, by the oath of a subscribing witness (which oath such Deputy Registrars are hereby authorised to administer) or by acknowledgment of the parties, of the due and proper execution of all Deeds, Wills, and other assurances in writing, whereby any Lands or Tenements situate within the limits hereinafter defined, shall be granted, conveyed, demised, mortgaged, charged or otherwise affected, and shall register the same in proper books to be kept by such Deputy Registrars respectively for that purpose, agreeably to the provisions of any law now or hereafter to be in force respecting the registration of Deeds; and the Registrars of Deeds for the Northern and Southern Circuits respectively, and their respective Deputies so to be appointed under this Act, shall transmit half-yearly to the Registrar of Deeds for the Central Circuit an abstract and docket of all Deeds, Wills, and other assurances registered by them respectively: which abstracts and dockets shall be preserved by the Registrar of Deeds for the Cen-

tral Circuit, and shall be open to the inspection of all persons desirous to examine the same, on payment of a fee of one shilling.

And be it further enacted, that all Deeds, Wills, Conveyances, or other assurances of or concerning lands or tenements, where such lands or tenements shall be situate within the following limits respectively, shall be registered as hereinafter mentioned, that is to say : in relation to property situate between Cape John and Cape Freels by the Deputy at Twillingate ; between Cape Freels and Cape Bonavista by the Deputy at Bonavista ; between Cape Bonavista and Tickle Harbour Head by the Deputy at Trinity ; and between Tickle Harbour Head and Holyrood inclusive, by the Registrar of the Northern Circuit ; between LaManche and Point Lance by the Registrar of the Southern Circuit ; between Point Lance and Rashoon by the Deputy at Placentia ; between Rashoon (inclusive) and Garnish by the Deputy at Burin ; and between Garnish (inclusive) and Cape Ray by the Deputy at Harbour Britain. <sup>inserted</sup> Provided always, that it shall be lawful for the Registrar of Deeds for the Central Circuit to take proof or acknowledgment of the execution, and also to register any Deed, Will or other assurance of lands and tenements situate in the Northern or Southern ~~Circuit~~, which registration shall be as valid and effectual to all intents and purposes as if the same were registered by the Registrar or ~~Deputy Registrar~~ in the respective Circuit where the lands or tenements are situated : and the Registrar of the Central Circuit shall, and he is hereby required to transmit half-yearly (or oftener when convenient opportunities offer) to the proper Registrar or ~~Deputy Registrar~~ in the said Northern and Southern Circuits, an abstract and docket of the registry of all such deeds, wills and other assurances by him registered as aforesaid, to be preserved by such Registrar or ~~Deputy Registrar~~, and to be open to the inspection of any persons desirous of examining the same, on payment of a fee of one shilling.

Expunge the sections of the Bill after the twelfth section, and insert as follows :—

And be it further enacted, that upon registration by any such Deputy Registrar, the same fees shall be paid to him as are or may be payable for the like service to the Registrar of Deeds for the Circuit, to whom such Deputy shall pay over one-half thereof, and that there shall be paid to the Registrar of the Central Circuit for registering any Deed, Will, Conveyance or other assurance of lands and tenements situate in any other Circuit, one-fourth more than would be



payable for the registration thereof in the Circuit where the lands and tenements are situate, and that two-fifths of the amount of Fees received by him for such registration shall be retained by the said Registrar of the Central Circuits, and the remainder paid over to the Registrar of Deeds of the Circuit in which the lands and tenements are situated.

The twelfth section of the original Bill to be the last section.

Time of 2nd reading.

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

H. M. Council's Bill for granting a Patent to Thomas Robson read 1st and 2nd time.

The Bill sent down from Her Majesty's Council entitled "An Act to authorise the granting a patent for an improved Fog Bell or Gong and other self-regulating machinery impelled by wind to Thomas Robson, of Sackville, in the Province of New Brunswick, master mariner," was read a first and second time.

On motion of Mr. SHEA, seconded by Mr. HOYLES,

*Resolved*,—That the House resolve itself into a Committee of the whole on the said Bill to-morrow.

The Chairman resumed the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. SPEAKER resumed the Chair.

Bill reported with Amendments.

The Chairman reported from the Committee that they had passed the Bill to them referred with some Amendments, which, together with proceedings of the Committee, they had directed him to report to the House.

*Ordered*,—That the Report be received.

*Proceedings in Committee.*

Mr. O'BRIEN moved the adoption of the 1st section.

Proceedings in Committee on increase of Representatives' Bill.

Mr. HOYLES moved in amendment that the section be expunged, and the following substituted:—

And be it enacted, that from and after the time limited for the commencement of this Act, the House of Assembly shall consist of 31 Members, of whom shall be a quorum, and that for the purpose of the Election of Members of the said Assembly, the said Island shall be divided into 17 districts, to be called and represented as follows:—

The District of St. John's, East.....	3	Members
“ “ “ West.....	3	“
“ “ Brigus.....	2	“
“ “ Port-de-Grave.....	2	“

The District of Harbour Grace.....	2	Members
“ “ Carbonear.....	2	“
“ “ Trinity—South.....	1	“
“ “ Trinity—North.....	1	“
“ “ Bonavista—South.....	1	“
“ “ Bonavista—North.....	1	“
“ “ Twillingate.....	1	“
“ “ Fogo.....	1	“
“ “ Ferryland.....	1	“
“ “ Bay Bulls.....	1	“
“ “ Placentia—West.....	2	“
“ “ Placentia and St. Mary’s.....	2	“
“ “ Burin.....	2	“
“ “ Fortune Bay.....	2	“
“ “ Burgeo.....	1	“

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The Committee divided on the original motion as follows:—

FOR THE MOTION, 7.

Mr. Prendergast

“ Hanrahan

“ Emerson

“ Molloy

“ Winser

“ O’Brien

“ Speaker.

AGAINST THE MOTION, 5.

Mr. Shea

“ Hoyles

“ Carter

“ Rankin

“ Job

So it passed in the affirmative.

*Resolved*,—That the following words be expunged from the 1st section after the word operation, viz:—“ the present Electoral District of Fortune Bay shall, in addition to the limits by which it is by the said Proclamation defined, comprise all that part of the coast in this Island lying between Bonne Bay and Cape Ray inclusive.”

*Resolved*,—That the following be inserted as the 2nd section :

And be it enacted, that all that part of the south coast of Newfoundland lying between Bonne Bay and Cape Ray shall form another Electoral District, to be called the District of Burgeo and La Poile, to be represented in the said Assembly by one Member, which Member shall be returned in like manner as the Members of the said other Districts shall be returned.

Amendments adopted.

The Amendments having been severally read throughout a first and second time were, upon the question put thereon, adopted by the House.

*Ordered*,—That the Bill as amended be engrossed and read a third time this day.

Read 3rd time as amended.

The Bill as amended being engrossed, was read a third time.

On motion of Mr. O'BRIEN, seconded by Mr. MOLLOY,

Passed and Titled.

*Resolved*,—That the said Bill do pass, and that it be entitled “ An Act to increase the present number of Representatives in the General Assembly of this Island, and to regulate the representation thereof.”

*Ordered*,—That Mr. O'BRIEN and Mr. MOLLOY do take the said Bill to Her Majesty's Council and desire their concurrence.

Address to Her Majesty on the reduction of the Reserved Salaries read 1st and 2nd time.

Mr. WINNER, pursuant to notice, presented the draft of an Address to Her Most Gracious Majesty, which he read in his place, and afterwards delivered it in at the Clerk's Table, where it was again read a first and second time, as follows:—

#### TO THE QUEEN'S MOST EXCELLENT MAJESTY.

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR MAJESTY—We, your Majesty's loyal subjects, the Commons of Newfoundland, in Legislative Session convened, beg leave to approach Your Majesty with feelings of the most profound devotion to Your Majesty's person and Government.

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR MAJESTY—On the granting of the Charter to this colony, in the year of 1831, Your Majesty's predecessor was pleased to order that the salaries of certain of our highest functionaries should be specially reserved; the scale that was adopted was one which bore a wise regard to the circumstances of the colony at that period, and its operation met the ready assent of the people at large. We are fully alive to the view that the public interests are identified with the faithful and effectual administration of the public affairs of the colony, and that to secure this, the salaries must be such as will obtain the services of capable and honorable men. We think this subject would not be compromised by a modification of the scale hitherto existing, while we are urged to seek this reduction by the reasons to which we shall now refer.

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR MAJESTY—The condition of this colony has undergone a most detrimental change since the period when the scale of Re-

served Salaries was established. All the resources of the colony were then in a prosperous state, and we were unincumbered with public debt. The crushing disasters of the colony since the month of May, 1846, give us an essentially changed position; the lamentable fire in that year; the partial failure of our fisheries, and the reduced condition of the people, caused by the loss of the potato crop in the last three years to nearly the amount of one hundred and fifty thousand pounds, and this reduction has cost the colony to relieve them, about thirty thousand pounds. We have now a Public Debt of about One hundred and ten thousand pounds; and at the present moment, although we have a revenue of Sixty thousand pounds, we have very little means to devote to those objects which connect themselves with the moral and social improvement of the people, and cannot meet the demands on the Public Treasury without having recourse to further loans, and thus increasing the Public Debt.

Under all these circumstances, we are impelled by necessity to urge that our Public Official expenditure may be reduced; and we feel assured that Your Majesty will recognize the justice of considering that the means of the country should form a portion of the grounds on which this question should be determined.

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR MAJESTY—We desire strict justice, and accordingly do not propose anything to Your Majesty that we are not prepared to carry out amongst ourselves in all cases that come under the consideration of the House of Assembly, when voting for the Salaried Officials within its control, guided by prudence and justice, and followed in all other cases where a reduction can be made, as the only mode by which the colony can be relieved of its present embarrassment.

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR MAJESTY—The House of Assembly most devotedly and humbly request that Your Majesty will be pleased to permit the House of Assembly to make such prospective reductions in the Civil List and Reserved Salaries as shall be suited to the present exigencies of the colony.

House of Assembly, }  
18th April, 1850. }

*Resolved*,—That the said Address be committed to a Committee of the whole House to-morrow.

Mr. SHEA, on leave granted, postponed his motion for an Address to Her Majesty in reference to the Duties imposed on Fish exported from this colony to Foreign Markets, till Monday.

Order of the day postponed.

Bills read 2nd time.

The following Bills were then read a second time, pursuant to order of the day:—

The Bill to amend the Customs' Management Act.

Her Majesty's Council's Bill to fix and establish the terms of the Supreme, Circuit, and Sessions Courts, and to extend the jurisdiction and to amend the practice of the said Courts.

Bill to amend the Bill to repeal the Act 8 Vic., cap. 3.

Bill to authorize the issue of Treasury Notes.

Her Majesty's Council's Amendments on the the Bill to amend the Act for the Registration of Voters in this island.

Bill to amend the act for granting Licenses for the sale of Wines and spirituous Liquors in Newfoundland.

On motion of Mr. JOB, seconded by Mr. SHEA,

*Resolved*,—That the Bill to amend the Customs' Management Act be committed to a Committee of the whole House to-morrow.

On motion of Mr. HOYLES, seconded by Mr. EMERSON,

*Resolved*,—That the Bill to fix and establish the Terms of the Supreme, Circuit, and Sessions Courts, be committed to a Committee of the whole House to-morrow.

On motion of Mr. PRENDERGAST, seconded by Mr. MOLLOY,

*Resolved*,—That the Bill to repeal the Act 8 Vic., cap. 3, be committed to a Committee of the whole House to-morrow.

On motion of Mr. PRENDERGAST, seconded by Mr. DELANEY,

*Resolved*,—That the Amendments of Her Majesty's Council upon the Bill to amend the Act for the Registration of Voters, be committed to a Committee of the whole House to-morrow.

On motion of Mr. CARTER, seconded by Mr. SHEA,

*Resolved*,—That the Bill to authorize the issue of Treasury Notes, and

for the Reduction of the Public Debt of the colony, be committed to a Committee of the whole House to-morrow.

On motion of Mr. PRENDERGAST, seconded by Mr. DELANEY,

*Resolved*,—That the Bill to amend the License Act be committed to a Committee of the whole House on to-morrow.

On motion of Mr. HOYLES, seconded by Mr. JOB,

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

*To His Excellency Sir JOHN GASPARD  
LEMARCHANT, Knight and Knight-  
Commander of the Orders of St. Fer-  
dinand and of Charles the Third of  
Spain; Governor and Commander-in-  
Chief in and over the Island of New-  
foundland and its Dependencies.*

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY.—

The House of Assembly respectfully request that your Excellency will be pleased to direct that there be laid before this House a Statement of the Expenditure out of the sums granted last year for the completion of the Market House and Court House respectively, according to the estimates submitted to this House, with the Report of the Superintendent last session, the Statement particularizing the sums paid and expense incurred under the above respective heads, together with the amount in hand, and the intended appropriation thereof.

Address in reference to ex-  
penditure on Market House  
and Court House.

House of Assembly, }  
18th April, 1850. }

*Ordered*,—That the Address be engrossed, and that Mr. SHEA and Mr. JOB be a Committee to present the same to His Excellency the Governor.

Engrossed and Committee  
to present.

On motion of Mr. DELANEY, seconded by Mr. WINSER,

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

*To His Excellency Sir JOHN GASPARD LEMARCHANT, Knight and Knight-Commander of the Orders of St. Ferdinand and of Charles the Third of Spain, Governor and Commander-in-Chief in and over the Island of Newfoundland and its Dependencies.*

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY:—

Address in reference to splitting fish at Marticot.

The House of Assembly have had under their consideration a petition from the inhabitants of Paradise, in the district of Placentia and St. Mary's, complaining of the practice of splitting fish at Marticot Island, to the danger of driving the Bait from that shore to their great prejudice and injury, and respectfully request that Your Excellency will be pleased to order that enquiry be made into the circumstance, and cause such measures to be adopted as are practicable to prevent the continuance of so injurious a practice.

House of Assembly, }  
18th April, 1850. }

Engrossed and Committee to present.

*Ordered*,—That the Address be engrossed, and that Mr. DELANEY and Mr. WINSER be a Committee to present the same to His Excellency the Governor.

On motion of Mr. SHEA, seconded by Mr. JOB,

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

*To His Excellency Sir JOHN GASPARD LEMARCHANT, Knight and Knight-Commander of the Orders of St. Ferdinand and of Charles the Third of Spain, Governor and Commander-in-Chief in and over the Island of Newfoundland and its Dependencies.*

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY:—

Address in reference to the St. John's Custom House.

The House of Assembly having had represented to them that the Imperial Authorities claim the right of property in the Custom House Building in this town, respectfully call the attention of Your Excellency to the provisions of the Imperial Act 2d and 3d Wm. 4, cap., 79, by which Act

the nett produce of the Imperial Duties was to be appropriated by His Majesty with the advice and consent of the House of General Assembly of this colony, deducting thereout £6550 in payment of the Reserved Salaries.

The Building referred to having been erected out of funds produced by the above Duties, the House of Assembly consider that, legally and justly, it belongs to the colony.

The House of Assembly therefore respectfully request that Your Excellency will be pleased to adopt such proceedings as Your Excellency may deem advisable in securing the right of the colony to the said property.

House of Assembly, }  
18th April, 1850. }

*Ordered*,—That the Address be engrossed, and that Mr. SHEA and Mr. JOB be a Committee to present the same to His Excellency the Governor.

Engrossed and Committed to present.

Pursuant to order, the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole on the Bill to amend several Acts now in force respecting Light Houses.

Committee of the whole on Light House Bill.

Mr. SPEAKER left the Chair.

Mr. JOB took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. SPEAKER resumed the Chair.

The Chairman reported that they had passed the Bill with one Amendment, which he was directed to report to the House.

Reported with Amendment.

*Ordered*,—That the Report be received.

The Amendment having been read throughout a 1st and 2nd time, was, upon the question put thereon, agreed to by the House.

*Ordered*,—That the Bill as amended be engrossed and read a third time this day.

Pursuant to order, the said Bill being engrossed, was read a third time accordingly.

Read 3rd time.

On motion of Mr. JOB, seconded by Mr. SHEA,



Passed and Titled.

*Resolved*,—That the said Bill do pass, and that it be entitled “An Act to amend an Act entitled ‘An Act to amend several Acts now in force respecting Light Houses, and to consolidate the Laws respecting the same.’”

Deputation to present.

*Ordered*,—That Mr. SHEA and Mr. JOB do take the said Bill to Her Majesty's Council and desire their concurrence.

Notice of Address in reference to Cape Pine Light House.

Mr. SHEA gave notice that on to-morrow he would move an Address to His Excellency the Governor, requesting that he would open a correspondence with the Governors of the neighbouring Colonies with a view to obtain their co-operation in the maintenance of the Light House at Cape Pine.

Notice for reconsideration in Committee of Supply of vote to Harbor Grace Grist Mill.

Mr. PRENDERGAST gave notice that in Committee of the whole on Supply, he would move the reconsideration of the grant for the Grist Mill at Harbour Grace; and

Notice for reconsideration in Committee of Supply of vote to the Clerk of the Supreme and Central Circuit Court.

Mr. EMERSON, the re-consideration of the vote for the salary of the Clerk of the Supreme and Central Circuit Court.

Then the House adjourned till-to-morrow at Twelve of the clock.

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FRIDAY, APRIL 19, 1850.

Notice for Address to His Excellency the Governor in reference to the Agricultural Society.

Mr. PARSONS gave notice that on to-morrow he would move an Address to His Excellency the Governor, requesting that he would cause a Report of the Agricultural Society for last year to be laid before the House.

Committee of the whole on Supply.

Pursuant to order of the day, the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole on Supply.

Mr. SPEAKER left the Chair.

Mr. HANRAHAN took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. SPEAKER resumed the Chair, on the Black Rod being at the door.

*A Message from Her Majesty's Council.*

The Master-in-Chancery to Her Majesty's Council brought down the following written Message:—

Message from H. M. Council.

Mr. SPEAKER,—

Her Majesty's Council acquaint the House of Assembly that they have passed the Bill sent up from the Assembly, entitled "An Act for the Regulation and Management of the Public Market House in the town of St. John's," with some Amendments, to which they request the concurrence of the Assembly.

Her Majesty's Council have also passed the Bill sent up from the House of Assembly entitled "An Act to amend an Act passed in the third year of His late Majesty's reign, entitled "An Act to provide for the performance of the Quarantine, and more effectually to provide against the introduction of infectious and contagious diseases, and the spreading thereof in this Island, with an Amendment, to which they request the concurrence of the House of Assembly.

ROBERT LAW,  
*President.*

Council Chamber, }  
19th April, 1850. }

And then the Messenger withdrew.

The Amendment made by Her Majesty's Council in and upon the Bill sent up from the House, entitled "An Act to amend an Act passed in the third year of the reign of His late Majesty's reign, entitled 'An Act to provide for the Performance of the Quarantine, and more effectually to provide against the introduction of infectious or contagious diseases and the spreading thereof in this Island'" was read a first and 2nd time; and is as follows:—

Amendment of H. M. Council on the Quarantine Amendment Bill read 1st time.

Insert at the end of the 3d section as follows:—

"Provided that the Justice on issuing his summons and requiring the appearance of the party offending, or complained against, as aforesaid, shall forthwith and before proceeding to hear the cause, give notice thereof to the Colonial Secretary or to the Board of Health at or nearest to the place where the complaint may be made."

On motion of Mr. O'BRIEN, seconded by Mr. JOB,

*Resolved*,—That the House resolve itself into a Committee of the whole upon the consideration of the said Amendment to-morrow.

Amendments of H. M. Council on the Bill for the Regulation and Management of the Public Market House not entertained, interfering with privileges of the House.

Mr. SPEAKER informed the House that the Amendments made by Her Majesty's Council in and upon the Bill sent up from this House, entitled "An Act for the Regulation and Management of the Public Market House in the town of Saint John's" interfered with the ancient and undoubted privileges of this House, and could not therefore be entertained.

Notice of motion for leave to bring in a Bill to regulate the Public Market House.

Mr. CARTER gave notice that to-morrow he would ask leave to bring in a Bill for the Regulation and Management of the Market House.

The Chairman again took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. SPEAKER resumed the Chair.

Progress reported.

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

*Ordered,*—That the Report be received, and that the said Committee have leave to sit again presently.

Petition from H. Mooney for loss of office.

Mr. SHEA, with consent of His Excellency the Governor, presented a Petition from Harcourt Mooney, Barrister, of Saint John's, and the same was received and read, setting forth,—that the alterations in the St. John's Academy Act had deprived him of his office as Secretary to that Institution, and praying some compensation for the loss sustained.

Referred to Committee of Supply.

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

Petition from Dorcas Society of Harbor Grace.

Mr. PRENDERGAST, with consent of His Excellency the Governor, presented a Petition from the officers of the Dorcas Society of Harbor Grace, and the same was received and read, setting forth,—the usefulness of the institution, and the relief afforded to the industrious poor, and praying that a sum of money may be granted in support of it.

Referred to Committee of Supply.

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

Committee of the whole on Supply.

Pursuant to order, the House again resolved itself into a Committee of the whole on Supply.

Mr. SPEAKER left the Chair.

Mr. HANRAHAN took the Chair of the Committee, and after some time spent therein,

Mr. SPEAKER resumed the Chair.

The Chairman reported from the Committee that the Committee had risen for want of a quorum, there being only present Mr. FALLE, Mr. WINSER, Mr. SPEAKER, and Mr. EMERSON.

Committee rise for want of quorum.

Mr. SPEAKER resumed the Chair, and the House adjourned for want of a quorum.

S A T U R D A Y , APRIL 20, 1850.

Mr. PARSONS, with consent of His Excellency the Governor, presented a Petition from James Clift and others, the Committee of the Farmers' Mill at River Head, and the same was received and read, setting forth,—

Petition from the Committee of the Farmers' Mill of St. John's.

That after a heavy outlay of money subscribed out of their private funds, they had rendered the Mill in a proper working state, and consequently most useful to the farming population of the country: that this undertaking had been commenced solely for the purpose of encouraging Agriculture, without any intention of profit on the outlay incurred: that besides the amount subscribed by them, and the sum of £169 4s. 10d. advanced by His Excellency the Governor, the expenditure exceeded the subscriptions by the sum of £233 5s. 7d., and praying that this House would vote a sufficient sum to relieve them from debt.

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

Referred to the Committee of Supply.

Mr. PARSONS presented a Petition from John and Alexander Stuart of St. John's, and the same was received and read, setting forth,—

Petition from J. & A. Stuart in reference to the Public Cove improvement.

The expense incurred by them in improving the Public Cove to the eastward of the premises formerly occupied by Messrs. Rennie, Stuart & Co., together with the advantage received by the public therefrom, and praying that the House would cause inquiry into the circumstances.

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

On Table.

Mr. PARSONS gave notice that on Monday next he would move an Address to His Excellency the Governor in reference to the foregoing Petition.

Notice of motion for Address to His Excellency in reference to the Petition of J. & A. Stuart.

Petition from the Reporter of the Law Society.

Mr. O'BRIEN presented a Petition from Harcourt Mooney, Barrister, of St. John's, and the same was received and read, setting forth,—

That he had acted as reporter to the Law Society for some years past and had received as payment for his services £25 per annum, which was now discontinued; and praying that the House would take into consideration the benefit that the public generally had received from his labours, and grant him some remuneration.

On Table.

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

Petition from Burin for a School.

Mr. FALLE presented a Petition from Michael Berny and others, of Burin, and the same was received and read, setting forth,—

The want experienced from the absence of a good Commercial School in that locality, and praying that the House would grant a sum of money to enable them to carry out so desirable an object.

On Table.

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

Petition from Ferryland for a Postman.

Mr. HOYLES, with consent of His Excellency the Governor, presented a Petition from Peter Winser, Member for the District of Ferryland, on behalf of the inhabitants of that District, and the same was received and read, praying,—that a grant might be made to defray the cost of a Postman to and from St. John's.

Referred to Committee of Supply.

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

Notice for Address to His Excellency the Governor in reference to the Petition from Burin for a School.

Mr. FALLE gave notice that on Monday next he would ask leave to present an Address to His Excellency the Governor, in reference to the Petition from the inhabitants of Burin, praying for a grant to establish a Commercial School.

Petition from Constables in reference to Fees.

Mr. HOYLES presented a Petition from Thomas Morton and others, constables of St. John's, and the same was received and read, setting forth,—

That owing to alterations in the Sessions Court their Fees had been reduced one half, and praying that the House would be pleased to consider the matter in the Bill to amend the Act to establish the Fees and Costs chargeable in the several Police Offices and Courts of Session in this colony.

Referred to Committee on Sessions Court Amendment Bill.

*Ordered*,—That the said Petition be referred to the Committee of the whole on the said Bill.

Mr. CARTER, pursuant to notice and leave granted, presented a Bill to regulate the Public Market House in the town of Saint John's, and the same was read a first and second time.

Market House Bill read 1st and 2nd time.

On motion of Mr. CARTER, seconded by Mr. O'BRIEN,

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

And the House resolved itself into the said Committee accordingly.

Committed.

Mr. SPEAKER left the Chair.

Mr. RANKIN took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. SPEAKER resumed the Chair.

The Chairman reported the Bill with an Amendment, which being read a first and second time, was, upon the question put thereon, adopted by the House.

Reported from Committee with an Amendment.

*Ordered*,—That the Bill as amended be engrossed and read a third time this day.

The said Bill being engrossed was read a third time accordingly.

Read 3rd time.

On motion of Mr. HOYLES, seconded by Mr. O'BRIEN,

*Resolved*,—That the Bill do pass, and that it be entitled "An Act for the Regulation and Management of the Public Market House in the town of St. John's."

Passed and Titled.

*Ordered*,—That Mr. HOYLES and Mr. CARTER do take the Bill to Her Majesty's Council and desire their concurrence.

Sent to H. M. Council.

Pursuant to order, the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole on the Bill to establish the Fees and Costs chargeable in the several Police Offices and Courts of Session in this colony.

Committee of the whole on Sessions Court Bill.

Mr. SPEAKER left the Chair.

Mr. JOB took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. SPEAKER resumed the Chair.

The Chairman reported from the Committee that they had passed the Bill to them referred without amendment.

Reported from Committee.

*Ordered*,—That the Report be received.

*Ordered*,—That the Bill be engrossed and read a third time this day.

Read 3rd time.

The said Bill being engrossed, was read a third time accordingly.

On motion of Mr. HOYLES, seconded by O'BRIEN,

Passed and Titled.

*Resolved*,—That the said Bill pass, and that it be entitled " An Act to continue an Act passed in the sixth year of the reign of Her present Majesty, entitled ' An Act to revise and amend an Act passed in the third year of the reign of Her present Majesty, entitled ' An Act to establish the Fees and Costs chargeable in the several Police Offices and Courts of Session in this island. ' "

Sent to H.M. Council.

*Ordered*,—That Mr. HOYLES and Mr. O'BRIEN do take the said Bill to Her Majesty's Council and desire their concurrence.

Education Bill read 2nd time.

Pursuant to order of the day, the Bill to continue and amend the Act for the encouragement of Education in this colony was read a second time.

On motion of Mr. PRENDERGAST, seconded by Mr. SHEA,

Committed.

*Resolved*,—That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House.

And the House resolved itself into the said Committee accordingly.

Mr. SPEAKER left the Chair.

Mr. MOLLOY took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. SPEAKER resumed the Chair.

Reported from Committee with Amendments.

The Chairman reported from the Committee that they had considered the Bill to them referred, and had passed the same with some Amendments which they had directed him to report to the House.

Amendments adopted.

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

*Ordered*,—That the Bill as amended be engrossed and read a third time this day.

Read 3rd time.

The said Bill being engrossed, was read a third accordingly.

On motion of Mr. PRENDERGAST, seconded by Mr. SHEA,

*Resolved*,—That the Bill pass and be entitled “ An Act to continue and amend an Act passed in the 6th year of the reign of Her present Majesty, entitled ‘ An Act for the encouragement of Education in this colony.’ ”

Passed and Titled.

*Ordered*,—That Mr. PRENDERGAST and Mr. PARSONS do take the said Bill to Her Majesty’s Council and desire their concurrence.

Sent to H. M. Council.

On motion of Mr. O’BRIEN, seconded by Mr. PARSONS,

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

*To His Excellency Sir JOHN GASPARD LEMARCHANT, Knight and Knight-Commander of the Orders of St. Ferdinand and of Charles the Third of Spain, Governor and Commander-in-Chief in and over the Island of Newfoundland and its Dependencies.*

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY.—

The House of Assembly having taken into consideration the commendable exertions of those persons who lately rescued certain Sealers from drift ice off this harbour, respectfully request that Your Excellency will be pleased to appropriate such sum and in such proportion, out of the unexpended grant to Shipwrecked Sealers, of last Session, as Your Excellency may deem proper in remunerating the above persons.

Address for compensation to persons who rescued Sealers on the ice.

House of Assembly, }  
April 20th, 1850. }

*Ordered*,—That the said Address be engrossed, and that Mr. O’BRIEN and Mr. PARSONS be a Committee to present the same to His Excellency the Governor.

Committee to present.

On motion of Mr. CARTER, seconded by Mr. HOYLES,

*Resolved*,—That a Select Committee be appointed to report upon the Contingencies of the present Session of the Legislature.

Resolution for Select Committee on Contingencies.

*Ordered*,—That Mr. Carter, Mr. Hoyles, Mr. O’Brien, Mr. Molloy and Mr. Job do form such Committee.

Committee appointed.

On motion of Mr. WINNER, seconded by PARSONS,

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



*To His Excellency Sir JOHN GASPARD LEMARCHANT, Knight and Knight-Commander of the Orders of St. Ferdinand and of Charles the Third of Spain, Governor and Commander-in-Chief in and over the Island of Newfoundland and its Dependencies.*

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY :—

Address for Outport Poor Returns,

The House of Assembly respectfully request that Your Excellency will be pleased to direct that there be laid before this House a Detailed Statement of the Outport Permanent Poor, stating name of the person, place of residence, and the annual sum for each.

House of Assembly, }  
April 20th 1850. }

Committee to present.

*Ordered*,—That the said Address be engrossed, and that Mr. WINSER and Mr. PARSONS be a Committee to present the same to His Excellency the Governor.

Bills read 2nd time.

The following Bills, pursuant to order of the day, were read a second time :—

St. John's, Re-building Amendment Act.

The Bill to amend the St. John's Re-building Act.

Shipbuilding remission of duties Bill.

The Bill to authorize the remission of Duties on articles used in Shipbuilding in this colony.

Time of Committal.

*Ordered*,—That the said Bills be committed to a Committee of the whole House on Monday next.

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

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

*To His Excellency Sir JOHN GASPARD LEMARCHANT, Knight and Knight-Commander of the Orders of St. Ferdinand and of Charles the Third of Spain, Governor and Commander-in-Chief in and over the Island of Newfoundland and its Dependencies.*

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY :—

The House of Assembly respectfully request that Your Excellency will be pleased to cause enquiry to be instituted respecting the utility to the public of the several ferries established and maintained by Acts of the Legislature, and report thereon to this House with a view of determining the expediency of discontinuing any of the said Ferries.

Address in reference to Ferries.

House of Assembly, }  
20th April, 1850. }

*Ordered*,—That the said Address be engrossed, and that Mr. DELANEY and Mr. PARSONS be a Committee to present the same to His Excellency the Governor.

Committee to present.

Pursuant to order of the day, the Address to Her Majesty in reference to the funds sent to this Colony for the relief of the sufferers by the Fire, was read a second time.

Address to Her Majesty on the subject of the funds sent for the relief of the fire-sufferers, read 2nd time.

*Resolved*,—That the said Address be committed to a Committee of the whole House on Monday next.

Pursuant to order of the day, the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole upon the Address to Her Majesty in reference to the Reserved Salaries.

Committee of the whole on Address to Her Majesty on the Reserved Salaries.

Mr. SPEAKER left the Chair.

Mr. O'BRIEN took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. SPEAKER resumed the Chair.

The Chairman reported from the Committee that they had passed the Address to them referred without Amendment, which they directed him to report to the House.

Reported from Committee.

*Ordered*,—That the Report be received.

Mr. WINSER moved, seconded by Mr. PARSONS,

That the Address be adopted.

Whereupon,

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

That the words "Immediately and" in the fifth line from the end of the Address be expunged.

Amendment on motion that the Address be adopted.

And the question being put thereon, there appeared for the Amendment, *seven* ; against it, *five*.

## FOR THE AMENDMENT.

## AGAINST THE AMENDMENT.

Division.

Mr. Carter

Mr. Parsons

" Job

" Winser

" Hanrahan

" Prendergast

" Rankin

" Hoyles

" Delaney

" O'Brien

" Molloy

" Emerson

Amendment carried.

So it passed in the affirmative, and

*Ordered*,—That the Address as amended be engrossed and read a third time presently.

Address read 3rd time.

Pursuant to order, the said Address being engrossed was read a third time.

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

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

*To His Excellency Sir JOHN GASPARD LEMARCHANT, Knight and Knight Commander of the Orders of St. Ferdinand and of Charles the Third of Spain, Governor and Commander-in-Chief in and over the Island of Newfoundland and its Dependencies.*

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY :—

Address to His Excellency in reference to the Address to Her Majesty on the Reserved Salaries.

The House of Assembly have prepared the accompanying Address to Her Most Gracious Majesty on the subject of the Reserved Salaries in this Colony, and respectfully request that Your Excellency will be pleased to forward the same to the Right Honorable the Secretary of State for the Colonies to be laid at the foot of the throne.

House of Assembly, }  
April 20th 1850. }

*Ordered*,—That the said Address be engrossed, and that Mr. WINSER and Mr. PARSONS be a Committee to present the same to His Excellency the Governor.

Committee to present.

Pursuant to order of the day, the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole upon the Bill to amend the Act “to provide for the management, regulation, and collection of all duties granted to Her Majesty Her Heirs and Successors on all Goods, Wares, and Merchandize imported into this Island and its dependencies.”

Committee of the whole on Customs' Management Bill.

Mr. SPEAKER left the Chair.

Mr. RANKIN took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. SPEAKER resumed the Chair.

The Chairman reported from the Committee that they had passed the Bill to them referred with some Amendments, which they had directed him to report to the House.

Bill reported with Amendments.

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

Amendments adopted.

*Ordered*,—That the said Bill as amended be engrossed and read a third time this day.

Pursuant to order of the day, the engrossed Bill was read a third time accordingly.

Read 3rd time.

On motion of Mr. HOYLES, seconded by Mr. JOB,

*Resolved*,—That the said Bill pass, and that it be entitled “An Act to amend an Act entitled ‘An Act to provide for the Regulation, Management, and collection of all Duties granted to Her Majesty, Her Heirs and Successors on all Goods, Wares, and Merchandize imported into this Island and its dependencies.’”

Passed and Titled.

*Ordered*,—That Mr. HOYLES and Mr. JOB do carry the said Bill to Her Majesty's Council and desire their concurrence.

Deputation to H. M. Council.

Mr. HOYLES gave notice that on Monday next he would move the House into Committee of the whole upon the subject of the conference requested by H.M. Council on the Amendments made in the Bill entitled “An Act for the limitation of Actions and Suits relating to real property.

Notice of motion in reference to conference requested by H.M. Council.

Notice of motion for re-consideration of vote to Clerk of Supreme and Central Circuit Court.

M. EMERSON gave notice that in Committee of the whole on Supply he would move the re-consideration of the vote to the Clerk of the Supreme and Central Circuit Court.

Petition from Harbor Grace in reference to taking caplin for manure.

Mr. PRENDERGAST presented a Petition from John Stark and others, of Harbor Grace, and the same was received and read, setting forth,—the great injury caused to the fishery by the practice of taking bait for manure, and praying that an Act may be passed to prevent its continuance.

Then the House adjourned till Monday next at Two of the clock.

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M O N D A Y , APRIL 22, 1850.

Notice of motion for Select Committee in reference to Journal Appendix.

Mr. WINSER gave notice that on Wednesday next he would move that a Select Committee be appointed to examine into the Documents in the possession of the House and select those that are necessary to be recorded in the Appendix to the Journal.

Notice of motion for Address in reference to the Bridges between St. Mary's and Salmonier.

Mr. DELANEY gave notice that on to-morrow he would an Address to His Excellency the Governor on the subject of the Bridges between St. Mary's and Salmonier.

Petition for a Postman between St. John's and the district of Placentia and St. Mary's.

Mr. WINSER, with consent of His Excellency the Governor, presented a Petition from John Delaney, one of the Members for St. Mary's and Placentia, and the same was received and read,—praying that a sum of money may be voted to defray the cost of establishing a Postman between St. John's and that District.

Referred to Committee of Supply.

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

Petition in reference to the Bridges at Salmonier.

Mr. DELANEY presented a Petition from Smith M'Kay and others, inhabitants of the district of St. Mary's Bay, and the same was received and read, setting forth,—the disadvantage under which they laboured from the unfinished state of the Bridges on the Salmonier Road, and praying that a sum of money may be granted for completing them.

On Table.

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

Pursuant to order, the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole on Supply.

Committee of the whole on Supply.

Mr. SPEAKER left the Chair.

Mr. HANRAHAN took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. SPEAKER resumed the Chair.

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

Progress reported.

*Ordered*,—That the Report be received, and that the Committee have leave to sit again to-morrow.

On motion of Mr. FALLE, seconded by Mr. SHEA,

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

*To His Excellency Sir JOHN GASPARD LEMARCHANT, Knight and Knight-Commander of the Orders of St. Ferdinand and of Charles the Third of Spain, Governor and Commander-in-Chief in and over the Island of Newfoundland and its Dependencies.*

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY:—

The House of Assembly respectfully request that your Excellency will be pleased to sanction the appropriation by this House of the sum of Fifty Pounds towards establishing a Commercial School in Burin.

Address in reference to Commercial School at Burin.

House of Assembly, }  
April 22th, 1850. }

*Ordered*,—That Mr. FALLE and Mr. SHEA do take the said Address to His Excellency the Governor.

Committee to present.

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

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

*To His Excellency Sir JOHN GASPARD LEMARCHANT, Knight and Knight Commander of the Orders of St. Ferdinand and of Charles the Third of Spain, Governor and Commander-in-Chief in and over the Island of Newfoundland and its Dependencies.*

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY:—

Address in reference to the  
Petition of J. & A. Stuart.

The House of Assembly having had under their consideration the sub-joined petition from John and Alexander Stuart, respectfully request that Your Excellency will cause the proper enquiry to be made in reference to the circumstances therein mentioned; and if found correct, to order that the petition be returned for consideration of the House, with a view to the liquidation of the claim preferred.

House of Assembly, }  
April 22nd 1850. }

Committee to present.

*Ordered,*—That Mr. PARSONS and Mr. DELANEY, be a Committee to present the same to His Excellency the Governor.

Then the House adjourned till to-morrow at Twelve of the clock.

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F U E S D A Y, APRIL 23, 1850.

On motion of Mr. HOYLES, seconded by Mr. SHEA,

Order of the day discharged.

*Resolved,*—That the order of the day for the Committee of the whole on Supply be discharged, and that it stand first on the order of the day to-morrow.

Committee of the whole on  
Terms of Court Bill.

Pursuant to order, the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole on Her Majesty's Council's Bill to fix and establish the Terms of the Supreme, Circuit and Sessions Courts, and to extend the Jurisdiction and amend the practice of the said Courts.

Mr. SPEAKER left the Chair.

Mr. RANKIN took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. SPEAKER resumed the Chair, on the Black Rod being at the Door,

*A Message from Her Majesty's Council.*

The Master-in-Chancery to Her Majesty's Council brought down the following written Message:—

Mr. SPEAKER,—

Her Majesty's Council acquaint the House of Assembly that they have passed the Bill sent up from the Assembly entitled "An Act to amend an Act entitled 'An Act to amend several Acts now in force respecting Light Houses, and to make further provision for the said Light Houses, and to consolidate the Laws respecting the same' without amendment.

Message from H.M. Council.

Council Chamber, }  
23rd April, 1850. }

ROBERT LAW, *President.*

And then the Messenger withdrew.

*Ordered*,—That the said Message do lie on the Table.

On Table.

The Chairman again resumed the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. SPEAKER resumed the Chair.

The Chairman reported from the Committee that they had passed the Bill to them referred with some Amendments, which they had directed him to report to the House.

Bill reported with Amendments.

*Ordered*,—That the Report be received.

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

Amendments agreed to.

*Ordered*,—That the Bill as amended be now read a third time.

And the said Bill was read a third time accordingly.

Read 3rd time.

On motion of Mr. HOYLES, seconded by Mr. EMERSON,

*Resolved*,—That the Bill as amended pass, and that a Message be sent to Her Majesty's Council requesting their concurrence in the Amendments made by this House.

*Ordered*,—That Mr. HOYLES and Mr. EMERSON do take the said Message to Her Majesty's Council.

Deputation to H. M. Council.

Pursuant to order, the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole upon the Bill to repeal the Act 8 Vic., cap. 3.

Committee of the whole on Bill to repeal 8 Vic., cap. 3



Mr. SPEAKER left the Chair.

Mr. WINNER took the Chair of the Committee,

Mr. SPEAKER resumed the Chair.

Reported with one Amendment.

The Chairman reported from the Committee that they had passed the Bill to them referred with one Amendment, which they had directed him to report to the House.

*Ordered*,—That the Report be received.

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

*Ordered*,—That the Bill be engrossed and read a third time this day.

Read 3rd time.

Pursuant to order, the said Bill being engrossed, was read a third time accordingly.

On motion of Mr. PRENDERGAST, seconded by Mr. O'BRIEN,

Passed and Titled.

*Resolved*,—That the Bill do pass, and that it be entitled "An Act to repeal an Act entitled 'An Act regulate the making and repairing of Roads, Streets, and Bridges, within this colony.'"

Deputation to H.M. Council

*Ordered*,—That Mr. PRENDERGAST and Mr. O'BRIEN do take the Bill to Her Majesty's Council and desire their concurrence.

Committee of the whole on Treasury Note Bill.

Pursuant to order, the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole on the Bill to authorize the issue of Treasury Notes, and for the reduction of the Public Debt of the colony.

Mr. SPEAKER left the Chair.

Mr. JOB took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. SPEAKER resumed the Chair.

Bill reported with Amendments.

The Chairman reported from the Committee that they had passed the Bill to them referred with some Amendments, which they had directed him to report to the House.

*Ordered*,—That the Report be received.

Amendments adopted.

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

*Ordered*,—That the Bill as amended be engrossed and read a third time this day.

Read 3rd time.

The said Bill being engrossed, was read a third time accordingly.

On motion of Mr. CARTER, seconded by Mr. SHEA,

*Resolved*,—That the Bill pass, and that it be entitled “An Act to authorize the issue of Treasury Notes, and for the reduction of the Public Debt of the colony.”

Passed and Titled,

*Ordered*,—That Mr. CARTER and Mr. SHEA do take the said Bill to Her Majesty's Council and desire their concurrence.

Deputation to H.M. Council,

Pursuant to order, the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole on the Amendments of Her Majesty's Council in and upon the Bill entitled “An Act to amend the Act entitled ‘An Act for the Registering the names of persons entitled to vote at Elections.’”

Committee of the whole on Registration of Voters' Bill,

Mr. SPEAKER left the Chair.

Mr. PRENDERGAST took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. SPEAKER resumed the Chair.

The Chairman reported from the Committee that they had passed the Amendments to them referred without Amendment.

Amendments passed,

*Ordered*,—That the Report be received.

*Ordered*,—That the Amendments be now read a third time.

Read 3rd time.

And the said Amendments were read a third time accordingly.

On motion of Mr. HOYLES, seconded by Mr. JOB,

*Resolved*,—That the Amendments do pass, and that a Message be sent to Her Majesty's Council acquainting them that this House concurs in the same.

*Ordered*,—That Mr. HOYLES and Mr. JOB do take the said Message to Her Majesty's Council.

Deputation to H. M. Council.

Mr. PARSONS, with consent of His Excellency the Governor, presented a Petition from Robert Wheeler and others, inhabitants on the Torbay Road, and the same was received and read, praying,—that the sum of £15 might be granted to enable them to clear the Road between Torbay and St. John's of snow.

Petition for grant to clear snow on the Torbay Road;

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

Referred to Committee of Supply.

Mr. PARSONS presented a Petition from Thomas Talbot, and the same was received and read, praying,—that he might be remunerated for re-

Petition from Thomas Talbot for compensation.

porting the proceedings of the House during the first fortnight of the last Session of the Legislature.

Referred to Committee on Contingencies.

*Ordered*,—That the said Petition be referred to the Select Committee on Contingencies.

Mr. WINSER, from the Committee to present the Address to His Excellency the Governor, requesting Returns of the Outport Permanent Poor, reported that His Excellency had been pleased to say the information asked for would be laid before the House.

He also reported the assent of His Excellency the Governor to forwarding the Address to the Secretary of State in reference to the prospective reduction of the Reserved Salaries; and the assent of His Excellency in reference to rewarding the men who rescued the Shipwrecked Sealers on the Ice.

House adjourned for want of a quorum.

At six o'clock the names of the Members present being taken down as follows:—Mr. Speaker, Mr. Emerson, Mr. Molloy, Mr. Winsor, and Mr. Parsons, the House adjourned for want of a quorum.

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W E D N E S D A Y , APRIL 24, 1850.

Petition from James Seaton for compensation.

Mr. WINSER presented a Petition from James Seaton, official Reporter to the House of Assembly, and the same was received and read, setting forth,—that upon his appointment to that situation he made arrangements with the editors of the *Morning Courier* and *Times* newspapers for publishing the proceedings of the House: that although the House afterwards agreed with the editor of the *Morning Post* for publishing the daily debates, he was obliged to continue his contract with the two former publishers, the cost of which, £37 10s. he had paid out of his last year's salary, and praying that the House would reimburse him.

Referred to the Committee on Contingencies.

*Ordered*,—That the said Petition be referred to the Select Committee on Contingencies.

Petition from John Ryan and others, for safety wharf.

Mr. DELANEY presented a Petition from John Ryan and others, inhabitants of Salmonier, and the same was received and read,—praying that a

grant might be made to enable them to build a safety-wharf on the south-side of Salmonier.

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

On Table.

Mr. WINSER presented a Petition from John Shelly and others, residents to the southward of Renew's, and the same was received and read, setting forth,—the unfinished state of the road in their neighbourhood, and praying that a grant might be made to enable them to complete the same.

Petition from Southern District for a road grant.

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

On Table.

Mr. MOLLOY presented Petitions from Patrick Strapp and others, inhabitants of Harbour Main, Colliers, Cat's Cove, and Holyrood, and the same were received and read, setting forth,—that they consider the Bill before the House to prevent the use of Caplin for manure, if passed into law, would be productive of great loss to the Agricultural portion of this island, and praying that it may not be acceded to.

Petition from Conception Bay against Caplin Manure Bill.

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

On Table.

Mr. PARSONS presented a Petition from John Hurley and others, all fire-sufferers of St. John's, and the same was received and read, setting forth,—their enormous losses by the fire of June, 1846, the detention by the Executive of a large sum of money sent to this colony for the relief of their distresses, and praying that a delegate may be appointed to proceed to England to advocate their claims.

Petition from fire-sufferers to appoint a delegate.

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

On Table.

Mr. PRENDERGAST, with consent of His Excellency the Governor, presented a Petition from Mary Bayly, relict of the late George Bayly, and the same was received and read, setting forth,—that petitioner's family had possessed a valuable piece of land on the south and north sides of Water Street, Harbour Grace: that the fire of 1832 consumed the dwellings erected thereon, and deprived her of a valuable yearly rental derived therefrom: that the passing of the Act 3, Wm. 4; cap. 5, prevented her building on the said ground, it being taken for the widening of the street: that she had received no compensation for loss sustained, although many similarly situated had done so, and praying that her case might be considered.

Petition from Mary Bayly for compensation for ground taken to widen the streets of Harbor Grace.

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

Referred to Committee of Supply.

Reply of His Excellency to the Address in reference to Commercial School at Burin.

Mr. FALLE, from the Committee to present the Address requesting His Excellency to authorize the appropriation of £50 for a Commercial School at Burin, reported that His Excellency had been pleased to say the Address would be submitted for consideration of Her Majesty's Council.

*A Message from Her Majesty's Council.*

The Master-in-Chancery to Her Majesty's Council brought down the following written Message:—

Mr. SPEAKER,—

Message from H.M. Council.

Her Majesty's Council acquaint the House of Assembly that they have passed the Bill sent up to this House, entitled "An Act to continue and amend an Act passed in the sixth year of the reign of Her present Majesty, entitled 'An Act for the encouragement of Education in this colony;'" and the Bill entitled "An Act to continue an Act passed in the sixth year of the reign of Her present Majesty, entitled 'An Act to revise and amend an Act passed in the third year of the reign of Her present Majesty, entitled 'An Act to establish the Fees and Costs chargeable in the several Police Courts and Courts of Sessions in this Colony,'" without amendment.

ROBERT LAW,  
*President.*

Council Chamber, }  
24th April, 1850. }

And then the Messenger withdrew.

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

On Table.

Committee of the whole on Supply.

Pursuant to order, the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole on Supply.

Mr. SPEAKER left the Chair.

Mr. HANRAHAN took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. SPEAKER resumed the Chair.

Resolutions reported from Committee of Supply.

The Chairman reported from the Committee that they had considered the business to them referred, and had some to certain resolutions thereon, which they had directed him to report to the House, and to ask leave to sit again on the further consideration thereof.

*Ordered,*—That the Report be received.

The said Resolutions were then read by the Clerk, and are as follow:—

*Resolved*,—That it is the opinion of this Committee that the sum of Four Thousand Six Hundred and Thirty-six pounds be granted to Her Majesty, Her Heirs or Successors, towards defraying the Salaries of the undermentioned Officers, as follows :—

Public Officers, £4626.

The Private Secretary to the Governor, Two Hundred Pounds.

The Clerk to the Executive Council, Two Hundred Pounds.

Two Clerks in the Secretary's Office, Four Hundred Pounds.

An Office Keeper to the Secretary's Office, Sixty Pounds.

A Messenger at the Secretary's Office, Sixty Pounds.

The Colonial Treasurer, Five Hundred Pounds.

The Chief Clerk and Registrar of the Supreme and Central Circuit Courts, Three Hundred and Fifty Pounds, together with the sum of Fifty Pounds to defray the Salary of a Clerk Assistant, also the further sum of Twenty Pounds for Stationery and other incidentals; *Provided*, that all Fees and Perquisites received in or in any way connected with the said Office, shall be accounted for, and paid over half-yearly, to the Colonial Treasurer.

The Clerk of the Northern Circuit Court, Two Hundred Pounds.

The Clerk of the Southern Circuit Court, Two Hundred Pounds.

The Crier and Tipstaff of the Supreme Court, Sixty Pounds.

Three Police Magistrates for Saint John's, Nine Hundred Pounds.

The High Constable for Saint John's, Eighty Pounds.

Eight Police Constables for Saint John's, Three Hundred and Sixty Pounds.

The Gaoler for Saint John's, One Hundred and Fifty Pounds, in lieu of all Fees, which are to be accounted for and paid over to the Colonial Treasurer.

The Gaol Surgeon of Saint John's, Forty Pounds.

The Gaol Surgeon of Harbor Grace, Thirty Pounds.

The District Surgeon for Saint John's, One Hundred and Fifty Pounds.

The Hospital Surgeon for Saint John's, One Hundred and Fifty Pounds.

The Gate-keeper at Government House, Twenty-six Pounds.

The Attorney-General, in lieu of his Fees of Office, Two Hundred and Fifty Pounds.

The Solicitor-General, in lieu of his Fees of Office, Two Hundred Pounds.

*Resolved*,—That it is the opinion of this Committee that the Sum of Two Thousand and Thirty Pounds be granted to Her Majesty, Her Heirs or Successors, towards defraying the Salaries of the undermentioned Outport Magistrates, as follows :—

Outport Magistrates, £2030.

- A Magistrate at Harbor Grace, one Hundred and Eighty Pounds  
 A Second Magistrate at Harbor Grace, One Hundred and Fifty Pounds.  
 A Magistrate at Carbonear, One Hundred and Fifty Pounds.  
 A Magistrate for Brigus and Port-de-Grave, One Hundred and Fifty Pounds.  
 A Magistrate at Ferryland, One Hundred Pounds.  
 A Magistrate at Bay Bulls, One Hundred Pounds.  
 A Magistrate at Burin, One Hundred and Fifty Pounds.  
 A Magistrate at Lamaline, One Hundred and Thirty Pounds.  
 A Magistrate at Saint Mary's, One Hundred and Thirty Pounds.  
 A Magistrate at Harbor Britain, One Hundred Pounds.  
 A Magistrate at Grand Bank, One Hundred and Thirty Pounds.  
 A Magistrate at Trinity, One Hundred and Fifty Pounds.  
 A Magistrate at Bonavista, One Hundred and Fifty Pounds.  
 A Magistrate for Twillingate and Fogo, One Hundred and Thirty Pounds.  
 A Magistrate for Placentia, One Hundred and Thirty Pounds.

Outport Clerks of the Peace,  
 £585.

*Resolved*,—That is the opinion of this Committee that the sum of Five Hundred and Eighty-five Pounds be granted to Her Majesty, Her Heirs or Successors, towards defraying the Salaries of the undermentioned Outport Clerks of the Peace, as follows:—

- A Clerk of the Peace at Harbor Grace, One Hundred and Fifty Pounds.  
 A Clerk of the Peace at Carbonear, Sixty Pounds.  
 A Clerk of the Peace for Brigus and Port-de-Grave, Sixty Pounds.  
 A Clerk of the Peace at Ferryland, Sixty Pounds.  
 A Clerk of the Peace at Placentia, Thirty-five Pounds.  
 A Clerk of the Peace at Burin, Thirty-five Pounds.  
 A Clerk of the Peace at Harbor Britain, Thirty five Pounds  
 A Clerk of the Peace at Trinity, Sixty Pounds.  
 A Clerk of the Peace at Bonavista, Forty-five Pounds.  
 A Clerk of the Peace at Twillingate, Forty-five Pounds: Provided that all the Fees of Office received by the said Clerks of the Peace, shall be accounted for and paid over to the Colonial Treasurer.

Outport Gaolers, £190.

*Resolved*,—That it is the opinion of this Committee that the Sum of One Hundred and Ninety Pounds be granted to Her Majesty, Her Heirs or Successors, towards defraying the Salaries of the undermentioned Outport Gaolers, as follows:—

A Gaoler at Harbor Grace, Ninety Pounds; Provided that all Fees of Office received by him shall be accounted for and paid over to the Colonial Treasurer.

A Gaoler at Ferryland, Twenty-five Pounds.

A Gaoler at Placentia, Twenty-five Pounds.

A Gaoler at Burin, Twenty-five Pounds.

A Gaoler at Trinity, Twenty-five Pounds.

*Resolved*,—That it is the opinion of this Committee that the Sum of Nine Hundred and Sixty Pounds be granted to Her Majesty, Her Heirs or Successors, towards defraying the Salaries of the undermentioned Outport Constables, as follows:—

Outport Constables, £960.

Three Constables at Harbor Grace, One Hundred Pounds.

Three Constables at Carbonear, Seventy-five Pounds.

Two Constables at Brigus and Port-de-Grave, Fifty Pounds.

A Constable at Bay Roberts, Twelve Pounds.

A Constable at Ferryland, Twenty-five Pounds.

A Constable at Bay Bulls, Twenty-five Pounds.

A Constable at Burin, Twenty-five Pounds.

A Constable at Lamaline, Twelve Pounds.

A Constable at Saint Mary's, Twenty-five Pounds.

A Constable at Harbor Britain, Twelve Pounds.

A Constable at Grand Bank, Twelve Pounds.

Two Constables at Trinity, Thirty-seven Pounds.

A Constable at Bonavista, Twenty-five Pounds.

Three Constables at Twillingate and Fogo, Forty-nine Pounds.

A Constable at Placentia, Twenty-five Pounds.

A Constable at Bay-de-Verds, Twelve Pounds.

A Constable at Harbor Main, Twelve Pounds.

A Constable at Cat's Cove, Twelve Pounds.

A Constable at Western Bay, Twelve Pounds.

A Constable at South Shore, Twelve Pounds.

A Constable at Brigus, South, Twelve Pounds.

A Constable at Witless Bay, Twelve Pounds.

A Constable at Toad's Cove, Twelve Pounds.

A Constable at Renew's, Twelve Pounds.

A Constable at Cape Broyle, Twelve Pounds.

A Constable at Caplin Bay, Twelve Pounds.

A Constable at Aquaforte, Twelve Pounds.

A Constable at Fermew's, Twelve Pounds.

A Constable at Barren Island, Twelve Pounds.



- A Constable at Merasheen, Twelve Pounds.
- A Constable at Little Placentia, Twelve Pounds.
- A Constable at Saint Lawrence, Twelve Pounds.
- A Constable at Trepassey, Twelve Pounds.
- A Constable at Catalina, Twenty-five Pounds.
- A Constable at Perlican, Twelve Pounds.
- A Constable at Heart's Content, Twelve Pounds.
- A Constable at Hant's Harbor, Twelve Pounds.
- A Constable at New Harbor, Twelve Pounds.
- A Constable at Greenspond, Twelve Pounds.
- A Constable at Exploits Bay, Twelve Pounds.
- A Constable at Petty Harbor, Twenty Pounds.
- A Constable at Portugal Cove, Twenty Pounds.
- A Constable at Torbay, Twenty Pounds.
- A Constable at King's Cove, Twelve Pounds.
- A Constable at Tickle Cove, Twelve Pounds.
- A Constable at Salvage, Twelve Pounds.
- A Constable at Hermitage Bay, Twelve Pounds.
- A Constable at Burgeo Islands, Twelve Pounds.
- A Constable at Jersey Harbor, Twelve Pounds.
- A Constable at Spaniard's Bay, Twelve Pounds.

Ferry-men, £262.

*Resolved*,—That it is the opinion of this Committee that the Sum of Two Hundred and Sixty-two Pounds be granted to Her Majesty, Her Heirs or Successors, towards defraying the Allowances of the following Ferry-men, that is to say:—

To Ferry-men at Manuels and Little Saint Lawrence, Ten Pounds each.

To Ferry-men at Great Placentia, Salmonier, Portugal Cove, South Arm of Trinity, Twenty-five Pounds each.

To Ferry-men between Burin and Spoon Cove, and between Belle Isle and Topsail, Twenty Pounds each.

To Ferry-men at Biscay Bay and Aquaforte, Fifteen Pounds each.

To a Ferry-man at Malbay, Twelve Pounds.

To a Ferry-man at John's Pond, North Harbor and Salmonier, Thirty Pounds.

And Two Ferries at Holyrood, Thirty Pounds; that is to say: For Two Boats to be stationed in the neighbourhood of Crawley's on the South Side, and the neighbourhood of Healy's on the North Side of the Harbor,—Fifteen Pounds to be allowed each.

- Resolved*,—That it is the opinion of this Committee that the sum of One Hundred Pounds be granted to Her Majesty, Her Heirs or Successors, towards defraying the expense of the support of a Packet-Boat between Bonavista and South-side of Trinity Bay ; and a further sum of Twenty Pounds for a Messenger.
- Packet between Bonavista and Trinity Bay, £100.  
Messenger, £20.
- Resolved*,—That it is the opinion of this Committee that the sum of One Hundred and Twenty Pounds be granted to Her Majesty, Her Heirs or Successors, towards defraying the expense of the support of a Packet-Boat between Burin and Placentia; and a further sum of Thirty Pounds for a Messenger between the latter place and Saint John's.
- Packet between Burin and Placentia, £120.  
Messenger, £30.
- Resolved*,—That it is the opinion of this Committee that the sum of Forty Pounds be granted to Her Majesty, Her Heirs or Successors, towards the support of a Commercial School at Great Placentia.
- Commercial School at Great Placentia, £40.
- Resolved*,—That it is the opinion of this Committee that the sum of Forty Pounds be granted to Her Majesty, Her Heirs or Successors, towards the support of the Presbyterian School at Saint John's.
- Presbyterian School at St. John's, £40.
- Resolved*,—That it is the opinion of this Committee that the sum of Two Hundred Pounds be granted to Her Majesty, Her Heirs or Successors, towards defraying the ordinary expenses of Court Houses and Gaols.
- Ordinary expenses of Court Houses and Gaols, £200.
- Resolved*,—That it is the opinion of this Committee that the sum of Six Hundred Pounds be granted to Her Majesty, Her Heirs or Successors, towards defraying the expenses of Gaols.
- Gaols, £600.
- Resolved*,—That it is the opinion of this Committee that the sum of Five Hundred Pounds be granted to Her Majesty, Her Heirs or Successors, towards defraying the expenses of Printing and Stationery.
- Printing and Stationery, £500.
- Resolved*,—That it is the opinion of this Committee that the sum of Three Hundred Pounds be granted to Her Majesty, Her Heirs or Successors, towards defraying the expenses of Crown Prosecutions.
- Crown Prosecutions, £300.
- Resolved*,—That it is the opinion of this Committee that the sum of One Hundred and Fifty Pounds be granted to Her Majesty, Her Heirs or Successors, towards defraying the expenses of Coroners.
- Coroners, £150.
- Resolved*,—That it is the opinion of this Committee that the sum of Four Hundred and Fifty Pounds be granted to Her Majesty, Her Heirs or Successors, towards defraying the expenses of Fuel and Light in Public Buildings.
- Fuel and Light, £450.

Postages and Incidental Expenses, £120.

*Resolved*,—That it is the opinion of this Committee that the sum of One Hundred and Twenty Pounds be granted to Her Majesty, Her Heirs or Successors, towards defraying Postages and other Incidental Expenses.

Circuit Expenses, £300.

*Resolved*,—That it is the opinion of this Committee that the sum of Three Hundred Pounds be granted to Her Majesty, Her Heirs or Successors, towards defraying the expenses of Judges and Officers on Circuits; that is to say, the sum of One Hundred and Fifty Pounds to defray the expenses of each Circuit, in full, for table money and means of conveyance; the Northern Circuit to commence at Twillingate, and be also held at Fogo, Greenspond, Bonavista, Trinity, and Harbor Grace; and the Southern Circuit to commence at Fortune Bay, and be also held at Burin, Placentia, St. Mary's, and Ferryland.

Relief of the Poor, £3500.

*Resolved*,—That it is the opinion of this Committee that the sum of Three Thousand and Five Hundred Pounds be granted to Her Majesty, Her Heirs or Successors, towards the relief of the Poor.

Outport Permanent Poor, £400.

*Resolved*,—That it is the opinion of this Committee that the sum of Four Hundred Pounds be granted to Her Majesty, Her Heirs or Successors, towards defraying the expense of Outport Permanent Poor.

Lunatic Paupers, £1000.

*Resolved*,—That it is the opinion of this Committee that the sum of One Thousand Pounds be granted to Her Majesty, Her Heirs or Successors, towards defraying the expense of Lunatic Paupers.

Registration of Voters, £150.

*Resolved*,—That it is the opinion of this Committee that the Sum of One Hundred and Fifty Pounds be granted to Her Majesty, Her Heirs or Successors, towards defraying the expense of the Registration of Voters for the past year.

Shipwrecked Crews, £100.

*Resolved*,—That it is the opinion of this Committee that the sum of One Hundred Pounds be granted to Her Majesty, Her Heirs or Successors, towards the relief of Shipwrecked Crews.

'Crown Lands' Act, £300.

*Resolved*,—That it is the opinion of this Committee that the sum of Three Hundred Pounds be granted to Her Majesty, Her Heirs or Successors, towards carrying out the provisions of the Crown Lands' Act.

'Gas Lights, £143 6s. 8d.

*Resolved*,—That it is the opinion of this Committee that the sum of One Hundred and Forty-three Pounds Six Shillings and Eight Pence be granted to Her Majesty, Her Heirs or Successors, towards defraying the expenses of Gas Lights, Saint John's, to be under the supervision of the Stipendiary Justices.

- Resolved*,—That it is the opinion of this Committee that the sum of Twenty-Five Pounds be granted to Her Majesty, Her Heirs or Successors, towards defraying Office Rent of Deputy Post Master, provided it be kept in a Stone Building. Rent of Post Office, £25.
- Resolved*,—That it is the opinion of this Committee that the Sum of Twenty-five Pounds be granted to Her Majesty, Her Heirs or Successors, towards defraying expense of publishing an Almanac, provided that the grant for this purpose be discontinued in future. Almanac, £25.
- Resolved*,—That it is the opinion of this Committee that the sum of Thirty-six Pounds Ten Shillings be granted to Her Majesty, Her Heirs or Successors, towards defraying expense of Artillery-men at Fort Amherst. Artillery Men at Fort Amherst, £36 10s.
- Resolved*,—That it is the opinion of this Committee that the sum of Fifty Pounds be granted to Her Majesty, Her Heirs or Successors, towards payment of Duties on Wines imported or purchased for the use of the Military. Military Wines, £50.
- Resolved*,—That it is the opinion of this Committee that the sum of Fifty Pounds be granted to Her Majesty, Her Heirs or Successors, towards defraying the annual allowance to the Widow of the late Mr. Blaikie. Widow of late Mr. Blaikie, £50.
- Resolved*,—That it is the opinion of this Committee that the sum of Forty Pounds be granted to Her Majesty, Her Heirs or Successors, towards defraying the annual allowance to Matthew Stevenson, as Pension. Pension to M. Stevenson, £40.
- Resolved*,—That it is the opinion of this Committee that the Sum of Ten Pounds be granted to Her Majesty, Her Heirs or Successors, as gratuity to Robert Connell, in compensation for past services. Gratuity to R. Connell, £10.
- Resolved*,—That it is the opinion of this Committee that the sum of Thirty Pounds be granted to Her Majesty, Her Heirs or Successors, towards defraying the annual allowance to the Widow of the late Mr. Holbrook. Widow of late Mr. Holbrook, £30.
- Resolved*,—That it is the opinion of this Committee that the sum of Nine Pounds Two Shillings and Sixpence be granted to Her Majesty, Her Heirs or Successors, towards defraying the annual allowance to Patrick Burke, as pension. Annual allowance to Patrick Burke, £9 2d. 6d.
- Resolved*,—That it is the opinion of this Committee that the sum of Three Hundred Pounds be granted to Her Majesty, Her Heirs or Successors, to defray the Salary of a Magistrate at St. George's Bay. Magistrate at St. George's Bay, £300.

Customs' Department, £64  
6s.

*Resolved*,—That it is the opinion of this Committee that the sum of Sixty-four Pounds and Five Shillings be granted to Her Majesty, Her Heirs or Successors, towards defraying the value of certain articles received by the colony from the Imperial Government, on the change in the Customs' Department, St. John's.

Samuel Carson, District  
Surgeon, £50.

*Resolved*,—That it is the opinion of this Committee that the sum of Fifty Pounds be granted to Her Majesty, Her Heirs, or Successors, as allowance to Samuel Carson, M.D., District Surgeon, for Medicine to the Poor.

Agricultural Society, £150.

*Resolved*,—That it is the opinion of this Committee that the sum of One Hundred and Fifty Pounds be granted to Her Majesty, Her Heirs, or Successors, towards the support of the Agricultural Society.

Walter Shelly, £25.

*Resolved*,—That it is the opinion of this Committee that the sum of Twenty-five Pounds be granted to Her Majesty, Her Heirs or Successors, towards compensating Walter Shelly for keeping the Government Cottage at Salmonier, under such regulations as the Governor may establish.

Purchase Money of a Cemetery, £384.

*Resolved*,—That it is the opinion of this Committee that the sum of Three Hundred and Eighty-four Pounds be granted to Her Majesty, Her Heirs or Successors, for the purchase money of a Cemetery for the Members of the Roman Catholic Church: *Provided always, nevertheless, and be it enacted*, that the Parcel of Land situate on the South Side of the River running into Quidi Vidi Lake, heretofore Granted (by Grant from the Crown, bearing date on or about the Twenty-seventh day of June, Anno Domini One Thousand Eight Hundred and Forty-eight) to the Right Reverend the present Bishop of Newfoundland, and his successors, in Trust, for the purpose of a Burial Ground of the Members of the Church of England, but subject to certain Trusts in the said Grant recited, shall henceforth be held by the said Bishop, and his successors, in Trust, for the purpose of a Burial Ground for the exclusive use of the Members of the Church of England, freed and discharged of all other Trusts, Conditions, and Privileges, respecting the use of the said Land, in the said recited Grant declared or contained.

St. John's Water Company,  
£100.

*Resolved*,—That it is the opinion of this Committee that the sum of One Hundred Pounds be granted to Her Majesty, Her Heirs or Successors, towards defraying the expense of the St. John's Water Company for keeping Fire-Plugs in repair.

- Resolved*,—That it is the opinion of this Committee that the sum of One Hundred Pounds be granted to Her Majesty, Her Heirs or Successors, towards the support of the St. John's Factory. St. John's Factory, £100.
- Resolved*,—That it is the opinion of this Committee that the sum of Fifty Pounds be granted to Her Majesty, Her Heirs or Successors, towards the support of the Dorcas Society, St. John's. Dorcas Society, St. John's, £50.
- Resolved*,—That it is the opinion of this Committee that the sum of Twenty-five Pounds be granted to Her Majesty, Her Heirs or Successors, towards the support of the Dorcas Society, Harbor Grace. Dorcas Society, Harbor Grace, £25.
- Resolved*,—That it is the opinion of this Committee that the sum of Twenty-five Pounds be granted to Her Majesty, Her Heirs or Successors, towards the support of the Dorcas Society, Carbonear. Dorcas Society, Carbonear, £25.
- Resolved*,—That it is the opinion of this Committee that the sum of Forty-five Pounds Eighteen Shillings and Two Pence be granted to Her Majesty, Her Heirs or Successors, towards reimbursing the late Fire Wardens for expenses incurred. Late Fire Wardens, £45 18s. 2d.
- Resolved*,—That it is the opinion of this Committee that the sum of Thirty Pounds be granted to Her Majesty, Her Heirs or Successors, towards the support of the St. John's Library. St. John's Library, £30.
- Resolved*,—That it is the opinion of this Committee that the sum of Ten Pounds be granted to Her Majesty, Her Heirs or Successors, towards remunerating Honora Mackay, for the support of Shipwrecked Seamen. Honora Mackay, £10.
- Resolved*,—That it is the opinion of this Committee that the sum of Twenty-nine Pounds and Ten Pence, be granted to Her Majesty, Her Heirs or Successors, towards reimbursing Messrs. Cliff, Wood & Co. for Duties overpaid on Stone imported for the Episcopal Cathedral. Cliff, Wood & Co., £29 0s. 10d.
- Resolved*,—That it is the opinion of this Committee that the sum of Twenty Pounds be granted to Her Majesty, Her Heirs or Successors, as compensation to Daniel Dwyer for past services. Daniel Dwyer, £20.
- Resolved*,—That it is the opinion of this Committee that the sum of Twenty Pounds be granted to Her Majesty, Her Heirs or Successors, towards compensating Mary Gear for keeping and cleansing the Custom House, St. John's. Mary Gear, £20.
- Resolved*,—That it is the opinion of this Committee that the sum of Two Hundred Pounds be granted to Her Majesty, Her Heirs or Successors, to- Wesleyan Chapel, Harbour Grace, £200.

wards the re-erection of the Wesleyan Chapel, Harbor Graee, lately destroyed by fire.

Hannah Gaylor, £50.

*Resolved*,—That it is the opinion of this Committee that the sum of Fifty Pounds be granted to Her Majesty, Her Heirs or Successors, as compensation to Hannah Gaylor, Administratrix of the late Thomas Gaylor, for services performed by him as Clerk of the Peace at Bonavista.

Packet Boat between St. John's and Twillingate, 1007.

*Resolved*,—That it is the opinion of this Committee that the sum of One Hundred Pounds be granted to Her Majesty, Her Heirs or Successors, towards the support of a Packet Boat between St. John's and Twillingate, to touch at Greenspond and Fogo, under such regulations as the Governor may order.

Harcourt Mooney, £30.

*Resolved*,—That it is the opinion of this Committee that the sum of Thirty Pounds be granted to Her Majesty, Her Heirs or Successors, in full compensation to Harcourt Mooney, Secretary of the St. John's Academy, for loss of office.

Hugh A. Emerson, Esq.,  
£25 9s. 6d.

*Resolved*,—That it is the opinion of this Committee that the sum of Twenty-five Pounds Nine Shillings and Sixpence be granted to Her Majesty, Her Heirs or Successors, towards reimbursing Hugh A. Emerson, Esquire, for expenses incurred while Acting Judge on the Northern Circuit last year, over the amount granted by the Legislature for the conveyance of the Judge on the said Circuit.

Richard Perchard, £92 18s.  
7d.

*Resolved*,—That it is the opinion of this Committee that the sum of Ninety-two Pounds Eighteen Shillings and Seven Pence be granted to Her Majesty, Her Heirs or Successors, towards compensating Richard Perchard for loss sustained by an Act of the Legislature, on a debt due him by John Nash.

Messenger between St. John's and Renew's, £20.

*Resolved*,—That it is the opinion of this Committee that the sum of Twenty Pounds be granted to Her Majesty, Her Heirs or Successors, towards defraying the expenses of a Messenger between St. John's and Renew's, once every fortnight throughout the year.

Messenger between Salmonier and St. Mary's,  
£10.

*Resolved*,—That it is the opinion of this Committee that the sum of Ten Pounds be granted to Her Majesty, Her Heirs or Successors, towards defraying the expense of a Messenger between Salmonier and St. Mary's.

Farmers' Mill Company,  
£100.

*Resolved*,—That it is the opinion of this Committee that the sum of One Hundred Pounds be granted to Her Majesty, Her Heirs or Successors, towards discharging the liabilities of the Farmers' Mill Company.

*Resolved*,—That it is the opinion of this Committee that the sum of Eleven Pounds Nine Shillings and Sixpence be granted to Her Majesty, Her Heirs or Successors, towards reimbursing Captain Whitmore, Royal Engineers, for duties paid on baggage.

Captain Whitmore, R.E.,  
£11 9s. 6d.

*Resolved*,—That this Committee having taking into consideration the Petition of Captain Whitmore, praying for a remission of duties on baggage brought to this country by him in July last, are of opinion that as similar grants passed this House last Session, the amount of £11 9s. 6d. now sought to be granted should be voted, but the Committee are also of opinion that the remission of duties in such cases is objectionable on principle, and should not be entertained by this House in future.

Resolution in reference to  
return duties on baggage.

*Resolved*,—That it is the opinion of this Committee that the sum of Fifty Pounds be granted to Her Majesty, Her Heirs or Successors, towards compensating Mrs. Bayly for land taken for widening Water-street Harbor Grace, under the Harbor Grace Street Acts.

Mrs. Bayly, £50.

*Resolved*,—That it is the opinion of this Committee that the sum of Three Hundred Pounds granted to Her Majesty, Her Heirs or Successors, by 12th Vic., cap. 22., for the Erection of a Grist Mill at Harbour Grace, or its vicinity, and remaining unappropriated, be paid to any person or persons who may Erect and Build such Mill, subject to such conditions as His Excellency the Governor may impose, freed from all other conditions and restrictions in the said Act contained in reference thereto.

Grist Mill, Harbor Grace  
£300.

*Resolved*,—That it is the opinion of this Committee that the sum of Five Hundred Pounds be granted to Her Majesty, Her Heirs or Successors, to defray Unforeseen Contingencies.

Unforeseen Contingencies,  
£500.

*Resolved*,—That it is the opinion of this Committee that the following offices are unnecessary, and that the salaries now attached to them respectively should cease at the respective terms hereinafter mentioned:

The office of Private Secretary, on the termination of the present Governor's Administration.

The Hospital Surgeon on the demise or retirement of the present incumbent.

The first vacancy in the Protestant Magistrates of St. John's ; the first vacancy in the Magistrates, Harbor Grace ; and that two Magistrates, on the demise or retirement of one of the present incumbents, are sufficient for the district of Burin.



*Resolved*,—That it is the opinion of this Committee that on the termination of the present Governor's Administration the allowance for Fuel and Light shall not exceed £250.

Mr. CARTER moved, seconded by Mr. JOB,  
That the said Report be adopted.

Whereupon,

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

Amendment.

That the Report be amended by the omission of the vote for the Magistrate at St. George's Bay.

And the House dividing thereon, there appeared for the Amendment, *five*; against it, *seven*.

FOR THE AMENDMENT.

AGAINST THE AMENDMENT.

Division on Amendment.

Mr. Hoyles  
" Emerson  
" Winser  
" O'Brien  
" Falle

Mr. Carter  
" Hanrahan  
" Molloy  
" Shea  
" Job  
" Delaney  
" Rankin

Amendment negatived

So it passed in the negative.

And the question on the original motion being then put, passed in the affirmative, and

Report adopted.

*Ordered accordingly.*

On motion of Mr. CARTER, seconded by Mr. HOYLES,

*Resolved*,—That a Select Committee be appointed to draft a Bill in conformity with the foregoing Report.

Select Committee to draft Supply Bill.

*Ordered*,—That Mr. CARTER and Mr. HOYLES be a Committee for that purpose.

Despatch from His Excellency the Governor.

Mr. SPEAKER laid before the House, by command of His Excellency the Governor, a Despatch from the Secretary of State for the Colonies, transmitted through Mr. Secretary Crowdy.

The said Despatch was then read by the Clerk, and is as follows :—

[COPY.]  
No. 146.

Downing Street, }  
9th March, 1850. }

SIR,—I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your Despatch, No. 9, of the 5th ultimo, enclosing an Address to the Queen from the two Branches of the Legislature of Newfoundland, expressive of their regret at the lamented death of Her Majesty the late Queen Dowager.

I have to instruct you to inform the Council and House of Assembly that I have laid these Addresses before the Queen, and that Her Majesty was pleased to receive them graciously.

I am, sir, &c.,

(Signed) GREY.

Governor Sir GASPARD LEMARCHANT.

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

On Table.

Pursuant to order, the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole on the Bill to amend the Act to regulate the granting of Licenses for the sale by retail of Ale, Wines, and Spirituous Liquors in Newfoundland.

Committee of the whole on  
License Act Amendment  
Bill.

Mr. SPEAKER left the Chair.

Mr. EMERSON took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. SPEAKER resumed the Chair.

The Chairman reported from the Committee that they had passed the Bill to them referred with some Amendments, which they had directed him to report to the House.

Bill reported with Amend-  
ments.

*Ordered*,—That the Report be received.

The Amendments having been severally read throughout a first and second time, were, upon the question put thereon, adopted by the House.

Amendments adopted.

*Ordered*,—That the said Bill as amended be engrossed and read a third time this day.

Pursuant to order, the said Bill being engrossed was read a third time accordingly.

Read 3rd time.

On motion of Mr. PRENDERGAST, seconded by Mr. HOYLES,

Passed and Titled.

*Resolved*,—That the Bill pass, and that it be entitled “ An Act to amend an Act to regulate the granting of Licenses for sale by retail of Ale, Wines and Spirituous Liquors in Newfoundland.”

Deputation to present.

*Ordered*,—That Mr. PRENDERGAST and Mr. HOYLES do take the said Bill to Her Majesty’s Council and desire their concurrence.

On motion of Mr. EMERSON, seconded by Mr. HOYLES,

Amendments read this day six months.

*Resolved*,—That the second reading of Her Majesty’s Council’s Amendments on the Bill to regulate the establishment of the Northern and Southern Circuit Courts of this Island, and to provide for the appointment of Sheriffs and other Officers in the several Electoral Districts in this Island, be read a second time this day six months.

Committee of the whole on Bill for granting a Patent to Thos. Robson.

Pursuant to order, the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole upon Her Majesty’s Council’s Bill for granting a Patent to Thomas Robson, of Sackville, in the province of New Brunswick, for an improved Fog Bell or Gong, and for other self-regulating machinery impelled by wind.

Mr. SPEAKER left the Chair.

Mr. DELANEY took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. SPEAKER resumed the Chair.

Bill reported without Amendment.

The Chairman reported from the Committee that they had passed the Bill to them referred without amendment, which they had directed him to report to the House.

*Ordered*,—That the Report be received.

*Ordered*,—That the said Bill be read a third time this day.

Read 3rd time.

And the said Bill was read a third time accordingly.

Deputation to H. M. Council.

*Ordered*,—That the Bill do pass, and that Mr. SHEA and Mr. HOYLES do take the said Bill to Her Majesty’s Council and acquaint them therewith.

On motion of Mr. SHEA, seconded by Mr. HOYLES,

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

*To His Excellency Sir JOHN GASPARD LEMARCHANT, Knight and Knight-Commander of the Orders of St. Ferdinand and of Charles the Third of Spain, Governor and Commander-in-Chief in and over the Island of Newfoundland and its Dependencies.*

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY :—

By an Act of the Legislature of this colony, 7th Vic., cap. 5, the sum of £500 is granted annually for the support of a Light House on Cape Pine, which, it is anticipated, will be erected in the course of the ensuing summer. The House of Assembly respectfully request that Your Excellency will be pleased to communicate with the Governors of the neighbouring colonies upon the above subject, with a view of obtaining contributions from them towards the maintenance of an establishment in which these colonies are so much interested.

Address in reference to  
Cape Pine Light House.

House of Assembly, }  
April 24, 1850. }

*Ordered,*—That Mr. SHEA and Mr. HOYLES be a Committee to present the same to His Excellency the Governor.

Committee to present.

Pursuant to order, the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole upon the Amendments of Her Majesty's Council upon the Quarantine Amendment Bill.

Committee of the whole on  
H. M. Council's Amend-  
ments on Quarantine Bill.

Mr. SPEAKER left the Chair.

Mr. EMERSON took the Chair of the Committee:

Mr. SPEAKER resumed the Chair.

The Chairman reported from the Committee that they had considered the Amendments to them referred, and had passed the same without amendment.

Amendments passed.

*Ordered,*—That the Report be received.

*Ordered,*—That the Amendments be now read a third time.

The said Amendments were then read a third time accordingly.

Read 3rd time.

On motion of Mr. O'BRIEN, seconded by Mr. HANRAHAN,

*Resolved*,—That the said Amendments do pass, and that a Message be sent to Her Majesty's Council acquainting them therewith.

Deputation to H.M. Council.

*Ordered*,—That Mr. O'BRIEN and Mr. HANRAHAN do take the said Message to Her Majesty's Council.

On motion of Mr. PARSONS, pursuant to notice, seconded by Mr. WINSER,

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

*To His Excellency Sir JOHN GASPARD LEMARCHANT, Knight and Knight-Commander of the Orders of St. Ferdinand and of Charles the Third of Spain, Governor and Commander-in-Chief in and over the Island of Newfoundland and its Dependencies.*

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY:—

Address in reference to  
Agricultural Society.

The House of Assembly respectfully request that Your Excellency will be pleased to direct that there be laid before this House a Report of the Agricultural Society,—setting forth the quantity of seed and corn grain distributed to the poor, and the Returns thereof by the parties obtaining either of them; the amount of money subscribed by the Society, the quantity and kind of farming implements imported, and their cost, and to whom given; and the general advantages which the Society has conferred upon the farming interests of the colony.

House of Assembly, }  
April 24th, 1850. }

Committee to present.

*Ordered*,—That the Address be engrossed, and that Mr. PARSONS and Mr. WINSER be a Committee to present the same to His Excellency the Governor.

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

*Resolved*,—That the following Address be presented to Her Most Gracious Majesty:—

## TO THE QUEEN'S MOST EXCELLENT MAJESTY.

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR MAJESTY,—

We Your Majesty's loyal subjects, the House of Assembly of Newfoundland, beg leave most humbly to approach Your Majesty with feelings of the most profound respect for Your Majesty's person and Government.

Address on the subject of the reduction of Duties on Fish exported from this colony to Foreign Markets.

The subject of the Fisheries of this Colony has frequently been brought under the notice of Your Majesty, and measures prayed for to protect these our staple interests against that depression which must appear inevitable under the operation of Foreign competition and interference to which the Fisheries of this Colony have been exposed. We have sought these measures of relief, but hitherto, we regret to add, with but little effect. We humbly conceive that we were justified in hoping for more satisfactory results from the prayers we addressed to Your Majesty on this important question, for the reasons which we again respectfully submit.

The causes which operate so detrimentally on our Trade and Fisheries were created by Treaties entered into by the Imperial Government with Foreign Powers with a regard solely to the exigencies of Imperial interests. The Treaty of Utrecht and subsequent Treaties gave Foreigners the right of fishing on the Banks and the principal part of the shores of this island, and the additional right which gives pernicious efficiency to the former,—that of landing and curing on a large portion of our Coast. The French have stimulated the fisheries thus acquired by enormous bounties, and have prosecuted them with such vigour that in the absence of protection to British interests they have practically converted their concurrent right of fishing on that portion of our coast extending from Cape Ray to Cape John to one of exclusive enjoyment. The concessions to the Americans by the Treaty of 1818, give them advantages of which they also, sustained by their bounties, fully avail. Were the evil confined simply to the rights of fishing granted to these Powers, the British people of this Colony would feel but little cause of complaint; for fair competition on equal terms would create no apprehension on their minds as to the result. But these Powers have eagerly availed themselves of the rights thus unwisely conferred, to train men for their respective navies, and have consequently encouraged their fisheries by enormous bounties. Our self-supporting Fisheries are compelled to compete with this bounty-sustained competition of our rivals in Foreign markets, where they may sell without loss at a price which would only yield to the British fisherman one-half the cost of production. The ultimate consequences of these evils, of which the growing increase of the Foreign fisheries makes us every day more sensible

must be apparent ; and when they are so clearly traceable to arrangements dictated solely by a regard to Imperial concerns, the Assembly have thought that their claims for redress could not have been justly treated with neglect and unconcern.

But even at the risk of being thought importunate, the Assembly feel that they should be wanting in their duty, did they fail again to urge on the attention of Your Majesty the perils to which our vital interests continue to be unceasingly exposed from the causes above stated.

We also desire to bring under the notice of Your Majesty the change made in the duties in Spain on fish imported into that country. This change, while increasing the former heavy tax on our staple, also effects an increase in the previous difference of charge on fish imported in British ships, as compared with that payable on the article when brought in by the ships of Spain. Spanish vessels entering the ports of this colony enjoy all the immunities that are incident to British Ships, and bring their produce into our markets on equal terms with ourselves; while in return we are met by a Tariff, the old hostility of which has been further aggravated to a degree which must end in depriving us of the markets which that country has long afforded us.

We therefore humbly pray that means may be adopted to cause the Treaties in question to be carried out in their integrity, by the establishment of a suitable protective force ; and that in any future Treaties with Spain and Portugal, efforts may be made to procure a reduction of the duties on fish in those countries.

*Ordered*,—To be engrossed.

On motion of Mr. SHEA, seconded by Mr. HOYLES,

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

*To His Excellency Sir JOHN GASPARD  
LEMARCHANT, Knight and Knight  
Commander of the Orders of St. Ferdinand and of Charles the Third of  
Spain, Governor and Commander-in-  
Chief in and over the Island of New-  
foundland and its Dependencies.*

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY :—

The House of Assembly have passed an Address to Her Majesty on the subject of the fisheries of this country, which they respectfully request

Your Excellency will be pleased to transmit to Her Majesty's Principal Secretary of State for the Colonies, in order that the same be laid at the foot of the Throne.

*Ordered*,—That the Address be engrossed, and that Mr. HOYLES and Mr. SHEA be a Committee to present the same to His Excellency the Governor. Committee to present.

Mr. PRENDERGAST moved, pursuant to notice, seconded by Mr. PARSONS,

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

*To His Excellency Sir JOHN GASPARD LEMARCHANT, Knight and Knight-Commander of the Orders of St. Ferdinand and of Charles the Third of Spain, Governor and Commander-in-Chief in and over the Island of Newfoundland and its Dependencies.*

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY:—

The House of Assembly having taken into consideration the Report of the Harbor Grace Grammar School for the past year, laid before this House by Your Excellency, setting forth,—that a sum of £100 is absolutely required for painting the exterior and interior of the School Building and Out-houses, for the purchase of books in addition to the present Library, and to provide Philosophical instruments, &c., respectfully request that Your Excellency will be pleased to appropriate the sum of £100 for the purposes recommended.

Address in reference to Harbor Grace Grammar School.

Whereupon,

Mr. EMERSON moved in amendment, seconded by Mr. O'BRIEN,

That the Address be presented this day six months.

Amendment that Address be presented this day six months.

And the House dividing thereon, there appeared for the Amendment, *four*; against it, *four*.

FOR THE AMENDMENT.

AGAINST THE AMENDMENT

Mr. Hanrahan  
 “ Winser  
 “ Emerson  
 “ O'Brien

Mr. Prendergast  
 “ Molloy  
 “ Delaney  
 “ Parsons

Division.



And the numbers being equal, Mr. SPEAKER gave his casting vote in the negative.

The original motion then passed in the affirmative, and

Original motion carried.

*Ordered* accordingly.

Deputation to present.

*Ordered*,—That the said Address be engrossed, and that Mr. Prendergast and Mr. Parsons be a Committee to present the same to His Excellency the Governor.

On motion of Mr. HOYLES, seconded by Mr. EMERSON,

Amendments on H. M. Council's Bill for Limitation of Suits and Actions relating to real property not adhered to.

*Resolved*,—That a Message be sent to Her Majesty's Council, acquainting them that this House do not adhere to the Amendments made by them upon the Bill sent down from Her Majesty's Council, entitled "An Act for the limitation of Suits and Actions relating to real property, and for simplifying the remedies for trying the rights thereto."

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

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

*To His Excellency Sir JOHN GASPARD LEMARCHANT, Knight and Knight Commander of the Orders of St. Ferdinand and of Charles the Third of Spain, Governor and Commander-in-Chief in and over the Island of Newfoundland and its Dependencies.*

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY:—

Address to His Excellency in reference to bridges over Salmonier and Little Harbor.

The House of Assembly respectfully request that Your Excellency will be pleased to take into consideration the Petitions of the Inhabitants of St. Mary's and Salmonier, on the subject of the Bridges over the rivers at Salmonier and at Little Harbor. At Salmonier a precarious transit over the river is provided for travellers by a Ferry at an expense of £25 per annum; while ample materials have been brought for the completion of the wharves of both Bridges, which, if not used, will decay and consequently be lost to the colony. The House of Assembly respectfully request that Your Excellency will cause the said Bridges to be completed so far as to render the road sufficient to enable travellers and cattle to come in safety from St. Mary's to St. John's.

*Ordered*,—That the said Address be engrossed, and that Mr. DELANEY and Mr. PARSONS be a Committee to present the same to His Excellency the Governor.

Deputation to present.

On motion of Mr. WINSER, seconded by Mr. DELANEY,

*Resolved*,—That a Select Committee be appointed to report to the House the Documents to be printed in the Appendix of the Journals for this Session.

*Ordered*,—That Mr. WINSER, Mr. DELANEY, and Mr. HANRAHAN be a Committee for that purpose.

Select Committee on Appendix.

Mr. DELANEY gave notice that to-morrow he would move the appointment of a Select Committee in reference to Postal Communication throughout the Island.

Notice for Select Committee on Postal Communication.

Mr. O'BRIEN gave notice that on to-morrow he would move an Address to His Excellency the Governor, requesting that he would appropriate the sum of £2000 to be expended this year upon Roads, in addition to the balance for that service at present unappropriated.

Notice for Address to His Excellency on appropriating £2000 on Roads.

Then the House adjourned till to-morrow at Twelve of the clock.

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T H U R S D A Y , APRIL 25, 1850.

Mr. PARSONS presented a Petition from John Furlong and others, of St. John's, and the same was received and read, setting forth,—the impassable state of the fire-break leading from Beck's Cove to Gower Street, and its being a nuisance from the accumulation of filth : the advantage that would result from improving this Cove, and praying that the House would appropriate a sum of money for so desirable an object.

Petition in reference to Beck's Cove fire-break.

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

On Table.

Mr. PARSONS gave notice that on to-morrow he would move an Address to His Excellency the Governor, requesting that he would appropriate the sum of £200 in reference to the above Petition.

Notice of motion in reference to the Petition on Beck's Cove fire-break.

Committee of the whole on  
St. John's Re-building Act.

Pursuant to order, the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole upon the Bill to amend the St. John's Rebuilding Act.

Mr. SPEAKER left the Chair.

Mr. DELANEY took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. SPEAKER resumed the Chair, on a Message being sent to Her Majesty's Council.

The Chairman resumed the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. SPEAKER resumed the Chair.

Bill reported with Amend-  
ments.

The Chairman reported from the Committee that they had passed the Bill to them referred, with some Amendments, which they had directed him to report to the House.

Amendments adopted.

The said Amendments having been severally read throughout, were, upon the question put thereon, adopted by the House.

Time of 3rd reading.

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

*Messages from Her Majesty's Council.*

The Master-in-Chancery to Her Majesty's Council brought down the following written Messages :

Mr. SPEAKER,—

Messages from H. M. Coun-  
cil.

Her Majesty's Council acquaint the House of Assembly that they have passed the Bill sent up to this House entitled, " An Act to amend An Act, entitled ' An Act to provide for the Regulation, Management, and Collection of all duties granted to Her Majesty, Her Heirs or Successors, on all Goods, Wares, and Merchandize imported into this Island and its Dependencies ' " without amendment.

ROBERT LAW,

Council Chamber, }  
25th April, 1850. }

*President.*

Mr. SPEAKER,—

Her Majesty's Council acquaint the House of Assembly that they have passed the Bill sent up for the concurrence of this House, entitled " An Act to repeal An Act to regulate the making and repairing of Roads, Streets, and Bridges within this Colony " ; and also the Bill sent up to

this House, entitled "An Act for the Regulation and Management of the Public Market House in the town of St. John's," without amendment.

Council Chamber, }  
25th April, 1850. }

ROBERT LAW, *President*.

And then the Messenger withdrew.

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

On Table.

Pursuant to order, the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole upon the Bill to authorize the remission of Duties on articles used for Shipbuilding in this colony.

Committee of the whole on Bill to authorize the remission of Duties on articles used in Shipbuilding.

Mr. SPEAKER left the Chair.

Mr. RANKIN took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. SPEAKER resumed the Chair.

The Chairman reported that the Committee had risen.

*Ordered*,—That the Report be received.

Report received.

Pursuant to order, the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole on the Address to Her Majesty in reference to the funds sent to this colony for relief of the Fire Sufferers of 1846.

Committee of the whole on Address to Her Majesty in reference to the fire-sufferers.

Mr. SPEAKER left the Chair.

Mr. FALLE took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. SPEAKER resumed the Chair.

The Chairman reported that the Committee had risen.

*Ordered*,—That the Report be received.

Report received.

Then the House adjourned till to-morrow at Twelve of the clock.

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F R I D A Y , APRIL 26, 1850.

Mr. WINSER gave notice that on to-morrow he would move an Address to His Excellency the Governor, respectfully requesting that he would take into consideration the distressed position of Edward Neal, wounded by

a party of soldiers last winter, and grant him some remuneration for the injuries sustained, and loss of time.

On motion of Mr. DELANEY, seconded by Mr. WINSER,

Select Committee on Postal Communication.

*Resolved*,—That a Select Committee be appointed to enquire into the subject of Postal Communication throughout the Island.

*Ordered*,—That Mr. Delaney, Mr. Winsler, Mr. Emerson, Mr. Carter, and Mr. Prendergast, do form such Committee.

Mr. O'BRIEN, pursuant to notice, presented the draft of an Address to His Excellency the Governor, which he read in his place, and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table when it was again read as follows:—

*To His Excellency Sir JOHN GASPARD LEMARCHANT, Knight and Knight-Commander of the Orders of St. Ferdinand and of Charles the Third of Spain, Governor and Commander-in-Chief in and over the Island of Newfoundland and its Dependencies.*

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY:—

Draft of an Address to His Excellency in reference to appropriating £2000 for Roads.

The House of Assembly respectfully request that Your Excellency will be pleased to appropriate the sum of Two Thousand Pounds, in addition to the sum unexpended under the Act 12th Vic., cap. 18., for the making and repairing of main Roads and Bridges; and that Your Excellency, with the advice of Her Majesty's Council, will be further pleased to appoint three Commissioners to control the expenditure of the above amount in the several Districts in proportion to population.

Mr. O'BRIEN moved, seconded by Mr. PARSONS,

That the Address be adopted.

Whereupon,

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

That the Address be not adopted.

Amendment.

And the House dividing thereon, the Amendment passed in the affirmative, and

Amendment adopted.

*Ordered* accordingly.

Mr. PARSONS, pursuant to notice, presented the draft of an Address to His Excellency the Governor, which he read in his place, and afterwards delivered it in at the Clerk's Table, when it was again read, as follows:—

*To His Excellency Sir JOHN GASPARD LEMARCHANT, Knight and Knight-Commander of the Orders of St. Ferdinand and of Charles the Third of Spain; Governor and Commander-in-Chief in and over the Island of Newfoundland and its Dependencies.*

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY:—

The House of Assembly having received a Petition from certain citizens of St. John's, praying that the Fire-break at Beck's Cove be rendered safe and passable, request Your Excellency to appropriate the necessary amount from the road appropriation to effect the same.

Draft of an Address to His Excellency in reference to fire-break at Beck's Cove.

Mr. PARSONS moved, seconded by Mr. O'BRIEN,

That the Address be adopted.

Whereupon,

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

That the Address be not received.

Amendment.

And the House dividing thereon, the Amendment passed in the affirmative, and

*Ordered accordingly.*

Amendment adopted.

Mr. HANRAHAN presented a Petition from Daniel Green and others, inhabitants of Harbor Grace, and the same was received and read, praying,—that the Bill before the House of Assembly to prevent the taking of caplin for manure, may not be passed into law.

Petition from Daniel Green and others, of Harbor Grace.

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

On Table.

On motion of Mr. HOYLES, seconded by Mr. HANRAHAN,

*Resolved,*—That the order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to prevent the taking of Caplin for manure, be discharged.

Second reading of Bill to prevent the taking of Caplin for manure discharged.

Bill to amend the St. John's Re-building Act, read 3rd time.

Pursuant to order, the Bill to amend the St. John's Re-building Acts was read a third time.

On motion of Mr. CARTER, seconded by Mr. PRENDERGAST,

Passed and Titled.

*Resolved*,—That the said Bill pass, and that it be entitled “An Act to further amend the St. John's Re-building Acts.”

Committee to present.

*Ordered*,—That Mr. CARTER and Mr. PRENDERGAST do take the said Bill to Her Majesty's Council and desire their concurrence.

On motion of Mr. HOYLES, seconded by Mr. HANRAHAN,

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

*To His Excellency Sir JOHN GASPARD LEMARCHANT, Knight and Knight Commander of the Orders of St. Ferdinand and of Charles the Third of Spain, Governor and Commander-in-Chief in and over the Island of Newfoundland and its Dependencies.*

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY :—

Address to His Excellency in reference to Petitions on the subject of Caplin for manure.

The House of Assembly having had Petitions presented to them from various parties, praying the enactment of some provisions for the purpose of restricting the taking of Bait for manure ; and Petitions against such enactment having been also presented to the House upon a Bill being introduced upon this subject, are desirous of obtaining further information before proceeding to legislate upon a matter of so much importance; and they therefore pray that Your Excellency will be pleased to transmit to the Stipendiary Magistrates of Conception Bay the accompanying interrogatories, to be submitted by them to those residents of that Bay whose opinions they may deem worthy of consideration, in order that such answers may be laid before the Assembly at its next Session.

Are Caplin or other bait taken for manure in any part of your district?

If yea, state by what classes of persons, to what extent, and whether, in your opinion, such practice is injurious to the shore or other fisheries of the island to a degree more than commensurate with the advantage derived from the use of bait for manure.

Engrossed, and Committee to present.

*Ordered*,—That the said Address be engrossed, and that Mr. Hoyles, and Mr. Hanrahan be a Committee to present the same to His Excellency the Governor.

*Message from Her Majesty's Council.*

The Master-in-Chancery to Her Majesty's Council brought down the following written Message :

Mr. SPEAKER,—

Her Majesty's Council acquaint the House of Assembly that they have passed the Bill sent up to this House entitled " An Act to amend an Act passed in the seventh year of Her present Majesty, entitled " An Act to provide for the establishment of an Academy in the town of St. John's, " without amendment.

Message from H.M.Council.

ROBERT LAW,

*President.*

Council Chamber, )  
26th April, 1850. )

And then the Messenger withdrew.

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

On Table.

Mr. CARTER, from the Select Committee to prepare a Bill in conformity with the Resolutions passed in the Committee of Supply, presented a Bill to defray the Civil Expenditure of the Government for the year ending 31st Dec., 1850, and the same was received and read a first and second time.

Supply Bill read 1st time.

On motion of Mr. CARTER, seconded by Mr. HANRAHAN,

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

Committee of the whole on Supply.

And the House resolved itself into the said Committee accordingly.

Mr. SPEAKER left the Chair.

Mr. HANRAHAN took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. SPEAKER resumed the Chair.

The Chairman reported from the Committee that they had passed the Bill to them referred without amendment.

Bill passed without Amendment.

*Ordered*,—That the Report be received.

Report received.

*Ordered*,—That the said Bill be engrossed and read a third time this day.



Read 3rd time.

The said Bill being engrossed, was read a third time accordingly.

On motion of Mr. CARTER, seconded by Mr. HANRAHAN,

Passed and Titled.

*Resolved*,—That the Bill pass, and that it be entitled “An Act for granting to Her Majesty a sum of money to defray the expenses of the Civil Government of the colony for the year ending 31st Dec., 1850.”

Committee to present.

*Ordered*,—That Mr. CARTER and Mr. HANRAHAN do take the said Bill to Her Majesty’s Council and desire their concurrence.

On motion of Mr. CARTER, seconded by Mr. HOYLES,

Message to H. M. Council for contingent expenses.

*Resolved*,—That a Message be sent to Her Majesty’s Council requesting that they would furnish this House with the amount of their contingent expenses for the present Session.

*Ordered*,—That Mr. Carter and Mr. Job, do take the said Message.

Notice of motion for Rule to be added to standing orders.

Mr. HOYLES gave notice that on to-morrow he would move that the following rules be added to the standing orders of the House:

That the Chairman of every Committee upon any Bill which had been amended in Committee, shall before the third reading of such Bill, report to the House that he has examined such Bill, and that it has been correctly engrossed in accordance with the amendments made thereon.

*A Message from Her Majesty’s Council.*

The Master-in-Chancery to Her Majesty’s Council brought down the following written Message:

Mr. SPEAKER,—

Message from H. M. Council.

Her Majesty’s Council have agreed to and passed the Amendment made by the House of Assembly upon the Bill, entitled “An Act to fix and Establish the Terms of the Supreme, Circuit, and Sessions Courts, and to extend the Jurisdiction and amend the practice of the said Courts,” with an Amendment, to which they request the concurrence of the House of Assembly.

ROBERT LAW, *President.*

Council Chamber, }  
26th April, 1850. }

And then the Messenger withdrew.

On Table.

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

The Amendment made by Her Majesty's Council, in and upon the Amendments of the House of Assembly upon the Bill sent down from the Council entitled "An Act to fix and regulate the Terms of the Supreme, Circuit, and Sessions Courts, and to extend the Jurisdiction and amend the practice of the said Courts," was read a first and second time, and is as follows:—

Amendment of H.M. Council upon the Bill to regulate the Terms of the Supreme, Circuit, and Sessions Courts, &c., read 1st time.

After the word "always" in the first line of the second amendment, insert the words "that such adjournment or adjournments shall not be for more than six days in all from the respective days on which the said Courts shall so sit in vacation respectively and."

On motion of Mr. HOYLES, seconded by Mr. SHEA,

*Resolved*,—That the House do now resolve itself into a Committee of the whole upon the consideration of the said Amendment.

Committee of the whole of said Amendment.

And the House resolved itself into the said Committee accordingly:

Mr. SPEAKER left the Chair.

Mr. FALLE took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. SPEAKER resumed the Chair.

The Chairman reported from the Committee that they had considered the Amendment to them referred, and had passed the same without Amendment.

Reported without amendment.

*Ordered*,—That the Report be received.

Report adopted.

*Ordered*,—That the Amendment be now read a third time.

And the Amendment was read a third time accordingly.

Read 3rd time.

On motion of Mr. HOYLES, seconded by Mr. SHEA,

*Resolved*—That the Amendment pass, and that a Message be sent to Her Majesty's Council acquainting them that this House concurs in the same.

*Ordered*,—That Mr. HOYLES and Mr. SHEA do take the said Message to Her Majesty's Council.

Deputation to H. M. Council.

Mr. SPEAKER laid before the House the Return in reference to the appropriation of a sum of money towards the expense of erecting a Colonial

Return from His Excellency the Governor.

Building and Market House, transmitted through Mr. Secretary Crowdy, by command of His Excellency the Governor.

On Table.

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

On motion of Mr. HOYLES, seconded by Mr. WINSER,

Consolidated returns in reference to education printed.

*Resolved*,—That the consolidated returns in reference to Education in this colony, prepared by Mr. Delaney, be printed for the use of Members.

Petition from John Stuart, praying for remuneration for extra trouble.

Mr. SHEA presented a Petition from John Stuart, Chief Clerk of the House of Assembly, and the same was received and read, setting forth,—the increased duties required of him during this Session in consequence of the Despatch from the Secretary of State for the Colonies ordering two extra copies of the Journal and proceedings of the House to be transmitted by every packet, and praying that some remuneration might be made him.

Then the House adjourned till to-morrow at One of the clock.

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S A T U R D A Y , APRIL 27, 1850.

Mr. DELANEY, from the deputations appointed to present Addresses to His Excellency the Governor reported as His Excellency's replies as follow:—

Reply of His Excellency the Governor in reference to deputations appointed to present Addresses.

To the Address in reference to the Petition from the inhabitants of Paradise against the practice of splitting fish at Marticot that he would comply with the request contained in the Address; to the Address in reference to the various Ferries throughout the island, that he would comply therewith; and also to the Address in reference to the Bridges between St. Mary's and Salmonier, that the subject thereof would be taken into consideration.

Reply of His Excellency to the Address in reference to the Petition of J. and A. Stuart.

Mr. PARSONS reported from the Committee appointed to present the Address in reference to the claim of John and Alexander Stuart for com-

compensation for filling up the Public Cove to the eastward of the premises formerly occupied by Rennie, Stuart & Co., that His Excellency had been pleased to say he would cause the requisite inquiries to be made on the subject.

Mr. WINSER, from the Select Committee to inquire into the Documents before the House necessary to be printed in the Appendix of the Journals for this Session, presented his Report, which he read in his place, and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's Table, where it was again read as follows :—

The Select Committee to whom was referred the examination of the Documents to be inserted in the Appendix of the Journals for this Session of the Legislature, beg leave to report that upon examination of all the papers laid before the House, they recommend that all should be published, except the following, viz:—Returns from the various Boards of Education throughout the island; the Returns from the various Outports in reference to the use of Cod Seines and Jiggers; the Report of the Superintendent of Roads for 1849; Contracts on Main Lines of Roads, and sums expended on Branch Roads; Return of Wolves killed in 1849; Return in connexion with the expenditure for Roads, and Statement of Assistant Judge DesBarres and Judge Emerson, in reference to the Circuits of last year.

On motion of Mr. WINSER, seconded by Mr. O'BRIEN,

*Resolved*,—That the said Report be adopted.

Mr. PARSONS presented a Petition from John Rourke and others, farmers and fishermen of Outer Cove, and the same was received and read, setting forth,—that the Bill before the House for preventing the use of caplin for manure, if passed into law, would do them great injury, and praying that it may be rejected by the Legislature.

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

*Messages from Her Majesty's Council.*

The Master-in-Chancery to Her Majesty's Council brought down the following written Messages :

Mr. SPEAKER,—

Her Majesty's Council have passed the Bill sent up to them from the House of Assembly entitled " An Act to authorize the issue of Treasury

Report of Select Committee on Documents to be printed in the Appendix to the Journals.

Report received.

Petition from J. Rourke and others, of Outer Cove, in reference to caplin manure Bill.

On Table.

Messages from H.M. Council.

Notes, and for the reduction of the Public Debt of the colony," with some Amendments, to which they request the concurrence of the House of Assembly.

Council Chamber, }  
27th April, 1850. }

ROBERT LAW, *President*.

Mr. SPEAKER,—

Her Majesty's Council have passed the Bill sent up from the House of Assembly for the concurrence of this House entitled "An Act to amend an Act passed in the third year of the reign of Her present Majesty, entitled "An Act to regulate the granting of licenses for the sale by retail of Ale, Wines, and Spirituous Liquors in Newfoundland," without amendment.

ROBERT LAW, *President*.

Council Chamber, }  
27th April, 1850. }

And then the Messenger withdrew.

On Table,

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

Amendments of H.M. Councilon Bill for the issue of Treasury Notes and for the reduction of the Public Debt, read 1st and 2nd time.

The Amendments made by Her Majesty's Council in and upon the Bill sent up from this House entitled "An Act to authorize the issue of Treasury notes, and for the reduction of the Public Debt of the colony," were then read a first and second time, and are as follow :—

In the 1st section expunge the words between the word "pounds" at the end of the 5th line and the word "that" in the 7th line, and expunge the word "currency" in the 8th and 9th line.

In the 2nd section expunge the third line of this section, and insert in place thereof "Spanish or Mexican Dollars at the rate of four Dollars for every Pound currency expressed in such note."

In the 4th section, 6th line, expunge the words "Gold or Silver," and insert in their place "Specie."

In the 4th section, 10th line, expunge the words "Gold or Silver," and insert in their place "Specie."

In the 5th section, 4th line, expunge the words "in the like proportion and."

In the 7th section, 2nd line, expunge the words " or the Collector of Her Majesty's Revenue."

In the 7th section, 4th line, expunge " or at the Customs' Department in payment of Duties."

On motion of Mr. CARTER, seconded by Mr. SHEA,

*Resolved*,—That the House do now resolve itself into a Committee of the whole upon the consideration of the said Amendments.

Committee of the whole on said Amendments.

And the House resolved itself into the said Committee accordingly.

Mr. SPEAKER left the Chair.

Mr. RANKIN took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. SPEAKER resumed the Chair.

The Chairman reported from the Committee that they had considered the Amendments to them referred, and had passed the same without Amendment.

Reported without Amendment.

*Ordered*,—That the Report be received.

Report adopted.

*Ordered*,—That the Amendments be now read a third time.

And the said Amendments were read a third time accordingly.

Read 3rd time.

On motion of Mr. CARTER, seconded by Mr. O'BRIEN,

*Resolved*—That the Amendments pass, and that a Message be sent to Her Majesty's Council acquainting them that this House concurs in the same.

*Ordered*,—That Mr. CARTER and Mr. O'BRIEN do take the said Message to Her Majesty's Council.

Deputation to present.

Mr. WINSER moved, seconded by Mr. PARSONS,

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

*To His Excellency Sir JOHN GASPARD LEMARCHANT, Knight and Knight Commander of the Orders of St. Ferdinand and of Charles the Third of Spain, Governor and Commander-in-Chief in and over the Island of Newfoundland and its Dependencies.*

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY:—

Address in reference to Edward Neal.

The House of Assembly having had under their consideration the Petition of Edward Neal, hereto prefixed, respectfully request that Your Excellency would be pleased to make him such compensation as Your Excellency may deem him entitled to for the severe bodily injuries and loss of time sustained by him.

Whereupon,

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

Amendment.

That the Address be not adopted.

And the House dividing thereon, there appeared for the Amendment, *five*; against it, *three*.

FOR THE AMENDMENT.

AGAINST THE AMENDMENT.

Division.

Mr. Carter  
 “ Falle  
 “ Rankin  
 “ Hoyles  
 “ O'Brien

Mr. Winsor  
 “ Parsons  
 “ Delaney

So it passed in the affirmative, and

Passed in the affirmative.

*Ordered* accordingly.

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

Rule to be added to standing orders.

*Resolved*,—That the following Rule be added to the standing orders of the House: That the Chairman of every Committee upon any Bill which has been amended in Committee, shall, before the third reading of such Bill, report to the House that he has examined such Bill and that it has been correctly engrossed in accordance with the Amendments so made thereon.

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

*Resolved*,—That the following Address be transmitted to the Right Hon. the Principal Secretary of State for the Colonies:—

*To the Right Hon. Earl GREY, Principal Secretary of State for the Colonies.*

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR LORDSHIP:—

The House of Assembly of Newfoundland most respectfully beg leave to represent that between Newfoundland and the United States there exists an active trade, which, the House of Assembly consider, would be considerably advanced by the reduction of the rate of Postage between these countries; and as the neighbouring colony of Nova Scotia has obtained the advantage of such reduction, they request that this colony may be placed upon the same footing, confident that by such arrangement no loss to the Postal Revenue will result, while the Colonial interest will be greatly promoted.

Address to the Principal Secretary of State for the Colonies on Postal Communication between Newfoundland and the United States.

*Ordered*,—That the Address be engrossed.

Address engrossed.

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

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

*To His Excellency Sir JOHN GASPARD LEMARCHANT, Knight and Knight Commander of the Orders of St. Ferdinand and of Charles the Third of Spain, Governor and Commander-in-Chief in and over the Island of Newfoundland and its Dependencies,*

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY:—

The House of Assembly have passed the accompanying Address in reference to Postal Communication between Newfoundland and the United States, which they request Your Excellency will be pleased to forward to Her Majesty's Principal Secretary of State for the Colonies.

Address to His Excellency in reference to forwarding the Address to the Principal Secretary of State for the Colonies.

*Ordered*,—That the Address be engrossed, and that Mr. Parsons and Mr. Delaney be a Committee to present the same to His Excellency the Governor.

Committee to present.



On motion of Mr. SHEA, seconded by Mr. HOYLES,

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

*To His Excellency Sir JOHN GASPARD LEMARCHANT, Knight and Knight-Commander of the Orders of St. Ferdinand and of Charles the Third of Spain, Governor and Commander-in-Chief in and over the Island of Newfoundland and its Dependencies.*

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY:—

Address to His Excellency in reference to Teachers of Schools throughout the Island.

The House of Assembly respectfully request, with a view to the introduction of a better system, that Your Excellency will cause the different Boards of Education throughout the island to acquaint the Masters of the Schools that they will not be considered as having a vested right in their respective offices, on the termination of the Education Act passed in the present Session.

Committee to present.

*Ordered*,—That the Address be engrossed, and that Mr. Hoyles and Mr. Shea be a Committee to present the same to His Excellency the Governor.

On motion of Mr. O'BRIEN, seconded by Mr. HANRAHAN,

Select Committee to inspect the Journals of H.M. Council, respecting their proceedings on the Bill for the increase of Representatives.

*Resolved*,—That a Select Committee be appointed to inspect the Journals of Her Majesty's Council, respecting their proceedings on the Bill sent up from this House to provide for the increase of Representatives, and report the same to this House.

*Ordered*,—That Mr. O'BRIEN and Mr. HANRAHAN be a Committee for that purpose.

*Message from Her Majesty's Council.*

The Master-in-Chancery to Her Majesty's Council brought down the following written Message.

MR. SPEAKER,—

Message from H.M. Council.

Her Majesty's Council acquaint the House of Assembly that they have passed the Bill sent up from the Assembly for the concurrence of this House, entitled "An Act in further amendment of the Saint John's Rebuilding

Acts," with some amendments, to which they request the concurrence of the House of Assembly.

ROBERT LAW,

*President.*

Council Chamber, }  
27th April, 1850. }

And then the Messenger withdrew.

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

On Table.

The Amendments made by Her Majesty's Council in and upon the Bill sent up from this House entitled "An Act to amend the St. John's Re-building Acts," were then read a first and second time, and are as follow :

Amendments of H.M. Council on the St. John's Re-building Acts Bill.

In the third section, 7th line from the bottom, between the words "shall" and "have," insert "be sworn before a Magistrate to do justice between the parties and shall."

In the 5th section, at the end of the 5th line, insert the words "Ex officio." In the last line but one, expunge the words "and shall perform such duties gratuitously."

In the 7th section, expunge the words after the word "erected," in the 7th line to the word "and" (inclusive) in the 12th line.

In the 11th section, 22nd line, after the word "shall," insert "in case of refusal to pay the same" (if the Governor and Council upon hearing the Proprietor or Proprietors, or his, her, or their agent, and upon consideration of the award, and of all the circumstances of the case shall think fit so to order.)

Expunge the twelfth section of the Bill.

Add the following section to the Bill :—

And be it further enacted, that so much of the street known as Church Hill, and which is situate between the old Church Yard and property in the possession of Charles Henry Renouf, John Boyd, and James Tubrid, shall be bounded as follows: that is to say, its western boundary line shall be as it now exists; that its eastern boundary shall be a line commencing on the north side of Duckworth Street at a point fifty-three feet easterly from the south-east angle of a House in the occupation of the said Charles Henry Renouf, and sixty-one feet from the north-west angle of the Market House, thence running

northerly in a straight line to a point sixty feet from the south-east angle of a House in the occupancy of John Hiscock Cozens, and thence running in a straight line to the north-west angle of the old Church Yard.

*Message from Her Majesty's Council.*

The Master-in-Chancery to Her Majesty's Council brought down the following written Message.

MR. SPEAKER,—

Message from H.M.Council.

Her Majesty's Council have passed the Bill sent up to them from the House of Assembly, entitled "An Act for granting to Her Majesty a sum of money to defray the expenses of the Civil Government of this Colony, for the year ending the 31st of December, 1850," without amendment.

ROBERT LAW,

*President,*

Council Chamber, }  
27th April, 1850. }

And then the Messenger withdrew.

On Table,

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

On motion of Mr. SUEA, seconded by Mr. EMERSON,

Committee of the whole on Amendments of H.M.Council on the St. John's Re-building Acts Bill.

*Resolved*,—That the House do now resolve itself into a Committee of the whole upon the Amendments of Her Majesty's Council on the Bill to amend the St. John's Re-building Acts.

And the House resolved itself into the said Committee accordingly.

Mr. SPEAKER left the Chair.

Mr. RANKIN took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. SPEAKER resumed the Chair.

Progress reported.

The Chairman reported progress and asked leave to sit again.

Report received.

*Ordered*,—That the Report be received, and that the Committee have leave to sit again to-morrow.

Mr. SHEA, from the Joint Committee of the House of Assembly and Her Majesty's Council to inquire into the state of the Legislative Library, presented the Report, which was read by the Clerk, as follows:—

Report of the Joint Committee to inquire into the state of the Legislative Library.

The Committee of the Legislative Library beg to report that soon after the close of the last Session they removed the establishment from the wooden building in which it had previously been held to a room in the Exchange Buildings, in which was combined greater security, convenience, and diminution of expense. Here the Library was held until the completion of the Colonial Building, in which a convenient apartment has been provided, which will, of course, remain permanently for this purpose.

The Books and all the apparatus of the Library are in good condition, and evince the care and attention of the Librarian.

The Committee have recently arranged to have the Periodicals supplied to the Library—a measure which, they are assured, will receive the approval of the members of the Legislature.

With a view to the acquisition of new works of value and interest, and the progressive improvement of the Library, the Committee recommend that the sum of Fifty Pounds be voted for this purpose for the present year.

The accounts of the expenses of the Library for the past year are annexed, amount £95 12s. 6d., which the Committee submit for approval and liquidation.

Library Room, }  
15th April, 1850. }

W. B. ROW, *Chairman.*

On motion of Mr. SHEA, seconded by Mr. JOB,

*Resolved*,—That the said Report be adopted.

Report adopted.

Then the House adjourned till Monday next at Twelve of the clock.

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M O N D A Y, APRIL 29, 1850.

Mr. HANRAHAN presented a Petition from Richard Holden, Assistant Clerk of the House of Assembly, and the same was received and read,

Petition from Rd. Holden for compensation for past services.

praying that some arrears of salary, due him for services rendered in previous sessions of the Legislature, might be awarded him.

Referred to the Select Committee on Contingencies.

*Ordered*,—That the said Petition be referred to the Select Committee on Contingencies.

Mr. Speaker informs the House of His Excellency's intention to prorogue the Legislature.

Mr. SPEAKER informed the House that he had received a communication from Mr. Secretary Crowdy, acquainting him that it was the intention of His Excellency the Governor to prorogue the Legislature at Two o'clock to-morrow.

Blue Book for 1849, laid before the House.

Mr. SPEAKER laid before the House the Blue Book for 1849, transmitted through Mr. Secretary Crowdy, by command of His Excellency the Governor.

On Table.

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

Report of the Select Committee to search the Journals of H.M. Council in reference to the proceedings on Increase of Representatives' Bill.

Mr. O'BRIEN, from the Select Committee appointed to search Her Majesty's Council's Journals in reference to the proceedings had by that body upon the Bill sent up from this House entitled "An Act to increase the present number of Representatives in the General Assembly of this island, and to regulate the representation thereof," reported that the Committee had searched the Journals accordingly, and he read the Report in his place, and afterwards delivered it in at the Clerk's Table where it was again read, as follows:—

“ 27th April, 1850.

“ Pursuant to order of the day, the House went into Committee on the Bill entitled “ An Act to increase the present number of Representatives in the General Assembly of this Island, and to regulate the Representation thereof.”

“ The Hon. William Thomas in the Chair.

“ After some time the House resumed.

“ The Chairman reported that the Committee had risen.”

On Table.

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

Notice of motion for leave to introduce a Bill next Session for increase of Representatives.

Mr. O'BRIEN gave notice that, on an early day next Session, he would ask leave to introduce a Bill to provide for the increase of Representatives in the General Assembly of this colony.

*Message from Her Majesty's Council.*

The Master-in-Chancery to Her Majesty's Council brought down the following written Message :—

Mr. SPEAKER,—

Her Majesty's Council acquaint the House of Assembly, with reference to their Message requesting to be furnished with the Contingencies of the Council for the present Session, that the Contingent Account of the Clerk of the Council amounts to One Hundred and Forty-two Pounds, Fifteen Shillings, and Seven Pence Sterling ; and that of the Usher of the Black Rod to Nineteen Pounds, One Shilling Sterling ; and they have resolved that their officers shall be paid for their services during the present Session, as follows :—

Message from H.M. Council.

The the Clerk, One Hundred and Fifty Pounds.

The Master-in-Chancery, One Hundred Pounds.

The Usher of the Black Rod, Eighty-five Pounds.

The Door-keeper, Forty-five Pounds.

The Assistant Door-keeper, Twenty Pounds.

Balance due for printing Journals of last Session, Twenty-Eight Pounds, Seventeen Shillings, and Two Pence.

For the printing of the Journals of the present Session, One Hundred and Twenty Pounds.

Council Chamber, }  
April 29th, 1850. }

ROBERT LAW, *President.*

And then the Messenger withdrew.

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

On Table.

Pursuant to order, the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole upon the further consideration of the Amendments of Her Majesty's Council on the Bill to Amend the St. John's Re-building Acts.

Committee of the whole on Amendments of H.M. Council on the St. John's Re-building Acts Bill.

Mr. SPEAKER left the Chair.

Mr. RANKIN took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. SPEAKER resumed the Chair.

The Chairman reported from the Committee that they had considered the Amendments to them referred, and had passed the same with some Amendments, which they had directed him to report to the House.

Progress reported.

*Ordered*,—That the Report be received.

Report received.

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

*Ordered*,—That the said Amendments be now read a third time this day.

Read 3rd time.

And the said Amendments were read a third time accordingly.

On motion of Mr. CARTER, seconded by Mr. O'BRIEN,

*Resolved*,—That the said Amendments pass, and that a Message be sent to Her Majesty's Council, requesting their concurrence in the same.

Deputation to H. M. Council.

*Ordered*,—That Mr. CARTER and Mr. O'BRIEN do take the said Message to Her Majesty's Council.

Report of Select Committee on Contingencies.

Mr. CARTER, from the Select Committee to inquire into the Contingencies of the present Session of the Legislature, presented his Report, which was read by the Clerk, as follows:—

*Resolved*,—That it is the opinion of this Committee that the sum of Three Thousand One Hundred and Seventy-six Pounds, Eight Shillings, and Two Pence be granted to Her Majesty, Her Heirs and Successors to defray the Contingent expenses of the Assembly for the present Session, as follows:—

To the Speaker of the House of Assembly, for his services during the Session .....	£200	0	0
To the Clerk of the House, for his services, and for Indexing and superintending the printing of the Journals .....	200	0	0
And for furnishing copies of Journal to Colonial Office ...	25	0	0
To the Clerk-Assistant, for his services .....	100	0	0
And in full for arrears of salary .....	20	0	0
To the Sergeant-at-Arms, for his services .....	100	0	0
And in full for arrears of salary .....	30	0	0
To the Solicitor of the House, for his services .....	150	0	0
To the Door-keeper .....	45	0	0
To the Messenger .....	40	0	0
To the Under door-keeper .....	35	0	0
To the Assistant Door-keeper, Messenger and Attendant...	15	0	0
To the Librarian of the Legislature .....	50	0	0
To 14 Members (the Speaker not included) the sum of £714, being £42 each, for 8 Members resident in St. John's, and £63 each, for 6 outport Members .....	714	0	0
To the Reporter of the House, for his services, and for publishing the Debates and Proceedings .....	200	0	0

To the proprietor of the <i>Patriot</i> Newspaper, for printing Bills and Miscellaneous papers .....	235	13	10
To the proprietor of the <i>Newfoundlander</i> , estimate for printing the Journals and Appendix of the House for the present session .....	150	0	0
And balance of account for printing Journals and Appendix of last session .....	450	0	0
To the Clerk of the House, for Contingencies of his office.....	151	10	7
And for Contingent expenses of the Library .....	45	12	7
To the Sergeant-at-Arms, for the Contingent expenses of his office .....	100	11	2
To Mr. W. R. Noad, for a plan of the town of St. John's.....	25	0	0
To the Chairman of the Committee of Supply.....	50	0	0
To the Chairman of the Committee of Audit.....	50	0	0

On motion of Mr. CARTER, seconded by Mr. JOB,

*Resolved*,—That the said Report be adopted.

Report adopted.

On motion of Mr. CARTER, seconded by Mr. JOB,

*Resolved*,—That a Select Committee be appointed to bring in a Bill in conformity with the foregoing Report.

*Ordered*,—That Mr. CARTER and Mr. JOB do form such Committee.

Mr. CARTER, from the Select Committee to prepare a Bill in conformity with the Report of the Select Committee on Contingencies, asked leave to present a Bill to defray the Contingent Expenses of the Legislature for the present Session, and the same was read a first and second time.

Bill of the Select Committee on Contingencies read 1st and 2nd time.

On motion of Mr. CARTER, seconded by Mr. JOB,

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

And the House resolved itself into the said Committee accordingly.

Committee of the whole on Contingency Bill.

Mr. SPEAKER left the Chair.

Mr. RANKIN took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. SPEAKER resumed the Chair.

The Chairman reported from the Committee that they had considered the Bill to them referred, and had passed the same with one Amendment, which they had directed him to report to the House, as follows:—

Progress reported.



Ten Pounds to Thos. Brown  
for extra services.

*Resolved*,—That it is the opinion of this Committee that the sum of £10 be voted to Thomas Brown for extra services in preparing Documents for use of the House of Assembly in the Colonial Treasurer's Office last year.

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

*Ordered*,—That the Bill as amended be engrossed and read a third time this day.

Read 3rd time.

And the said Bill, being engrossed, was read a third time accordingly:

On motion of Mr. CARTER, seconded by Mr. JOB,

Passed and Titled.

*Resolved*,—That the Bill pass, and that it be entitled “ An Act to defray the Contingent Expenses of the Legislature for this Session.

Deputation to H. M. Council.

*Ordered*,—That Mr. CARTER and Mr. JOB do take the said Bill to Her Majesty's Council and desire their concurrence.

Report of Select Committee  
on Postal Communication.

Mr. DELANEY, as Chairman of the Select Committee to inquire into Postal Communication throughout the island, presented the Report, which was read by the Clerk as follows:—

Your Committee have taken into consideration the subject of the propriety and practicability of establishing a Postal Communication between St. John's and the different Outports of the Island, a matter which had frequently attracted the attention of the late Governor of this Colony, Captain PRESCOTT, and more particularly adverted to by him in his Speech at the opening of the Session of 1841. And your Committee have arrived at the conclusion that it would greatly conduce to the public interests to afford every facility for internal Postal Communication as far as possible throughout the Island.

As to the question of its practicability, they consider that, looking to the great number of letters constantly passing between St. John's and Conception and Trinity Bays, (and the lateness of the season precludes their obtaining information from places more remote) a Postal Communication may be established along the coast, as far as Twillingate on the North, and as Gaultois to the South Westward, at a very trifling expense to the Colony; and that, in a very short time, so far from being a source of expense, a considerable profit would be derived to the Colony by thus affording the facilities of inland communication.

It has always been found that, in proportion as the facilities for such communication have been created, the increased correspondence far more

than repays the additional outlay. In Great Britain this is strongly exemplified by the enormous increase of letters under the penny postage system; while even here, we find that, expensive as is the rate of postage between this and the United Kingdom, yet, no sooner has a regular transmission of the Mails from the Parent Countries to Newfoundland been established, than with a proportionate rapidity, advantage is taken of it: so that, while in 1841, the sum received at the Post-office of St. John's for letters unpaid before transmission, amounted to £595 7s. 4d., the sum received in the year ending on the first of last January was no less than £1545 7s. 3d., as will be seen by the subjoined return from the Post-master of St. John's; and the sum derived from prepaid letters is still greater.

In order, then, to extend the advantages of such communication as widely as possible, your Committee beg leave to suggest that, for the present, it may be desirable to appoint the Stipendiary Magistrates in the Outports as Post-masters until the arrangement should be more matured when regular establishments would be created; and they beg leave to offer for the consideration of the House, the following Schedule which they have prepared, exhibiting the different postal stations in the two lines respectively, north and south, hoping the House will adopt it as the basis of their proceedings in this respect for the present.

A Postal Communication may be established Northward, by running a line of Packets and Messengers, as follows:—

From St. John's to Portugal Cove .....	£20	0	0
“ Portugal Cove to Harbor Grace .....	60	0	0
“ “ “ to Carbonear .....	60	0	0
“ “ “ to Brigus .....	60	0	0
“ Carbonear to Heart's Content, Messenger .....	20	0	0
“ Heart's Content to Trinity and Catalina .....	100	0	0
“ Catalina to Bonavista .....	10	0	0
“ Bonavista to Greenspond .....	100	0	0
“ “ to King's Cove .....	15	0	0
“ Greenspond to the Main, and from thence to Cat Harbor .....	30	0	0
“ Cat Harbor to Fogo and Twillingate .....	100	0	0
	<u>£575</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>

The following line of Packets and Messengers running to the Southward and Westward, would then complete the circuit of the Island.

From St. John's to Ferryland .....	£20	0	0
“ Ferryland to Trepassey .....	30	0	0
“ St. John's to Salmonier .....	30	0	0
“ Salmonier to St. Mary's .....	10	0	0
“ “ to Placentia .....	20	0	0
“ Placentia to Isle of Valen, Oderin, and Burin .....	100	0	0
“ Burin to Garnish .....	15	0	0
“ Garnish to Belloram, Harbor Britain and Gaultois .....	100	0	0
		325	0 0
Northern line .....	575	0	0
			£900 0 0

Cost of our present Postal Communication is as follows:—

Placentia Packet and Messenger .....	£150	0	0
Bonavista “ “ “ .....	120	0	0
Fogo “ “ “ .....	100	0	0
Ferryland “ “ “ .....	20	0	0
St. Mary's “ “ “ .....	10	0	0
Postages and Incidentals .....	120	0	0
			£520 0 0

By this arrangement it will be seen that an apparent expense to the Colony is created of £900 annually ; but, when it is kept in mind that, already, for the extremely limited and very imperfect system at present existing, the Colony is charged £520, no one will hesitate to agree to the payment of £400 more to extend its benefits so widely, particularly when it is understood that the proceeds of the postage will at once greatly reduce that expenditure, and in two or three years, no doubt, not only redeem it altogether, but produce an excess in favor of the Colony: and that this chain of communication will also necessarily have the effect of relieving the expense of conveying the Judges on their respective Circuits, and also facilitating the means of inspecting the Schools, and otherwise promoting the convenience of transit to the different parts of the Island to the other public officers.

However, until these arrangements are fully matured, your Committee further beg leave to recommend that a respectful Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor, praying His Excellency to direct the Post-

master to prepare rules, subject to the approval of the Governor in Council, touching the transmission and the rates of Postage of letters conveyed at present at the expense of the Colony.

(Signed)

JOHN DELANEY,

Committee Room, }  
29th April, 1850. }

*Chairman Select Committee on  
Postal Communication.*

COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF INCREASE SINCE THE  
ESTABLISHMENT OF THE TRANSATLANTIC MAIL.

*Quarters ending from*

5th April, 1841.	£114	1	1
5th July, 1841.	149	18	6
5th Oct., "	166	0	0
5th Jan., 1842.	165	7	9
	£595	7	4

Adding the probable number for  
paid letters received, and unpaid  
sent, will double the amount.

5th April, 1842.	162	14	7
5th July, "	191	12	2
5th Oct., "	205	9	7
5th Jan., 1843.	210	0	9
	£769	17	1

5th April, 1843.			
5th April, 1844.	225	3	3
5th July, "	274	12	6
5th Oct., "	284	10	10
5th Jan., 1845	263	14	3
	£1048	0	10

5th April, 1845.	209	11	1
5th July, "	314	3	9½
5th Oct., "	289	16	9
5th Jan., 1846.	322	12	10
	£1136	4	5½

5th April, 1846.	£176	4	10
5th July, “	324	14	3
5th Oct., “	451	6	0½
5th Jan., 1847	384	19	0

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£1337 4 1

5th April, 1847.	292	17	4
5th July, “	434	9	7
5th Oct., “	417	4	7
5th Jan., 1848.	430	11	8

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£1575 3 2

5th April, 1848.	254	7	0
5th July, “	362	19	1
5th Oct., “	374	16	2
5th Jan., 1849.	339	3	8

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£1431 5 11

5th April, 1849.	278	14	3
5th July, “	413	14	9
5th Oct., “	426	1	8
5th Jan., 1850.	426	16	7

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£1545 7 3

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5th April, 1850. 328 16 4.....£9,767 6 5.

Memorandum of the Post Office, St. John's Newfoundland, for amount of Postage on letters for Harbor Grace and Carbonear, for the following years, viz:—

*Harbor Grace Account.*

1843 .....	£21	16	2
1844 .....	30	8	9
1845 .....	30	15	2

*Carbonear Account.*

1843 .....	£11	16	2
1844 .....	19	13	0
1845 .....	21	16	0

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

*Resolved*,—That the said Report be adopted.

*Ordered*,—That the Report be printed.

Report printed.

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

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

*To His Excellency Sir JOHN GASPARD LEMARCHANT, Knight and Knight Commander of the Orders of St. Ferdinand and of Charles the Third of Spain, Governor and Commander-in-Chief in and over the Island of Newfoundland and its Dependencies.*

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY :—

The House of Assembly most respectfully request that Your Excellency will be pleased to direct that the Postmaster of St. John's prepare a code of Rules and Regulations respecting the transmission of letters between St. John's and Placentia by messenger, and thence by Packet to Isle of Valen, Oderin, and Burin ; between Salmonier and St. Mary's, St. John's, and Ferryland by messenger ; and between Carbonear and Heart's Content by messenger, and Heart's Content and Bonavista by Packet, subject to the approval of Your Excellency in Council.

Address to His Excellency in reference to the transmission of letters between St. John's and the Outports.

*Ordered*,—That the Address be engrossed, and that Mr. DELANEY and Mr. PARSONS be a Committee to present the same to His Excellency the Governor.

Committee to present.

*Message from Her Majesty's Council.*

The Master-in-Chancery to Her Majesty's Council brought down the following written Message:

MR. SPEAKER,—

Her Majesty's Council acquaint the House of Assembly that they have passed the Bill sent up for the concurrence of this House entitled "An Act to provide for the Contingent Expenses of the Legislature during the present Session," without amendment.

Message from H.M. Council.

Council Chamber, }  
29th April, 1850. }

ROBERT LAW, *President.*

And then the Messenger withdrew.

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

On Table.

Report of the Committee of  
Audit.

Mr. WINSER, as Chairman of the Select Committee of Audit, presented the Report, which he handed in at the Clerk's Table, where it was read, as follows:—

The Committee of Audit appointed by your Honorable House to examine the Public Accounts, and report thereon, commence by stating the Revenue of the Colony for the year 1849.

### CUSTOMS.

Imperial Duties received .....	£1147	9	11
Colonial ditto, St. John's .....	40,500	4	0
The 10 per cent. on the same .....	4050	0	5
Out Bay Receipts .....	10,915	0	2
Quarantine Fees, &c .....	93	18	6
Light Dues .....	1564	2	2
Crown Rents .....	906	5	11
Sheriffs' Fees .....	693	9	1
Clerk of Supreme Court's Fees .....	326	15	9
Clerk of Peace Fees .....	91	17	6
License Fund and Fines .....	762	9	9
Gaolers' Fees .....	6	16	7
	<u>£61,057</u>	<u>9</u>	<u>11</u>

ROBERT CARTER, ESQ., TREASURER, WITH THE COLONY.

1849.

Dr.

Aug. 23.—To sum in the North American Bank .....	£2690	18	5
“ Bonds from late Treasurer .....	7621	5	1
Oct. 16.—“ Imperial duties from Collector Spearman ...	1187	10	11
“ Colonial ditto ditto .....	2772	8	2
“ Ditto Collector Kent .....	2600	0	0
“ Bonds ditto Spearman .....	6786	15	1
“ Ditto ditto Kent .....	6272	17	0
“ Light Dues .....	807	5	9
“ Quarantine Fees .....	93	18	6
“ Crown Rents .....	906	5	11
“ Clerks' of Peace Fees .....	48	16	0

Oct. 16.--To Gaolers' Fees.....	£5	13	6
" Clerk of Supreme Court Fees .....	183	15	9
" License Fund and Fines .....	533	19	7
" Sheriff's Fees .....	63	18	3
" Sundry persons over credited .....	11	4	10
" Loans received .....	1,226	13	4
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	£33,812	16	1
" From Collector Kent .....	637	16	2
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	£31,450	12	3

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By Board of Health.....	£163	7	8
" Crown Prosecutions .....	155	15	0
" Circuit Courts .....	174	17	0
" Coroners .....	134	12	6
" Crown Lands .....	320	0	0
" Education .....	2,542	10	0
" Fuel and Light .....	357	13	0
" Ferries .....	253	18	4
" Gaol Expenses .....	343	5	2
" Roads and Bridges .....	861	7	0
" Light Houses .....	945	15	5
" Legislative Contingencies .....	212	14	10
" Printing and Stationery .....	391	8	1
" Postages and Incidentals.....	80	19	11
" Poor .....	3,435	15	11
" Public Buildings .....	305	15	4
" Repair of Gaols .....	77	6	4
" Registration of Voters .....	37	7	10
" Return of Duties .....	68	14	11
" Special Votes .....	914	1	7
" Shipwrecked Sealers .....	10	19	9
" Salaries .....	4,276	15	0
" Special Ditto .....	1,236	19	0
" St. John's Building Act .....	318	9	6
" Unforseen Contingencies .....	17	6	8
" Crown Lands' Act.....	28	15	0
" Vaccination .....	84	10	0
" Lunatic Asylum .....	587	13	11



To Compensation for Land .....	£64 10 0
“ Debentures paid off .....	550 0 0
“ Half year’s interest of the public debt.....	2,668 9 1
	£21,618 14 1

Your Committee beg to observe to your Honorable House that the following statements are grounded on the assumption that the sums stated in the Warrants have been paid to the persons, and for the purposes stated, and as found in Warrants numbered 45 to 205, inclusive.

#### SALARIES.

Under this head, the greater part has been paid according to the sums granted in the Appropriation Act; however there are a few exceptions which your Committee are in duty bound to report.

The sum granted to the Colonial Treasurer was £500, and the sum paid £375; and no doubt this has been occasioned by the death of the late Treasurer, as no sum is found in the Warrant for the September quarter.

The sum granted for the Gaoler of St. John’s is £150, and the sum paid £112 10s.; the cause no doubt the same as the former—viz., the death of the late Gaoler.

The grant for the Ferryman at St. Lawrence is £10, and the sum paid £15.

The grant for the Ferryman at Burin and Spoon Cove is £20, and the sum paid is £32 10s.—£2 10s. was for 1848, as £17 10s. had only been paid in that year.

The sum granted for the Second Master in the Academy is £250, and the sum found in the Warrants for 1849 is £312 10s.; but £125 of this sum is for 1848, and the sum of £62 10s. for the June quarter 1849, is not to be found in any Warrant, yet your Committee is assured that it has been paid; having seen it as paid in the Bank Book.

The sum granted as salary for the Supervisor is £300, and the sum paid as salary is £336 19s., and for Contingencies £307 5s. 5d.

The sum granted for the Presbyterian School is £40, and the sum paid is £100, but £60 is stated to be for a year and-a-half salary ending the 31st December, 1848.

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 PRINTING AND STATIONERY.

The grant for this purpose is £500, and the sum expended £868 17s. 3d.; the overplus is provided for in the Indemnity Bill. The sum expended in 1848 was £437 1s. 8d., and the increase appears extraordinary, but it can be accounted for in part by the sum of £191 3s. 4d. charged for Printing the Acts of the Legislature, and no doubt there must be a considerable sum charged for Miscellaneous Printing for the Legislative Council.

## CROWN PROSECUTIONS.

Under this head the sum granted is £300, and the sum expended £291 16s. 8d.

## GAOL EXPENSES.

Under this head the sum granted is £600, and the sum expended £754 7s. 7d.; the sum expended in 1848 was £625 5s. 11., and was then thought to be too much.

## CORONERS.

Under this head the sum granted is £150, and the sum expended £257 5s. 2d., provided for in the Indemnity Act. This requires an explanation.

## FUEL AND LIGHT.

For this purpose the grant was £450, and the sum expended £623 12s. 10d. provided for by the Indemnity Bill. The sum expended in 1848 was £474 5s., and in 1847 £381 10s. 1d.; surely then this increase is unnecessary.

## POSTAGES AND INCIDENTALS.

Under this head the sum granted was £120, and the sum expended £115 11s. 5d.

## CIRCUIT COURTS.

For this purpose the grant was £200, and the sum expended £302 9s. 8d.

## REPAIR OF COURT HOUSES AND GAOLS.

For this purpose the grant was £200, and the sum expended £124 13s. 3d.

## PERMANENT POOR, ST. JOHN'S.

The grant for this purpose was £2,800, and the sum expended £4,252 14s. 2d.

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PERMANENT POOR IN OUT-PORTS.

The grant for this purpose was £400, and the sum expended £536 5s. 7d.

CASUAL POOR.

The sum granted was £5,200, and the sum expended £5,912 8s. 9d.

LUNATIC PAUPERS.

The sum granted was £750, and the sum expended, exclusive the Salary, £1074 17s.

SICK POOR IN THE HOSPITAL.

For this purpose the sum granted was £1100, and the sum expended £925 11s 10d.

REGISTRATION OF VOTERS.

The sum granted was £150, and the sum expended £175 16s. 6d., provided for in the Indemnity Bill.

SHIPWRECKED SEALERS.

The sum granted was a £100, and the sum expended £36 10s.

CLEARING SNOW.

The grant for this purpose was £100, and the sum expended £127 10s. Under this head sums have been paid improperly.

CROWN LANDS' ACT.

Under this head the sum granted was £100, and the sum expended, including Government House, £465 8s. 8d., provided for in the Crown Lands' Act.

GAS LIGHT.

For this purpose the grant was £143 6s. 8d., and the sum expended £255 13s. 7d.

NIGHT WATCH.

The grant for this purpose was £100., and the sum expended £152 5s. 4d.

CLEARING STREETS IN ST. JOHN'S.

The sum granted was £30, and the sum expended £36 6s. 11d.

## UNFORESEEN CONTINGENCIES.

The sum granted was £500, and the sum expended £744 3s. 6d. Under this head the Committee placed the sums where the purpose was not stated in the Warrants.

## SAFETY WHARF, PLACENTIA.

The sum granted for this purpose was £150, and the sum paid £139 16s. 8d. ; and to the same person, as supplies for the Poor, £25 2s. 8d.

## ST. JOHN'S FACTORY.

The grant for this Institution was £100, and the sum paid £150.

## FERRIES.

The grant for this purpose was £262, and the sum expended £281,

## PACKET AND MESSENGER IN TRINITY BAY.

The grant for these purposes was £120, and the sum paid in 1849 £145.

## PACKET FROM BURIN TO PLACENTIA, AND MESSENGER.

The grant for these purposes was £150, and the sum paid in 1849, £61 13s. 4d.

## PRESBYTERIAN SCHOOL, ST. JOHN'S.

The sum granted was £40, and the sum paid 1849, £100.

## FOR VACCINATION.

The sum granted was £300, and the sum expended £290.

## BOARD OF CONTROL.

The sum granted for Contingencies was £85 8s. 11d., and the sum paid, including Salaries, £209 10s. 11d. No doubt, a part of this increase was occasioned by sending the Inspector, Mr. William Magill, to Burin.

## LEGISLATIVE CONTINGENCIES.

The sum granted for this purpose was £3640 7s. 7d., and the sum expended £3650 4s. 4d.

RELIEF BILL TO BE EXPENDED ON MAIN LINES OF  
PUBLIC ROADS, &c.

The sum granted for this purpose was £5000, and the sum expended  
£1,122 4s. 11d.

SPECIAL GRANTS UNEXPENDED, 31<sup>ST</sup> DECEMBER, 1849.

Grant to the Dorcas Society, Harbor Grace .....	£25	0	0
“ for Portable Mills £100, unexpended .....	95	13	4
“ for Rebuilding Presentation Convent. ....	2,000	0	0
“ for a Grist Mill at Harbor Grace .....	300	0	0
“ for a Break-water at Lamaline .....	150	0	0
“ for removal of a Rock at Distress Cove .....	23	2	9
“ for a Grist Mill at Brigus .....	200	0	0
“ for a Court House at Harbor Britain .....	200	0	0
“ for a Wharf at Kecls .....	50	0	0
	£3,043	16	1

LOANS IN 1849.

In the Act 12th Victoria, Cap. 20, for general purposes:.....	15,000	0	0
Ditto            Cap. 19, for the Colonial Building	4,000	0	0
	£19,00	0	0
Received by late Treasurer .....	£6,764	12	0
Ditto by present ditto .....	1,226	13	4
	£7,991	5	4

LIGHT HOUSES.

The sum received as dues at the Customs, £1,564 2s. 2d., and the  
amount paid 1410 10s. 9d.

The sums of Money to be paid under Warrants signed by His Excel-  
lency for the year 1849, are as follows:

Warrants numbered from 45 to 133, inclusive late Treas- urer .....	£25,758	15	3
Ditto ditto ditto 134 to 205, ditto present ditto ...	18,335	3	10
	£44,940	0	1

And your Committee hope that this Report will be favourably received by your Honorable House.

PETER WINSER,

*Chairman.*

Committee Room, }  
22nd April, 1850. }

On motion of Mr. WINSER, seconded by Mr. DELANEY,

*Resolved*,—That the Report be adopted.

Report adopted.

*Ordered*,—That the Report be printed.

Report printed.

*Message from Her Majesty's Council.*

The Master-in-Chancery to Her Majesty's Council brought down the following written Message:—

Mr. SPEAKER,—

Her Majesty's Council acquaint the House of Assembly that they have concurred in the Amendments made by the House of Assembly upon the Amendments made by the Council on the Bill entitled "An Act in further amendment of the St. John's Re-building Acts."

Message from H.M. Council

ROBERT LAW,

*President.*

Council Chamber, }  
April 29th, 1850. }

And then the Messenger withdrew.

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

On Table.

Then the House adjourned till to-morrow at One of the clock.

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T U E S D A Y , APRIL 30, 1850.

Mr. PARSONS gave notice, that on the second day of the next Session of the Legislature, he would move an humble Address to Her Most Gracious

Notice of motion for Address to Her Majesty next.

Session, on the subject of the money sent to this colony for relief of fire-sufferers of 1846; and

Notice of motion for Address to Her Majesty on the subject of Responsible Government.

Reply of His Excellency in reference to the Address on the subject of Postal communication between Newfoundland and the United States, and reply to the Address in reference to Postal Communication throughout the island.

Notice of motion for next Session to introduce a Bill to appoint a Sheriff in each of the Electoral Districts of the island, and to make certain alterations in the practice of the Northern and Southern Districts, and to provide for the regulation of all Deeds, Grants, Conveyances, and Documents of any description required to be registered.

Message from His Excellency the Governor.

Majesty on the subject of the monies sent to this colony for the relief of the Sufferers by the fire of 1846; also,

That on an early day next Session he would move an Address to Her Most Gracious Majesty on the subject of Responsible Government.

Mr. DELANEY, from the deputation to present the Address requesting that His Excellency would forward the Address of the House of Assembly on the subject of Postal Communication between Newfoundland and the United States, reported that His Excellency had been pleased to say he should do so, and that the Address should have the weight of his influence; he also reported that His Excellency, in reply to the Address on Postal Communication throughout the island, had said the subject should receive his deepest consideration.

Mr. EMERSON gave notice that on the first day of next Session he would ask leave to bring in a Bill for the appointment of a Sheriff for each of the Electoral Districts of this island, and to make certain alterations in the establishment and practice of the Circuit Courts of the Northern and Southern Districts, and to provide for the registration in the different Electoral Districts of all Deeds, Grants, Conveyances, and Documents of any description required to be registered.

*A Message from His Excellency the Governor.*

At Two o'clock a Message was delivered from His Excellency the Governor by F. W. Rennie, Esq., Usher of the Black Rod.

Mr. SPEAKER AND GENTLEMEN,—

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

Accordingly Mr. SPEAKER and the House attended His Excellency in the Council Chamber, when His Excellency was pleased to assent to the following Bills :—

An Act to repeal an Act entitled “ An Act to regulate the making and repairing of Roads, Streets, and Bridges in this colony.”

An Act to fix and establish the terms of the Supreme, Central, Circuit, and Sessions Courts, and to extend the jurisdiction and amend the practice of the said Courts.

An Act in further amendment of the St. John's Re-building Acts.

Bills assented to.

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An Act to amend an Act, passed in the third year of the reign of Her present Majesty, entitled "An Act to regulate the granting of Licenses for the sale by retail of Ale, Wines, and spirituous liquors in Newfoundland."

An Act to amend an Act, passed in the third year of the reign of His late Majesty, entitled "An Act to provide for the performance of Quarantine, and more effectually to provide against the introduction of infectious or contagious diseases, and the spreading thereof in this island."

An Act to amend An Act passed in the fourth year of the reign of His late Majesty, entitled "An Act for the registering the names of persons entitled to vote at Elections."

An Act to amend An Act passed in the seventh year of the reign of Her present Majesty, entitled "An Act to provide for the establishment of an Academy in St. John's".

An Act to authorize the granting a Patent for an improved Fog-bell or Gong, and other self-regulating machinery impelled by wind, to Thomas Robson, of Sackville, in the province of New Brunswick, master mariner.

An Act for granting to Her Majesty certain duties on Goods, Wares, and Merchandize imported into this Colony and its Dependencies.

An Act for granting to Her Majesty a sum of money for defraying the expenses of the Civil Government of this Colony, for the year ending 31st December, 1850.

An Act to provide for the Contingent expenses of the Legislature.

An Act to authorize the issue of Treasury Notes, and for the reduction of the Public Debt of the Colony.

An Act to amend An Act, entitled "An Act to amend several Acts now in force respecting Light-houses, and to make further provision for the said Light-houses, and to consolidate the laws respecting the same."

An Act to amend an Act, entitled "An Act to provide for the Regulation, Management and Collection of all duties granted to Her Majesty, Her Heirs and Successors, on all Goods, Wares, and Merchandize imported into this Island and its Dependencies."

An Act for the limitation of Actions and Suits relating to real property, and for simplifying the remedies for trying the rights thereto.



An Act for the Regulation and Management of the public Market-House in the town of St. John's.

An Act to continue an Act passed in the sixth year of the reign of Her present Majesty, entitled "An Act to revive and amend an Act passed in the third year of the reign of Her present Majesty, entitled 'An Act to establish the Fees and Costs chargeable in the several Police Offices and Courts of Session in this Colony.'"

An Act to continue and amend an Act passed in the sixth year of the reign of Her present Majesty, entitled "An Act for the encouragement of Education in this Colony."

An Act to provide for the Vacation of Seats of Members of the House of Assembly in certain cases, and for the election of Members in their stead.

After which, His Excellency was pleased to make the following

#### S P E E C H :

Speech of His Excellency the Governor on closing the Session.

*Mr. President, and Hon. Gentlemen of the Council :*

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

The public business having been brought to a termination, I am glad to be able to release you from your attendance.

I have to thank you for the assiduity and attention with which you have considered and perfected the several measures in which the Session has been occupied ; as also to congratulate you on the harmony and cordiality displayed by both branches of the Legislature.

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

I thank you for the Supplies you have granted for the current year, and I shall take due care that the monies you have placed at the disposal of the Executive are judiciously and economically expended.

*Mr. President, and Hon. Gentlemen of the Council :*

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

It will ever be my sincere desire to co-operate with you in your endeavours for the further advancement of the happiness and contentment of Her Majesty's subjects of Newfoundland ; and in bidding you farewell

for a time, I feel assured you will, on your return to your homes, employ the influence you possess in preserving the spirit of harmony and good order, so happily pervading every portion of the Island.

After which, the President of Her Majesty's Council said :—

*Hon. Gentlemen of Her Majesty's Council, and*

*Gentlemen of the House of Assembly :—*

It is His Excellency the Governor's will and pleasure that this General Assembly be prorogued until Saturday the 29th day of June next, and the General Assembly is accordingly prorogued till Saturday the 29th day of June next, then here to be holden.

The House prorogued till  
the 29th of June.

JOHN STUART,

*Clerk of the General Assembly.*

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# **APPENDIX.**

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## ESTIMATES AND PUBLIC ACCOUNTS.

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ESTIMATE OF THE CHARGE OF DEFRAYING THE PUBLIC EXPENDITURE OF THE ISLAND OF NEWFOUNDLAND, FOR THE YEAR ENDING 31<sup>ST</sup> DECEMBER, 1850.—£18,325 19s. 2d.

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### PROPOSED DISTRIBUTION OF THE ABOVE SUM.

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Salary of the Private Secretary	.....	.....	.....	£200	0	0
Clerk of the Council	.....	.....	.....	200	0	0
Two Clerks in Secretary's Office	.....	.....	.....	400	0	0
Office Keeper	.....	.....	.....	60	0	0
Messenger	.....	.....	.....	60	0	0
Colonial Treasurer	.....	.....	.....	500	0	0
Clerk of Supreme and Central Circuit Courts	.....	.....	.....	350	0	0
"    Northern Circuit Court	.....	.....	.....	200	0	0
"    Southern Ditto	.....	.....	.....	200	0	0
Crier and Tipstaff of Supreme Court	.....	.....	.....	60	0	0
Three Police Magistrates, St. John's	.....	.....	.....	900	0	0
High Constable	.....	.....	.....	80	0	0
Eight Police Constables	.....	.....	.....	360	0	0
Gaoler, St. John's	.....	.....	.....	150	0	0
Gaol Surgeon, Ditto	.....	.....	.....	40	0	0
Hospital Surgeon, Ditto	.....	.....	.....	150	0	0
District Surgeon, Ditto	.....	.....	.....	150	0	0
Gaol Surgeon, Harbor Grace	.....	.....	.....	30	0	0
Gate Keeper, Government House Lodge	.....	.....	.....	26	0	0
Attorney General's Fees	.....	.....	.....	250	0	0
Solicitor General's Fees	.....	.....	.....	200	0	0
Stipendiary Magistrates, &c., in the Outports, as per Detail annexed	.....	.....	.....	3759	0	0
Carried forward.....				£8325	0	0

## ESTIMATES AND PUBLIC ACCOUNTS.

## MISCELLANEOUS.

			Brought forward.....	£8325	0	0
Ordinary repairs of Court Houses and Gaols	.....	.....		200	0	0
Gaol Expenses	.....	.....		600	0	0
Printing and Stationery	.....	.....		500	0	0
Printing Acts of the Legislature	.....	.....		200	0	0
Crown Prosecutions	.....	.....		300	0	0
Coroners	.....	.....		150	0	0
Fuel and Light	.....	.....		450	0	0
Postages and Incidentals	.....	.....		120	0	0
Circuits of the Judges	.....	.....		400	0	0
Relief of the Poor	.....	.....		3500	0	0
Outport Permanent Poor	.....	.....		400	0	0
Lunatic Paupers	.....	.....		1000	0	0
Registration of Voters	.....	.....		150	0	0
Shipwrecked Sealing Crews	.....	.....		100	0	0
Clearing Snow from Streets of St. John's	.....	.....		100	0	0
Crown Lands' Act	.....	.....		300	0	0
Gas Light Company	.....	.....		143	6	8
Rent of Post Office	.....	.....		25	0	0
Almanac	.....	.....		25	0	0
Artillery Men at Fort Amherst	.....	.....		36	10	0
Duties on Wines, Military Mess.	.....	.....		50	0	0

## PENSIONS AND GRATUITIES.

Mrs. Blaikie	.....	.....	.....	£50	0	0
Matthew Stevenson	.....	.....	.....	40	0	0
Robert Connell	.....	.....	.....	10	0	0
Mrs. Holbrook	.....	.....	.....	30	0	0
Patrick Burke, R. A.	.....	.....	.....	9	2	6
					139	2
					6	

## ALLOWANCES TO FERRYMEN, viz.:

At Manuels	.....	.....	.....	£10	0	0
Great Placentia	.....	.....	.....	25	0	0
Little St. Lawrence	.....	.....	.....	10	0	0
					45	0
					0	0

Carried forward.....£17,258 19 2

## ESTIMATES AND PUBLIC ACCOUNTS.

			Brought forward.....	£17,258	19	2
Ferryman at Salmonier	.....	.....	.....	25	0	0
Burin and Spoon Cove	.....	.....	.....	20	0	0
Biscay Bay	.....	.....	.....	15	0	0
Portugal Cove	.....	.....	.....	25	0	0
North and South Side Holyrood, each £15	.....	.....	.....	30	0	0
Aquafort	.....	.....	.....	15	0	0
Trinity, North Arm	.....	.....	.....	25	0	0
Malbay	.....	.....	.....	12	0	0
Belle Isle and Topsail	.....	.....	.....	20	0	0
John's Pond, North Harbor, and Salmonier	.....	.....	.....	30	0	0
Packet Boat, Bonavista and Trinity Bay, south side	.....	.....	.....	100	0	0
Messenger, ditto	.....	.....	.....	20	0	0
Packet Boat, Burin to Placentia, &c.	.....	.....	.....	120	0	0
Messenger to and from St. John's, in connexion therewith	.....	.....	.....	30	0	0
Commercial School, Great Placentia	.....	.....	.....	40	0	0
Presbyterian School, St. John's	.....	.....	.....	40	0	0
Unforeseen Contingencies.	.....	.....	.....	500	0	0
					1067	0
					18,325	19
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## DETAIL

*of Salaries and Allowances to Stipendiary Magistrates and Constables, Clerks of Peace and Gaolers in the undermentioned Outports, for the year ending 31st December, 1850.*

OUTPORTS.	Magistrates.	Clerks of Peace.	Constables.		Gaolers.	Total.
			No.	Salary.		
Petty Harbour	...	...	1	£20		£20
Torbay	...	...	1	20		20
Portugal Cove	...	...	1	20		20
South Shore	...	...	1	12		12
Harbour Main	...	...	1	12		12
Cat's Cove	...	...	1	12		12
Brigus and Port de Grave	£150	£60	2	50		260
Bay Roberts	...	...	1	12		12
Harbor Grace	180	150	1	50	£90	670
ditto	150	...	2	50		
Carried forward.....	£480	£210	12	£258	£90	£1038

## ESTIMATES AND PUBLIC ACCOUNTS.

*Detail of Salaries and Allowances to Stipendiary Magistrates and Constables, Clerks of Peace and Gaolers, in the undermentioned Outports, for the year ending 31st December 1850.*

OUTPORTS.	Magistrates.	Clerks of Peace.	Constables.		Gaolers.	Total.
			No.	Salary.		
Brought forward.....	£480	£210	12	£258	£90	£1038
Carbonear ... ..	150	60	3	75		235
Western Bay ... ..			1	12		12
Bay de Verds ... ..			1	12		12
Hants' Harbour ... ..			1	12		12
Perlican ... ..			1	12		12
Heart's Content ... ..			1	12		12
New Harbour ... ..			1	12		12
Trinity ... ..	150	60	2	37	25	272
Catalina ... ..			1	25		25
Bonavista ... ..	150	45	1	25		220
Tickle Cove ... ..			1	12		12
King's Cove ... ..			1	12		12
Salvage ... ..			1	12		12
Greenspond ... ..			1	12		12
Twillingate and Fogo ... ..	130	45	3	49		224
Exploits Bay ... ..			1	12		12
Bay Bulls ... ..	100		1	25		125
Witless Bay ... ..			1	12		12
Toads Cove ... ..			1	12		12
Brigus (South) ... ..			1	12		12
Cape Broyle ... ..			1	12		12
Caplin Bay ... ..			1	12		12
Ferryland ... ..	100	60	1	25	25	210
Aquaforte ... ..			1	12		12
Fermeuse ... ..			1	12		12
Renews ... ..			1	12		12
Trepassey ... ..			1	12		12
St. Mary's ... ..	130		1	25		155
Placentia ... ..	130	35	1	25	25	215
Little Placentia ... ..			1	12		12
Barren Islands ... ..			1	12		12
Merasheen ... ..			1	12		12
Burin ... ..	150	35	1	25	25	235
St. Lawrence ... ..			1	12		12
Lamaline. ... ..	130		1	12		142
Carried forward.....	£1800	£550	52	£918	£190	£3434

## ESTIMATES AND PUBLIC ACCOUNTS.

*Detail of Salaries and Allowances to Stipendiary Magistrates and Constables, Clerks of Peace and Gaolers in the undermentioned Outports, for the year ending 31st December, 1850.*

OUTPORTS.	Magistrates.	Clerks of Peace.	Constables.		Gaolers.	Total.
			No.	Salary.		
Brought forward.....	£1800	£550	52		£190	£3434
Grand Bank ... ..	130		1	12		142
Jersey Harbour ... ..			1	12		12
Harbour Briton ... ..	100	35	1	12		147
Hermitage Bay ... ..			1	12		12
Burgeo Islands. ... ..			1	12		12
Aggregate.....	£2030	£585	57	£954	£190	£3759

## RECAPITULATION.

FIFTEEN MAGISTRATES	.....	.....	.....	£2030
TEN CLERKS OF THE PEACE		.....	.....	585
FIVE GAOLERS	.....	.....	.....	190
FIFTY-SEVEN CONSTABLES	.....	.....	.....	954
Total.....				£3759



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**TREASURY ACCOUNTS.**


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*An account of expenditure as extracted from the Books of the late Honorable PATRICK MORRIS,  
Colonial Treasurer, from the 1st of January to 22nd August, 1849.*

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**CIVIL AND CRIMINAL PROSECUTIONS.**

1849.

January 23.—To	David Connors	Warrant 46	£0	15	7
“	George Butler	...	1	13	0
February 8.—“	William Smith	49	1	6	6
26.—“	Arnold Webber	52	3	0	0
“	Stephen Burton	...	4	6	8
“	Lorenzo Moore	...	2	13	9
“	Philip LeVescaute	...	5	5	0
“	Robert Smith	...	1	10	0
“	Amelia Palmer	...	1	10	0
March 1.—“	Bryan Robinson	53	7	17	6
7.—“	James Rice	55	1	10	0
22.—“	The Stipendiary Constables, St. John's	57	51	8	8
April. 3.—“	John Collings	58	0	16	0
“	Thomas Butler	...	3	15	6
“	John Ludlow and William Shaw	60	2	0	0
“	Representatives late George Forward	...	2	1	2
25.—“	H. A. Emerson	67	5	5	0
“	George Butler	76	1	13	0
May 1.—“	Francis Geary	81	1	4	0
19.—“	Timothy Mitchell	..... 90	7	6	6
“	Thomas Hughes	.....	5	10	0
“	B. G. Garrett, Sheriff Central District, balance due for Civil and Criminal Prose- cutions	..... } 93	4	14	0
June 6.—“	B. G. Garrett, account ditto	..... 94	10	0	0
“	Charles Cozens, for Attendance in Court of three witnesses in the case of the Queen, vs. Ann Morris	..... } 97	0	18	0
24.—“	John Connell	..... 126	4	13	0
31.—“	Francis Geary	..... 127	1	4	0—133 16 10

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Carried forward.....£133 16 10

## TREASURY ACCOUNTS.

## PRINTING AND STATIONERY.

1849.				Brought forward.....	£133	16	10
January 16.—	To Ryan and Withers, balance for	Warrant					
	Printing to December 31st	.....	45	£122	9	1	
23.—	“ A. McIver & Co., Printing, &c.	.....	46	6	11	5	
February 1.—	“ W. C. St. John, Printing, &c.	.....	47	0	10	10	
7.—	“ Robert J. Parsons, Printing, &c.	.....	48	1	4	11	
19.—	“ W. C. St. John, Printing, &c.	.....	51	1	0	3	
March 1.—	“ Henry Winton, Printing, &c.	.....	53	17	11	0	
	“ Robert J. Parsons, Printing, &c.	.....	...	0	8	8	
	“ Thomas M’Connan, Printing, &c.	.....	...	3	6	8	
	“ James J. Graham, Printing, &c.	.....	...	1	12	10	
	“ W. C. St. John, Printing, &c.	.....	55	1	16	4	
April 28.—	“ J. W. McCoubrey, Printing, &c.	.....	81	0	18	3	
	“ Edward D. Shea, Printing, &c.	.....	...	4	17	10	
May 1.—	“ Henry Winton, Printing, &c.	.....	85	12	19	9	
	“ P. Tocque, for 50 copies of his Almanac	.....	...	4	6	8	
19.—	“ J. C. Withers, Printing, &c.	.....	90	33	7	6	
	“ W. C. St. John, Printing, &c.	.....	...	0	11	6	
	“ Henry Winton, Printing &c.	.....	...	2	9	5	
June 4.—	“ R. J. Parsons, Printing, &c.	.....	93	1	15	9	
July 5.—	“ S. O. Pack, Newfoundland Almanac	.....	...	3	2	10	
	“ R. J. Parsons, Advertising	.....	...	1	6	7	
	“ J. C. Withers, account printing the						
	Acts of the Legislature	.....	101	100	0	0	
9.—	“ J.C. Withers, for Stationery & Advertising	.....	117	8	7	10	
	“ Joseph Woods, ditto ditto	.....	...	2	18	11	
	“ Henry Winton, ditto ditto	.....	...	3	1	6	
	“ W. J. Ward, printing and subscription						
	to <i>Morning Post</i>	.....	119	5	1	1	
20.—	“ Wm. St. John, Printing and Advertising	.....	122	0	18	0	
24.—	“ A. McIver & Co., Stationery	.....	124	2	14	2	
31.—	“ Robert J. Parsons, Printing	.....	128	0	8	8	
August 14.—	“ J. C. Withers, for Printing Acts of the						
	Legislature.	.....	132	91	3	4—437	1 7

## EDUCATION.

The undermentioned Protestant Boards of Education, viz. :—

April 11.—	“ Saint John’s	.....	64	£55	0	0	
	“ Brigus	.....	...	26	5	0	
	“ Harbor Grace	.....	...	58	15	0	
	“ Carbonear.	.....	...	56	5	0—186	5 0

Carried forward.....£757 3 5

## TREASURY ACCOUNTS.

## EDUCATION.

1849.			Brought forward.....	£757	3	5
April 11.—	Trinity Bay, North .....	Warrant 64	£23	15	0	
	Trinity Bay, South .....	..... ..	15	0	0	
	Trinity Bay, West .....	..... ..	22	10	0	
	Bonavista Bay, South .....	..... ..	32	10	0	
	Bonavista Bay, North.....	..... ..	22	10	0	
	Fogo .....	..... ..	12	10	0	
	Twillingate .....	..... ..	32	10	0	
	Ferryland .....	..... ..	6	5	0	
	Placentia .....	..... ..	11	5	0	
	Burin .....	..... ..	22	10	0	
	Fortune Bay .....	..... ..	55	15	0	

The undermentioned Roman Catholic Boards of Education, viz:—

	Saint John's .....	..... 65	145	0	0	
	Brigus .....	..... ..	55	0	0	
	Harbor Grace .....	..... ..	25	0	0	
	Carbonear .....	..... ..	62	10	0	
	For Trinity Bay (West) .....	..... ..	5	0	0	
	For Trinity Bay (South) .....	..... ..	3	15	0	
	Trinity (North) .....	..... ..	10	0	0	
	Fogo .....	..... ..	10	0	0	
	For Twillingate .....	..... ..	3	15	0	
	Bonavista Bay (South) .....	..... ..	18	15	0	
	Bonavista Bay (North) .....	..... ..	2	10	0	
	Bay Bulls .....	..... ..	35	0	0	
	Ferryland .....	..... ..	45	0	0	
	Placentia .....	..... ..	46	5	0	
	St. Mary's .....	..... ..	18	15	0	
	Burin .....	..... ..	22	10	0	
	Fortune Bay .....	..... ..	9	5	0	
	Rev. Thomas F.H. Bridge, Superintendent of Newfoundland School Society.....	66	125	0	0	
	Right Rev. Bishop Fleming, for Nun- nery School .....	..... ..	50	0	0	
	Rev. Richard Williams, for Wesleyan School .....	..... ..	62	10	0	
	The Committee of the Orphan Asylum School .....	..... ..	37	10	0	
	St. Patrick's Free School .....	..... ..	25	0	0	
July 7.—	Sundries, Protestant Boards. ....	105	453	5	0—1528	5 0

Brought forward..... £2285 8 5

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**TREASURY ACCOUNTS.**


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**EDUCATION.**

1849.		Brought forward.....	£2285	8	5
July 7—	To Sundries, R. C. Boards	Warrant	105	518	0 0
“	Ditto, Public Institutions	.....	...	300	0 0
				<hr/> 818 0 0	

**FUEL AND LIGHT.**

January 16.—	“	Felix McCarthy, for Coal for Carbonear			
“	“	Court House	.....	45	8 13 4
February 1.—	“	James Rice	.....	47	7 13 5
8—	“	Robinson Brooking & Co., fuel and			
“	“	light	.....	49	99 13 7
12—	“	Wilson & Co., fuel and light	.....	50	11 16 2
19—	“	F. L. Bradshaw	.....	51	2 14 9
March 3—	“	Richard Brace	.....	54	5 17 0
22—	“	Samuel Langley, fuel and light	.....	57	4 13 7
April 3—	“	Clift, Wood & Co.	.....	58	4 14 6
28—	“	Edward Roach	.....	80	3 7 7
“	“	William Sinnott	.....	...	1 1 8
“	“	St. John's Gas Light Company	.....	...	12 6 0
June 9—	“	Parker and Gleeson, fuel and light	.....	96	24 1 0
July 5—	“	Ditto fuel and light, Gov-			
“	“	ernment House	.....	101	26 13 0
9—	“	St. John's Gas Light Company	.....	117	10 14 9
“	“	Ditto	.....	...	9 7 2
				<hr/> 233 7 6	

**SPECIAL VOTES.**

January 16—	“	James Douglas, for clearing snow from			
“	“	public Roads, (from grant of 1847)	.....	46	40 0 0
February 7—	“	James Douglas, on account of the grant			
“	“	for clearing snow	.....	48	25 0 0
“	“	James Douglas, on account of the snow			
“	“	grants for the years 1846 and 1847.....	49	40	0 0
26—	“	William C. St. John, voted in 1846 for			
“	“	his Catechism to be distributed in Schools	52	50	0 0
“	“	Thomas Glen, expenses of the Commit-			
“	“	tee of House of Assembly in the Cod			
“	“	Seine Fishery in 1846	.....	67	20 0 0
“	“	William Andrews, for the usual grant for			
“	“	the last year for his past services as Con-			
“	“	stable	.....	52	10 0 0—185 0 0

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 Carried forward.....£3521 15 11

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**TREASURY ACCOUNTS.**


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## SPECIAL VOTES.

1849.		Brought forward.....	£3521	15	11
March 1—	To James Finlay, for the Night Watch in January and February	Warrant	53	50	5 4
	Elizabeth Blaikie, { Pensions } .....		58	50	0 0
April 3—	Laurence Furlong { in 1848 } .....		...	20	0 0
	Patrick Burke, { } .....		...	9	2 6
	“ Philip Tocque, for the publication of the Almanac, for 1848 .....		60	25	0 0
	“ St. John’s Gas Light Company, for $\frac{1}{2}$ year ending 31st December .....		61	71	13 4
25—	“ Captain Kennedy, R. A., quarter ending 31st March .....		76	9	2 6
28—	“ Thomas Kelly, for his services as Postman, between Placentia and St. Mary’s, ending 31st March .....		...	7	10 0
May 1—	“ John Woods { granted to them in the } .....		82	70	0 0
	“ Joseph Woods { Appropriation Act as } .....		...	60	0 0
	“ Patrick Burke, granted in appropriation Act .....		83	9	2 6
	“ James Finlay, for the Night Watch for the month of April .....		...	24	12 0
7—	“ Edward M. Archibald, for purchase of copies of Digest .....		86	25	0 0
	“ James Finlay, for the Night Watch for the month of March.....		87	25	2 8
19—	“ Sarah Dooley, remuneration for services performed by her late husband .....		90	30	0 0
	“ Ruth S. Holbrook, a year’s pension .....		...	30	0 0
31—	“ James Finlay, contract for repairs of public Coves .....		92	18	13 3
	“ James Finlay, for the payment of the Police employed on Sundays to 1st May .....		...	21	7 0
June 6—	“ Robert L. Whiting, being one-third of his contract for repairing the Barracks at Harbor Grace .....		95	[41	16 4
	9—	“ The Phoenix Fire Company .....	96	[20	0 0
13—	“ James Finlay, being the amount of Thomas Hartery’s contract for the repairs of public Coves. ....		98	23	16 8—642 4 1

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Carried forward.....£4146 0 0

## TREASURY ACCOUNTS.

## SPECIAL VOTES.

1849.		Brought forward.....	£4146	0	0
July 5—	To Robert Prowse, for gas for the town of St. John's	Warrant	101	£143	6 8
	“ W. L. Solomon, for rent of Post Office	...		25	0 0
7—	“ Captain Kennedy, R. A., for Artillery Men at Fort Amherst	.....	113	9	2 6
9—	“ James Brine, compensation for removing Houses at the head of Prescott Street.....	118	43	6	8
	“ The late Board of Control, amount of expenses incurred by them during the last two years	.....	119	80	8 11
21—	“ The Chairman of St. John's Factory.....	123	100	0	0
August 4—	“ The Phoenix Fire Company, balance of grant	.....	129	20	0 0
13—	“ James Grieve, for a Cemetery for the interment of deceased members of various religious denominations.	.....	130	300	0 0—

## POSTAGES AND INCIDENTALS.

February 7—	“ John Coleman	.....	48	0	10 5
12—	“ Patrick Tobin, for Postages from St. Mary's	.....	50	0	2 2
March 1—	“ Samuel Knight, Police expenses	.....	53	1	1 3
3—	“ Andrew Drysdale	.....	54	1	0 10
	“ John Coleman	.....	...	0	0 9
	“ Edward Phelan	.....	...	0	8 3
22—	“ James Crowdy, for Postages Secretary's Office	.....	57	1	14 8
	“ James Reville, Postages	.....	...	0	19 1
April 3—	“ John Stephens, Special Messenger from Twillingate	.....	58	4	6 8
	“ Charles Cozens, incidental expenses.....	...	...	2	19 5
	“ Patrick Ryan } Police expenses	.....	60	2	3 4
	“ William Guzzle } .....	.....	...	0	8 8
	“ W. L. Solomon, Postages	.....	...	6	13 6
25—	“ Edward Roach, clearing snow, &c.....	76	7	10	0
28—	“ John Coleman } Postages	.....	81	0	8 6
	“ Andrew Drysdale } .....	...	...	0	18 2
May 1—	“ John Coleman Postages	.....	82	2	19 6—755 9 11

Carried forward.....£4901 9 11

### TREASURY ACCOUNTS.

#### POSTAGES AND INCIDENTALS.

1849.			Brought forward.....	£4901	9	11
July 7—	To E. Roach, for clearing snow	Warrant	113	£7	10	0
11—	“ Ditto for clearing privies	.....	119	6	18	8
17—	“ John Coleman, for Messages to Bonavista, quarter ending 31st March	.....	121	5	0	0
24—	“ James Doyle, Postages to 20th July 1849	.....	126	2	3	4
August 14—	“ Andrew Drysdale, Postages	.....	132	8	2	5
	“ Patrick Scanlan, Postages	.....	...	0	12	0
	“ John Coleman, Postages	.....	...	0	18	11
	“ James Reville, Postages.	.....	...	0	19	11

#### THE POOR.

January 16—	“ James Doyle, for conveyance of 40 Barrels Indian Meal to Carboncar	.....	45	5	4	0
	“ William Thomas, for Factory from grant for Poor, St. John's district	.....	...	50	0	0
	“ Commissioners relief of the Poor, St. John's	.....	...	300	0	0
	“ Job, Brothers & Co., for clothing for destitute Poor of Bonavista Bay	.....	...	21	19	10
23—	“ John Antell, for freight of Indian Meal to Brigus	.....	46	6	10	0
	“ Rev. J. Snowball, for relief of family of Martin Butt, suffering from Typhus Fever, North Shore of Conception Bay	.....	...	4	6	8
February 1—	“ Newman & Co., for supplies furnished last winter to the destitute of Fortune Bay	.....	47	30	6	7
	“ Philip Nichole, jr., same account	.....	...	10	10	7
7—	“ Bridget Coady, a poor woman of Bay Bulls	.....	48	1	6	0
	“ Richard Rankin, for maintenance of a sick pauper	.....	...	4	10	2
8—	“ Commissioners for relief of the Poor, St. John's, for the Permanent Poor, quarter ending Dec. 31st, 1849	.....	49	694	17	0
12—	“ George Garrett, for attendance on sick paupers for one quarter	.....	50	8	13	4
	“ Puntun & Munn, for Indian Meal for poor of Harbor Grace.	.....	...	28	3	4—1198 12 9

Carried forward.....£6100 2 8

## TREASURY ACCOUNTS.

## THE POOR.

1849.		Brought forward.....	£6100	2	8
February 12—	To Peter Rogerson & Son, for Indian Meal for poor of St. John's Warrant 50		£387	16	8
	“ Charles Cozens, for Outport Permanent Poor, Brigus .....	...	9	12	5
19—	“ Wm. St. Croix (St. Mary's) for the support of a lame man named Patrick Kennedy .....	51	1	14	8
March 3—	“ John Colbert, a poor man whose house had been destroyed by fire .....	54	2	3	4
	7—“ Punton & Munn, for support to Outport Poor .....	55	17	6	8
	“ James Douglas, to pay for Indian Meal for the poor .....	...	130	12	10
	“ The Commissioners for the relief of the poor, St. John's .....	...	495	9	1
	“ Joseph Ryan, for supplies to widow Ed- jecomb whose husband was drowned .....	...	4	6	8
16—	“ The Magistrates Harbor Grace, for relief of James Butt, of Spaniard's Bay .....	56	2	12	0
22—	“ Michael Merigan, freight of 50 barrels Indian Meal to St. Mary's .....	57	2	3	4
	“ James Douglas, to pay the poor employ- ed in this district .....	...	40	0	0
April 3—	“ John Rendell, a poor man whose boat and property was lost .....	58	3	9	4
	“ Alexander Strathie, for the poor .....	...	2	3	4
	“ Nicholas Mulloy, for medical attendance on Typhus Fever cases in Brigus .....	60	26	0	0
	“ John Byrne, expended for the poor of Harbor Grace .....	...	17	6	8
	“ Hugh Abbot, for carriage of Indian Meal to Bonavista .....	61	3	18	0
	“ Job Brothers & Co. )	...	200	8	4
	“ Eugenius Harvey ) for Indian Meal	...	173	6	8
	“ W. H. Mare ) for the poor.	...	221	0	0
	“ C. F. Bennett & Co. )	...	72	16	0
	“ Samuel Carson, for clothing of the desti- tute poor .....	...	4	6	8
	“ James Douglas, to pay for labourers em- ployed in the district of St. John's.....	...	43	6	8—1861
			19	4	
		Carried forward...	£7962	2	0



## TREASURY ACCOUNTS.

## THE POOR.

1849.		Brought forward.....		£7962	2	0	
April 25—	“ Mary Hickey	67	£3	9	4		
	“ John Antle		8	13	4		
	“ Ann McCarthy		3	9	4		
	“ George Garrett		4	6	8		
	“ Edmund Power, for the support of a poor man		2	12	0		
	“ John Power, Bay Bulls, on Outport Poor List	68	2	3	4		
	“ C. F. Bennett, for Meal for the poor of Bay Bulls district		18	4	0		
	“ John Conway	76	17	6	8		
	“ John Connors		11	14	0		
	“ The Magistrates, Harbor Grace, Outport Permanent Poor, quarter ending 31st March		74	8	1		
May 1—	“ James Johnston, for attendance on sick poor	82	14	10	4		
	“ Job Brothers & Co., for supplies to W. Wells, a poor man whose house at Fox Harbor was burnt		4	6	8		
	“ Punton & Munn, for Indian Meal for the poor at Grate's Cove and Harbor Grace		24	15	9		
	“ Baine, Johnston & Co., for Indian Meal for the Poor	84	362	5	4		
7—	“ James Doyle, cartage and freight of Meal	86	4	3	2		
10—	“ George Garrett, for attendance on sick Paupers	87	8	13	4		
	“ Jane Jordon, Permanent Pauper, Bay Bulls, $\frac{1}{2}$ year's allowance to 31st June		2	12	0		
19—	“ Thomas Gorman	89	3	7	1		
	“ Philip Gorman		17	9	3		
	“ John Brine		34	15	11		
	“ Peter McPhie		26	18	4		
	“ John O'Neill		—————650			3 11	
			Carried forward.....			£8612	5 11

## TREASURY ACCOUNTS.

		THE POOR.		Brought forward.....£8612 5 11	
1849.					
May 19—	To John O'Neill	Warrant	89	£45	13 5
	“ John Marshall	} Account Burin ... Poor for provisions ...		23	2 9
	“ Richard Falle & Co.			94	2 6
	“ Eliza Burnell, $\frac{1}{2}$ year's allowance to 30th June, Outport Permanent Poor.....		90	3	19 1
	“ Matthew Marshall, for freight of Meal to Burin, per <i>Reindeer</i> .....			26	0 0
30—	“ Thomas Butler, for the support of Edward Painter, a poor old man at Harbor				
	“ Beaufette .....	91		2	12 0
31—	“ Lorenzo Moore, for the care of a Lunatic Pauper .....	92		8	13 4
	“ The Magistrates Harbor Grace, being for the removal from the colony of Michael Kerwick and family, Paupers .....			10	8 0
June 6—	“ John Freeman, account Permanent Poor district of St. John's .....	95		7	10 0
9—	“ Thomas Power, for Meal supplied the Poor at Carbonear .....	96		29	2 4
	“ The Magistrates Harbor Grace, for relief of the Poor .....			10	0 0
	“ Magistrates at Trinity, for relief of the Poor .....			5	0 0
11—	“ Charles Cozens, clothing supplied to Ann Morris while confined in gaol in Brigus .....	97		0	11 3
	“ Commissioners Poor, district of St. John's to 31st March, 1849 .....			695	14 9
13—	“ Joseph Peters, for passage out of the colony of Andrew Kavanagh, of Carbonear .....			18	7 5
30—	“ The Commissioners Poor for Casual Poor, quarter ending 30th June .....	100		800	0 0
July 7—	“ The Magistrates, Harbor Grace, for Permanent Poor, quarter ending 30th June	113		74	8 1
11—	“ John Peyton, Twillingate, passage of W. Brawn, a pauper to England .....	119		2	10 0
13—	“ Thomas Coyell, freight of meal for the relief of the Poor of Twillingate .....	120		3	19 8
	“ Charles Cozens, Outport Permanent Poor, Brigus. ....			9	12 5—1871 7 0
				Carried forward.....£10,483 12 11	

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**TREASURY ACCOUNTS.**


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**THE POOR.**

1849.			Brought forward.....	£10,483	12	11
July 13—	To Widow Gleeson, for passage of herself and daughter to Ireland, being paupers	Warrant 120		£4	6	8
	“ Joseph Ryan, Outport Poor, Carbonear	..		10	0	0
	“ The Commissioners of Poor, St. John’s	126		173	6	8
31—	“ The Commissioners of Poor, St. John’s	127		676	15	1
August 4—	“ George Garrett, for attendance on sick Poor	.....	.....	8	13	4
13—	“ Catherine Hyde, for support of widow Jacob at Bay Bulls	.....	.....	2	12	0
14—	“ Punton and Munn	131		11	5	4
	“ Sweetman & Co.	..		61	17	2
	“ Exrs. late Robert Slade	..		51	4	6
	“ Robinson Brooking & Co. for supplies furnished	..		54	12	5
	“ Ditto for relief of the Poor	..		57	15	10
	“ Joseph Shears	..		231	12	4
	“ William Brown	..		19	1	4
	“ Ridley & Co.	..		54	3	4
	“ Ditto	..		5	8	4
	“ John Brine	..		34	15	11
	“ John Forristal	..		3	10	2
18—	“ Ridley Harrison & Co., for supplies during the past winter to the Poor of the North Shore of Conception Bay	.....	133	25	0	9
	“ Punton & Munn, same account	.....	..	26	13	6
	“ Baine, Johnston & Co., for passage of a pauper to Halifax	.....	.....	1	14	8

**REPAIRS OF GOALS, &c.**

February 1—	“ Thomas Suffield	.....	.....	47	9	1	4
March 3—	“ Robert Lee Whiting	.....	.....	54	1	6	0
	“ George Dillon	.....	.....	..	3	15	5
	“ Samuel Bennett	.....	.....	..	1	6	5
April 3—	“ Alexander Strathie	.....	.....	58	1	16	5
28—	“ Thomas McGrath	.....	.....	81	2	8	5
	“ Robert Lee Whiting	.....	.....	..	0	19	11
	“ Samuel Bennett	.....	.....	..	2	10	3
June 25—	“ Joseph Ryan, balance due to Maurice Summers for repairing Court House at Carbonear.	.....	.....	..	18	15	3—1556
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 Carried forward.....£12,040 1 8

## TREASURY ACCOUNTS.

## REPAIRS OF GAOLS, &amp;c.

1849.		Brought forward.....	£12,040	1	8
July 20—	To William Freeman .....	Warrant 122	£5	15	5
	“ Thomas McGrath .....	.....	2	5	6

## LIGHT HOUSES.

February 7—	“ The Commissioners of Light Houses for Contingent Expenses .....	..... 48	61	13	8
	To the undermentioned Light House Keepers, viz. :—				
April 11—	“ Robert Oke, Harbor Grace .....	63	26	5	0
	“ James Cantwell, Cape Spear .....	...	23	15	0
	“ Jeremiah White, Bonavista .....	...	23	15	0
	“ Philip Roach, Fort Amherst .....	...	13	15	0
July 7—	“ Robert Oke, Harbor Grace .....	115	26	5	0
	“ James Cantwell, Cape Spear .....	...	23	15	0
	“ Jeremiah White, Bonavista .....	...	23	15	0
	“ Philip Roach, Fort Amherst .....	...	13	15	0
17—	“ The Commissioners of Light Houses	121	229	1	7
21—	“ The Commissioners of Light Houses to defray Contingent Expenses .....	123	30	0	0

## SALARIES.

April 11—	“ Aaron Hogsett, Clerk Peace, St. John's	62	37	10	0
	“ R. R. W. Lilly, Acting Ditto .....	...	37	10	0
25—	“ E. E. Rushworth, Private Secretary	69	50	0	0
	“ James Crowdy, Clerk of Council .....	...	50	0	0
	“ Christopher Ayre } Clerks in Secretary's	...	50	0	0
	“ Joseph Crowdy } Office	...	50	0	0
	“ Valentine Borne, Office Keeper .....	...	15	0	0
	“ John Howson, Messenger .....	...	15	0	0
	“ Patrick Morris, Treasurer .....	...	125	0	0
	“ Edward Roach, Gate Keeper .....	...	6	10	0
	“ John Hayes, Crier and Tipstaff .....	...	15	0	0
	“ E. M. Archibald, Attorney General	...	62	10	0
	“ Hugh A. Emerson, Solicitor General	...	50	0	0

## The undermentioned Stipendiary Magistrates :

“ Peter W. Carter	} St. John's	..... 70	75	0	0
“ Patrick Doyle		.....	75	0	0
“ Thomas Bennett		.....	75	0	0—1292

Carried forward.....£13,332 17 10

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**TREASURY ACCOUNTS.**


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**SALARIES.**

1849. Brought forward.....£13,332 17 10

April 25—To Thomas Danson	} Harbor Grace	Warrant 70	£45	0	0
“ Robert J. Pinsent		.....	37	10	0
“ Charles Cozens, Brigus		.....	37	10	0
“ Joseph Ryan, Carbonear		.....	37	10	0
“ William Hooper, Burin		.....	37	10	0
“ Benjamin Sweetland, Trinity		.....	37	10	0
“ William Sweetland, Bonavista		.....	37	10	0
“ Stephen O. Pack, Lamaline		.....	32	10	0
“ Joseph Blackburn, Grand Bank		.....	32	10	0
“ F. L. Bradshaw, Placentia		.....	32	10	0
“ John Peyton, Twillingate		.....	32	10	0
“ Hannibal Murch, St. Mary's		.....	32	10	0
“ Robert Carter, Ferryland		.....	25	0	0
“ John L. McKie, Bay Bulls		.....	25	0	0
“ Thomas E. Gæden, Harbor Britain		.....	25	0	0
“ John Stark, C.N.C.C.		71	50	0	0
“ George Simms, C.S.C.C.		.....	50	0	0
“ Samuel Carson, District Surgeon		.....	37	10	0
“ Edward Kielley, Hospital Ditto		.....	37	10	0
“ Edward Kielley, Gaol Ditto		.....	10	0	0
“ Wm. Stirling, Gaol Surgeon, Harbour Grace		.....	7	10	0

The undermentioned Clerks of Peace, viz. :

“ William Stentaford, Brigus	.....	15	0	0
“ Alexander Mayne, Harbor Grace	.....	37	10	0
“ Henry G. Clow, Ferryland	.....	15	0	0
“ Robert Bayly, Trinity	.....	15	0	0
“ John Mackie, Carbonear	.....	15	0	0
“ John Lawrence, Bonavista	.....	11	5	0
“ Aaron A. Pearce, Twillingate	.....	11	5	0
“ Luke Collins, Placentia	.....	8	15	0
“ Patrick Morris, Burin	.....	8	15	0
“ Philip Tocque, Harbor Briton	.....	8	15	0
“ Robert Blackwood, Gaol Barber	..... 72	3	15	0

The undermentioned Gaolers, viz. :

“ James Fergus, St. John's	.....	37	10	0
“ Richard Brace, Harbor Grace	.....	22	10	0
“ Francis Geary, Ferryland.	.....	6	5	0

Carried forward.....£14,249 2 10

## TREASURY ACCOUNTS.

1849.

Brought forward.....£14,277 2 11

The undermentioned Gaolers, viz. :

April 25.—To Luke Collins, Placentia	Warrant 72	£6	5	0
“ Charles Granger, Trinity	.....	6	5	0
“ Edmund Glynn, Burin	.....	6	5	0
The undermentioned Constables, viz. :				
“ James Finlay	.....	20	0	0
“ John Toor	.....	11	5	0
“ John McLennan	.....	11	5	0
“ Thomas Hughes	.....	11	5	0
“ John Downey	} St. John's.....	11	5	0
“ Thomas Morton	.....	11	5	0
“ Daniel O'Neil	.....	11	5	0
“ Timothy Mitchell	.....	11	5	0
“ William Moist	.....	11	5	0
“ Luke Doyle, Petty Harbor	.....	5	0	0
“ Matthew Dooley, Portugal Cove	.....	5	0	0
“ Michael Cullen, Torbay	.....	5	0	0
“ Arnold Webber, Harbor Grace	73	12	10	0
“ Jonathan Martin, Harbor Grace	.....	6	5	0
“ John Connell, Harbor Grace	.....	6	5	0
“ Benjamin Row, Carbonear	.....	6	5	0
“ James Bealy, Carbonear	.....	6	5	0
“ Samuel Rumsen, Carbonear	.....	6	5	0
“ Thomas Butler, Brigus	.....	6	5	0
“ John Bowes, Port-de-Grave	.....	6	5	0
“ James Norris, Bay-de-Verds	.....	3	0	0
“ Thomas Keefe, Harbor Main	.....	3	0	0
“ Robert Connell, Cat's Cove	.....	3	0	0
“ Edward Janes, Western Bay	.....	3	0	0
“ Wm. Smith, South Shore	.....	3	0	0
“ Charles Culpin, Bay Roberts	.....	3	0	0
“ Richard Anderson, Trinity	.....	3	0	0
“ Wm. Collins, Perlican	.....	3	0	0
“ John Rendell, Heart's Content	.....	3	0	0
“ John Pawley, Hants Harbor	.....	3	0	0
“ Thomas George, New Harbor	.....	3	0	0
“ John Murphy, Catalina	.....	6	5	0
“ John Collings, Trinity	.....	6	5	0
“ Michael Fennell, Bonavista	74	6	5	0
“ Robert Smith, Greenspond	.....	3	0	0
“ Maurice Divine, Kingscove	.....	3	0	0

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Carried forward.....£14,534 17 11

## TREASURY ACCOUNTS.

1849.		Brought forward.....£14,534 17 11	
April 25—To	John Skiffington, Tickle Cove, Warrant 74	£3	0 0
	“ James Oldford, Salvage .....	3	0 0
	“ James Rice, Twillingate .....	6	5 0
	“ James Blackler, Twillingate .....	3	0 0
	“ John Ludlow, Fogo .....	3	0 0
	“ John Jure, Exploits .....	3	0 3
	“ Richard Sullivan, Ferryland .....	6	5 0
	“ Michael Coady, Bay Bulls .....	6	5 0
	“ Edmund Power, Brigus (south) .....	3	0 0
	“ William Denn, Witless Bay .....	3	0 0
	“ Thomas Gatheral, Toad’s Cove .....	3	0 0
	“ Robert Evans, Renewes .....	3	0 0
	“ Thomas Carew, Cape Broyle .....	3	0 0
	“ Michael Power, Caplin Bay .....	3	0 0
	“ Samuel Cosc, Aquaforte .....	3	0 0
	“ Wm. Treaner, Fermeuse .....	3	0 0
	“ John Rielly, Placentia .....	75	6 5 0
	“ William Burke, St. Mary’s .....	6	5 0
	“ John Moran, Barren Island .....	3	0 0
	“ John Clarke, Merasheen .....	3	0 0
	“ Patrick Grant, Little Placentia .....	3	0 0
	“ George Sutland, Trepassey .....	3	0 0
	“ William Butler, Burin .....	6	5 0
	“ Henry Beck, St. Lawrence .....	3	0 0
	“ Thomas Laskey, Lamaline .....	3	0 0
	“ Jonathan Hickman, Grand Bank .....	3	0 0
	“ John Trood, Harbor Briton .....	3	0 0
	“ John Russell, Hermitage Bay .....	3	0 0
	“ David Handy, Jersey Harbor .....	3	0 0
	“ Benjamin Cock, Burgeo .....	3	0 0
	“ George Simms, Clerk Southern and Central Circuit Court .....	87	10 0
July 7—	“ Sundries } 103	489	0 0
	“ Ditto } 104	732	10 0
	“ Ditto } same as quarter ending 108	338	15 0
	“ Ditto } March 31st 109	213	15 0
	“ Ditto } 110	101	15 0
	“ Ditto } 111	70	0 0
	“ Ditto } 112	139	5 0
	“ A. Hogsett, Clerk Peace St. John’s 116	37	10 0
	“ R. R. W. Lilly, Acting Ditto ...	37	10 0
31—	“ Thomas Winter, Sub-Collector at Gaultois, $\frac{1}{2}$ year’s salary to 30th June. 127	50	0 0—2407 0 0

Carried forward.....£16941 17 11

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**TREASURY ACCOUNTS.**


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**LIGHT HOUSES INTEREST.**

1849.

Brought forward.....£16,941 17 11

January 16—To	Judge DesBarres, £800, 6 months, Debentures Nos. 4 to 6 and 5 .....	£24 0 0	
17—“	Savings' Bank, £1810 8s. 8d., 12 months, Debentures Nos. 1, 2, 3, 4 and 6 ..	108 12 4	
24—“	W. & R. Brown, £341 13s. 4d., 6 months, Debentures Nos. 7 and 8 .....	10 5 0	
February 5—“	Hon. J. Crowdy, £300, 6 months; Debenture No. 5 .....	9 0 0	
June 30—“	Elizabeth Chancey, £300, 6 months, Debenture No. 2 .....	9 0 0	
“	W. B. Row, £350, 6 months, Debentures Nos. 3 and 7 .....	10 10 0	
“	George Crane, £700, 6 months, Debenture No. 2 .....	21 0 0	
“	K. McLea, £247 18s., 6 months, Debenture No. 6 .....	7 8 8	
July 4—“	Miss Eales, £500, 6 months, Debenture No. 3 .....	15 0 0	
“	A. W. DesBarres £300; 6 months, Debentures, Nos. 4, 5, 6 and 5 .....	24 0 0	
16—“	Commissioners Pilots; 12 months, £100, Debenture No. 4 .....	6 0 0	
21—“	W. and R. Brown, £341 12s. 6d. 6 months, Debentures Nos. 7 and 8 .....	10 5 0	—255 1 0

**SPECIAL SALARIES.**

February 19—“	Robert Carter, salary as Supervisor, for quarter ending 17th February, Warrant 51 .....	75 0 0
April 11—“	B. G. Garrett, Sheriff Central District 62 .....	187 10 0
“	G. C. Gaden, Sheriff Northern District ... ..	75 0 0
“	J. Stephenson, Sheriff Southern District ... ..	50 0 0
“	Charles D. Newman, head Master St. John's Academy .....	75 0 0
“	J. F. Roddick, Master Harbor Grace Academy .....	37 10 0
“	A. O'Donovan, Master Carbonear Academy .....	37 10 0
“	Thomas Bennett, Chairman Board of Control. ....	25 0 0

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 Carried forward.....17,196 18 11



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**TREASURY ACCOUNTS.**


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**SPECIAL SALARIES**

1849.		Brought forward.....	£17,196	18	11
April 11—	To John B. Bulley, Secretary to Board of Control	Warrant	62	£25	0 0
	“ William Magill, Surveyor Board of Control	.....	...	37	10 0
25—	“ J. V. Nugent, salary as second Master of St. John's Academy to 31st March	.....	68	125	0 0
	“ J. V. Nugent, for quarter ending 30th June next	.....	...	62	10 0
May 30—	“ Robert Carter, Supervisor, quarter salary to 17th May	.....	91	75	0 0
July 7.—	“ H. H. Stabb, Physician to Lunatic Asylum	.....	115	25	0 0
	“ B. G. Garrett, Sheriff Central District	.....	116	187	10 0
	“ G. C. Gaden, Sheriff Northern District	.....	...	75	0 0
	“ J. Stephenson, Sheriff Southern District	.....	...	50	0 0
	“ Charles D. Newman, head Master of the St. John's Academy	.....	...	75	0 0
	“ John F. Roddick, Master Harbor Grace Academy	.....	...	37	10 0
	“ A. O'Donovan, Master Carbonear Academy	.....	...	37	10 0
August 13—	“ Michael J. Kelly, account grant for School at Great Placentia	.....	133	40	0 0— 1415 0 0

**WOLVES' BOUNTY.**

February 26—	“ Maurice Lewis	} for Wolves killed	52	155	0 0
	“ Bernard John		...	10	0 0
March 3—	“ John Stevenson	} by them	54	5	0 0
	“ Henry Cull		...	5	0 0— 25 0 0

**CROWN LANDS.**

April 11—	“ Joseph Noad, Surveyor General	63	125	0 0
	“ John Shaw, Chainman	.....	...	10 0 0
	“ James Crowdy, Secretary	.....	...	12 10 0
	“ Patrick Kough, Superintendent	.....	...	12 10 0
May 19—	“ Thomas McConnon, for Stationery for Surveyor General's Office	.....	90	0 17 0
July 7—	“ Joseph Noad, Surveyor General	115	125	0 0
	“ John Shaw, Chainman.	.....	...	10 0 0

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 Carried forward.....£18,636 18 11

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**TREASURY ACCOUNTS.**


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1849. Brought forward.....£18,636 18 11

**CROWN LANDS.**

July 7—To James Crowdy, Secretary	Warrant 115	£12	10	0	
“ Patrick Kough, Superintendent	...	12	10	0	
20—“ Robert Carter, Ferryland	122	18	15	0	
“ Thomas Mc Kellar, Bay Bulls	...	12	1	11	—351 13 11

**CIRCUIT COURTS.**

February 1—“ Garland C. Gaden	} Circuit	47	27	6	2	
“ John Collings		...	0	15	0	
March 1—“ John Stephenson, for Circuit expenses		53	9	12	0	
3—“ Richard O'Dwyer	.....	54	1	19	0	
“ Andrew Pearce	.....	...	3	5	0	
April 25—“ John Squarry	.....	67	6	1	4	
“ John Stephenson, Circuit Expenses	...	...	17	6	8	
May 10—“ Michael Toomey, Crier and Tipstaff, Northern Circuit Court		87	5	12	6	
August 18—“ Acting Assistant Judge Emerson, on account expenses of Circuits		133	50	0	0	—121 17 8

**CORONERS.**

January 23—“ Joshua Green, account	.....	46	5	1	0	
February 1—“ John Curtis, account	.....	47	3	14	0	
7—“ Thomas E. Gaden, account	.....	48	7	1	0	
19—“ A Hogsett, account	.....	51	24	6	2	
March 1—“ John Stephenson, account	.....	53	2	1	0	
April 3—“ John Regan, account	.....	60	7	4	0	
25—“ Joseph Shea, account	.....	68	27	19	0	
July 9—“ William Stirling, holding inquest at Twillingate	.....	117	4	2	0	
17—“ Joseph Shea, Coroner, St. John's		121	7	16	0	
“ Benjamin Sweetland, inquest on J. Trenear, of Trinity	.....	...	2	18	0	
July 24—“ William Hooper, Coroner, Burin		124	2	3	0	
“ Martin Williams, Coroner, Bay Bulls	.....	...	1	18	0	
31—“ John Stephenson	.....	127	1	18	0	
“ John Curtis	.....	...	4	2	0	
“ Thomas E. Gaden	.....	...	2	0	0	—104 3 2

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Carried forward.....19,214 13 8

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**TREASURY ACCOUNTS.**


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## UNFORESEEN CONTINGENCIES.

1849.

Brought forward.....£19,214 13 8

Shipwrecked Sealers belonging to the Schooner *Thirteen Brothers* :

March 16—To Thomas Oates	.....	Warrant 56	£0	8	8	
“ Thomas Marks	.....	...	0	8	8	
“ William King	.....	...	0	8	8	
“ John Morris	.....	...	0	8	8	
“ Andrew Coleman	.....	...	0	8	8	
“ John White	.....	..	0	8	8	
“ William Suttan	.....	...	0	8	8	
“ John Shea	.....	...	0	8	8	
“ Patrick Griffin	.....	...	0	8	8	
“ James Halferd	.....	...	0	8	8	
“ John Halfred	.....	...	0	8	8	
“ James French	.....	...	0	8	8	
“ Thomas Murray	.....	..	0	8	8	
“ Jonathan Butt	.....	...	0	8	8	
“ John Murray	.....	...	0	8	8	
June 13—“ James Finlay, removing nuisances, &c.	98		0	11	10	
“ James Finlay, expenses, &c., of Shipwrecked Passengers	.....	...	9	7	7	
July 24—“ James Finlay for repairs of Public Coves	126		8	7	11	
31—“ James Douglas, Unforeseen Contingencies	128		4	11	0	
“ Serjeant Murray, R. A., Ditto			1	10	4	— 30 18 8

## GAOL EXPENSES.

February 1—“ James Rice	.....	47	0	11	3
March 1—“ Luke Collins	.....	53	1	14	5
3—“ Richard Brace	.....	54	27	6	7
“ Mary Much	.....	...	3	1	0
“ James Hanrahan	.....	...	8	9	3
7—“ James Rice	.....	55	3	2	5
April 3—“ George Forward	.....	60	1	3	1
25—“ Patrick Ryan	.....	...	1	10	4
28—“ James Fergus	.....	67	35	7	3
“ James Fergus	.....	80	25	10	10
“ David Rogers	.....	...	11	5	0
“ David Rogers	.....	...	7	15	0
“ Clift Wood & Co.	.....	...	9	8	2
“ James Gambier.	.....	...	10	0	0

Carried forward.....£19,245 12 4

## TREASURY ACCOUNTS.

## GAOL EXPENSES.

1849.			Brought forward.....	£19,245	12	4
April 23—	To Joseph Score	.....	Warrant 80	£10	16	8
	“ Elizabeth Sinnott	.....	...	4	8	4
	“ Richard Brace	.....	81	30	14	0
	“ James Hanrahan	.....	...	8	0	2
	“ Mary Much	.....	...	3	0	6
	“ Charles Granger	.....	...	1	0	5
	“ Luke Collins	.....	...	2	5	0
	“ John Stephenson	.....	...	0	10	7
	“ Francis Geary	.....	...	0	8	8
June 4—	“ Michael Fennell	.....	93	19	16	11
	“ Mrs Mesh	.....	...	1	2	6
July 17—	“ Joseph Score, salary as servant at the Gaol of St. John's, quarter ending 30th June	.....	121	10	16	8
	“ David Rogers's Salary	.....	122	11	5	0
	“ Ditto, expenses	.....	...	9	0	0
	“ Clift, Wood & Co.	.....	...	13	5	11
	“ James Gambier	.....	...	10	0	0
	“ Elizabeth Sinnott	.....	...	4	6	6
					287	2 5

## PUBLIC BUILDINGS.

February 8—	“ W. & H. Thomas & Co. for Carpet and other Furniture for Government House	49	69	4	9
26—	“ The St. John's Gas Company, for Gas for Government House	52	10	4	11
				79	9 8

## FERRIES.

February 7—	“ John Coleman, for hire of Trinity Packet, quarter ending December 31, 1849	.....	48	25	0	0
May 1—	“ John Coleman, for hire of Trinity Packet, quarter ending 21st March	.....	82	25	0	0
10—	“ Lawrence Murphy, Salmonier, quarter ending 31st March	.....	87	6	5	0
14—	“ Michael Jackman, Belle Isle	.....	88	6	5	0
	“ Giles Smith, Trinity	.....	...	6	5	0
	“ Patrick Flood, Holyrood	.....	...	6	5	0
	“ Thomas Hickey, Placentia	.....	...	6	5	0
	“ William Pitts, Topsail	.....	...	5	0	0
	“ Robert Craft, Aquafort.	.....	...	3	15	0

Carried forward,.....£19,612 4 5

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**TREASURY ACCOUNTS.**


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**FERRIES.**

1849.		Brought forward.....	£19,612	4	5
May 14—	To John Esmaude, Biscay River Warrant 88		£3	15	0
	“ Thomas Tremlett, Salmonier ...		3	0	0
	“ Patrick Linahan, John’s Pond ...		3	0	0
	“ Wm. Christopher, Malbay ...		3	0	0
	“ Benjamin Squires, Manuels ...		2	10	0
	“ Patrick Bonea, North Harbor ...		1	10	0
July 7—	“ Sundries, same as Warrant No. 88	114	50	10	0
9—	“ Joseph Bartlett, Ferryman between Spoon Cove and Burin, for one year ending 30th June ...	118	10	0	0
	“ John Coleman, hire of Packet Boat from Heart’s Content to Trinity	121	30	0	0
24—	“ John Farrell, Ferryman from Burin to Spoon Cove for one year ending 30th June ...	126	10	0	0
	“ John Thorn, Ferryman, Little St. Lawrence ...		10	0	0
	“ Lawrence Murphy, Ferryman, Salmonier, quarter ending 30th June ...		6	5	0
August 4—	“ John Healey, Ferryman, North Arm of Holyrood, for quarter to 30th June ...		3	15	0—227 5 0

**ST. JOHN’S HOSPITAL.**

January 23—	“ The Directors of the Hospital, on account of quarter ending Dec. 31st, 1849 .....	46	150	0	0
February 8—	“ The Directors of the Hospital, balance for pauper patients, quarter ending Dec. 31st 1849 .....	49	158	19	0
July 24—	“ The Directors of the Hospital, for quarter ending 31st March	129	349	14	0
August 4—	“ The Directors of the Hospital, for quarter ending 30th June	129	226	8	6—885 1 6

**LUNATIC ASYLUM.**

February 19—	“ Henry H. Stabb, contingencies for the quarter ending Dec. 31st, 1849	51	172	9	4
April 11—	“ Henry H. Stabb, Physician to Lunatic Asylum .....	63	25	0	0
July 24—	“ Henry H. Stabb, for Lunatic Asylum, quarter ending 31st March	124	196	12	2
August 18—	“ Henry H. Stabb, expenses of Lunatic Asylum, quarter ending 30th June.	133	185	15	6—579 17 0

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 Carried forward..... £21,304 7 11

## TREASURY ACCOUNTS.

## REGISTRATION OF VOTERS.

1849.			Brought forward.....	£21,304	8	6
April 3—	To H. G. Clow, two years	Warrant	59	£5	4	0
	“ Robert Evans, ditto	Registration of Voters, 1847, Ferryland Dis- trict.	...	1	14	8
	“ Samuel Cose, ditto		...	1	14	8
	“ Michael Power, ditto		...	0	17	4
	“ Wm. Trenear, ditto		...	0	17	4
	“ Luke Collins } same service,	.....	...	3	9	4
	“ John Clark } Placentia district	.....	...	4	6	8
	“ George Forward, Burin district	.....	...	1	14	8
	“ John Lawrence } Bonavista	.....	...	3	0	8
	“ Thomas Neale, 2 years } District	.....	...	2	3	4
	“ John Husson, Trinity District	.....	...	0	13	0
May 1—	“ James Finlay	.....	83	42	6	9
	“ James Cormack	.....	...	4	6	8
	“ Joshua Green	.....	...	4	6	8
	“ Robert Brown	.....	...	4	6	8
	“ Wm. S. Green	.....	...	2	12	0
	“ Wm. J. Stentaford	.....	...	5	4	0
	“ John Bowes	.....	...	2	12	0
	“ Thomas Butler	.....	...	2	12	0
	“ William Smith	.....	...	1	14	8
	“ Charles Culpin	.....	...	1	14	8
	“ Robert Connell	.....	...	1	14	8
	“ Thomas Keefe	.....	...	1	14	8
	“ Arnold Webber	.....	84	3	9	4
	“ Benjamin Row	.....	...	3	9	4
	“ Samuel C. Runnison	.....	...	2	1	7
	“ Aubrey G. Crocker	.....	...	2	12	0
	“ John Murphy	.....	...	3	0	8
	“ John T. Oakley	.....	...	10	8	0
	“ Michael Fennell	.....	...	1	6	0
	“ Patrick Grant	.....	85	3	9	4
	“ Wm. G. Bradshaw	.....	...	3	9	4
	“ Michael Power	.....	...	0	17	4
	“ Wm. Trenear	.....	...	0	17	4
	“ Samuel Cose	.....	...	0	17	4
August 14—	“ W. Brown	.....	...	1	10	0—138 8 8

## ST. JOHN'S RE-BUILDING ACT.

April 25—	“ Robert Carter, contingencies of his Office from 17th August, 1846, to December 31st, 1848.	.....	68	237	5	5
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Carried forward.....£21,442 17 2

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**TREASURY ACCOUNTS.**


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**ST. JOHN'S RE-BUILDING ACT.**

1849.		Brought forward.....	£21,442	17	2
May 1—	To James Douglas, for levelling	Warrant 85	£28	8	4
7—	“ Margaret Mitchelmore	} compensation for ... ground taken to ... widen the streets ...	20	0	0
	“ George F. Bown		24	0	0
	“ Susanna Haire		20	0	0
	“ Ann Hannon		20	0	0
June 8—	“ John Shelley	.....	20	0	0
	“ Thomas Flahavan	.....	20	0	0
July 31—	“ James Douglas, for levelling and filling cellars	.....	128	36	6 11
June 13—	“ Edmund Byrne, compensation	.....	5	0	0—431 0 8

**COLONIAL BUILDING INTEREST.**

January 16—	“ Judge DesBarres, 6 months, £1650, Debentures Nos. 6 to 9, 29 and 37	.....	49	10	0
17—	“ Savings' Bank, 12 months, £2350, Debentures Nos. 1, 4, and 27, 44 and 45	.....	141	0	0
February 5—	“ Elizabeth Dunscomb, 6 months, £600, Debenture No. 28	.....	18	0	0
	“ E. S. Crowdy, 6 months, £250, Debenture No. 31	.....	7	10	0
	“ H. M. Crowdy, 6 months, £250, Debenture No. 32	.....	7	10	0
	“ Joseph Crowdy, 6 months, £50, Debenture No. 10	.....	1	10	0
	“ James Cantwell, 6 months and 10 days, £100, Debenture No. 54	.....	3	3	3
March 1—	“ John Murphy, 6 months, £450, Debenture No. 16 and 34	.....	13	10	0
	“ John Murphy, 6 months and 10 days, £650, Debenture No. 60	.....	20	11	4
	“ Christopher Ayre, 6 months, £100, Debenture No. 21	.....	3	0	0
	“ David Ryan, 4 months, £200, Debenture No. 59	.....	4	0	0
May 23—	“ Rev. J. Snowball, 6 months, £850, Debentures Nos. 14 and 33	.....	25	10	0
30—	“ Trustees B. I. Society, 6 months, £1734, Debenture No. 13	.....	52	0	4
June 30—	“ James Gilchrist, 12 months, £200, Debenture No. 25.	.....	12	0	0

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 Carried forward..... £21,873 17 10

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**TREASURY ACCOUNTS.**


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**COLONIAL BUILDING INTEREST.**

1849.	Carried forward.....	£21,873 17 10
June 30—	To Bernard Duffy, 12 months, £860, Debenture No. 46 .....	£51 12 0
	“ C. F. Bennett, 6 months, £600, Debenture No. 11 .....	18 0 0
	“ Trustees St. George’s Society, 6 months, £100, Debenture No. 18 .....	3 0 0
	“ James Power, 12 months, £300, Debenture No. 23 .....	18 0 0
July 2—	“ Trustees B. I. Society, 6 months, £1,734, Debenture No. 13 .....	52 0 4
	“ Patrick McGrath, 6 months, £750, Debenture No. 13 .....	20 12 6
	“ Richard Hillman, 6 months, £500, Debenture No. 26 .....	15 0 0
	“ Thomas Lynch, 6 months, £100, Debenture No. 52 .....	3 0 0
	“ The Misses Keating, 6 months, £200, Debenture No. 39 .....	6 0 0
	“ John Furlong, 6 months, £100, Debenture No. 24 .....	3 0 0
	“ Lieutenant W. Bold, 6 months, £200, Debentures Nos. 1 and 18 .....	6 0 0
	“ Thomas McGrath, 6 months, £400, Debenture No. 41 .....	12 0 0
	“ Maurice Fitzgerald, 6 months, £400, Debentures Nos. 42 and 62 .....	12 0 0
4—	“ C. Ayre, 6 months, £100, Debenture No. 20..... .....	3 0 0
	“ H. W. Hoyles, 6 months, £1300, Debentures Nos. 2, 3, 22 and 61 .....	39 0 0
	“ Lucretia Hoyles, 6 months, £50, Debenture No. 5 .....	1 10 0
5—	“ J. Hayward, 12 months, £50, Debenture No. 17 .....	3 0 0
6—	“ Thomas Lynch, 5 months and 20 days, £100, Debenture No. 52 .....	2 16 7
	“ Rev. J. Gilchrist, 10 months and 2 days, £100, Debenture No. 58 .....	5 0 8
9—	“ Trustees C. & S. Mallowney, 6 months, £400, Debenture No. 53. ....	25 3 8
	Carried forward.....	£21,873 17 10



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**TREASURY ACCOUNTS.**


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**COLONIAL BUILDING INTEREST.**

1849.		Brought forward.....	£21,873	17	10
July 9—	To John Winter, 6 months, £300, Debentures Nos. 55 to 57 .....		£9	0	0
	“ James Cantwell, 6 months, £100, Debenture No. 54 .....		3	0	0
13—	“ A. W. DesBarres, 6 months, £1650, Debentures Nos. 6 to 9, 29 and 37 .....		49	10	0
16—	“ Right Rev. Dr. Fleming, £525, Debenture No. 30 .....		15	15	0
	“ Rev. D. Mackin, 12 months, £450, Debenture No. 40 .....		27	0	0
August 9—	“ John Gregory, 6 months, £1900, Debentures Nos. 15 and 36 .....		57	0	0
	“ Thomas Dunford, 12 months and 16 days, £900, Debentures Nos. 49 to 51 .....		56	7	4—876 3 1

**LOAN 6TH VICTORIA INTEREST.**

January 16—	“ Judge DesBarres, 6 months, £250, Debenture No. 13 .....		7	10	0
	“ Judge DesBarres, 6 months, £700, Debentures Nos. 1, 9, and 13 .....		21	0	0
March 1—	“ John Murphy, 6 months, £150 .....		4	10	0
June 6—	“ T. H. Brooking, 12 months, 1,000, Debenture No. 4 .....		60	0	0
12—	“ C. Ayre, 6 months, £400, Debenture No. 2 .....		12	0	0
13—	“ T. H. Brooking, 5 months and 12 days, £1,000, Debenture No. 4 .....		26	15	10
30—	“ W. B. Row, 6 months, £500, Debenture No. 5 .....		15	0	0
	“ Michael Dunphy, 12 months, £150, Debenture No. 7 .....		9	0	0
July 2—	“ William Walsh, 6 months, £1,000, Debenture No. 8 .....		30	0	0
	“ P. Kough, 5 months and 6 days, £400, Debenture No. 3 .....		10	7	10
4—	“ C. Ayre, 6 months, £250, Debentures Nos. 10 and 12 .....		7	10	0
6—	“ C. Ayre, 6 months, £100, Debenture No. 11. ....		3	0	0

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 Carried forward.....£22,750 0 11

## TREASURY ACCOUNTS.

## LOAN 6TH VICTORIA INTEREST.

1849.		Brought forward.....	£22,750	0	11
July 13—	To A. W. DesBarres, 6 months, £250, De-				
	benture No. 13 .....		£7	10	0
	“ A. W. DesBarres, 6 months, £700, De-				
	bentures Nos. 1, 9 and 13 .....		21	0	0
17—	“ Rev. D. Mackin, 12 months, £150, De-				
	benture No. 17 .....		9	0	0
27—	“ Exrs. W. Whelan, £800 .....		48	0	0
August 9—	“ John Gregory, 5 months and 12 days,				
	£500, Debenture No. 6 .....		13	9	8—
					305 13 4

## LOAN 9TH VICTORIA INTEREST.

January 16—	“ Lucy Bulger, 6 months, £650, Debenture				
	No. 20 .....		19	10	0
	“ Judge DesBarres, 6 months, £790, De-				
	bentures Nos. 19 and 20 .....		23	14	0
	“ Judge DesBarres, 6 months, £50, Deben-				
	ture No. 34 .....		1	10	0
	“ William Hogan, 6 months, £300, Deben-				
	ture No. 14 .....		9	0	0
	“ Michael Harding, 6 months, £500, De-				
	benture No. 14 .....		15	0	0
	“ John Kelly, 6 months, £300, Debenture				
	No. 7 .....		22	0	0
17—	“ Savings' Bank, 12 months, £1500, De-				
	benture Nos. 8 and 21.....		87	10	0
	“ Elizabeth Woodley, 6 months, £400, De-				
	benture No. 1 .....		11	0	0
24—	“ Eleanor Little, 6 months, £345, Deben-				
	ture No. 33 .....		10	7	0
February 3—	“ Catherine McCarthy, 6 months, £900, De-				
	bentures Nos. 16 and 17 .....		24	15	0
	5—	“ Joseph Crowdy, 6 months, £100, Deben-			
	ture No. 22 .....		3	0	0
March 1—	“ Richard Hillman, 6 months, £500, Deben-				
	ture No. 2 .....		13	15	0
May 23—	“ Rev. J. Snowball, 6 months, £250, De-				
	benture No. 4 .....		6	17	6
June 30—	“ Michael Power, 6 months, £400, Deben-				
	ture No. 3 .....		11	0	0
	“ Ellen Little, 6 months, £345, Debenture				
	No. 33.....		10	7	0

Carried forward.....£230,55 14 3

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**TREASURY ACCOUNTS.**


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**LOAN 9TH VICTORIA INTEREST.**

1849.	Brought forward.....	£23,055 14 3
June 30—	To James Power, 6 months, £300, Debenture No. 15 .....	£9 0 0
	“ K. McLea, 6 months, £400, Debenture No. 11 .....	11 0 0
July 2—	“ Carters (miners) 6 months, £400, Debentures Nos. 24 to 31 .....	12 0 0
	“ Lucy Bulger, 6 months, £650, Debenture No. 20 .....	19 10 0
	“ Fort Major Jenkins, 6 months, £250, Debenture No. 9 .....	6 17 6
	“ Richard Hillman, 6 months, £300, Debenture No. 13 .....	8 5 0
	“ Major Bindon, 6 months, £200, Debenture No. 3 .....	5 10 0
	“ Thomas Lynch, 6 months, £100, Debenture No. 10 .....	2 15 0
	“ Lieut. W. Bold, 6 months, £300, Debentures Nos. 1 and 18 .....	11 5 0
4—	“ C. Loughnan, 6 months, £1300, Debenture No. 18 .....	39 0 0
	“ Catherine Dickson, 6 months, £125, Debenture No. 12 .....	3 8 9
5—	“ Grace Tibbs, 6 months, £200, Debenture No. 6 .....	5 10 0
	“ Thomas Parker, 12 months, £1,000, Debenture No. 19 .....	60 0 0
	“ Catherine McCarthy, 6 months, £900, Debentures Nos. 16 and 17 .....	24 15 0
6—	“ Patrick Doyle, 6 months, £910, Debenture No. 4 .....	25 0 6
	“ Thomas Lynch, 6 months, £100, Debenture No. 10.....	2 15 0
9—	“ Michael Harding, 6 months, £500, Debenture No. 14 .....	15 0 0
12—	“ William Hogan, 6 months, £300, Debenture No. 17 .....	9 0 0
	“ John Kelly, 6 months, £800, Debenture No. 7 .....	22 0 0
13—	“ A. W. DesBarres, 6 months, £840, Debentures Nos. 19, 20 and 34. ....	25 4 0

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Carried forward.....£23,055 14 3

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**TREASURY ACCOUNTS.**


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**LOAN 9<sup>TH</sup> VICTORIA INTEREST.**

1849.	Brought forward.....	£23,055 14 3
July 27—	To Exrs. W. Whelan, 12 months, £450, De- benture No. 14 .....	£24 15 0
30—	“ Henry Veal, 6 months, £250, Debenture No. 2 .....	6 17 6
August 6—	“ William Talbot, 2 years, £100, Deben- ture No. 5.....	11 0 0
9—	“ John Gregory, 6 months, £1,200, De- bentures Nos. 12 and 32 .....	33 10 0
	“ Elizabeth Woodley, 6 months, £400, De- benture No. 1. ....	11 0 0—674 3 9

**INTEREST ON CUSTOMS BONDS DISCOUNTED.**

May 11—	“ Paid Savings' Bank Interest on Bonds discounted due from 7th January, to 9th June 1849. ....	82 1 5
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**LOANS PAID OFF.**

June 4—	“ Paid Christopher Ayre, Debenture No. 2, Loan 6th Vic., 6 years, from June 3rd 1843 .....	400 0 0
	“ Paid Administrator James Power, Deben- ture No. 10, Loan 6th Vic., 4 years .....	250 0 0
13—	“ Paid Rev. D. Mackin, Debenture No. 17, Loan 6th Vic., 4 years, from April 10, 1844 .....	150 0 0
	“ Paid T. H. Brooking, Debenture No. 4, Loan 6th Vic., 6 years, from June 12, 1843 .....	1,000 0 0
	“ Paid Patrick Kough, Debenture No. 3, Loan 6th Vic., 6 years, (Debenture in fa- vor of A. Hannon) from 6th June, 1843 .....	400 0 0
July 5—	“ Paid C. Ayre, Debenture No. 11, Loan 6th Vic., 6 years from July 3, 1843 .....	100 0 0
30—	“ Paid William Walsh, Debenture No. 8, Loan 6th Vic., 6 years from July 14, 1843 .....	1,000 0 0
August 9—	“ Paid John Gregory, Debenture No. 6, Loan 6th Vic., 6 years from June 12, 1843.	500 0 0—3,800 0 0

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 Carried forward.....£27,611 19 5

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**TREASURY ACCOUNTS.**


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**INTEREST ON TREASURY NOTES.**

1849.		Brought forward.....	£27,611	19	5
June 30—To Sundries	.....	.....	£1016	12	9

**SHIPWRECKED SEALERS.**

April 25—“ William Stanton	.....	Warrant	67	£1	6	8
May 7—“ Joseph Gall	.....	.....	86	0	10	10
“ Samuel Gall	.....	.....	...	0	10	10
June 11—“ Charles Cozens, sustenance of crew of shipwrecked vessel <i>Sally</i> , of Trinity; and three of the schooner <i>Gazelle</i>	.....	.....	97	1	11	2—3 19 6

**ELECTION EXPENSES.**

March 22—“ Benjamin Sweetland, expenses of Election, Trinity District	.....	.....	57	95	15	4
“ John Toor	.....	.....	...	0	5	2
“ John Downey	.....	.....	...	0	5	2
“ Timothy Mitchell	.....	.....	...	0	5	2
“ Daniel O'Neill	.....	.....	...	0	5	2
25—“ Philip Tocque, for services and expenses at Election in Fortune Bay	.....	.....	68	4	6	4—101 2 8

**ROADS AND BRIDGES.**

February 7—“ Patrick Clooney, half last instalment, St. John's District,	No. of Debenture	972	14	0	3
“ James Douglas, on account of survey of Ship Harbor Road	.....	.....	56	6	6
“ John Feltham, from grant for Cape Freels	.....	...	2	3	4
“ Wm. Cumby, Heart's Content District...	.....	...	3	11	8
“ Michael Coady, for Bay Bulls District	.....	...	12	8	8
May 1—“ Robert Walsh, on account of his last instalment on Salmonier Road	.....	973	4	10	0
“ Patrick Hurley	} last instalments, St. John's District	.....	4	10	0
“ Thomas Dillon		.....	2	17	9
“ Patrick Dea		.....	27	8	9
“ James Douglas, Chairman, St. John's	.....	...	40	0	0
“ Thomas Byrne, Surveyor, St. John's	.....	...	40	0	0
“ John Delaney	} Surveyors, St. John's	.....	15	0	0
“ Edward Tobin		.....	15	0	0
“ George Webber, compensation for ground in Harbor Main.	.....	.....	12	9	7

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Carried forward..... £28,733 14 4

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**TREASURY ACCOUNTS.**


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## ROADS AND BRIDGES.

1849.		Brought forward.....	£28,733	14	4
June 12—	To Joseph Lacey, second instalment, St. John's District	Debenture	975	£29	13 4
August 4—	“ Michael Murphy, 1st instalment of two-thirds, St. John's District	.....	976	11	11 1
May 1—	“ Patrick Ryan, last instalment, St. John's District.....	.....	974	19	6 5
	“ James Douglas, fuel and light and office rent of Central Board of Road Commissioners	.....	.....	32	10 0
	“ Clement Benning, Burin District	.....	.....	10	0 0
	“ Edmund Beasan, Bridge, Harbour Main, whole amount	.....	.....	5	4 0
	“ Patrick Clooney, last instalment, Hill of Chips to Magotty Cove (second half-last instalment	.....	.....	16	13 4—375 4 10

## LEGISLATIVE CONTINGENCIES, SESSION 1849.

April 25—	“ Christopher Ayre, Contingencies of Council	.....	77	97	19 11
	“ Christopher Ayre, Deputy Clerk of Council	.....	.....	150	0 0
	“ Bryan Robinson, Master-in-Chancery, attendant on Council	.....	.....	50	0 0
	“ H. A. Emerson, Acting Master-in-Chancery, attendant on Council	.....	.....	50	0 0
	“ Frederick Rennie, Usher of Black Rod...	.....	.....	85	0 0
	“ Frederick Rennie, for Contingent Expenses	.....	.....	22	3 2
	“ Valentine Borne, Door Keeper	.....	.....	45	0 0
	“ David Rogers, Assistant Door-keeper and Messenger	.....	.....	20	0 0
	“ Wm. J. Ward, Reporter	.....	.....	40	0 0
	“ Jas. Tobin, for rent of premises in which late Session of the Legislature was held	.....	.....	275	0 0
	“ John Kent, Speaker	.....	78	200	0 0
	“ John Stuart, Clerk	.....	.....	200	0 0
	“ John Stuart, for contingent expenses	.....	.....	200	15 7
	“ Richard Holden, Clerk Assistant	.....	.....	100	0 0
	“ Elias Rendell, Sergeant-at-Arms.	.....	.....	100	0 0

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Carried forward.....£29,108 19 2

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**TREASURY ACCOUNTS.**


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**LEGISLATIVE CONTINGENCIES, SESSION 1849.**

 1849. Brought forward.....£29,108 19 2

April 25—To	Elias Rendell, for Contingent Expenses	Debenture	78	£59	0	11
“	Frederick Carter, Solicitor	.....	...	150	0	0
“	Wm. Dalton, Door Keeper	.....	...	45	0	0
“	Michael Power, Messenger	.....	...	40	0	0
“	Philip Brown, Under-door Keeper	.....	...	35	0	0
“	Richard Cooney, Assistant Door-keeper...	.....	...	15	0	0
“	Sarah Perchard, Librarian	.....	...	50	0	0
“	James Seaton, Reporter	.....	...	150	0	0
“	Wm. J. Ward, for publishing the Reports	.....	...	40	0	0
“	The Police Constables, St. John's, for attendance	.....	79	20	0	0
“	R. J. Parsons, for Miscellaneous Printing	.....	...	183	8	0
“	George Anderson, late Door-keeper	.....	...	10	0	0
“	Edmund Hanrahan Chairman Committee of Supply	.....	...	50	0	0
“	Peter Winsor, Chairman of Audit	.....	...	50	0	0

The undermentioned Members, viz. :—

“	Lawrence O'Brien	.....	.....	...	42	0	0
“	Robert J. Parsons	.....	.....	...	42	0	0
“	George H. Emerson	.....	.....	...	42	0	0
“	Robert Carter	.....	.....	...	42	0	0
“	Thomas B. Job	.....	.....	...	42	0	0
“	Ambrose Shea	.....	.....	...	42	0	0
“	John Delaney	.....	.....	...	42	0	0
“	H. W. Hoyles	.....	.....	...	42	0	0
“	J. L. Prendergast	.....	.....	79	63	0	0
“	Edmund Hanrahan	.....	.....	...	63	0	0
“	Nicholas Mulloy	.....	.....	...	63	0	0
“	Richard Rankin	.....	.....	...	63	0	0
“	Peter Winsor	.....	.....	...	63	0	0
“	Joshua G. Falle	.....	.....	...	63	0	0

May 1—“	Edward D. Shea, for Printing Journals of the House of Assembly	.....	85	250	0	0	—3,497	7	7
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Carried forward.....£32,606 6 9

## TREASURY ACCOUNTS.

## VACCINATION.

1849.		Brought forward.....	£32,606	6	9
May 1—	To James Johnston for Vaccinating in Trinity and Bonavista Bays .....	Debenture	84	£26	0 0
7—	“ John Soper, M.D. } Vaccination .....		86	8	13 4
	“ Dr. Bardshaw } in the Out- .....		...	4	6 8
	“ Dr. Haddon } ports. ....		...	4	6 8
	“ Dr. S. Carson, for purchasing matter for all parts of the country, and vaccinating throughout the district of St. John's .....		...	40	0 0
	“ Dr. Shea, travelling expenses to St. Mary's, to vaccinate .....		...	8	13 4
	“ Dr. Godden } Vaccination .....		...	4	6 8
	“ Dr. J. Thomson } .....		...	8	13 4
31—	“ John Walsh, M.D. } vaccination in .....		92	8	13 4
	“ Richard Berry, M.D. } the outports. ....		...	8	13 4
	“ John Skeltan, for vaccinating in the Outports between Stockport and Ragged Harbor, district of Bonavista .....		93	13	0 0
June 6—	“ Dr. John Wright, for vaccinating in the North Shore of Conception Bay .....		95	8	13 4
July 24—	“ Dr. J. Moran } for vaccinating, .....		124	4	6 8
	“ Dr. F. Moran } Burin district. ....		...	4	6 8
31—	“ Dr. W. Dow, vaccinating in the district of Conception Bay .....		127	8	13 4—161 6 8

## GRANT FOR ROADS AND BRIDGES, 1849—£5,000.

May 1—	“ James Bealey .....	85	8	13	4
June 6—	“ James Douglas, for repairing Roads round Quidi Vidi Pond .....	95	10	8	0
July 5—	“ James Douglas, for repairs of Roads and Bridges, for the district of St. John's .....	101	70	0	0
June 13—	“ Charles Cozens, balance of account for the repairs of the Southern and Northern Gut Bridges, in the district of Brigus.....	98	19	19	7
July 9—	“ Edward Walsh and Matthew Bryan, for repairs of Bridge, Main Street, Carbonear .....	117	5	0	0
	“ William Magill, in full of salary and expenses incurred in proceeding to Burin and reporting on condition of poor there, from grant £5,000 .....	...	37	10	0

Carried forward.....£32,767 13 5



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**TREASURY ACCOUNTS.**


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## GRANT FOR ROADS AND BRIDGES, 1849 - £5000.

1849.		Brought forward.....	£32,767	13	5
July 9—	To James Douglas	Debenture 118	£20	0	0
	“ John Delaney	} from grant of £5000.	.....	7	10
	“ Thomas Byrne		.....	20	0
	“ Edward Tobin		.....	7	10
31—	James Douglas, on account of Job's Bridge		..... 128	50	0

## ADDRESS OF THE HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY.

May 10—	“ James Douglas, for Seed Corn	..... 87		200	0	0
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## VOTE FOR CARRYING OUT PROVISIONS OF LAND ACT.

April 25—	“ Edmund Hanrahan	.....	..... 76		22	6	0
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## ACADEMY INTEREST.

July 2—	“ Major Bindon, 6 months and 23 days, De- benture No. 1	.....	.....		16	17	10
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## DUTIES REFUNDED.

August 13—	“ Lieut. Jervoice	} Return of duties on baggage, &c.,	130	3	3	0
	“ Captain Kennedy, R. A.		.....	13	2	11
	“ John Tunbridge, Ordnance Storekeeper		.....	4	10	0
	“ Francis Brady, Chief Justice		.....	5	1	0—25 16 11
		Balance December 31st 1848.....	1,958	19	4	
				£35,248	4	4

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## TREASURY ACCOUNTS.

*An Account of Revenue received as extracted from the Books of the late Honorable Patrick Morris, Colonial Treasurer, from the 1st January, to the 22nd August, 1849.*

## SHERIFF'S FEES.

January 24—	From B. G. Garrett, Central District	.....	£3	12	10			
	“ Ditto Ditto	.....	50	0	0			
February 20—	“ Ditto Ditto	.....	50	1	0			
March 26—	“ Ditto Ditto	.....	29	6	8			
April 11—	“ Ditto Ditto	.....	14	17	1			
2—	“ Ditto Ditto	.....	80	0	0			
May 11—	“ Ditto Ditto	.....	100	0	0			
30—	“ Ditto Ditto	.....	7	9	11			
July 4—	“ G. C. Gaden, Northern District	.....	39	8	10			
9—	“ B. G. Garrett, Central District	.....	141	8	5—516	4	9	

## CLERKS' PEACE FEES.

April 25—	“ W. T. Stentaford, Brigus, 1st October 1848, to 1st April, 1849	.....	2	10	0			
May 1—	“ R. R. W. Lilly, St. John's, March 31st.....	.....	12	10	0			
June 18—	“ Luke Collins, Placentia	.....	1	11	4			
July 9—	“ John Lawrence, Bonavista.....	.....	4	7	6			
26—	“ A. Mayne, Harbor Grace, half-year to 31st March	.....	6	5	6			
7—	“ R. R. W. Lilly, St. John's	.....	14	17	2—42	1	6	

## LICENSE FUND AND FINES.

January 24—	“ F. L. Bradshaw, Placentia, Licenses	.....	2	10	0			
March 26—	“ R. R. W. Lilly, St. John's, Licenses	.....	100	0	0			
April 24—	“ Philip Tocque, Harbor Briton, Licenses.....	.....	9	0	0			
May 1—	“ R. R. W. Lilly, St. John's, Fines	.....	1	3	6			
July 4—	“ Ditto Ditto Licenses	.....	113	7	11			
7—	“ Ditto Ditto Fines	.....	2	8	9—228	10	2	

## GAOLERS' FEES.

February 8—	“ Richard Brace, Harbor Grace, December 31st 1848	.....				1	3	1
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## LOAN ACT 12TH VICTORIA CAP. 20.

April 24—	“ William Talbot, Debenture No. 5, for 10 years	.....	100	0	0			
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## TREASURY ACCOUNTS.

## LOAN ACT 12TH VICTORIA, CAP. 20.

1849.

Brought forward.....£787 19 6

May 10—	From William Walsh, Debenture No. 1, 5 years	£346 13 4
15—	“ Grace Tibbs, Debenture No. 3, 5 years	100 0 0
	“ Thomas Hogan, Debenture No. 2, 5 years	100 0 0
18—	“ John Power, Debenture No. 6, 5 years	173 6 8
	“ Joseph Gill, Debenture No. 1, 10 years	100 0 0
26—	“ Norman Bruce, Debenture No. 5, 5 years	750 0 0
28—	“ Abraham Bartlett, Debenture No. 10, 5 years	1000 0 0
	“ Mary Talbot, Debenture No. 2, 10 years	100 0 0
June 1—	“ Samuel Mifflin, Debenture No. 11, 5 years,	100 0 0
4—	“ Laurence Gearin, Debenture No. 12, 5 years,	130 0 0
5—	“ Rev. J. Gilchrist, Debenture No. 13, 5 years	200 0 0
7—	“ Joseph Manuels, Debenture No. 14, 5 years	200 0 0
12—	“ William Ashford, Debenture No. 8, 5 years,	250 0 0
April 24—	“ Very Rev. D. Mackin, Debenture No. 7, 5 years	150 0 0
June 6—	“ Patrick Kough, Executor to Hanni- gan's estate, Debenture No. 20, 5 years	400 0 0
July 4—	“ Maurice Fitzgerald, Debenture No. 15, 5 years	100 0 0
6—	“ Thomas Lynch, Debenture No. 16, 5 years	100 0 0
12—	“ H. W. Hoyles, Debenture No. 17, 5 years	100 0 0
June 18—	“ John Collings, Debenture No. 19, 5 years	304 12 0

Carried forward.....£787 19 6

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**TREASURY ACCOUNTS.**


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**LOAN ACT 12<sup>TH</sup> VICTORIA CAP. 20.**

1849.		Brought forward.....	£787	19	6
July 17—	From Charles Dunford Newman, Debenture No. 18	.....	£150	0	0
23—	“ Commissioners Pilots, Debenture No. 3, 10 years	.....	300	0	0
14—	“ William Walsh, Debenture No. 4, 10 years	.....	1000	0	0
June 12—	“ John Gregory, Debenture No. 9, 5 years	.....	500	0	0
				6764	12 0

**REVENUE.**

April 23—	“ Hon. J. M. Spearman	.....	158	4	6
	“ Ditto	.....	2,362	18	0
May 21—	“ Ditto	.....	866	13	4
June 4—	“ Ditto	.....	1,516	13	4
July 2—	“ Ditto	.....	433	6	8
25—	“ Ditto	.....	609	9	3
August 2—	“ Ditto	.....	1,733	6	8
	“ Amount Customs' Bonds due May June, and July.	.....	2,589	9	5
				10,270	1 2
				£17,822	12 8

I do hereby certify that the foregoing accounts are correctly extracted from the Books kept by the late Colonial Treasurer, the Hon. PATRICK MORRIS.

ROBERT CARTER,

*Colonial Treasurer.*

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**TREASURY ACCOUNTS.**


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**STATEMENT**

*of the Accounts of the Colonial Treasurer of Newfoundland,*

QUARTER ENDING DECEMBER 31st, 1849.

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BALANCE SHEET OF THE COLONIAL TREASURER'S ACCOUNTS.

Dr.

PATRICK MORRIS (deceased) per Account	.....	.....	£3630	5	8
Cash (at the Bank of British North America)	.....	.....	875	8	2
Customs Bonds, over due	.....	.....	£25	6	0
Due in January, 1850.....			1160	10	2
“ February, “			2502	17	4
“ March “			2163	2	6
“ April “			1535	2	9
					7386 18 9
			Assets.....	£11,892	12 7
			Public Debt (as per contra).....	100,139	17 4
			Total Debtors.....	£112,032	9 11

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**TREASURY ACCOUNTS.**


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BALANCE SHEET OF THE COLONIAL TREASURER'S ACCOUNTS,  
QUARTER ENDING DECEMBER 31st, 1849.

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Savings' Bank, per Account	.....	.....	.....	£7,331	14	7
Colonial Building, “	.....	.....	.....	971	11	10
Market House, “	.....	.....	.....	749	0	0
St. John's Academy, “	.....	.....	.....	21	4	5
Unpaid Warrants (late Treasurer) per Account	.....	.....	.....	995	19	4
Outstanding Warrants	.....	.....	.....	868	0	5
Unpaid Interest	.....	.....	.....	484	17	10
Liabilities	.....	.....	.....	£11,422	8	5

Debentures issued, viz. :—

Cape Spear Light House	.....	.....	£1500	0	0
Harbor Grace Ditto	.....	.....	2200	0	0
Bonavista Ditto	.....	.....	1750	0	0
Act 6 Vic., cap. 23	.....	.....	2750	0	0
“ 9 “ “ 7	.....	.....	18,500	0	0
“ 12 “ “ 20	.....	.....	7991	5	4
Colonial Building	.....	.....	15,000	0	0
Market House	.....	.....	7000	0	0
St. John's Academy	.....	.....	500	0	0
Treasury Notes, 9th and 10th Vic., cap. 1	.....	.....	42,948	12	0—100,139
Revenue and Expenditure per Account, being excess of Assets over Liabilities.	.....	.....			470 4 2

Total Creditors.....£112,032 9 11

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ROBERT CARTER,

*Colonial Treasurer.*



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**TREASURY ACCOUNTS.**


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**REVENUE AND EXPENDITURE, QUARTER ENDING DECEMBER 31ST, 1849.**

DR.

**CIRCUIT COURTS.**

1849.	Brought forward .....	£319	2	8		2060	16	9
Oct. 2—	To Assistant Judge Simms, Table Money for Spring Circuit at Harbor Grace, Warrant	134	£16	0	0			
“	Assistant Judge DesBarres, Southern Circuit .....	135	100	0	0			
“	Acting Assistant Judge Emerson, balance of grant for the Northern Circuit	155	50	0	0			
“	E. Phelan } for conveying the Judge to ...	2	12	0				
“	A. Drysdale } and from Harbor Grace ...	3	0	0				
“	Edward O'Dwyer, for the hire of the School House at Fogo, for a Court House in the Session of 1848 .....	160	3	5	0	174	17	0

**CORONERS.**

“	John Curtis, Account .....	154	2	18	0			
“	Joseph Shea, Ditto .....	156	31	6	0			
“	Aaron Hogsett, Ditto .....	...	5	18	0			
“	John Stark, Ditto .....	...	12	5	0			
“	Joshua Green, Ditto .....	...	5	18	0			
“	Benjamin Sweetland, Ditto .....	161	5	16	0			
“	Ditto Ditto .....	165	10	5	0			
“	John Stark, Ditto .....	...	10	13	6			
“	William Hooper, for holding an Inquest	175	2	3	0			
“	John Peyton, for holding an Inquest .....	179	2	19	0			
“	Joseph Shea, Account .....	200	34	0	6			
“	Aaron Hogsett, Ditto .....	...	3	16	6			
“	John Curtis, Ditto .....	201	3	14	0	131	12	6

**CROWN LANDS.**

“	Joseph Noad, Surveyor General	146 and 191	250	0	0			
“	John Shaw, Chainman .....	...	20	0	0			
“	James Crowdy, Secretary .....	...	25	0	0			
“	Patrick Kough, Superintendent Government Buildings .....	...	25	0	0	320	0	0

(Their Salaries, for the half-year ending 31st December, 1849.)

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 Carried forward.....£945 12 2 | 2060 16 9



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**TREASURY ACCOUNTS.**


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**REVENUE AND EXPENDITURE, QUARTER ENDING DECEMBER 31st, 1849.**

DR.

**EDUCATION.**

1849. Brought forward.....£945 12 2 | 2060 16 9

The Undermentioned Protestant Boards, viz :

Oct.2—To St. John's	} Warrant	172	£110	0	0	
“ Brigus		...	52	10	0	
“ Harbor Grace		...	117	10	0	
“ Carbonear		...	112	10	0	
“ Trinity Bay, North		...	47	10	0	
“ Trinity Bay, West		...	30	0	0	
“ Trinity Bay, South		for half year	...	45	0	0
“ Bonavista Bay, North		ending 22nd	...	45	0	0
“ Bonavista Bay, South		November,	...	65	0	0
“ Twillingate		1849.	...	65	0	0
“ Fogo		...	...	25	0	0
“ Ferryland		...	...	12	10	0
“ Placentia		...	...	22	10	0
“ Burin		...	...	45	0	0
“ Fortune Bay	...	...	111	10	0	
“ Rev. T. F. H. Bridge, grant to the New- foundland School Society, quarter ending 22nd August	.....	.....	166	125	0 0	
“ Rev. Thomas Dunn, Superintendent of the North America School Society, quar- ter ending 22nd November	.....	.....	174	125	0 0	
“ Rev. Richard Williams, for the Wesleyan Schools, for the half-year ending 22nd No- vember	.....	.....	..	125	0 0	
“ Right Rev. Bishop Fleming, for the Nun- nery School, for the half-year ending 22nd November	.....	...	...	100	0 0	
“ The Committee of the Orphan Asylum School, for the half-year ending 22nd No- vember	.....	.....	...	75	0 0	
“ The Committee of St. Patrick's Free School at Harbour Grace for the half- year ending 22nd November.	.....	.....	174	50	0 0	

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 Carried forward.....£945 12 2 | 2060 16 9

## TREASURY ACCOUNTS.

REVENUE AND EXPENDITURE, QUARTER ENDING DECEMBER 31ST, 1849.

DR.

## EDUCATION.

The Undermentioned Roman Catholic Boards, viz :

Oct.2—1849.		Brought forward.....	£945	12	2		2060	16	9	
To St. John's	} Warrant	173	£290	0	0					
" Harbor Grace		...	50	0	0					
" Brigus		...	110	0	0					
" Bay Bulls		...	70	0	0					
" Carbonear		...	125	0	0					
" Trinity Bay, North		} for half year	...	20	0	0				
" Trinity Bay, West			ending 22nd	...	10	0	0			
" Trinity Bay, South			November,	...	7	10	0			
" Bonavista Bay, North			1849.	...	5	0	0			
" Bonavista Bay, South			...	37	10	0				
" Twillingate			...	7	10	0				
" Fogo			...	20	0	0				
" Ferryland			...	90	0	0				
" Placentia			...	92	10	0				
" St. Mary's		...	37	10	0					
" Burin		...	45	0	0					
" Fortune Bay		...	18	10	0	—	2542	10	0	

## FUEL AND LIGHT.

" Clift, Wood & Co., fuel for Court House	136	89	19	5
" Nathaniel Munden .....	149	6	12	7
" Thomas Odell .....	...	6	10	0
" St. John's Gas Company (Government House .....	150	7	9	9
" Henry Hooper .....	153	37	6	9
" G. F. Bown, fuel for Surveyor General's Office .....	155	1	19	0
" St. John's Gas Company .....	159	2	14	7
" Clift, Wood & Co. ....	...	8	16	11
" Emmett & Mitchell .....	160	1	16	10
" George F. Bown .....	161	21	18	7
" Richard Brace .....	162	5	17	0
" Michael Nowlan .....	166	11	19	6
" James Rice. ....	178	7	13	5

Carried forward.....£3488 2 2 | 2060 16 9

### TREASURY ACCOUNTS.

REVENUE AND EXPENDITURE, QUARTER ENDING DECEMBER 31ST, 1849.

DR.

#### FUEL AND LIGHT.

1849.		Brought forward.....	£3488	2	2	2060	16	9	
To Power & Coady	..... Warrant 180		£7	7	4				
" Joseph Noad	..... 181		2	9	10				
" Joseph Ryan	..... 195		0	17	9				
" Robinson, Brooking & Co.....	.....		1	6	0				
" St. John's Gas Company	..... 197		12	12	4				
" Wilson & Co.	..... 201		8	17	4				
" St. John's Gas Company	..... 202		9	19	7				
" Wm. Sinnott	.....		1	19	0				
" Wilson & Co., fuel for Surveyor General's Office	..... 205		1	9	6	—	357	13	0

#### FERRIES.

" Thomas Hickey, Placentia.....	192		12	10	0			
" Laurence Murphy, Salmonier	.....		12	10	0			
" Matthew Jackman, Portugal Cove	.....		12	10	0			
" Giles Smith, Trinity	.....		12	10	0			
" Wm. Pitts, Topsail	.....		10	0	0			
" John Esmaude, Biscay Bay	.....		7	10	0			
" Robert Craft, Aquaforte	.....		7	10	0			
" John Henley, N. S. Holyrood	.....		7	10	0			
" Thomas Tremlett, Salmonier	.....		6	0	0			
" Patrick Linnahan, John's Pond	.....		6	0	0			
" Wm. Christopher, Malbay.....	.....		6	0	0			
" Benjamin Squires, Mantuels	.....		5	0	0			
" John Thorn, St. Lawrence	.....		5	0	0			
" Patrick Bonea, North Harbor	.....		3	0	0			
" Joseph Bartlett, Burin	..... 192		5	0	0			
" John Coleman, for hire of Trinity Packet Boat	..... 194		60	0	0			

(Their Salaries, for the half-year ending 31st December, 1849.)

" Thomas Kelly, messenger to Placentia, his allowance for nine months to December 31st. 1849	.....		22	10	0			
" Patrick Hogan, for four months' hire of the Packet from Placentia to Burin.	151		39	3	4			

Carried forward..... £3845 15 2 | 2060 16 9

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## REVENUE AND EXPENDITURE, QUARTER ENDING DECEMBER 31ST 1849.

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## FERRIES.

1849,	Brought forward.....	£3845	15	2		2060	16	9
To Patrick Flood, Holyrood, quarter ending 30th Sept. ....	147	£2	10	0				
" John Farrell, Spoon Cove, half-year ending 30th Sept. ....	171	5	0	0				
" Patrick Flood, Holyrood, quarter ending 31st Dec. ....	192	3	15	0				
" John Farrell, Burin, quarter ending 31st Dec. ....	...	2	10	0	—	253	18	4

## GAOL EXPENSES.

" Richard Brace .....	135	17	16	3
" William Stentaford .....	149	0	11	3
" Jane Pippy .....	150	1	5	9
" James Hanrahan .....	...	7	4	11
" Michael Fennell .....	153	12	0	1
" Catherine Mesh .....	154	1	4	5
" Charles Granger .....	156	9	0	10
" Edmund Glynn .....	...	0	10	0
" Joseph Score .....	158	12	16	4
" Clift. Wood & Co. ....	...	22	14	5
" James Gambier .....	...	10	0	0
" Elizabeth Sinnotte .....	...	3	9	8
" David Rogers .....	161	11	5	0
" Joseph Score .....	...	10	16	8
" Richard Brace .....	162	11	1	10
" James Hanrahan .....	162	3	18	11
" Jane Pippy .....	...	0	11	7
" Thomas Butler .....	166	5	0	0
" Clift, Wood & Co., for representatives of James Fergus .....	...	23	16	11
" David Rogers .....	168	11	11	0
" James Rice .....	178	10	17	3
" Charles Cozens .....	195	1	7	5
" John Skeltan .....	198	2	2	0
" Jane Granger .....	199	0	13	0

Carried forward.....£4099 13 6 | 2060 16 9



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## REVENUE AND EXPENDITURE, QUARTER ENDING DECEMBER 31ST, 1849.

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## ROADS AND BRIDGES.

1849.	Brought forward.....	£4442 18 8		2069 16 9
To John Devereux, for road in Trepassey District .....	Warrant 171	£1 17 0		
“ Richard Nurse, for road work in Trinity district .....	175	1 13 4		
“ James Douglas, for the payment of destitute persons employed on roads .....	176	130 0 0		
“ John Peyton, for destitute persons employed by him on roads in Twillingate in 1847 .....	177	18 4 0		
“ James Douglas, to pay labourers employed on roads .....	181	188 1 0		
“ James Douglas, last instalment on his contract for road in St. John's district .....	193	10 0 0		
“ John Antle, to pay persons employed in repairing bridges in Brigus district .....	195	13 0 0		
“ McDonald & Conway, for repairing bridges in Brigus district .....	...	1 14 8		
“ Joseph Ryan, expense of repairing a bridge in Carbonear .....	...	3 0 0		
“ James Douglas, Chairman of Roads .....	196	80 0 0		
“ Thomas Byrne, Surveyor of Roads.....	...	80 0 0		
“ John Delaney, Inspector of Roads.....	...	30 0 0		
“ Edward Tobin, ditto ditto .....	...	30 0 0	←	861 7 0

(Their salaries for the half-year ending 31st December.)

## LUNATIC ASYLUM.

“ Peter H. Carter & Co., for coal .....	164	17 13 11		
“ Henry H. Stabb, (Physician) salary for half-year ending 31st Dec. ....	191	50 0 0		
“ Henry H. Stabb, (Physician) to defray the charges of that institution for the half-year ending 31st Dec. ....	199	520 0 0	←	587 13 11

## LIGHT HOUSES.

Jeremiah White, one year's allowance of fuel for Bonavista Light House.....	135	28 0 0		
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Carried forward.....£5891 19 7 | 2060 16 9

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**REVENUE AND EXPENDITURE, QUARTER ENDING DECEMBER 31ST, 1849.**

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**LIGHT HOUSES.**

1849.	Brought forward.....	£5891	19	7		2060	16	9
To James Cantwell, one year's allowance of fuel, Cape Spear Light House, Warrant	148	£28	0	0				
“ Edward Oke, one year's allowance of fuel for Harbor Grace Light House...	164	28	0	0				
“ Edward Oke, Keeper Harbor Grace Light House .....	197	52	10	0				
“ James Cantwell, Keeper Cape Spear Light House .....	193	47	10	0				
“ Jeremiah White, Keeper Bonavista Light House .....	197	47	10	0				
“ Philip Roach, Keeper Fort Amherst Light House .....	...	27	10	0				
“ The Commissioners, for repairs at Cape Spear .....	181	420	0	0				
“ The Commissioners, for Contingent Expenses .....	...	235	17	2				
“ The Commissioners, to defray contingent Expenses .....	203	30	18	3	—	945	15	5

**LEGISLATIVE CONTINGENCIES.**

“ Christopher Ayre, to pay for printing Journals of Council.....	160	120	0	0				
“ Sarah G. Perchard, balance for rent of House for Legislative Library, 1848...	168	21	13	4				
“ G. F. Bown, for coal for the Colonial Building .....	179	28	4	10				
“ Elias Rendell, for expenses incurred by the House of Assembly .....	181	42	16	8	—	212	14	10

**PRINTING AND STATIONERY.**

“ Assistant Commissary Gen. Goldsmith, stationery for Government Offices.....	134	48	7	0				
“ J. C. Withers, account printing .....	136	26	0	0				
“ McCoubrey Brothers, printing, &c.....	155	35	5	7				
“ J. C. Withers, printing, &c. ....	152	104	11	3				

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Carried forward.....£7050 9 10 | 2060 16 9

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## PRINTING AND STATIONERY.

1849.		Brought forward.....	£7050	9	10		2060	16	9
To Henry Winton, printing, &c. Warrant	160	£11	7	8					
" W. C. St. John, printing	..... 162	0	8	8					
" The Proprietor of the <i>Patriot</i> , Printing	167	1	2	0					
" William C. St. John, Printing &c.,	169	1	5	0					
" Ditto Ditto	170	2	14	7					
" Ditto Ditto	171	1	16	4					
" A. McIver & Co. Ditto	175	17	15	8					
" McCoubrey Brothers Ditto	178	7	16	6					
" A. McIver & Co. Ditto	179	2	12	0					
" William C. St. John Ditto	...	0	18	2					
" Edward D. Shea Ditto	...	0	15	7					
" Joseph Noad Ditto	181	1	15	1					
" Thomas McConnon Ditto	182	5	16	10					
" James D. Hasgard Ditto	...	0	16	6					
" William J. Ward Ditto	...	3	10	9					
" McCoubrey Brothers Ditto	...	6	10	10					
" John C. Withers Ditto	200	84	10	10					
" A. McIver & Co. Ditto	...	3	2	0					
" Edward D. Shea Ditto	...	0	11	7					
" Robert J. Parsons Ditto	...	0	16	3					
" Henry Winton Ditto	201	20	5	2					
" William J. Ward Ditto	204	0	16	3	-----	391	8	1	

## POSTAGES AND INCIDENTALS.

" Andrew Drysdale, Postages	151	6	7	5					
" James Hurley, Ditto	...	3	7	7					
" Samuel Langley, for Stove for Surveyor General's Office	..... 153	2	3	4					
" John Coleman, Postages	154	1	5	2					
" Wardens of St. Thomas's Church, for Rent of Governor's Pew	..... ...	6	1	4					
" Thomas Kelly, Postages	161	2	18	1					
" Andrew Drysdale, Ditto	162	0	9	1					
" William L. Solomon, Ditto	168	27	19	2					
" Andrew Drysdale, Ditto.	169	2	14	1					

Carried forward.....£7441 17 11 | 2060 16 9



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REVENUE AND EXPENDITURE, QUARTER ENDING DECEMBER 31ST, 1849.

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## POSTAGES AND INCIDENTALS.

1849.		Brought forward.....	£7441	17	11		2060	16	9
To Valentine Born, for cleaning offices, &c.									
during the current year	Warrant	175	£5	0	0				
“ James Reville,	Postages	180	1	3	10				
“ Valentine Born, Incidentals, Secretary’s									
Office	.....	193	0	19	1				
“ Thomas Kelly,	Postages	195	1	12	1				
“ Edmund Phelan,	Ditto	...	0	17	9				
“ William L. Solomon,	Ditto	200	6	10	9				
“ Patrick Doyle,	Ditto	...	2	3	4				
“ Samuel Knight, Police expenses		204	1	2	1				
“ John Antle,	Postages	...	2	8	4				
“ Andrew Drysdale,	Ditto	...	3	8	8				
“ Edmund Phelan,	Ditto	...	0	9	1				
“ James Coady,	Ditto	...	0	10	5				
“ Andrew Drysdale,	Ditto	205	0	13	0				
“ James Finlay, expense of correcting a									
nuisance in St. John’s	...	...	0	16	3	—	80	19	11

## THE POOR.

“ The Commissioners, St. John’s, for relief of the Poor	.....	.....	135	173	6	8
“ William Dea, for support of Ann Dea (a Lunatic) six months to 30th June	...	...	...	4	10	1
“ Widow Eliza Burnell, being her allowance, from grant for the Outport Permanent Poor	.....	.....	148	6	16	10
“ Commissioners for relief of the Poor			149	86	13	4
“ James Finlay, from grant for the Poor			151	1	0	6
“ Magistrates of Harbor Grace, for Permanent Outport Poor, quarter ending 30th September	.....	.....	152	74	8	1
“ Late Commissioners for the relief of the Poor, balance due for the relief of Casual Poor, to 30th June last.	.....	...	1,389	4	5	

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 Carried forward.....£7522 17 10 | 2060 16 9

## TREASURY ACCOUNTS.

## REVENUE AND EXPENDITURE, QUARTER ENDING DECEMBER 31ST 1849.

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## THE POOR.

1849.	Brought forward.....	£7522 17 10		2060 16 9
To John Rielly, for the relief of poor families at Little Placentia, Warrant	154	£17 6 8		
“ John Rielly, for the support of a poor cripple .....	...	3 9 4		
“ Job, Brothers & Co., for Seed Potatoes for Trinity Bay .....	155	36 0 2		
“ Joseph Shears, expense of attendance on, and funerals of paupers in Bonavista .....	159	15 14 9		
“ Joseph Shears, paid for employment of labourers, Government Farm, Bonavista .....	...	17 12 5		
“ Sweetman & Co., supplies to the Poor	160	25 2 8		
“ Maria Nightingale, to assist in clothing the Poor of Bonavista .....	162	4 6 8		
“ Robinson, Brooking & Co., balance for provisions supplied to the Poor of Trinity, in 1847 .....	165	8 7 3		
“ Joseph Shea, M.D., for his services as Secretary to the Poor Law Commissioners, to 31st Dec. next .....	...	86 13 4		
“ Jane Jordan, Outport Permanent Poor ...	...	2 12 0		
“ Clift, Wood & Co., for provisions for Poor .....	166	43 11 8		
“ Baine, Johnston & Co., for provisions for poor .....	...	57 12 8		
“ Rev. P. Cleary for the relief of Patrick Kelly and Thomas Nugent, from grant for Outport Permanent Poor .....	167	10 8 0		
“ Robert Carter, to provide clothing for poor men wrecked in a boat from Bonavista .....	168	6 0 0		
“ Thomas Ashman, freight of meal for the poor of Conception Bay .....	169	7 16 0		
“ Commissioners for the relief of the Poor. ....	170	43 6 8		
	Carried forward.....	£7522 17 10		2060 16 9

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**THE POOR.**

1849.	Brought forward.....	£7522	17	10		2060	16	9				
To J. McPherson, on account of his contract for repairing and adding to the Sheds of the Poor	..... Warrant	171	£52	0	0							
“ Commissioners for the relief of the Poor		177	43	6	8							
“ John Freeman, for his services to the Poor Board, for the quarter ending 30th September	.....	...	28	0	8							
“ Commissioners for the relief of the Poor		178	260	0	0							
“ Nicholas Molloy, for his services in attending and giving medical assistance to Inhabitants of Harbor Main, suffering from Small Pox	.....	180	10	0	0							
“ John Power, his allowance as an Outport Permanent Pauper, half-year to 31st December	.....	...	2	3	4							
“ Peter Rogerson & Son	} Indian Meal for the Poor.	182	169	0	0							
“ Duggan & Fox						...	26	0	0			
“ C. F. Bennett & Co.						...	227	1	4			
“ William Donnelly, for relief of a Pauper in Conception Bay	.....	...	2	12	0							
“ Baine, Johnston & Co., for Indian Meal for the poor	.....	193	10	8	0							
“ Job Brothers & Co.	} for Indian Meal supplied the poor	194	67	12	0							
“ Clift, Wood & Co.,						...	85	9	2			
“ Wm. Stirling, M. D., for attending Typhus Fever cases	.....	...	8	13	4							
“ Joseph Shea, for expenses connected with relief of poor to 31st Dec., 1849	...	196	156	8	0							
“ The Magistrates Harbor Grace, for the Outport Permanent Paupers, quarter ending 31st Dec., 1849	.....	...	74	8	1							
“ John Freeman, for clothing, &c., purchased for the Poor	.....	197	8	15	1							
“ Robinson, Brooking & Co., for Indian Meal for the poor.	.....	...	36	8	0							
	Carried forward.....	£7522	17	10		2060	16	9				

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**THE POOR.**

1849.	Brought forward.....	£7522 17 10		2060 16 9
To McBride & Kerr, for Indian Meal for the poor .....	Warrant 198	£3 9 4		
" F. L. Bradshaw, for poor of Placentia ...		15 0 0		
" A. Chambers, for provisions supplied the poor of Placentia Bay during the last winter .....	199	9 1 0		
" Bowring Brothers, for clothing for the poor .....	204	11 1 6		
" Andrew Young } for relief to poor.....	199	1 6 5		
" Mary Newman } at Twillingate .....	...	1 19 0		
" Robert Grant, for coffins for paupers at Trinity .....	...	3 12 10	—	3435 15 11

**PUBLIC BUILDINGS.**

" Patrick Kough, being for works and repairs of Government House and Out-Buildings for year 1848 .....	158			305 15 4
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**REPAIRS OF GAOLS, &c.**

" Charles Cozens, Gaol Repairs	149	16 6 1		
" Samuel Bennett Ditto	151	1 10 4		
" Thomas Kitchen Ditto	...	0 15 7		
" Charles Granger Ditto	...	2 3 2		
" James Molloy Ditto	155	1 10 4		
" William Freeman Ditto	158	8 12 1		
" Thomas McGrath Ditto	...	3 5 0		
" Joseph Shears Ditto	159	9 2 10		
" Luke Collins Ditto	160	1 9 6		
" James Guy Ditto	162	1 6 0		
" James Rice Ditto	178	2 16 4		
" Luke Collins Ditto	201	1 9 6		
" William Freeman Ditto	202	7 11 3		
" Thomas McGrath Ditto	...	6 3 8		
" Robert L. Whiting Ditto	203	7 13 8		
" Thomas Kitchen Ditto	...	0 15 7		
" Charles Cozens. Ditto	204	4 15 5	—	77 6 4

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 Carried forward.....£11,341 15 5 | 2060 16 9

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## REGISTRATION OF VOTERS.

	Brought forward.....	£11,341 15 5		2060 16 9
To Maurice Devine	Warrant 155	£1 6 0		
" Heury Janes	..... 159	1 14 8		
" Thomas Danson	..... 167	4 6 8		
" James Finlay (balance)	..... 176	5 11 2		
" Wm Stirling, M.D., in 1848	..... 194	8 0 0		
" Richard Rankin	..... 205	5 4 0		
" Henry G. Clow	} for two years	5 4 0		
" Richard Sullivan		.....	1 14 8	
" Thomas Carew		.....	1 14 8	
" John W. Saunders, for one year.....	.....	2 12 0	—	57 7 10

## RETURN OF DUTIES.

" Col. Law, R.N.C., paid on wines and on articles of a military character for the use of the military	} 178	50 0 0		
.....		18 14 4	—	68 14 4

## SPECIAL VOTES.

" Robert L. Whiting, second instalment for repairing Barracks at Harbor Grace	134	41 16 4		
" Philip Tocque, Almanac	..... 136	12 10 0		
" Stephen O.Pack, "	.....	12 10 0		
" Mrs. Westcott, pension	.....	31 4 0		
" James Douglas, completion of half-way house to Salmonier	..... 137	40 0 0		
" St. John's Water Company	.....	40 0 0		
" Edward Roach, for clearing roads of snow, &c.	..... 146	7 10 0		
" Captain Kennedy, for Artillerymen at Fort Amherst, for half-year ending 31st December	.....	18 5 0		
" Wm. R. Noad, grant for a plan of the town for the Council	..... 148	25 0 0		
" Robert Connell, grant	..... 149	10 0 0		
" Thomas B. Job, grant to Agricultural Society	..... 152	100 0 0		

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 Carried forward..... £11,447 17 7 | 2060 16 9

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## SPECIAL VOTES.

1849.	Brought forward.....	£11,447	17	7		2060	16	9
To Matthew Stevenson, pension, Warrant	153	£40	0	0				
“ Robert Rodger, grant to the Presbyteri- an School .....	.....	40	0	0				
“ Robert Rodger, grant for the Presby- terian School, for a year-and-half ending 31st December last .....	156	60	0	0				
“ Patrick Ryan, cleaning streets .....	157	0	13	0				
“ James Finlay, to pay the contractors for cleansing the streets, for the half-year ending 22nd October .....	158	17	6	8				
“ Sweetman & Co., advanced by them for erection of public wharf at Little Pla- centia .....	160	126	10	8				
“ Sarah Blaikie, her grant .....	161	50	0	0				
“ James McGrath, for his services, in in- specting the building of Breakwater at Little Placentia .....	164	13	0	0				
“ Lawrence Furlong, grant .....	165	20	0	0				
“ Thomas B. Job, grant to the Dorcas So- ciety .....	169	50	0	0				
“ William Hext, for a Portable Mill.....	170	4	6	8				
“ James McLarty, on account of grant for removal of a Rock at Distress Cove.....	175	1	17	3				
“ Robert L. Whiting, last instalment for repairing the Barracks at Harbor Grace	176	46	7	4				
“ Edward Roach, for clearing Roads of Snow, &c. for quarter ending 31st De- cember 1849 .....	191	7	10	0				
“ James Finlay, Night Watch, Debenture No. ....	198	27	14	8				
“ Charles Simms, Clerk of Supreme Court allowance for Clerk and Stationery....	204	70	0	0	—	914	1	7

Carried forward.....12,361 19 2 | 2060 16 9



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## SALARIES.

Brought forward.....£12,372 18 11 | 2060 16 9

To John Lawrence, Clerk of Peace, Bonavista .....	Warrant 185	£22	10	0
" Abraham Pearce	Ditto, Twillingate ...	22	10	0
" Luke Collins	Ditto, Placentia 185	17	10	0
" Patrick Morris	Ditto, Burin ...	17	10	0
" Philip Tocque	Ditto, H. Briton ...	17	10	0

## Magistrates.

" Peter Carter	Saint John's	184	150	0	0
" Patrick Doyle	Ditto	...	150	0	0
" Thomas Bennett	Ditto	...	150	0	0
" Thomas Danson	Harbor Grace	...	90	0	0
" Robert J. Pinsent	Ditto	...	75	0	0
" Charles Cozens,	Brigus	.....	75	0	0
" Joseph Ryan,	Carboncar	.....	75	0	0
" William Hooper,	Burin	.....	75	0	0
" Benjamin Sweetland,	Trinity	.....	75	0	0
" William Sweetland,	Bonavista	.....	75	0	0
" Stephen O. Pack,	Lamaline	.....	65	0	0
" Josiah Blackburn,	Grand Bank	.....	65	0	0
" Francis Bradshaw,	Placentia	.....	65	0	0
" John Peyton,	Twillingate	.....	65	0	0
" Hannibal Murch,	St. Mary's	.....	65	0	0
" Robert Carter,	Ferryland	.....	50	0	0
" John L. McKee,	Bay Bulls	.....	50	0	0
" Thomas E. Gaden,	Harbor Briton	.....	50	0	0
" Robert Blackwood,	Gaol Barber	..... 186	7	10	0
" James Finlay,	High Constable	.....	40	0	0

## Gaolers.

" William Magill,	St. John's	.....	75	0	0
" Richard Brace,	Harbor Grace	.....	45	0	0
" Francis Geary,	Ferryland	.....	12	10	0
" Luke Collins,	Placentia	..... 186	12	10	0
" Charles Granger,	Trinity	.....	12	10	0
" Edmund Glynn,	Burin.	.....	12	10	0

Carried forward ...£12,372 18 11 | 2060 16 9



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## SALARIES.

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## Constables.

To John Toor, St. John's	Warrant 186	£22	10	0
" John McLennan Ditto	.....	22	10	0
" Thomas Hughes Ditto	.....	22	10	0
" John Downey Ditto	.....	22	10	0
" Timothy Mitchell Ditto	.....	22	10	0
" Daniel O'Neill Ditto	.....	22	10	0
" Thomas Morton Ditto	.....	22	10	0
" William Moist Ditto	.....	22	10	0
" Edward Doyle, Petty Harbor	.....	10	0	0
" Matthew Dooley, Portugal Cove	.....	10	0	0
" Michael Cullen, Torbay	.....	10	0	0
" Arnold Webber, Harbor Grace	..... 187	25	0	0
" Jonathan Martin Ditto	.....	12	10	0
" John Connell Ditto	.....	12	10	0
" Benjamin Rumsen, Carbonear	.....	12	10	0
" John Bealey Ditto	.....	12	10	0
" Samuel Rowe Ditto	.....	12	10	0
" Thomas Butler, Brigus	.....	12	10	0
" John Bowes, Port-de-Grave	.....	12	10	0
" James Norris, Bay-de-Verd	.....	6	0	0
" Thomas Keefe, Harbor Main	.....	6	0	0
" Daniel O'Connell, Cats's Cove	.....	6	0	0
" Edward Janes, Western Bay	.....	6	0	0
" Wm. Smith, South Shore	.....	6	0	0
" Charles Culpin, Bay Roberts	.....	6	0	0
" Richard Anderson, Trinity	.....	6	0	0
" Wm. Collins, Perlican	.....	6	0	0
" John Rendell, Heart's Content	.....	6	0	0
" John Pawley, Hants Harbor	.....	6	0	0
" Thomas George, New Harbor	.....	6	0	0
" John Murphy, Catalina	.....	12	10	0
" John Collings, Trinity	.....	12	10	0
" Michael Fennell, Bonavista	..... 187	12	10	0
" Robert Smith, Greenspond	.....	6	0	0

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 Carried forward.....£12,372 18 11 | 2060 16 9 |

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REVENUE AND EXPENDITURE, QUARTER ENDING DECEMBER 31ST, 1849.

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## SALARIES.

Constables.

1849.	Brought forward.....	£12,372 18 11   2060 16 9
To Maurice Devine, King's Cove, Warrant 188		£6 0 0
" John Skiffington, Tickle Cove	.....	6 0 0
" James Oldfield, Salvage	.....	6 0 0
" James Rice, Twillingate	.....	12 10 0
" James Blackler, Ditto	.....	6 0 0
" John Ludlow, Fogo	.....	6 0 0
" John Jure, Exploits,	.....	6 0 0
" Richard Sullivan, Ferryland	.....	12 10 0
" Michael Coady, Bay Bulls	.....	12 10 0
" Edmund Power, Brigus South	.....	6 0 0
" William Denn, Witless Bay	.....	6 0 0
" Thomas Getherall, Toad's Cove	.....	6 0 0
" Robert Evans, Renew's	.....	6 0 0
" Thomas Carew, Cape Broyle	.....	6 0 0
" Michael Power, Caplin Bay	.....	6 0 0
" Samuel Cose, Aquaforte	.....	6 0 0
" William Treaner, Fermeuse	.....	6 0 0
" John Rielly, Placentia	..... 189	12 10 0
" William Burke, St. Mary's	.....	12 10 0
" John Moran, Barren Island	.....	6 0 0
" John Clarke, Merasheen	.....	6 0 0
" Patrick Grant, Little Placentia	.....	6 0 0
" George Sutton, Trepassey	.....	6 0 0
" William Butler, Burin	.....	12 10 0
" Henry Beck, St. Lawrence	.....	6 0 0
" Thomas Laskey, Lamaline	.....	6 0 0
" Jonathan Hickman, Grand Bank	.....	6 0 0
" John Trood, Harbor Briton	.....	6 0 0
" John Russell, Hermitage Bay	.....	6 0 0
" David Handy, Jersey Harbor	.....	6 0 0
" Benjamin Cock, Brigus	.....	6 0 0
" Aaron Hogsett, Clerk of Peace, St. John's	190	75 0 0
" Robert Lilly, Acting Ditto	...	75 0 0
(Their Salaries for the half-year ending 31st December.)		

Carried forward.....£12,372 18 11 | 2060 16 9

## TREASURY ACCOUNTS.

REVENUE AND EXPENDITURE, QUARTER ENDING DECEMBER 31ST, 1849.

Dr.

## SALARIES.

1849.	Brought forward.....	£12,372	18	11		2060	16	9
To William Lash	} for services in examining & arranging late Treasurer's accounts.	190	£35	6	8			
" Thomas Brown		...	17	13	4			
" Robert Carter, Treasurer, Salary for quarter ending 31st December		191	125	0	0			
" Thomas Winter, Sub-Collector, Gaultois, his Salary to 30th September last		193	25	0	0			
" Robert Blackwood, Gaol Barber, salary for quarter ending 31st March last.....		201	3	15	0	—	4276	15 0

## SPECIAL SALARIES.

" Robert Carter, Supervisor, quarter salary to 17th August	.....	.....	134	75	0	0		
" Benjamin G. Garret, Sheriff, Central District	.....	.....	190	375	0	0		
" Garland C. Gaden, Sheriff Northern District	.....	.....	...	150	0	0		
" John Stephenson, Sheriff Southern District	.....	.....	...	100	0	0		
" Charles D. Newman, Head Master St. John's Academy	.....	.....	...	150	0	0		
" John V. Nugent, Senior Master St. John's Academy	.....	.....	...	125	0	0		
" John F. Roddick, Master Harbor Grace Academy	.....	.....	...	75	0	0		
" Alexander O'Donovan, Master Carbonear Academy	.....	.....	...	75	0	0		

(Their Salaries for the half-year ending 31st December 1849.)

" Robert Carter, for Salary to 30th September	.....	.....	177	36	19	0		
" James Douglas, Supervisor, Salary for the quarter ending 31st December	.....	.....	193	75	0	0	—	1236 19 0

Carried forward.....17,886 12 11 | 2060 16 9

## TREASURY ACCOUNTS.

REVENUE AND EXPENDITURE, QUARTER ENDING DECEMBER 31ST, 1849.

DR.

1849. Brought forward.....£17,886 12 11 | 2060 16 9

## ST. JOHN'S RE-BUILDING ACT.

To the St. John's Water Company, expense of levelling part of Water-street near Magotty Cove .....	Warrant	200	£243	10	8	
" Robert Carter, Contingent expenses as Supervisor of Streets to 30th September .....		177	70	1	0	
" James Finlay, for a Fence in Duckworth street .....		198	4	17	10	—318 9 6

## UNFORESEEN CONTINGENCIES:

" Stephen Dekey } whose Boat was lost in	170	2	3	4	
" Patrick Norris } Blackhead Bay. ...		2	3	4	
" Bridget Pierson } compensation for the	176	8	13	4	
" Ellen Snow } clothes of their husbands who died of Cholera, having been destroyed.		4	6	8	—17 6 8

## VOTE FOR CARRYING OUT CROWN LANDS' ACT.

" Joseph Noad, (Surveyor General) .....	137	20	0	0	
" Benjamin Sweetland .....	153	8	15	0	—28 15 0

## VACCINATION.

" Francis Green, Conception Bay District	157	8	13	4	
" Henry Thompson, ditto .....		8	13	4	
" Francis Lynch, Ferryland .....		6	10	0	
" John O'Shaughnesy, ditto .....		6	10	0	
" Philip Le Vesconte, Greenspond .....		6	10	0	
" Robert Row, Burin .....		4	6	8	
" Arthur McAuley, ditto .....		4	6	8	
" Nicholas Mulloy, Brigus .....	159	13	0	0	
" W. Allen, M.D., ditto .....	169	8	13	4	
" Wm. Stirling, Twillingate .....	175	4	6	8	
" Henry Findlater, Fogo .....		4	6	8	
" John Bayly, Brigus .....		4	6	8	
" Wm. Stirling, M.D., Harbor Grace .....	194	4	6	8	—84 10 0
Total amount of Warrants issued.....					18,335 14 1

Carried forward.....£20,396 10 10



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**TREASURY ACCOUNTS.**


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## REVENUE AND EXPENDITURE, QUARTER ENDING DECEMBER 31ST, 1849.

CR.

**Customs' Revenue.**

1849.	IMPERIAL DUTIES.	
October 16—From Collector Spearman, quarter ending 10th October .....		£1,187 10 11

## COLONIAL DUTIES.

October 2—From Collector Spearman .....	£1,733	6	8	
13— “ “ “ “ quarter ending 10th October .....	1,039	1	6	
Nov. 22—From Collector Kent .....	1,600	0	0	
Dec. 31— “ “ “ “ .....	637	16	2	
“ “ “ “ .....	1,000	0	0	—6010 4 4

## LIGHT DUES.

October 13—From Collector Spearman, quarter ending 10th October .....	498	17	11	
Dec. 31—From Collector Kent, quarter ending 5th January, 1850 .....	308	7	10	—807 5 9

## CUSTOMS' BONDS.

October 13—From Collector Spearman, from 22nd August to 10th October .....	6,786	15	1	
Dec. 31—From Collector Kent, quarter ending 5th January 1850 .....	6,272	17	0	—13059 12 1

## QUARANTINE FEES.

Nov 15—From Collector Spearman, quarter ending 10th October .....	40	2	6	
Dec. 31—From Collector Kent .....	53	16	0	—21,158 11 7

## CROWN RENTS.

From the Hon. James Crowdy,  
for year ending 30th June 1849.

906 5 11

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 Carried forward, ....., £22064, 17 6

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**TREASURY ACCOUNTS.**


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REVENUE AND EXPENDITURE, QUARTER ENDING DECEMBER 31ST, 1849.

CR.

1849. Brought forward.....£22,064 17 6

CLERKS' OF PEACE FEES.

October 8—From R. R. W. Lilly, St. John's, quarter ending 30th September	£17 4 0		
Dec. 31—From R. R. W. Lilly, St. John's, quarter ending 31st December	21 4 6	—38 8 6	
October 22—From W. J. Stentafor, Brigus, from 1st April to 1st October		4 12 6	
31—From Luke Collins, Placentia, from 1st April to 1st October		0 4 6	
—From Robert Bayly, Trinity, half year ending 30th September .....		0 16 6	
—Abraham A. Pearce, Twillingate half-year ending 30th September		1 12 0	
—Alfred Mayne, Harbor Grace, half year ending 30th September.....		3 2 0	—48 16 0

GAOLERS' FEES.

October 9—From William Magill, St. John's, quarter ending 30th September	3 18 0
Dec. 31—From William Magill, St. John's, account prisoners' diet quarter, ending 31st December .....	1 15 6

CLERKS' OF COURTS FEES.

October 16—From Charles Simms, St. John's, for half year ending 30th June...	58 15 9
Dec. 31—From Charles Simms, on account	125 0 0
	—183 15 9

LICENSE FUND, FINES, &c.

October 8—From R. R. W. Lilly, Licenses, 1848 account .....	58 11 7
“ —From R. R. W. Lilly, Licenses, quarter ending 30th September .....	110 0 0
Dec. 31—From R. R. W. Lilly, Licenses, quarter ending 31st December .....	240 18 0

Carried forward.....£22,303 2 9

## TREASURY ACCOUNTS.

## REVENUE AND EXPENDITURE, QUARTER ENDING DECEMBER 31ST, 1849.

CR.

## LICENSE FUND, FINES, &amp;c.

1849.	Brought forward.....	£22,303	2	9
October 8—From Alfred Mayne, Licenses, Harbor Grace .....	£36	0	0	
Nov. 5—From Benjamin Sweetland, Li- censes, Trinity, to 1st October .....	10	0	0—455	9 7
October 8—From Alfred Mayne, Harbour Grace, for fines, &c. ....	1	6	0	
“ From R. R. W. Lilly, St. John’s, for fines, quarter ending 30th Sept.....	11	0	0	
Dec. 31—From R. R. W. Lilly, St. John’s, for fines, quarter ending 31st Dec.....	36	17	6—49	3 6—504 13 1
22—From C. Cozens, Brigus, for the year, fees, &c. ....				9 6 6
Nov. 2—From James Finlay, amount re- funded account prosecution, Mc- Naughton’s case .....				20 0 0

## DEBENTURES ISSUED, ACT 12TH VIC., CAP. 20.

Nov. 6—No. 21 to M. Dunphy, 5 years	150	0	0	
“ 22 to John Walsh, “	300	0	0	
15— “ 23 to J. Manuel “	100	0	0	
19— “ 24 to G. Dowsley “	173	6	8	
26— “ 25 to R. Quinn “	200	0	0	
29— “ 26 to James Picco “	173	6	8	
Dec. 10— “ 6 to M. Doyle, 10 years	130	0	0—1226	13 4

## SHERIFFS’ FEES.

Nov. 29—From John Stephenson, Southern district .....	11	5	4	
Dec. 31—From Benjamin G. Garrett, Cen- tral District, on account .....	63	8	3—74	13 7
From interest on Debenture No. 1, 9 Vic., E. Woodley, over-credited by Auditors .....				11 0 0
From interest on Debenture No. 217, 10th Vic., Richard Collins, over- credited by Auditors. ....				0 4 10

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 £24,149 14 1



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**TREASURY ACCOUNTS.**


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**REVENUE AND EXPENDITURE, QUARTER ENDING DECEMBER 31ST, 1849.**
**PATRICK MORRIS, (DECEASED)**

1849.	DR.	
October 2—	To balance, per late Treasurer .....	£3523 8 2
November 10—	“ paid David Rennie, interest on Debenture charged as paid .....	5 12 2
December 22—	“ paid Martin Williams, coroner's account, charged as paid .....	1 18 0
26—	“ Sum received from Shea & Murphy, January, 1848, on account 'Customs' Bonds, but not accounted for .....	99 7 4
		£3630 5 8

1849.	CR.	
December 31—	By balance, as per Balance Sheet .....	£3630 5 8

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**SAVINGS' BANK.**

1849.	DR.	
December 31—	To balance, as per Balance Sheet .....	£7331 14 7
1849.	CR.	
October 2—	By balance, from late Treasurer .....	£7331 14 7

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TREASURY ACCOUNTS.

Dr. OUTSTANDING WARRANTS, QUARTER ENDING Dec. 31st, 1849.			Cr.		
1849.			1849.		
Oct. 2—To amount paid as	} £2,384 6 7		Oct. 2. By No. 134	£181 3 4	
per receipts					
5		2,066 4 0	" 135	338 13 0	
10		76 13 4	" 136	180 16 9	
11		388 12 5	" 137	421 6 4	
12		21 10 4	" 977	4 10 3	
13		214 16 10			1126 9 8
15		229 7 0	" 138	451 10 0	
16		116 13 1	" 139	732 10 0	
17		212 15 2	" 140	338 15 0	
18		105 10 5	" 141	213 15 0	
20		97 14 11	" 142	101 15 0	
22		230 6 5	" 143	70 0 0	
23		89 0 2	" 144	51 15 0	
24		43 5 3	" 145	600 0 0	
26		784 19 1	" 146	201 12 6	
31		35 17 0	" 147	59 5 0	
Nov. 2		263 18 3	5	" 148	147 6 10
5		103 5 4			2968 4 4
7		341 10 3	8	" 149	138 12 3
8		175 10 10	10	" 150	127 2 1
9		256 4 3		" 151	54 7 11
10		17 17 0			181 10 0
13		130 9 6	12	" 152	1670 14 9
16		16 8 6	17	" 153	160 5 2
17		28 2 0	18	" 154	62 4 11
19		124 17 7		" 155	131 13 1
21		5 2 4		" 156	130 1 2
23		786 5 0			261 14 3
24		33 8 0	22	" 157	55 0 0
27		105 7 8		" 158	383 19 6
28		170 14 6			438 19 6
29		59 16 8	24	" 159	71 6 2
30		105 11 6	25	" 160	289 12 4
Dec. 1		114 6 8	26	" 161	110 4 4
3		188 7 4	27	" 162	27 19 9
4		75 11 4	30	" 163	162 17 8
5		429 5 10	31	" 164	70 2 4
6		117 10 0	Nov. 2.—	" 165	138 11 1
8		103 0 0	7	" 166	367 10 9
10		119 6 6	8	" 167	136 6 8
Carried forward.....£10,969 8 10			Carried forward.....£8,383 5 11		

## TREASURY ACCOUNTS.

DR. 1849.			1849.			CR.		
Brought forward.....£10,969 8 10			Brought forward.....£8383 5 11					
Dec. 13	To Amounts paid as		Nov. 9.	By No. 168				
	per Receipts	8 1 8				190 14 2		
" 15	" "	218 17 5	10	169		120 8 5		
" 19	" "	58 19 4	17	170		75 17 11		
" 22	" "	66 5 11	21	171		82 4 4		
" 24	" "	478 13 10	22	172	841 10 0			
" 28	" "	364 5 11		173	856 0 0			
" 29	" "	40 19 8		174	425 0 0			
" 31	" "	5262 1 1						
	Balance as per		23	175		2122 10 0		
	balance sheet	868 0 5	29	176		41 9 3		
			Dec. 1	177		204 18 6		
			6	178		200 8 4		
			13	179		362 7 10		
			18	180		41 12 2		
			24	181		78 6 8		
			28	182		890 19 9		
			31	183		441 8 3		
				184		451 10 0		
				185		732 10 0		
				186		338 15 0		
				187		213 15 0		
				188		101 15 0		
				189		70 0 0		
				190		51 15 0		
				191		600 0 0		
				192		326 12 6		
				193		68 0 0		
				194		145 2 1		
				195		211 11 2		
				196		24 18 8		
				197		378 10 11		
				198		121 10 5		
				199		59 6 5		
				200		538 19 9		
				201		259 18 5		
				202		70 2 8		
				203		124 11 2		
				204		79 14 4		
				205		94 11 9		
						35 12 4		
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£18,335 14 1						£18,335 14 1		

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**TREASURY ACCOUNTS.**


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**COLONIAL BUILDING, QUARTER ENDING DECEMBER 31ST, 1849.**

Dr.

To paid James Purcell, contractor	.....	.....	£2077 19 4
Roger Flahavin, for contract with Commissioners	.....	.....	34 13 4
Joseph Crowdy, to defray Contingent Expenses	.....	£50 0 0	100 0 0
“ salary as Secretary	.....	50 0 0	100 0 0
Balance, as per Balance Sheet	.....	.....	971 11 10
			£3184 4 6

1849.

Cr.

Oct. 2—By balance per late Treasurer	.....	.....	£3184 4 6
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**MARKET HOUSE, QUARTER ENDING DECEMBER 31ST, 1849.**

Dr.

To paid Parker & Reed, contractors	.....	.....	£1278 6 8
Balance, as per Balance Sheet	.....	.....	749 0 0
			£2,027 6 8

1849.

Cr.

Oct. 2—By balance, per late Treasurer	.....	.....	£2027 6 8
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**ST. JOHN'S ACADEMY, QUARTER ENDING DECEMBER 31ST, 1849.**

Dr.

Dec. 10—To paid Thomas B. Job, Treasurer	.....	.....	£146 0 6
Balance, as per Balance Sheet	.....	.....	21 4 5
			£167 4 11

1849.

Cr.

Oct. 2—By balance, per late Treasurer	.....	.....	£167 4 11
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### TREASURY ACCOUNTS.

#### UNPAID WARRANTS [LATE TREASURER] QUARTER ENDING DECEMBER 31st, 1849.

1849.	DR.		1849.	CR.	
Oct. 2	To amount paid as per receipts	}	Oct. 2	By balance, per late Treasurer	}
		£98 15 7		£2408 15 0	
" 11	.....	559 14 11			
" 13	.....	50 4 10			
" 15	.....	273 5 6			
" 16	.....	22 10 7			
" 17	.....	16 17 6			
" 20	.....	19 3 3			
" 24	.....	47 1 0			
" 31	.....	9 10 11			
Nov. 2	.....	34 0 0			
" 5	.....	3 0 0			
" 7	.....	52 17 7			
" 13	.....	9 0 0			
" 16	.....	18 5 0			
" 21	.....	4 4 0			
" 23	.....	1 18 0			
" 27	.....	4 6 8			
" 29	.....	9 10 2			
Dec. 1	.....	82 14 7			
" 4	.....	3 0 0			
" 8	.....	9 0 0			
" 15	.....	7 13 4			
" 19	.....	45 0 0			
" 28	.....	6 5 0			
" 31	.....	24 17 3			
Balance, as per Balance Sheet		995 19 4			
		£2408 15 0			£2408 15 0

## TREASURY ACCOUNTS.

DR.	UNPAID INTEREST, QUARTER ENDING DEC. 31st, 1849.	CR.
1849.		1849.
Oct. 15—To amount paid as } per receipts } £71 2 6		Oct. 2.—By balance per late Treasurer..... £824 12 9
23 ..... } 10 0 0		Nov. 10—Amount charged late Treasurer..... 5 12 2
27 ..... } 16 6 9		Dec. 31—Half year's interest on public debt..... 2,668 9 1
Nov. 5 ..... } 3 0 0		
8 ..... } 77 2 8		
9 ..... } 25 17 6		
10 ..... } 4 5 3		
13 ..... } 7 9 8		
Dec. 7 ..... } 33 0 0		
31 ..... } 2,754 7 0		
Sum overcredited to } 30th June } 11 4 10		
Balance, as per bal- } ance sheet. } 484 17 10		
	£3,498 14 0	£3,498 14 0

## OUTSTANDING WARRANTS, DECEMBER 31st, 1849.

	No. of Warrant.	
Thomas George.....	142	£3 0 0
John Jure.....	143	3 0 0
John Trood.....	144	3 0 0
John Healey.....	147	3 15 0
Jane Pippy.....	162	0 11 7
James Guy.....	“	1 6 0
Thomas Quick.....	163	2 6 8
George J. Hayward.....	167	17 13 4
William Lash.....	“	17 13 4
John Farrell.....	171	5 0 0
Education Committee of St. Patrick's Free School at Harbor Grace.....	174	50 0 0
Protestant Board, Placentia.....	172	22 10 0
“ “ Burin.....	“	45 0 0
“ “ Bonavista (South).....	“	32 10 0
Roman Catholic Board, Harbor Grace.....	173	50 0 0
“ “ “ Fogo.....	“	20 0 0
“ “ “ Twillingate.....	“	7 10 0
“ “ “ Bonavista (South).....	“	37 10 0
“ “ “ “ (North).....	“	5 0 0
“ “ “ Placentia.....	“	92 10 0
“ “ “ St. Mary's.....	“	37 10 0

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**TREASURY ACCOUNTS.**


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**OUTSTANDING WARRANTS, DECEMBER 31st, 1849.**

		No. of Warrant.			
Henry Findlater	.....	175	£4	6	8
James Rice	.....	178	24	7	0
Edward D. Shea	.....	179	0	15	7
James Reville	.....	180	1	3	10
Francis L. Bradshaw	.....	184	16	10	0
John L. McKie	.....	"	25	0	0
William Stentafor	.....	185	15	0	0
Robert Bayly	.....	"	15	0	0
John Laurence	.....	"	11	5	0
Patrick Morris	.....	"	8	15	0
Francis Geary	.....	186	6	5	0
Charles Granger	.....	"	6	5	0
Edmund Glynn	.....	"	6	5	0
Thomas Butler	.....	187	6	5	0
John Bowes	.....	"	6	5	0
Thomas Keefe	.....	"	3	0	0
Richard Anderson	.....	"	3	0	0
William Collins	.....	"	3	0	0
John Rendell	.....	"	3	0	0
John Pawley	.....	"	3	0	0
Thomas Geary	.....	"	3	0	0
Maurice Divine	.....	188	3	0	0
James Oldford	.....	"	3	0	0
James Rice	.....	"	6	5	0
John Ludlow	.....	"	3	0	0
John Jure	.....	"	3	0	0
Edward Power	.....	"	3	0	0
William Denn	.....	"	3	0	0
Thomas Getherall	.....	"	3	0	0
Thomas Carew	.....	"	3	0	0
William Treaner	.....	"	3	0	0
John Moran	.....	189	3	0	0
George Suttan	.....	"	3	0	0
William Butler	.....	"	6	5	0
Thomas Laskey	.....	"	3	0	0
Jonathan Hickman	.....	"	3	0	0
John Trood	.....	"	3	0	0
Daniel Handy	.....	"	3	0	0
Benjamin Cock	.....	"	3	0	0
John F. Roddick	.....	190	37	10	0
Thomas Hickey	.....	192	6	5	0
Laurence Murphy	.....	"	6	5	0
Giles Smith.	.....	"	6	5	0

## TREASURY ACCOUNTS.

## OUTSTANDING WARRANTS, DECEMBER 31st, 1849.

	No. of Warrant.	
John Esmaude	172	£3 15 0
Robert Craft	"	3 15 0
John Thorne	"	2 10 0
John Farrell	"	2 10 0
Patrick Bonia	"	1 10 0
Joseph Ryan	195	3 17 9
McDonald and Conway	"	1 14 8
McBride & Kerr	198	3 9 4
John Skeltan	"	2 0 2
Alexander Chambers	199	9 1 0
Mary Newman	"	1 19 0
Jane Granger	"	0 13 0
Robert Grant	"	3 12 10
Edward D. Shea	200	0 11 7
Patrick Doyle	"	2 3 4
Joseph Shea	"	34 0 6
Luke Collins	201	1 9 6
St. John's Gas Company	202	9 19 7
Arnold Webber	203	3 0 0
Bridget Murphy	"	2 10 5
Robert L. Whiting	"	7 13 8
Thomas Kitchen	"	0 15 7
Samuel Knight	204	1 2 1
William J. Ward	"	0 16 3
Edmund Phealan	"	0 9 1
Charles Cozens	"	4 15 5
Henry G. Clow	205	5 4 0
Richard Sullivan	"	1 14 8
Thomas Carew	"	1 14 8
John W. Saunders	"	2 12 0
Wilson & Co.	"	1 9 6

As per Balance Sheet.....£868 0 5

## UNPAID INTEREST, DECEMBER 31st, 1849.

No. of Debenture.	ACT.		No. of Debenture.	ACT.	
4	Cape Spear Light House	£3 0 0	9	9th Vic., cap. 7	£10 14 6
7	.....	5 2 6	16	.....	18 0 0
8	.....	5 2 6	23	.....	9 0 0
5	9th Vic., cap. 7	2 15 0	14	.....	12 7 6



## TREASURY ACCOUNTS.

## UNPAID INTEREST, DECEMBER 31st, 1849.

No. of Debenture.	ACT.		No. of Debenture.	ACT.	
16	Colonial Building and Market House }	£4 10 0	66	.....	£2 15 0
17	.....	1 10 0	69	.....	1 0 0
19	.....	4 10 0	70	.....	1 5 0
23	.....	9 0 0	79	.....	5 0 0
25	.....	6 0 0	83	.....	0 16 8
30	.....	15 15 0	79 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub>	.....	4 0 0
34	.....	9 0 0	90 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub>	.....	0 15 0
35	.....	31 4 0	107	.....	2 5 0
40	.....	13 10 0	130	.....	8 0 0
46	.....	25 16 0	135	.....	1 17 0
49	.....	12 0 0	141	.....	1 12 6
50	.....	9 0 0	157	.....	5 18 0
51	.....	6 0 0	185	.....	1 15 0
58	.....	3 0 0	231	.....	2 2 6
59	.....	6 0 0	236	.....	2 12 11
60	.....	19 10 0	210	.....	1 4 4
1	12th Vic., cap. 20	13 6 0	241	.....	7 6 4
2	.....	3 15 3	242	.....	0 13 8
5	.....	26 17 3	243	.....	1 7 4
7	.....	6 2 10	244	.....	3 3 8
8	.....	8 4 9	245	.....	1 11 10
10	.....	35 9 10	246	.....	1 5 7
11	.....	3 10 0	247	.....	0 18 9
12	.....	4 9 0	248	.....	2 5 10
13	.....	6 16 4	249	.....	1 18 9
14	.....	6 15 0	250	.....	0 12 6
15	.....	2 18 10	251	.....	0 16 0
19	.....	8 10 2	252	.....	0 16 0
21	.....	4 10 0	253	.....	0 16 0
22	.....	2 13 8	254	.....	0 16 0
23	.....	0 14 11	255	.....	0 16 0
24	.....	1 3 4	256	.....	0 14 8
25	.....	1 2 7	257	.....	5 1 4
26	.....	0 17 8	258	.....	0 13 6
2	.....	3 10 11	259	.....	0 10 6
3	.....	7 17 10	260	.....	0 10 6
5	.....	4 1 11	261	.....	0 10 6
6	.....	0 8 10	262	.....	0 3 6
10	Treasury Notes, 10th Vic.	1 17 6	263	.....	0 3 6
13	.....	1 0 0	264	.....	0 3 6
33	.....	8 5 0	265	.....	0 4 3
53	.....	0 12 6			
					As per Balance Sheet.....£484 17 10

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**TREASURY ACCOUNTS.**


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FINANCIAL STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF THE COLONY FOR THE YEAR 1850.

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**LIABILITIES.**

Balance due to Savings' Bank	.....	.....	£7,331 14 7
“ “ Colonial Building	.....	.....	971 11 10
“ “ Market House	.....	.....	749 0 0
“ “ St. John's Academy	.....	.....	21 4 5
Outstanding Warrants	.....	.....	868 0 5
Unpaid Interest	.....	.....	484 17 10
“ Warrants (late Treasurer)	.....	.....	995 19 4
Estimate	.....	.....	18,325 19 2
Reserved Salaries	.....	.....	6,802 0 0
Customs' “	.....	.....	3,839 0 0
Sheriffs' “	.....	.....	1,250 0 0
Academies “	.....	.....	900 0 0
Lands' Act “ &c.,	.....	.....	1,000 0 0
Clerk Peace and Supervisor's salary	.....	.....	700 0 0
Light Houses, &c.	.....	.....	1,000 0 0
Education	.....	.....	5,100 0 0
Debt repayable this year	.....	.....	8,600 0 0
Interest on Public Debt	.....	.....	5,800 0 0
Legislative Contingencies	.....	.....	3,000 0 0
Unexpended of Supply Act 1849	.....	.....	4,100 0 0
“ Acts prior to 1849	.....	.....	500 0 0
“ Act Road Grant	.....	.....	3,000 0 0
Colonial Building, to be raised Act 12th Vic., cap. 19	.....	.....	4,000 3 0
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			£79,339 7 7
Balance in favor of the Colony	.....	.....	4,861 19 8
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			£84,201 7 3

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**TREASURY ACCOUNTS.**


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FINANCIAL STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF THE COLONY FOR THE YEAR 1850.

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**ASSETS.**

Balance due by late Treasurer	.....	.....	£3,630	5	8
Customs' Bonds falling due	.....	.....	7,386	18	9
Cash in Bank British North America	.....	.....	875	8	2
Estimated amount of Revenue	.....	.....	57,000	0	0
Licenses, Sheriffs, and Clerk Court Fees	.....	.....	1,700	0	0
Light Dues	.....	.....	1,600	0	0
Lands' Act	.....	.....	1,000	0	0
Loan, Act 12th Vic., cap. 20	.....	£15,000	0	0	
Less raised by Debentures issued	.....	7,991	5	4	7,008 14 8
Loan, Act 12th Vic., cap. 19, Colonial Building	.....	.....	4,000	0	0
			£84,201	7	3

ROBERT CARTER,

*Colonial Treasurer.*

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ESTIMATE SHEWING THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT OF THE DEBT OF THE COLONY  
FOR THE YEAR ENDING 1850.

Balance December 31st, 1849	.....	.....	£100,139	17	4
Loan, Act 12th Vic., cap. 20, to be raised	.....	.....	7,008	14	8
Loan, Act " " 19, Colonial Building, to be raised	.....	.....	4,900	0	0
Loan, Act 7th Vic., cap. 3, St. John's Academy, to be raised	.....	.....	2,500	0	0
Street Act Debentures, awards for Debentures to be issued	.....	.....	3,000	0	0
Harbor Grace Streets, Ditto	.....	.....	3,000	0	0
			£119,648	12	0
Less amount to be paid off this year	.....	.....	8,600	0	0
			£111,048	12	0

## CUSTOMS' RETURNS.

PORT OF ST. JOHN'S, }  
DISTRICT OF }

A Consolidated Account of the Goods imported in the three quarters year, ended 10th day of October, 1849, shewing the aggregate Quantities and value of the various Articles; with the Amount of Duty collected thereon.

ARTICLES IMPORTED.	QUANTITY IMPORTED.	VALUE.	DUTY.
Wine, <i>videlicet</i> :—			
in Bottles .....	350 $\frac{1}{2}$ Gallons	£222 12 6	£43 16 3
not in bottles .....	17,947 "	2,987 12 5	1,346 0 6
Spirits, <i>videlicet</i> :—			
Brandy, Geneva, and Cordials	14,611 Gallons	3,466 12 10	1,826 15 0
Rum and Whiskey.....	66,725 "	6,997 6 6	1,668 2 6
Undefined .....	358 "	71 10 0	44 15 0
Ale, Porter, Beer, Cider and Perry .....		1,879 11 0	187 19 2
Apples.....	929 Barrels	388 17 6	69 13 6
Bread or Biscuit.....	74,668 0 14 Cwts.	43,645 6 0	933 7 0
Butter .....	10,391 2 3 "	30,788 5 0	1,039 3 3
Coals .....	10,086 Tons	8,856 10 0	504 6 0
Flour .....	81,459 Barrels	93,406 3 11	6,109 8 6
Furniture (Household) .....		1,389 2 1	138 18 1
Goods, Wares, and Merchandise. } not otherwise enumerated or } described .....		228,448 13 10	11,422 9 1
Lumber .....	2,047,742 Feet	4,124 0 0	255 19 4
Meat (salted or cured) .....	32,135 0 18 Cwts	34,931 3 5	2,410 2 8
Molasses .....	518,156 Gallons	26,458 18 4	3,238 9 6
Oatmeal .....	1,591 Barrels	1,486 12 0	39 15 6
Timber, (Ton) and Balk, of all kinds, including Scantling .....	795 $\frac{1}{2}$ Tons	793 15 0	59 13 3
Tobacco (Manufactured and Leaf)	249,136 $\frac{1}{2}$ Lbs.	3,237 16 7	2,076 2 9
Stems .....	21 1 0 Cwt.	7 0 0	2 2 6
Cigars .....	100,000	244 10 0	50 0 0
Shingles .....	2,159,750	878 0 0	107 19 9
Sugar, <i>videlicet</i> :—			
Refined .....	829 0 23 Cwts.	1,292 17 3	207 5 11
Bastard .....	39 0 6 "	46 0 0	9 15 3
Tea .....	246,875 Lbs.	12,192 8 10	3,085 18 9
Totals.....		£513,251 5 0	£36,877 19 0

J. M. SPEARMAN, Collector.

Custom-House, 13th day of October, 1849.

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**CUSTOMS' RETURNS.**


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**PORT OF ST. JOHN'S.**

A Consolidated Account Current of Receipts and Payments for the Three Quarters, Year ended the 10th day of October, 1849.

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DR.

1849.	To Outbay Balances, viz:—			
	Fogo, 10th October, 1848	.....	.....	£113 13 11
	Trinity “	.....	.....	185 14 10
	Bonavista “	.....	.....	39 10 2
	Carbencar “	.....	.....	244 15 11
	Harbor Grace “	.....	.....	1,192 3 3
	Placentia “	.....	.....	46 7 9
	Burin “	.....	.....	497 10 0
	Little Bay “	.....	.....	349 6 3
	Outbay Receipts, viz:—			
	5th January, 1849	.....	1,660 15 7	
	5th April “	.....	18 6 1	
	5th July “	.....	3,616 2 2	5,295 3 10
Oct. 10.—	Duties on Goods imported, this date	.....		31,582 15 2
	Ten per cent on that Amount	.....		3,158 5 6
	Crown's share of seizures	.....		9 15 3
				£42,715 1 10

I certify that the foregoing Amounts are just and true, in every particular, to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Custom House, the 13th day of October, 1849.

J. M. SPEARMAN  
Collector

## CUSTOMS' RETURNS.

### PORT OF ST. JOHN'S.

A Consolidated Account Current of Receipts and Payments for the Three Quarters Year ended the 10th day of October, 1849.

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1849.

By Outbay Balances, viz:—

Greenspond, 5th July, 1849	.....	.....	£48 13 1
Trinity	.....	.....	67 16 2
Carbonear	.....	.....	246 17 8
Harbor Grace	.....	.....	860 4 7
Burin	.....	.....	353 9 8
Sample Casks	.....	.....	2 6 4
Office Furniture	.....	.....	13 7 4
Incidentals	.....	.....	25 16 7
Over Entries	.....	.....	112 9 9
Drawbacks	.....	.....	177 4 6
Returned Duties	.....	.....	84 18 0

Salaries, viz:—

John Canning	.....	.....	£150 0 0
E. L. Moore	.....	.....	150 0 0
James S. Hayward	.....	.....	135 0 0
J. M. Winter, Fogo	.....	.....	75 0 0
L. Moore, Greenspond	.....	.....	75 0 0
T. L. McKie, Bay Bulls	.....	.....	37 10 0
J. Winter, Lamaline	.....	.....	75 0 0
T. Read, LaPoile	.....	.....	100 0 0
Tidesmens' day-pay	.....	.....	298 2 8
Boatmen	.....	.....	140 0 0
Imperial Officers	.....	.....	152 0 6
Bonds transferred to Treasurer	.....	.....	24,711 1 6
Reserved Salaries	.....	.....	4,927 0 0
Paid the Treasurer.....	.....	.....	9,696 3 6

£42,715 1 10

We do hereby certify that we have duly Audited the foregoing Accounts, and that we have finally settled and closed the same.

WILLIAM THOMAS  
 LAURENCE O'BRIEN } *Auditors.*  
 THOMAS B. JOB

St. John's, Newfoundland, }  
 The 15th day of October, 1849. }

## CUSTOMS' RETURNS.

## PORT OF ST. JOHN'S.

A Consolidated Account of the Goods imported in the Quarter ended 5th day of January, 1850, shewing the aggregate Quantities and value of the various Articles, with the Amount of Duty collected thereon.

ARTICLES IMPORTED.	QUANTITY IMPORTED.	VALUE.	DUTY.
Ale, Porter, Beer, Cider and Perry		£ 490 2 9	£ 49 0 3
Apples	1,601 Barrels	805 10 0	120 1 6
Bacon and Hams	103 3 18 Cwts.	309 0 0	25 19 7
Beef (salted or cured)	578 Barrels	765 0 0	57 16 0
Brandy, Whiskey, Geneva, Cordials	5,445½ Gallons	1,244 17 6	855 7 6
Bread or Biscuit	28,433 0 17 Cwts.	15,571 3 0	315 8 4
Butter	4,177 3 1 "	12,556 3 1	417 15 7
Candles		1,331 6 11	100 1 5
Cattle (Neat)	392	1,660 0 0	98 0 0
Cheese	262 1 17 Cwts.	447 0 0	65 12 0
Cigars	98,750	251 16 0	24 13 9
Clocks and Watches		41 7 0	4 2 8
Coals	6,799 Tons	6,329 4 0	339 19 0
Cocoa	3 3 Cwts.	5 19 0	0 18 9
Coffee	100 3 "	99 0 0	12 11 11
Fish (dried and Salted)			
Flour	40,532 Barrels	4,522 8 0	3,039 18 0
Furniture		247 7 0	24 14 9
Goods, Wares, and Merchandize, not otherwise enumerated or described		41,887 8 2	2,094 7 9
Horses, Mares, and Geldings	3	25 0 0	1 10 0
Lumber	319,291 Feet	651 10 0	39 18 3
Molasses	98,601 Gallons	5,298 5 0	616 5 2
Oatmeal and Indian Meal	3,883 Barrels	3,103 11 3	97 1 6
Oil and Blubber, Fins and Skins			
Pork (salted or cured)	4,300 "	11,702 10 0	645 0 0
Rum	10,923 Gallons	1,384 18 0	306 9 0
Salt	4,317 Tons	2,657 0 0	157 18 6
Sheep, Calves and Pigs	568	183 0 0	28 8 0
Shingles	521,000	210 0 0	26 1 0
Sugar, Refined	89 1 7 Cwts.	132 17 1	31 11 0
Unrefined	1,091 1 25 "	1,066 0 0	272 16 2
Bastard	312 1 14 "	313 0 0	78 1 11
Tea	53,986 Lbs.	2,868 18 0	674 16 6
Timber, including Balk & Scantling	975 Tons.	772 12 0	73 2 6
Tobacco (Manufactured and Leaf)	50,685 Lbs.	713 19 11	422 7 8
Stems	10 Cwts.	3 0 0	1 0 0
Wine, in Bottles	260½ Gallons.	74 1 0	26 9 3
not in bottles	3,767 "	830 15 0	357 5 0
Meat, salted	4,873 0 20 Cwts.	5,848 5 10	365 9 11
Totals		£166,406 15 6	£11,868 3 1

Custom-House, 5th Jany., 1850.

JOHN KENT, Collector.

## CUSTOMS' RETURNS.

## PORT OF ST. JOHN'S.

A Consolidated Account Current of Receipts and Payments for the Quarter ended the 5th day of January, 1850. Dr.

1850. To Outbay balances, viz :—

Greenspond, 5th July, 1849	£ 48 13 1
Trinity	67 16 2
Carbonear	246 17 8
Harbor Grace	860 4 7
Burin	353 9 8—1,577

Less these sums paid by Mr. Hayward—

J. M. Winter, Fogo	25 0 0
L. Moore, Greenspond	25 0 0
J. Winter, Lamaline	25 0 0
J. L. McKie, Bay Bulls	12 10 0
H. Murch, St. Mary's	3 13 7
S. Prowse, Twillingate	2 1 11
R. Bayly, Trinity	5 17 1
D. Bethune, Carbonear	1 17 6
E. E. Brown, Harbor Grace	23 1 0
J. Green, Brigus	0 12 1
W. G. Bradshaw, Placentia	2 2 0
T. Birkett, Burin	11 13 3
T. E. Gaden, Little Bay	13 17 11
Postages	3 15 5—156 1 9—1,420 19 5
Balance of Light House Receipts	308 7 10

Outbay Receipts viz :—

St. Mary's, 5th July, 1849	36 15 11
Twillingate, 10th October, 1849	83 17 5
Fogo	276 3 6
Greenspond	14 9 3
Trinity	234 4 2
Bonavista	.....
Carbonear	75 1 3
Harbor Grace	921 18 7
Brigus	24 3 9
Ferryland	.....
Placentia	84 1 6
Burin	466 7 10
Lamalaine	88 12 2
Little Bay	555 18 3
Gaultois	89 0 8

La Poile, not yet received ..... 2,950 14 3

Quarantine Fees (including Medical Officers' Fees) 53 16 0

Duty received under Copyright Act 2 7 11

Colony's share of seizures 21 6 8

Samples 6 4 9

Jan. 5.—Duties on Goods imported this date (St. John's 8,917 8 10

10 per cent on that amount. 891 14 11

£14,573 0 7



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**CUSTOMS' RETURNS.**


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**PORT OF ST. JOHN'S.**

A Consolidated Account Current of Receipts and Payments for the Quarter ended the 5th day of January, 1850.

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1850.

By Outbay Balances, viz:—

Trinity, 10th October, 1849	.....	£217	1	4	
Carbonear	“	135	10	2	
Harbor Grace	“	1003	10	0	
Placentia	“	61	18	3	
Burin	“	395	10	9	
Little Bay	“	339	16	6	—2153 7 0
Incidentals	.....				57 8 11
Over Entries	.....				24 15 1
Drawbacks	.....				111 12 11
Returned Duties	.....				54 0 2

Salaries, viz:—

John Kent, Collector	.....	125	0	0	
J. Canning, Landing and Tide Surveyor		62	10	0	
George Bennett, 1st Landing Waiter		50	0	0	
E. L. Moore, 2nd ditto		50	0	0	
J. S. Hayward, 1st Clerk & W.H. Keeper		50	0	0	
J. Prendergast, 2nd Clerk	.....	37	10	0	
R. Furneaux, Locker	.....	13	17	0	
Peter McKie	.....	14	0	0	—402 17 0
Tidewaiters' Day-pay	.....				149 5 8
Boatmen	.....				46 13 4
Reserved Salaries	.....				1,657 10 0
Bonds transferred to Treasurer	.....				6,272 17 0
Paid Treasurer	.....				2,600 0 0
Balance to next quarter	.....				1,042 13 6

£14,573 0 7

I certify that the foregoing Account is just and true, in every particular, to the best of my knowledge and belief.

JOHN KENT,  
Collector.

Custom House, the 5th day of January, 1849.

## CUSTOMS' RETURNS.

## PORT OF ST. JOHN'S.

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Ale, Porter, Beer, Cider and Perry		£2,369 13 9	£236 19 5
Apples	2,530 Barrels	1,194 7 6	189 15 0
Bacon and Hams	103 3 18 Cwts.	309 0 0	25 19 7
Beef (salted or cured)	578 Barrels	765 0 0	57 16 0
Brandy, Whiskey, Geneva, Cordials	20,059½ Gallons	4,711 10 4	2,642 2 6
Bread or Biscuit	103,101 1 3 Cwts.	59,216 9 0	1,288 15 4
Butter	14,569 1 4 "	43,344 8 1	1,455 18 10
Candles		1,334 6 11	100 1 5
Cattle (Neat)	392	1,660 0 0	98 0 0
Cheese	262 1 17 Cwts.	447 0 0	65 12 0
Cigars	198,750	496 6 0	74 13 9
Clocks and Watches		41 7 0	4 2 8
Coals	16,799 Tons	15,185 14 0	844 5 0
Cocoa	3 3 Cwts.	5 19 0	0 18 9
Coffee	100 3 "	99 0 0	12 11 11
Fish (dried and Salted)			
Flour	121,991 Barrels	142,928 11 11	9,149 6 6
Furniture		1,636 9 1	163 12 10
Goods, Wares, and Merchandize, not otherwise enumerated or described		270,336 2 0	13,516 16 10
Horses, Mares, and Geldings	3	25 0 0	1 10 0
Lumber	2,367,033 Feet	4,775 10 0	295 17 7
Molasses	616,757 Gallons	31,767 3 4	3,854 14 8
Oatmeal and Indian Meal	5,474 Barrels	4,590 3 3	136 17 0
Oil and Blubber, Fins and Skins			
Pork (salted or cured)	4,300 "	11,702 10 0	645 0 0
Rum	57,648 Gallons	8,382 4 6	1,974 11 6
Salt	4,317 Tons	2,657 0 0	157 18 6
Sheep, Calves and Pigs	568	183 0 0	28 8 0
Shingles	2,680,750	1,088 0 0	134 0 9
Sugar, Refined	918 2 2 Cwts.	1,425 14 4	238 19 11
Unrefined	1,091 0 25 "	1,066 0 0	272 16 2
Bastard	351 1 20 "	359 0 0	87 17 2
Tea	300,861 Lbs.	15,061 6 10	3,760 15 3
Timber, including Balk & Scantling	1,770½ Tons.	1,566 7 0	132 15 9
Tobacco (Manufactured and Leaf)	2,99,821½ Lbs.	3,951 16 6	2,489 10 5
Stems	31 1 0 Cwt.	10 0 0	3 2 6
Wine, in Bottles	611 Gallons.	296 13 6	70 5 6
not in bottles	21,714 "	3,818 7 5	1,703 5 6
Undefined Spirits	358 "	71 10 0	44 15 0
Meat, salted	37,008 1 10 Cwts.	40,779 9 3	2,775 12 7
Totals		£679,658 0 6	£48,746 2 1



## CUSTOMS' RETURNS.

### PORT OF ST. JOHN'S.

A Consolidated Account Current of Receipts and Payments for the Year ended the 5<sup>th</sup> day of January, 1850.

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1850.

By Outbay Balances, viz:—

Trinity, 10th October, 1849	.....	£217	1	4
Carbonear	.....	135	10	2
Harbor Grace	.....	1,003	10	0
Placentia	.....	61	18	3
Burin	.....	395	10	9
Little Bay	.....	339	16	6
Incidentals	.....	87	0	11
Sample Casks	.....	2	6	4
Office Furniture	.....	13	7	4
Over Entries	.....	137	4	10
Drawbacks	.....	288	17	5
Returned Duties	.....	138	18	2

Salaries, viz.:—

St. John's	.....	£837	17	0
Outbays	.....	450	4	0
Tidemen's Day-pay	.....	447	8	4
Boatmen	.....	186	13	4
Allowances to Imperial Officers	.....	216	16	10
Bonds transferred to Treasurer	.....	30,983	18	6
Reserved Salaries	.....	6,584	10	0
Paid Treasurer	.....	12,296	3	6
Balance to next year	.....	1,042	13	6
		£55,867	3	0

I certify that the foregoing Account is just and true, in every particular, to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Collector.

Custom House, the            day of            184 .

NOTE—The amounts for the year are not certified as usual, owing to the change in the Department requiring an Audit for Captain SPEARMAN, the late Collector's Accounts for three Quarters, and the present Collector's for one Quarter, the result being the same, as the four Quarters are Audited separately.

### CUSTOMS' RETURNS.

Return of the Imperial Revenue, from the 5th January, 1849, to the 10th October following, with the expenditure thereof.

To Balance, 5th January, 1849	.....	.....	£ 520 17 11
“ Imperial duties, viz :—			
St. John's	.....	.....	£5056 8 9
Outbays	.....	.....	417 9 5—3473 18 2
“ Surcharge on accounts of 1848	.....	.....	0 6 3
			£3,995 2 4
By Salaries	.....	.....	£2,490 0 0
“ Lockers day pay	.....	.....	56 2 0
“ Tidesmen	.....	.....	85 16 8
“ Colonial Sub-Collectors, collecting imperial Duties	.....	.....	11 18 8
“ Office rent and Fuel, Harbor Grace	.....	.....	11 5 0
“ Fuel and other incidental expenses for the year 1848	.....	.....	50 1 9
“ Law expenses, in connection with re-building Custom House	.....	.....	66 17 6
“ Expense of laying on water for the Custom House	.....	.....	7 10 0
“ Cost of sundry Furniture	.....	.....	14 18 11
“ Repairing roof of Custom House	.....	.....	6 11 5
“ Boxes for transmitting Quarterly Returns	.....	.....	0 15 0
“ Returned Duties	.....	.....	45 15 6
“ Paid the Treasurer.....	.....	.....	1,147 9 11
			£ 3,995 2 4

Custom House, St. John's,  
23d Feb., 1850.

GEORGE J. HAYWARD,  
*Comptroller of Customs and Navigation Laws.*

STATEMENT of Monies paid, and of Bonds transferred to the Colonial Treasurer, on account of Colonial Duties, for three Quarters, ended the 10th day of October, 1849. Also of the amount paid that Officer on account of Light Dues, for the same period.

DATE.	TO WHOM PAID.	COLONIAL DUTIES.		LIGHT DUES.
		CASH.	BONDS.	
April 7.	Patrick Morris		2,589 9 5	
23.	Ditto	£2,297 2 1		224 0 5
July 6.	Ditto		11,388 1 0	
25.	Ditto	2,893 6 7		532 16 0
Aug. 2.	Ditto	1,733 6 8		
22.	Ditto		3,946 16 0	
Sept. 21.	James Crowdy, for Col. Treasurer	1,733 6 8		
Oct. 11.	Robert Carter		6,786 15 1	
12.	Ditto	1,039 1 6		498 17 11
		£9,696 3 6	24,711 1 6	1,255 14 4

GEORGE J. HAYWARD,  
*Comptroller of Customs and Navigation Laws.*

Custom House, St. John's, 10th April, 1850.

STATEMENT of Bonds and Monies paid to the Colonial Treasurer during the Quarter ended the 5th January, 1850.

To whom paid.	Duties and Quarantine.		Light Dues.
	Bonds.	Cash.	
Robert Carter	£6,272 17 0	£2,291 12 2	£808 7 10

JOHN KENT, *Collector.*

St. John's, Newfoundland, 12th April, 1850.

## CROWN LANDS.

Statement of Lands sold at Public Auction by the Surveyor-General, under the Crown Lands' Bill, for the year ending the first October, 1849. (St. John's.)

Date of Sale.	Purchaser's name.	Contents of Lots.		Where situate.	Upset price per acre.	Sold at per acre.		Total amount of purchase money.
		A.	R. P.			per acre.	per acre.	
1848. Oct. 25.	Robert Moggridge	29	1 28	In the rear of the Bay Bulls Road,	2s.	0	2	£ 3 7 6
"	Stephen Ruddick	32	2 0	land above six miles from St. John's.	2s.	0	2	3 14 3
"	Robert Lush	20	0 0	do.	2s.	0	2	2 5 0
"	John Burridge	26	0 0	do.	2s.	0	2	2 18 6
"	John Rossiter Andrews	26	0 0	do.	2s.	0	2	3 0 9
"	Patrick Fitzgibbon	25	0 0	do.	2s.	0	2	2 16 3
"	John Hay	21	0 0	do.	2s.	0	2	2 12 6
"	John Hay	22	0 0	do.	2s.	0	2	4 2 6
"	John Bryant	25	0 0	do.	2s.	0	4	5 18 9
"	Thomas Gibbings	26	0 0	do.	2s.	0	2	2 18 6
"	Thomas Burridge	23	0 0	do.	2s.	0	2	2 11 9
"	William Ruby	34	0 0	do.	2s.	0	2	3 16 6
"	John Burridge	6	0 0	do.	2s.	0	2	0 13 6
1849. Aug. 29.	I. Lambert for W. Lambert	34	3 28	South-west side of Bay Bulls Road, and adjoining land granted to W. Guzzell.	2s.	0	2	3 12 11
"	A. Cox for F. Cox	21	1 36	South side of Windermere Lake	2s.	0	2	2 11 4
"	A. Cox for J. Cox	21	0 0	do.	2s.	0	2	2 10 9
"	Geoffrey Guzzell	20	0 0	do.	2s.	0	2	2 6 8
"	James Eascot	20	0 0	do.	2s.	0	2	2 7 3
"	William Guzzell	21	2 7	do.	2s.	0	5	5 10 0
1849. Sep. 29.	John Stickley	29	0 0	S. side of One I. Pond Road, 1 mile from	2s.	0	2	3 12 6
"	J. Maddock for R. Maddock	30	0 0	the Portugal C. R., & 7½ from St. John's	2s.	0	3	4 10 0
"	John Stickley	30	1 24	Eastward of above lot	2s.	0	2	3 11 2
"	John Marles	29	3 0	do.	2s.	0	3	4 14 3
"	John Maddock	28	3 0	do.	2s.	0	3	4 13 6
"	John Maddock	28	3 0	do.	2s.	0	2	3 14 4
"	John Stickley	23	2 0	One Island Pond Road	2s.	0	2	3 4 8
"	John Marle	21	1 0	do.	2s.	0	2	2 9 7
"	James Lacey	25	0 0	do.	2s.	0	2	2 16 3

## CROWN LANDS.

Statement of Lands sold at Public Auction by the Surveyor-General, under the Crown Lands' Bill, for the year ending the 1st October, 1849.

Date of Sale.	Purchaser's name.	Contents of Lots.			Where situate.	Upset price p. acre.	Sold at p. acre.	Total amt. purchase money.
		A.	R.	P.				
1849. Sept. 29.	John Marles	23	0	0	One Island Pond Road	2s.	0 2 11	3 7 1
"	John Maddock	20	0	0	"	2s.	0 3 1	3 1 8
"	John Maddock	25	0	0	"	2s.	0 3 1	3 17 1
"	Samuel Marles	25	0	0	"	2s.	0 2 10	3 10 10
"	Samuel Marles	25	0	0	"	2s.	0 3 1	3 17 1
"	John Maddock	24	0	0	"	2s.	0 3 7	4 6 0
		843	3	22				£115 1 2

JOSEPH NOAD,

*Surveyor General*



**CROWN LANDS.**

Statement of Lands sold at Public Auction by the Deputy Surveyor, THOMAS MOKELER, Bay Bulls, under the Crown Lands' Bill, for the year ending the 1st October, 1849. (Bay Bulls.)

Date of Sale.	Purchaser's name.	Contents of Lots.	Where situate.	Upset price per acre.	Sold at per acre.	Total amount of purchase money.	Expense of Survey and to whom paid.
1849. Dec. 6	T. Norris	4a. 0r. 9p.	Fortune's Beach	2s.	0 2 2	£0 10 10	
"	L. Kielley	24 0 0	East of Bay Bulls Road	2s.	0 2 2	2 12 0	
"	T. Mokeler	24 0 0	Ditto	2s.	0 2 2	2 12 0	Thomas Mokeler, Deputy-Surveyor, Bay Bulls.
"	T. Gatheral	24 0 0	Ditto	2s.	0 2 2	2 12 0	
"	C. Brien	24 0 0	Ditto	2s.	0 2 2	2 12 0	
"	P. Ryan	20 2 17	Ditto	2s.	0 2 2	2 5 6	7½ days' Surveying at 12s. 6d. per day.
"	W. Mokeler	14 3 8	East of Stanlake's River	2s.	0 2 2	1 12 6	
"	P. Brien	14 3 8	Ditto	2s.	0 2 2	1 12 6	
"	T. Furlong	19 1 37	West of Bay Bulls Road	2s.	0 2 2	2 3 4	
"	Patrick Dea	21 2 28	East of Bay Bulls Road	2s.	0 2 3	2 9 6	
						<b>£21 2 2</b>	
							<b>£4 11 8</b>
							<b>7 8 3</b>
						<b>£11 19 11</b>	

The charge for Surveying includes the expense of chainman, of travelling and plan. for cutting boundary lines to the extent of 5 miles, 25½ chains at 30s. per mile.

JOSEPH NOAD,  
Surveyor General.  
4th Feb., 1849.

**CROWN LANDS.**

Statement of Lands sold at Public Auction by the Deputy Surveyor, Robert Carter, Ferryland, under the Crown Lands' Act, for the year ending 1st. October 1849. (Ferryland.)

Date of Sale.	Purchaser's Name.	Contents of Lot.	Where situate.	£ Pence per acre	£ per acre	Purchase Money.	Expense of Survey, and to whom paid.	Remarks.	
1849.									
Sept. 29.	I. F. Winser	A. R. P. 8 3 28	} S. side Aquaforte	2s.	2s.	.....	.....	Survey paid in 1849.	
"	Ditto	3 2 12		2s.	2s.	£1 7 1	.....		
"	J. J. Winser	3 3 21	Ditto	2s.	2s.	0 8 4	£1 5s. 0.—R. Carter, Deputy Surveyor, Ferryland.		
"	J. J. Winser	2 1 33	Ditto	2s.	2s.	.....	.....		
"	Ditto	5 1 11	Ditto	2s.	2s.	0 16 8	.....	Survey paid in 1846.	
"	Peter Payne	2 1 30	Ditto	2s.	2s.	0 6 3	£0 12 6—Ditto		
"	D. Walsh	2 0 3	N.E. side Aquaforte	2s.	2s.	0 6 3	0 12 6—Ditto		
"	R. Fost	2 2 23	S. side Do.	2s.	2s.	0 6 3	0 12 6—Ditto		
"	M. Doherty	10 0 17	N.E. side Do.	2s.	2s.	1 2 11	1 5 0—Ditto		
"	W. Gahan	7 0 0	Ditto	2s.	2s.	0 14 7	.....	} Survey paid for in 1847.	
"	R. Grant	6 0 4	River H. C. Broyle	2s.	2s.	0 14 7	.....		
"	H. O'Neill	5 0 29	N.E. side Fermeuse	2s.	2s.	0 12 6	.....		
"	R. Croft	.....	S. S. side Aquaforte	2s.	2s.	.....	.....	No diagram forwarded.	
"	T. Jordan	5 0 0	Brigus Branch Road	2s.	2s.	.....	.....	Purchaser left no deposit.	
							£6 15 5	£4 7 6	J. NOAD, Sur. Gen.
		64 2 14							

CROWN LANDS.

Statement of Lands surveyed for persons who were in possession prior to the passing of the Crown Lands' Act, for the year ending the 1st October, 1849.

Name of person for whom the survey was made.	Contents of Lot.		Where situate.	Cost of title to Grantee.	Expenses.	By whom the Survey was made.	Remarks.
	A.	P.					
John Green	23	0	Bay Bulls Road	£ 1 3 0		Sur.-General	
George Harris	20	0	West of the Portugal Cove Road	1 0 0		"	
Clement Carew	16	0	Branscomb Hill Road	0 16 0		"	
Michael Whelan	26	3 25	Ditto	1 14 0		"	
Thomas Walsh	26	2 15	Topsail Road, 7½ miles from St. John's.	1 14 0		"	
James Gibson	25	0 0	Branscomb Hill Road	1 10 0		"	
Brine, Jas. M. & J.	5	2 37	North side of Monday Pond	0 6 0		"	
Fred. M. Gill	4	2 14	East of the Portugal Cove Road	0 5 0		"	
J. and J. Hutchings	0	0 34	Lazy Bank Road	0 5 0		"	
D. and P. Kenny	2	0 18	North side of Monday Pond	0 5 0		"	
John Murray	20	0 32	Mount Ken Road	1 1 0		"	
William Tobin	5	1 18	Wigmore Gully Road	0 6 0		"	
Henry Supple	3	0 0	Upper Long Pond Road	0 5 0		"	
F. McArdall	8	2 0	Mount Ken Road	0 9 0		"	
Richard Kenny	11	2 0	South River, new Placentia Road	0 12 0		"	
Daniel Keefe	15	0 0	Between the Pennywell Road and Soldiers' Path	1 10 0		"	
Catherine Curren	14	1 20	White Hills	0 15 0		"	
John de la Poer	13	2 8		3 15 0	}	John Delaney	The amt. paid the Dep.-Sur. includes the expense of Chainman, travelling expenses, and diagram.
Ditto	30	0 0	Torbay	0			
Ditto	5	2 0					
Ditto	1	1 16			}	37. Dy.-Surveyor	
Catherine Bradbury	4	1 21	Torbay	0 5 0			
Ditto	0	1 32					
Moses Rickman	68	3 21				Thos. Byrne	
W. Hurley							
P. Hurley							

**CROWN LANDS.**

Statement of Lands Surveyed for persons who were in possession prior to the passing of the Crown Lands' Act, for the year ending the 1st October, 1849. (Cariboucar.)

Name of person for whom the land was surveyed.	Contents of Lot.		Where situate.	Cost of title to Grantee.	Expense of survey.	By whom the survey was made	Remarks.
	A.	R. P.					
Thomas Dowder	6	3 5	Chamberlains	£21 5 0	3 0 0		
John Smith	3	2 34	Manuels	0 7 0			
Thomas Clooney	6	0 37	Topsail	0 5 0			
Rev. T. O'Connor	33	0 0	Near Portugal Cove	0 7 0			
William Williams	5	1 22	Manuels	2 6 0			
The Lord Bishop	0	2 17	Portugal Cove	0 6 0		J. Delaney, Dep. Sur.	For Church purposes
"	0	3 26	Broad Cove	0 1 0			Ditto
Rev. Mr. Tremlet	33	0 0	Portugal Cove	0 1 0			A disputed lot (Surveyed in 1847)
William Ryan	9	3 11	Torbay	2 6 0			For Church purposes
The Lord Bishop			Fox Trap	0 1 0			N.B.—The amount paid the Deputy Surveyor includes the charge for Chainman, travelling expenses and diagram.
	451	2 23		27 5 0	11 2 6		
James Furlong	71	3 27	Island of Oderin	5 14 0	2 10 0	W. Hooper, Dep. Sr., Burin	
	523	2 9		£32 19 0	£13 12 6		

JOSEPH NOAD,  
Surveyor-General.

February 4, 1850.

**CROWN LANDS.**

Surveyor General's Return of Lands surveyed for persons holding under leases at an Annual Rent, and who have purchased up such rents, for the year ending 1st October, 1849. (St. John's.)

Name of party for whom a Survey has been made.	Contents of Lot.	Where situate.	Amount of Purchase Money.	Expense of Survey.	Remarks.
Elias Greenway.	4A. Or. Op.	Upper Long Pond Road	£7 10 0		
Hannah Barnes	0 3 18	Ditto	8 5 0	Nil.	
John Kelly	16 2 16	Branscomb's Hill Road	8 8 9	Survey made by the Surveyor General.	
Alice Foley	13 1 6	Bay Bulls and Petty Harbor Roads	8 5 0		
Wm. Hamlin	.....	.....	.....	.....	Survey made, grant not taken up.
Michael Dea	9 1 7	Freshwater Road	5 1 3		
J. W. Dunscomb.	140 0 0	Placentia Road.	35 0 0		
	184 0 7		£72 10 0		

**JOSEPH NOAD,**

Surveyor General.

4th February, 1850.

## CROWN LANDS.

Statement of Lands Surveyed for persons who were in possession prior to the passing of the Crown Lands' Act, for the year ending the 1st October, 1849. (Carbonear.)

Name of party for whom a Survey has been made.	Contents of Lots.	Where situate.	Cost of Title to Applicant.	By whom the survey has been made.
Wm. Hamlin	4A. 3R. 19P.	North side of Carbonear	£0 5 0	
John Sheehan	3 2 5	River Head Harbor Grace	0 5 0	
James Gorman	5 2 0	North Side Harbor Grace	0 6 0	
G. Shepherd	3 2 7	Ditto	0 5 0	
Maurice Doyle	2 1 30	Ditto	0 5 0	
Richard Lahey	5 1 5	Ditto	0 6 0	
John Fitzgerald	3 2 22	Western Bay	0 5 0	
Michael Manning	6 3 0	Carbonear	0 7 0	
John Furteen	14 0 0	Ditto	0 14 0	
Michael Keefe	3 2 32	Ditto	0 5 0	
Henry Peckham	4 1 28	Salmon Cove	0 5 0	
George Beaves	0 3 14	Ditto	0 5 0	
John Bartlett	8 3 38	Ditto	0 9 0	
John Shea	4 0 27	River Head Harbor Grace	0 5 0	E. Hanrahan, Esq., Deputy Surveyor, Carbonear.
George Langdon	4 3 15	Ditto	0 5 0	
Israel Goss	1 1 34	Bishop's Cove	0 5 0	
Elizabeth Clew	8 0 21	South Side Carbonear	0 9 0	
Isaac Smith	3 0 0	Bishop's Cove	0 5 0	
Edward Smith	1 0 32	Ditto	0 5 0	
D. M'Carthy	6 0 0	South Side Carbonear	0 6 0	
E. Shannahan	8 2 30	River Head Harbor Grace	0 9 0	
Wm. Butt	2 2 0	Bunker's Hill near Carbonear	0 5 0	
Caleb Peddle	1 2 33	Bishop's Cove	0 5 0	
J. Hennesey	4 1 18	River Head Harbor Grace	0 5 0	
Mich. Hannigan	2 3 21	South Side Carbonear	0 5 0	
Pierce Dumphy	1 0 0	River Head Harbor Grace	0 5 0	
Jacob Smith	2 2 15	Bishop's Cove	0 5 0	
N. Barrett	6 0 28	Ditto	0 7 0	
Thomas Smith	1 0 34	Ditto	0 5 0	
Wm. Baker.	1 0 27	Ditto	0 5 0	

**CROWN LANDS.**

Statement of Lands Surveyed for persons who were in possession prior to the passing of the Crown Lands' Act, for the year ending the 1st October, 1849. (Carbonear.)

Name of party for whom a Survey has been made.	Contents of Lots.	Where situate.	Total expense of Survey.	Cost of Title to Applicant	By whom the survey has been made.	Remarks.
John McCarthy	A. R. P. 5 1 0	River Head Harbor Grace		£0 6 0		
Wm. Dooley	22 2 0	Ditto		1 3 0	E. Hanrahan,	The charge for
John Dooley	22 2 0	Ditto		1 3 0	Esq., Deputy surveying in-	Surveyor, Car-
Robert Pepper	.....	Spaniard's Bay		.....	cludes the cost	of chainman,
Maurice Geehan	5 0 20	River Head Harbor Grace		0 6 0	bonear.	travelling ex-
John Ryan.	.....	Spaniard's Bay		.....	.....	penses and dia-
	173 3 35		£22 6 0	£11 16 0	.....	gram.
					.....	Disputed lot.

JOSEPH NOAD,

Surveyor General.

5th February, 1850.

**CROWN LANDS.**

Statement of Lands surveyed for persons who were in possession prior to the passing of the Crown Lands' Act, for the year ending the 1st October, 1849. (Lamalaine.)

Name of party for whom a survey has been made.	Contents of Lot.		Where situate.	Rate per day.	Expense of Survey.	Cost of Title to Applicant.	By whom Surveyed.	Remarks.
	A.	P.						
Edward Freaney	1	0 25	Grand Bank, Fortune Bay			£0 5 0		The amount paid the Deputy Surveyor includes the charge for the survey, diagram, travelling, and chainman.
Ditto	2	0 18	Ditto					
Ditto	0	2 10	Ditto					
Jonathan Hickman	1	1 38	Ditto					
Ditto	1	0 17	Ditto					
Ditto	0	1 19	Ditto					
Ditto	0	2 34	Ditto					
Samuel Anstey	0	3 27	Admiral's Cove, Grand Bank					
Wm. Hickey	2	0 23	Grand Bank, Fortune Bay					
Ditto	0	1 32	Grand Beach, Ditto					
Ditto	0	0 35	Ditto					
Joseph Follett	0	0 38	Ditto					
Ditto	0	3 0	Ditto					
Ditto	1	0 39	Ditto		15 days at 12s.6d. per day	0 5 0	S. O. Pack, Dy. Sr., Lamaline and Fortr. ne.	
James Hamblin	0	2 28	Fortune		£9 7 6	0 5 0		
Ditto	0	1 10	Ditto					
Jonathan Snook	0	2 11	Ditto					
Ditto	0	0 16	Ditto					
Ditto	1	0 2	Ditto					
Ditto	3	0 18	Ditto			0 10 0		
Ditto	1	0 23	Ditto					
Ditto	0	1 15	Ditto					
Ditto	2	0 2	Ditto					
Ditto	0	1 1	Ditto					
Wesleyan M. Society	0	1 8	Grand Bank, Fortune Bay			0 5 0		
Thomaz Lasky	8	2 0	Lamalaine			0 9 0		
Wm. Pennell	3	2 4	Grand Bank, Fortune Bay			0 5 0		



**CROWN LANDS.**

Statement of Lands Surveyed for persons who were in possession prior to the passing of the Crown Lands' Act, for the year ending the 1st October, 1849. (Lamaline.)

Name of person for whom the land was surveyed.	Contents of Lot.		Where situate.	Rate p. day.	Expense of survey.	Cost of title to Applicant.	By whom the survey was made.	Remarks.
	A.	R. P.						
William Tibbo	0	1 11	Grand Bank, F. Bay			£0 5 0		
do.	0	0 30	"					
do.	0	0 8	"					
do.	0	0 33	"					
Thomas Harris	0	1 2	"			0 5 0		
do.	0	1 23	"					
do.	0	0 36	"					
Jonathan Hickman	0	1 34	"			0 5 0	S.O.Pack,	
do.	0	2 29	"				Dy. -Sur.,	
do.	0	0 15	"	12 days	£ 7 10		Lama-	N.B.—The amount paid
Henry Nicolle	1	3 51	"	at 12s.			line, &c.	the Deputy Surveyor in-
do.	0	2 29	"	6d. per		0 10 0		cludes the charge for
do.	0	1 0	"	day.				Chainman, travelling ex-
do.	0	0 14	"					penses, and diagram.
do.	0	1 14	"					
do.	0	0 7	"					
George Forsey	0	0 22	"					
do.	0	1 2	"					
do.	0	0 39	"			0 10 0		
do.	1	0 3	"					
do.	0	2 29	"					
do.	0	0 22	"					
James Hickman	0	2 13	"					
do.	0	1 19	"			0 5 0		
do.	2	2 7	"					
do.	0	0 19	"					

**CROWN LANDS.**

Statement of Lands Surveyed for persons who were in possession prior to the passing of the Crown Lands' Act, for the year ending the 1st October, 1849.—(Lamaline.)

Name of party for whom a survey has been made.	Contents of Lot.	Where situate.	Rate p. day.	Expense of Survey.	Cost of title to Applicant	By whom the Survey was made.	Remarks.
John Hickman	0 0 33	Grand Bank, F. Bay	3 days at 12s. 6d. per day	1 17 6	0 10 0	S. O. Pack, Dy-Sur., Lamaline, &c.	The amount paid the Deputy-Surveyor includes the charge for the Survey, Diagram, & Chainman.
"	0 0 36	"					
"	0 0 18	"					
"	0 0 19	"					
"	0 1 5	"					
"	1 0 8	"					
"	0 3 7	Admiral's Cove					
James Hickman	1 0 38	Grand Bank	} } }	0 5 0			
"	0 0 21	"					
	0 1 17						
	£ 52 0 37			£ 18 15 0	£ 5 14 0		

JOSEPH NOAD,  
Surveyor-General.

February 4, 1850.

**CROWN LANDS.**

Statement of Lands Surveyed for persons who were in possession prior to the passing of the Crown Lands' Act, for the year ending the 1st October, 1849.—(Ferryland.)

	Name of party for whom a survey has been made.	Contents of Lot.		No. of Lots.	Miles travel'd	Where situate.	Cost of title.	Expense of Survey.	By whom the Survey was made.	Remarks.
		A.	R. P.							
1849.										
Jan'y.	Rev. J. Murphy	0	1 32	1	8	Fermeuse	0 5 0	0 12 6		The amount paid the Deputy-Surveyor includes the charge for the Survey, Diagram, & Chain-man. Robt. Carter, vey, Dep.-Sur., Ferryland.
April	Edward Walsh	0	2 27	1	0	Ferryland	0 5 0	0 12 6		
June	John Sheehy	16	3 38	1	17	Round Cove	0 17 0	1 5 0		
August	Thomas Lackey	0	2 15	1	0	Ferryland	0 5 0	0 12 6		
		£18	2 32				£1 12 0	£3 2 6		

**JOSEPH NOAD,**  
*Surveyor-General.*

February 4, 1850.

## CROWN LANDS,

ACCOUNT OF MONIES EXPENDED UNDER THE CROWN LANDS' ACT,  
FOR THE YEAR 1849.

1849.	EXPENDITURE.	CURRENCY.
8th January	Cash paid John Hearn, cutting boundary lines on land at Heavitree, rear of the Bay Bulls road, $7\frac{3}{4}$ chains at 40s. cy. per mile, Voucher No. 1	£14 4 3
April	Cash paid Ed. Hanrahan, Deputy Surveyor, Carbonear, amount of account for surveys in 1848, stg. £22 6s. 0d., as per Voucher No. 2	25 14 7
September	Cash paid Robert Carter, Deputy Surveyor, Ferryland, stg. £18 15s. 0., as per account forwarded to the Colonial Secretary's Office, copy thereof Voucher No. 3	21 12 8
"	Cash paid J. Hearn, cutting boundary lines on land situate south-side Windermere Lake (south-side Bay Bulls road) Voucher No. 4	9 3 0
October	Cash paid James Wheeler, cutting boundary lines on the road communicating between Torbay and the Portugal Cove Road, Voucher No. 5	1 2 0
"	Cash paid Thomas Mokeler, Deputy Surveyor, Bay Bulls, for surveys and cutting boundary lines, Voucher No. 6	13 16 10
"	Cash paid Benjamin Sweetland, Deputy Surveyor, Trinity, stg. £8 15s. 0d., amount for surveys, Voucher No. 7	10 1 10
November	Cash paid Bartholemew Brine, for putting up 20 pots and squaring the same as mile-marks on the Salmonier line of road, Voucher No. 8	1 0 0
December	Cash paid John Delaney, Deputy Surveyor, amount of account for surveys, stg. £8 2s. 6d., Voucher No. 9	9 7 5
"	Cash paid W. R. Noad, Deputy Surveyor, amount of account for surveys of land and road, stg., £8 15s. 0d., Voucher No. 10	10 1 10
	Balance carried down.	17 18 3
		£134 2 8

1849.	RECEIPTS.	CURRENCY.
	Balance remaining at the end of the year 1848,	£25 8 9
April	Warrant in favour of Edmund Hanrahan, sterling	£22 6 0—25 14 7
"	" John Hearn, "	12 5 4—14 4 3
Sept.—	" Robert Carter "	18 15 0—21 12 8
"	" Surveyor General "	20 0 0—23 1 6
"	" Thomas Mokeler "	12 1 0—13 19 1
Oct.—	" Benjamin Sweetland "	8 15 0—10 1 10
		£134 2 8

JOSEPH NOAD, Surveyor General.

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**Despatches from the Secretary of State for the Colonies.**


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Secretary of State to His Excellency, directing that two copies of the Votes and Proceedings of both branches of the Legislature, carried down to the latest date preceding the departure of the Packet be transmitted to His Lordship.

[Copy.]

Downing-Street }  
23d March, 1849. }

SIR,—In order that Her Majesty's Government may be kept fully apprized of the proceedings of the Houses of Legislature in the Province under your Government whilst they are in Session, I have to instruct you to transmit to this Office regularly, by each Mail, two Copies of the Votes and Proceedings of both branches of the Legislature, carried down to the latest date preceding the departure of the Packet. You will be pleased to understand that this Instruction is not intended to supersede the usual transmission to this Country of the series of the Journals of the Legislature at the close of each Session.

I have, &c.,

(Signed)

GREY.

Governor Sir GASPARD LEMARCHANT, &c., &c., &c.

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Secretary of State, acknowledging receipt of a Despatch from His Excellency the Governor, enclosing an Address from the House of Assembly on the subject of the future tenure of Office.

[Copy.] }  
No. 108. }

Downing Street, }  
14th May, 1849. }

SIR,—I have to acknowledge the receipt of your Despatch, No. 15, of the 10th April, forwarding an Address and a Resolution, which has been lately passed by the House of Assembly of Newfoundland, on the subject of the future tenure of Office in that Island.

2. I concur in the opinion expressed by the House of Assembly in Committee, that much future inconvenience may be obviated, if all persons who may be henceforward appointed to offices in Newfoundland, of the class specified in their Resolution, should be apprized at the time of receiving their appointment that such Offices are to be held upon what is termed a political tenure, in the event of what is commonly called the system of Responsible Government being extended to that Colony. I shall accordingly cause due notice of this condition to be given to every person receiving an appointment from the Crown to an office under your Government, which comes within the meaning of the Resolution. It gives me much satisfaction to add that I consider the House of Assembly entitled to credit for the judgment and discretion with which they have acted in suggesting that this notice should be given, and reserving for future and more deliberate consideration the question as to whether the change in the system of Administration, which has been proposed, should be adopted.

3. I am bound, at the same time, to express my conviction that until the wealth and population of the Colony shall have increased considerably beyond their present amount, the

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 Despatches from the Secretary of State for the Colonies.
 

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introduction of the system of what is termed Responsible Government will by no means prove to its advantage. From causes to which it is unnecessary for me to refer, the Institutions of Newfoundland have been, of late, in various ways modified and altered, and some time must unavoidably elapse before they can acquire that amount of fixity and adaptation to the political wants of society which seems an indispensable preliminary to the farther extension of popular Government. I must refer you, therefore, to my despatch of 6th July, 1848, as containing views which I have not as yet seen any reason for altering.

I am, &c., (Signed)

GREY.

Governor Sir G. LaMarchant, &c., &c. &c.

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[Copy.] }  
No. 80. }

Downing Street, }  
6th July, 1848. }

SIR,—I have to acknowledge the receipt of your Despatch, No. 30, of the 8th June last, enclosing a Petition from certain inhabitants of St. John's, praying for a Government based on an enlarged and extended system of representation, with a departmental Government and Executive responsibility.

You will acquaint the Petitioners that I have laid their Petition before the Queen, and that Her Majesty was pleased to receive it very graciously; but I have not been able to advise Her Majesty to make any change in the present institutions of Newfoundland, which appear to me well calculated to meet the wants of the present state of society in that colony.

I am, &c., (signed)

GREY.

Governor Sir G. LEMARCHANT, &c., &c., &c.

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Secretary of State to His Excellency the Governor, transmitting an Imperial Act confirming the Acts of the Local Legislature "for regulating the Re-building of the Town of St. John's:

[COPY] }  
No. 112 }

Downing Street, }  
31st May, 1849. }

SIR,—I have to acknowledge the receipt of your Despatch, No. 11, of the 16th of March last, bringing under my notice the conflicting operation of the Acts of the Legislature of Newfoundland for regulating the Re-building the Town of St. John's and the Imperial Act 1 Geo., cap. 51.

I transmit herewith copies of an Act which, in accordance with your suggestion, Her Majesty's Government introduced into Parliament confirming the local Acts to which you refer, and enabling the Legislature of Newfoundland to make other provisions respecting the Re-building of the Town.

I am, &c., (signed)

GREY.

Governor Sir G. LEMARCHANT, &c., &c., &c.

For copy of Act, see Miscellaneous Papers, second Session of the fourth General Assembly.

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Secretary of State, to His Excellency the Governor, transmitting a Return stating the nature and amount of the Bounties granted by the French Government in support of the French Trade in Cod Fish, &c.

[COPY.] }  
No. 113. }

Downing Street, }  
23rd June, 1849. }

SIR,—I have received your Despatch No. 14, of the 10th April, and in compliance with the request of the Legislature of Newfoundland, I transmit to you herewith for their information, the copy of a letter from the Foreign Office forwarding the copy of a Return received from Her Majesty's Ambassador at Paris, stating the nature and amount of the Bounties granted by the French Government in support of the French Trade in cod-fish, and stating further the amount which was paid on account of such Bounties in the years 1844, 1845, and 1846.

I am, &c., (signed)

GREY.

Governor Sir<sup>g</sup>G. LEMARCHANT, &c., &c., &c.

Foreign Office, }  
June 21st, 1849. }

SIR,—With reference to your letter of the 15th ultimo, requesting that Her Majesty's Representatives at Paris and Washington might be instructed to procure and transmit to this country information respecting the Bounties and Drawbacks given by the French and American Governments in support of their Fisheries on the coast of Newfoundland, I am directed by Viscount Palmerston to transmit to you herewith, for the information of Earl Grey, a copy of a Return, which has been received from Her Majesty's Ambassador at Paris, shewing the nature and amount of the Bounties granted by the French Government in support of the French Trade in Cod-fish, and stating the amount which was paid on account of such Bounties in the years 1844, 1845, and 1846.

I am, &c.,

(Signed)

H. H. ADDINGTON.

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**FRENCH BOUNTIES.**

*(Return from the British Ambassador at Paris.)*

For each man fitted out for the fishery on the coast of Newfoundland, at St. Pierre, Miquelon, or the Grand Bank (dried fish)	.....	.....	50	Francs.
For the fishery in the seas surrounding the island (without drying)	.....	.....	50	"
On the Grand Bank (without drying)	.....	.....	30	"
On the Doggers Bank	.....	.....	15	"
Bounties on exportation per 100 kilogrammes (220½ lbs. avoirdupoise) :—				
Dry Codfish, of French catch, exported direct from the coast of Newfoundland, St. Peters, or Miquelon, or warehoused in France and exported to the French colonies	.....	.....	22	"
Dry Cod-fish exported from French Ports, not having been warehoused for exportation to the French Colonies	.....	.....	16	"

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Dry Cod-fish carried direct from the localities of the Fishery to the ports of France, and exported to Foreign Ports, in the Antilles, or of America on the Atlantic Coast where there is a French Consul, or into Spain or Portugal, or into Foreign Ports on the Mediterranean, or into Algeria .....	.....	18	Francs.
Dry Cod-fish carried direct from the localities of the Fishery to the Ports of France, and imported into the Ports of Italy .....	.....	12	"
Dry Cod-fish imported into Spain overland .....	.....	10	"
Cod-liver imported into France, the produce of the Fishery .....	.....	20	"

Total Bounties paid in 1844, 1845, 1846.

Bounties to men.	Bounties on export- ation of fish to all destinations.	Bounties on import- ation of Cod Liver.	Total.
1844—517,370f.	3,559,468f.	2,422f.	4,079,260f.
1845—533,615	4,221,504	10,526	4,765,645
1846—558,110	3,903,910	19,511	4,481,531

(4,489,531 francs—£180,941 16s. 3d. sterling.)

And the following immunities;—

Drawback of all the duties on salt used in the curing of the fish, except 50 centimes (4 $\frac{1}{2}$ d.) per 100 kilog. on foreign salt imported for the coast of Newfoundland, St. Pierre and Miquelon fishery.

Drawback of all duties on all the outfit for the fishery, including vessels employed and all utensils.

Secretary of State to His Excellency the Governor, transmitting a Letter on the subject of the Bounties and Drawbacks allowed by the United States in support of their Fisheries on the coast of Newfoundland.

[Copy ]  
No. 115 }

Downing Street, }  
24th July, 1849. }

SIR,—With reference to my Despatch, No. 113, of the 23rd of June, I transmit herewith the copy of a letter from Her Majesty's *Charge d'Affaires* at Washington, on the subject of the Bounties and Drawbacks allowed by the United States in support of their fisheries on the coast of Newfoundland, accompanied by a Return of such Bounties and Allowances, for the years 1844, '45, '46, '47, '48.

I am, &c., (signed)

GREY.

Governor Sir G. LEMARCHANT, &c., &c., &c.



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[COPY.]

No. 60.

Washington, 25th June, 1849.

MY LORD,—I have the honor to enclose herewith a copy of the reply which has been made by the Treasury Department of the United States to the application which, in obedience to the instructions contained in Your Lordship's Despatch, No. 28, of the 18th ult., I addressed to that Department for a statement shewing, for the information of the Legislature of Newfoundland, what Bounties and Drawbacks are granted by the United States Government in support of their Fisheries on the coast of Newfoundland.

Mr. McClintock Young informs me that no Returns are made which would enable the Department to designate the number of Mexican vessels engaged in the Cod and Mackerel Fisheries *at each particular place* where those Fisheries are carried on; he furnishes me, however, with a statement shewing the total amount of bounties on salt fish exported, and of allowances to vessels engaged in Bank and Cod Fisheries generally, during the years 1844, '45, '46, '47, and 1848, together with a statement of the total amount of American tonnage employed in Cod and Mackerel Fishery during those years, the rates of Bounties or allowances to vessels so employed, and extracts from the Acts of Congress of 24th Feby., 1828, and 20th April 1836, containing regulations regarding the Mackerel Fisheries.

I have, &amp;c., (Signed)

J. T. CRAMPTON.

Treasury Department, Washington, }  
June 14th, 1849. }

SIR,—I have the pleasure of enclosing to you a statement respecting our Cod Fisheries. You will perceive that we have no returns to enable us to designate our Fisheries, as to *where* the vessels were employed.

I have, &amp;c.,

(Signed)

McCLINTOCK YOUNG,

*Chief Clerk.*

John Crampton, Esq., &amp;c., &amp;c., &amp;c.

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A statement exhibiting the amount of Bounties on Salted Fish exported, and of allowances to Vessels employed in the Bank and Cod Fisheries, annually, for the years ending 30th June 1844, 1845, 1846, 1847 and 1848.

**PAYMENTS FOR**

Years ending	Bounties on Pickled Fish ex-ported.	Allowances to Vessels employed in the Bank and Cod Fisheries.
30th June, 1844.	\$6663 60 cents.	\$249,074 25 cents.
“ 1845.	4174 20 “	289,840 7 “
“ 1846.	5540 60 “	274,942 98 “
“ 1847.	6488 20 “	276,429 38 “
“ 1848.	747 80 “	243,432 23 “

Treasury Department, Registrar's Office, June 6, 1849.

Signed,

ALLEN A. HALL,  
*Registrar.*

Tonnage of Vessels enrolled and licensed for the Mackerel and Cod Fisheries from 1844 to 1848, inclusive.

Years ending.	Mackerel Fishery.	Cod Fishery.	Rate of allowance to vessels in the Cod Fishery.
	Tons.	Tons.	
30th June, 1844.	16,171	75,179	If 5 tons, & not above
“ 1845.	21,413	69,826	30 tons—per ton \$3 50cts.
“ 1846.	36,463	72,516	If above 30 tons—per
“ 1847.	31,451	70,178	ton 4 0
“ 1848.	43,539	82,632	If above 30 tons, and having a crew of 10 persons, & employ- ed at sea for 3½ months, at least, but less than 4 months 4 0 Allowance to any ves- sel not to exceed 360 0

Treasury Department, Registrar's Office,  
June 6th, 1849.

(Signed)

ALLEN A. HALL,  
*Registrar.*

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**MACKEREL FISHERY.**


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The Act of 24th Feby., 1828, authorizes the issuing of licenses to vessels for carrying on the Mackerel Fishery, subject to the provisions of the Act of the 18th of Feby., 1793, entitled "An Act for enrolling and licensing ships or vessels employed in the Coasting Trade and Fisheries, and for regulating the same."

The Act of the 20th April, 1836, provides that vessels employed in the Mackerel Fishery shall not be liable to the penalties and forfeitures imposed by the 5th and 32d sections of the Act of 1793, in consequence of any such vessel, whilst licensed as aforesaid, having been engaged in catching Cod, or Fish of any other description whatever: Provided however, that this Act shall not be deemed or considered as authorizing or entitling the Owner or Owners of any vessel licensed for the Mackerel Fishery to receive the Bounty allowed by law to vessels employed in the Cod Fishery.

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Secretary of State to His Excellency the Governor with Order in Council leaving certain Acts to their operation.

[Copy.]

No. 116.

Downing Street, }  
2nd Aug., 1849. }

SIR,—Fifteen Acts, passed by the Legislature of Newfoundland, 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 30th ult., approving that Report.

I am, Sir,  
Your most obedient Servant,  
(Signed)

GREY.

Governor Sir G. LEMARCHANT, &c., &c., &c.

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OSBORNE HOUSE, ISLE OF WIGHT,

30TH DAY OF JULY, 1849.

*Present:—*

THE QUEEN'S MOST EXCELLENT MAJESTY.  
HIS ROYAL HIGHNESS PRINCE ALBERT.

LORD PRESIDENT

SIR J. HOBHOUSE, BT.

LORD PRIVY SEAL

SIR GEORGE GREY, BT.

LORD STEWARD

SIR FRANCIS BARING BT.

LORD JOHN RUSSELL

MR. CHANCELLOR OF THE EXCHEQUER.

VISCOUNT PALMERSTON.

WHEREAS the Governor of Her Majesty's Island of Newfoundland, with the Council and

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Assembly of the said Island, did, in the month of April, 1849, pass fifteen Acts which have been transmitted, entitled as follows, viz. :—

No. 76.—An Act to repeal in part an Act passed in the 8th year of the reign of Her present Majesty, entitled “ An Act to continue and amend an Act passed in the 4th year of the reign of Her present Majesty, entitled ‘ An Act to regulate the packing and inspection of Pickled Fish for exportation from this colony.’ ”

No. 77.—An Act for the further amendment of the Law, and the better advancement of Justice.

No. 78.—An Act for facilitating proceedings in cases of Distress and Replevin.

No. 79.—An Act for the limitation of personal actions at law, and for rendering a written memorandum necessary to the validity of certain promises and engagements.

No. 80.—An Act to amend the Law of Attachment in this colony, and to regulate the fees in certain cases payable thereon.

No. 81.—An Act to dispense with the present mode of registering Crown Grants, and to render valid certain grants heretofore issued.

No. 82.—An Act to prohibit interments within the town of St. John’s.

No. 83.—An Act to enable the Members of the Independent or Congregational Church to revive certain trusts, and for other purposes.

No. 84.—An Act to amend an Act passed in the 9th and 10th years of the reign of Her present Majesty, entitled “ An Act to regulate the re-building of the town of St. John’s, and the drainage and sewerage of the same, and to repeal certain Acts therein mentioned ;” and also an Act passed in the 10th year of the reign of Her Majesty, entitled “ An Act to amend an Act passed in the 9th and 10th years of the reign of Her present Majesty, entitled ‘ an Act to regulate the re-building of the town of St. John’s, and the drainage and sewerage of the same, and to repeal certain Acts therein mentioned.’ ”

No. 85.—An Act to extend the practice of Vaccination to the outports of this colony.

No. 86.—An Act to suspend an Act passed in the 8th year of the reign of Her present Majesty, entitled “ An Act to regulate the making and repairing of roads, streets, and bridges, within this colony,” and to provide for the appropriation of monies granted for such purposes.

No. 87.—An Act for granting to Her Majesty the sum of £5000 for the making and repairing of Main Roads and Bridges in this colony.

No. 90.—An Act to indemnify His Excellency Sir John G. LeMarchant for monies advanced by him from the Colonial Treasury for the service of the colony.

No. 97.—An Act for granting to Her Majesty a sum of money for defraying the expenses of the Civil Government of this colony, for the year ending 31st day of December, 1849.

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No. 92.—An Act to provide for the Contingent Expenses of the Legislature.

And Whereas the said Acts have been referred to the Committee of the Lords of Her Majesty's Most Honorable Privy Council, appointed for the consideration of all matters relating to Trade and Foreign Plantations, and the said Committee have reported as their opinion to Her Majesty that the said Acts should be left to their operation, Her Majesty was thereupon this day pleased, by and with the advice of Her Privy Council, to approve the said Report; whereof the Governor, Lieutenant-Governor, or Commander-in-Chief for the time being, of Her Majesty's Island of Newfoundland, and all other persons whom it may concern, are to take notice and govern themselves accordingly.

(Signed)

W. L. BATHURST.

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Secretary of State to His Excellency the Governor, transmitting an Order in Council approving of the Act to regulate the importation of Books, and to protect the British Author.

[Copy] }  
No. 118 }

Downing Street, }  
10th August, 1849. }

SIR,—Her Majesty having been pleased to approve the Act passed by the Legislature of Newfoundland in the month of April last, entitled No. 74, "An Act to regulate the importation of Books into this colony, and to protect the British Author," I have the honor to transmit to you an Order made by Her Majesty in Council on the 30th ultimo, declaring that so long as the provisions of the said Act shall continue in force, the prohibition contained in the Imperial Acts relating to copyright shall be suspended within the said island.

I am, &c., (signed)

GREY.

Governor Sir G. LEMARCHANT, &c., &c., &c.

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AT THE COURT AT OSBORNE HOUSE, ISLE OF WIGHT.

20TH DAY OF JULY, 1849.

*Present:*

THE QUEEN'S MOST EXCELLENT MAJESTY.	
HIS ROYAL HIGHNESS PRINCE ALBERT.	
LORD PRESIDENT,	SIR J. HOBHOUSE, BT.
LORD PRIVY SEAL,	SIR GEORGE GREY, BT.
LORD STEWARD,	SIR FRANCIS BARING, BT.
LORD JOHN RUSSELL,	MR. CHANCELLOR OF THE EXCHEQUER.
VISCOUNT PALMERSTON.	

WHEREAS by an Act passed in the Session of Parliament, holden in the 5th and 6th years of the reign of Her present Majesty, entitled "An Act to amend the law of Copyright," it

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is, among other things, enacted, that it shall not be lawful for any person not being the Proprietor of the Copyright, or some person authorized by him, to import into any part of the United Kingdom, or into any other part of the British Dominions, for sale or hire, any printed book, first composed or written or printed and published, in any part of the United Kingdom wherein there shall be Copyright, and re-printed in any Country or place out of the British Dominions. And whereas by an Act passed in the Session of Parliament, holden in the 8th and 9th years of the reign of Her present Majesty, entitled "An Act to regulate the Trade of the British Possessions abroad," Books wherein the Copyright is subsisting, first composed or written, or printed in the United Kingdom, and printed or re-printed in any other Country, are absolutely prohibited to be imported into the British Possessions abroad: And whereas by an Act passed in the Session of Parliament holden in the 10th and 11th years of the reign of Her present Majesty, entitled "An Act to amend the law relating to the protection, in the Colonies, of Works entitled to Copyright in the United Kingdom, it is enacted that in case the Legislature, or proper Legislative Authorities in any British Possession, shall be disposed to make due provision for securing or protecting the rights of British Authors in such Possession, and shall pass an Act, or make an Ordinance for that purpose, and shall transmit the same in the proper manner to the Secretary of State, in order that it may be submitted to Her Majesty; and in case Her Majesty shall be of opinion that such Act or Ordinance is sufficient for the purpose of securing to British Authors reasonable protection within such Possession, it shall be lawful for Her Majesty, if She think fit so to do, to express Her Royal Approval of such Act or Ordinance, and thereupon to issue an Order in Council, declaring that so long as the provisions of such Act or Ordinance continue in force within such Colony, the prohibitions contained in the aforesaid Acts, and hereinbefore recited, and any prohibitions contained in the said Acts, or in any other Acts, against the importing, selling, letting out to hire, exposing for sale or hire, or possessing foreign re-prints of books first composed, written, printed or published in the United Kingdom, and entitled to Copyright therein, shall be suspended, so far as regards such Colony: And whereas an Act has been passed by the Governor, Council and Assembly of the Island of Newfoundland, No. 74, entitled "An Act to regulate the importation of Books into this Colony, and to protect the British Author," whereby provision is made for securing to British Authors a certain remuneration in respect of unauthorised copies of Books, under Copyright, imported into the said Island: And whereas Her Majesty hath expressed Her Royal Approval of the same:

Now, therefore, Her Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of Her Privy Council, and by the Authority of the same, doth order, and it is hereby ordered, that so long as the said Act of the Legislature of the said Island shall remain and continue in force within the said Island, all prohibitions in either of the said hereinbefore recited Acts of the Imperial Parliaments, or in any Acts thereof contained, against the importing into the said Island, or against the selling, letting out to hire, or possessing therein foreign re-prints of Books first composed, written, printed or published in the United Kingdom, and entitled to Copyright therein, shall be suspended, so far as regards foreign re-prints imported into the said Island:

And the Right Honorable the Lords Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury, and the Right Honorable Earl Grey, one of Her Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State, are to give the necessary directions herein as to them may respectively appertain.

(Signed)

BATHURST.

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**Despatches from the Secretary of State for the Colonies.**


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Secretary of State to His Excellency the Governor, transmitting Copies of an Act of the Imperial Parliament for regulating the carriage of Passengers in Merchant Vessels.

[COPY.]  
*Circular.*

Downing Street, }  
12th Aug., 1849. }

SIR,—I transmit herewith, for your information and guidance, copies of the Act which has recently received the Royal Assent, for regulating the carriage of Passengers in Merchant Vessels; and I have to direct your attention to the 62nd and 63rd sections of this Act, which imposes upon the Governor of any of Her Majesty's Possessions abroad the duty of proclaiming the scale of Dietary in Passenger Ships leaving their respective Governments, and the length of time which is to be allowed for the voyages which those ships are to undertake.

I am, &c.,

(Signed)

GREY.

Governor Sir G. LEMARCHANT, &c., &c., &c.

(For copy of Act see Miscellaneous Papers of 2nd Session of 4th General Assembly.)

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Secretary of State to His Excellency the Governor, transmitting Copies of an Act of the Imperial Parliament, for enabling Colonial Legislatures to establish Inland Posts.

[COPY.]  
*Circular.*

Downing Street, }  
10th Aug., 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, &c.,

(Signed)

GREY.

Governor Sir G. LEMARCHANT, &c., &c., &c.

(For copy of Act see Miscellaneous papers of 2nd Session of 4th General Assembly.)

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Secretary of State, transmitting to His Excellency the Governor an Act of the Imperial Parliament to amend the Laws now in force for the encouragement of British Shipping and Navigation.

[COPY.]  
*Circular.*

Downing Street, }  
14th Aug., 1849. }

SIR,—I transmit herewith, for your information and guidance, copies of an Act, passed in

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the last Session of the Imperial Parliament, entitled "An Act to amend the Laws now in force for the encouragement of British Shipping and Navigation."

I have much satisfaction in forwarding to you this Act of Parliament, which I trust will prove of great benefit to the British Colonies, by relieving their trade from onerous restrictions, to which it has hitherto been subjected.

I have, &c.,

(Signed.)

GREY.

Governor Sir G. LEMARCHANT, &c., &c., &c.

(For copy of Act see Miscellaneous Papers 2d Session 4th General Assembly.)

Secretary of State, transmitting to the Governor an Order in Council conveying Her Majesty's assent to "An Act to repeal certain Duties of Customs."

[Copy.]  
No. 120.

Downing Street, }  
26th Aug., 1849. }

SIR,—An Act passed by the Legislature of Newfoundland in the month of April last, entitled "An Act to repeal certain duties of Customs," having been submitted to Her Majesty for Her assent, I transmit to you herewith an order of Her Majesty in Council, dated 30th ultimo, assenting to the said Act, and ordering that such assent shall be proclaimed in Her said Island of Newfoundland, as soon as may be.

I am, Sir, &c.,

(Signed)

GREY.

Governor Sir J. G. LEMARCHANT, &c., &c., &c.

AT THE COURT AT OSBORNE HOUSE, ISLE OF WIGHT,  
30TH DAY OF JULY, 1849.

*Present:—*

THE QUEEN'S MOST EXCELLENT MAJESTY.

HIS ROYAL HIGHNESS PRINCE ALBERT.

LORD PRESIDENT

SIR J. HOBHOUSE, BT.

LORD PRIVY SEAL

SIR GEORGE GREY, BT.

LORD STEWARD

SIR FRANCIS BARING BT.

LORD JOHN RUSSELL

MR. CHANCELLOR OF THE EXCHEQUER.

VISCOUNT PALMERSTON.

WHEREAS by an Act passed in the Session of Parliament, holden in the ninth and tenth years of the reign of Her present Majesty, intituled "An Act to enable the Legislatures of certain British Possessions to reduce or repeal certain Duties of Customs," it is enacted that if and whenever the Legislature, or other proper Legislative Authority, or any of the British Possessions in America or the Mauritius make or pass any Act or Ordinance reducing or repealing all or any of the duties of Customs imposed by a certain Act therein referred to, intituled "An Act to regulate the Trade of the British Possessions abroad upon any articles imported into such Possessions;" and if Her Majesty, by and with the advice of Her Privy Council, assent to such Act or Ordinance, such Duties of Customs shall, upon the proclama-



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tion of such assent in the Colony, or at any time thereafter which may be affixed by such Act or Ordinance be so reduced or repealed in such possession as if such reduction or repeal had been effected by an Act of the Imperial Legislature.

And whereas an Act has been passed by the Governor, Council, and Assembly of the Island of Newfoundland, in the month of April, 1849, intituled (No. 71,) "An Act to repeal certain duties of Customs."

And whereas the said Act has been submitted to Her Majesty for her assent: Now, therefore, Her Majesty, by and with the advice of Her Privy Council, doth hereby assent to the said Act, and doth order, and it is hereby ordered, that such assent shall be proclaimed in the said Island as soon as may be.

And the Right Honorable the Lords Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury, and the Right Honorable Earl Grey, one of Her Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State, are to give the necessary directions herein, as to them may respectively appertain.

(Signed)

W. L. BATHURST.

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Secretary of State to His Excellency the Governor on the subject of "An Act for granting to Her Majesty certain duties on Goods, Wares, and Merchandize, &c.," and directing that it be brought under the notice of the Colonial Legislature with a view to the equalization of certain duties on British and Foreign Produce.

[COPY ] }  
No. 123 }

Downing Street, }  
6th September, 1849. }

SIR,—Her Majesty's Government have had under their consideration the Act passed by the Legislature of Newfoundland during their recent Session, intituled (No. 72) "An Act for granting to Her Majesty certain duties on Goods, Wares, and Merchandize imported into this colony and its dependencies."

Although Her Majesty's Government do not consider the rates of duty levied for Revenue purposes, or the general provisions of this Act, to be objectionable, they cannot give their sanction to those parts of the Table of Duties which provide for a differential distinction in favor of certain articles when imported from British Possessions in the West Indies; of which they are the produce, or from the United Kingdom: On this subject I transmit for your information and guidance the accompanying copy of a letter from the Board of Treasury to the Lords of the Committee of Privy Council for Trade, dated 5th October last, explaining the objections entertained to a similar Act which had been passed by the Legislature of New Brunswick. Those objections apply with equal force to the present enactment.

I have not considered it proper to advise the Queen to disallow this Act, because that step would occasion much inconvenience to the colony; but you will take the first opportunity of bringing the subject under the notice of the Colonial Legislature with a view to the equalization of those duties on British and Foreign produce.

I am, &c., (Signed)

GREY.

Governor Sir G. LEMARCHANT, &c., &c., &c.

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(Copy.)

 TREASURY CHAMBERS, }  
 5th October, 1848. }

SIR,—With reference to your letter dated 21st June last, transmitting, for the opinion of this Board, three New Brunswick Acts, Nos. 1807, 1811, and 1813, I am commanded by the Lords Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury to state that my Lords have had the Acts of the Legislature of New Brunswick therein submitted to them under their consideration, and as regards, in the first place, the Act No. 1813, for "imposing duties for raising a Revenue," I am to request that you will observe to the Lords of the Committee of Privy Council for Trade, that my Lords conceive the enhanced rates of duty on foreign goods, for which this Act provides, to be entirely at variance with the intentions of Her Majesty's Government, or of the Imperial Parliament, in authorizing the repeal, by Colonial Legislative authority, of the Duties heretofore payable under the Imperial Act for regulating the Trade of British possessions abroad.

I am also further to state that although my Lords, taking into consideration the great inconvenience and confusion that would unavoidably result from the immediate disallowance of the New Brunswick Act, abstain from recommending such disallowance, especially as the assent of the Lieutenant Governor of the colony would seem to have been accorded under an impression of some ambiguity in the instructions which had been conveyed to the colony on the subject, they deem it necessary to suggest that the Lieutenant Governor should be explicitly apprised that he is not to assent to, or permit to come into operation, any local enactment further continuing the differential duties of the Act in question, or making discrimination in any other respect between duties on the produce and manufactures of the United Kingdom or of other British Possessions abroad, and those on the produce and manufactures of Foreign Countries without the express approval and authority of Her Majesty's Government.

I am further to observe that if the renewal of the repealed Possessions Act Duties were considered advisable by the Government and Legislature of New Brunswick, it appears to my Lords that such renewal would be more properly effected by the repeal of the Colonial Act whereby the operation of that portion of the Imperial Act has been suspended, than by the imposition of new discriminating duties by Colonial Legislation.

I am to request that you will further acquaint the Lords of the Committee of Privy Council for Trade that my Lords do not consider the provision of the 46th section of the Act No. 1807, "to provide for the collection and protection of the Revenue of the Province" which relates to the distribution of seizures, as constituting any objection to the Act; or that there is any other reason for withholding any requisite information either of that Act or of the Act No. 1811 "for the better prevention of illicit Trade."

The original enclosures contained in your letter are herewith returned as requested.

I have, &c., (Signed)

E. E. TREVELYAN.

Governor Sir JOHN GASPARD LEMARCHANT, &c.

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Secretary of State to His Excellency the Governor, transmitting an Order in Council leaving certain Acts to their operation.

[COPY.]

No. 128.

Downing Street,  
10th Oct., 1849. }

SIR,—Five Acts passed by the Legislature of Newfoundland in the months of December, 1848, and April, 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 inst., approving that report.

I am, &c.,

(Signed)

GREY.

Governor Sir G. LeMARCHANT, &c., &c., &c.

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AT THE COURT AT OSBORNE HOUSE, ISLE OF WIGHT.

6TH DAY OF OCT., 1849.

*Present:*

THE QUEEN'S MOST EXCELLENT MAJESTY.	
HIS ROYAL HIGHNESS PRINCE ALBERT.	
LORD PRESIDENT,	VISCOUNT PALMERSTON,
EARL OF CARLISLE,	LORD CAMPBELL,
EARL GREY,	SIR GEORGE GREY, BT.
LORD JOHN RUSSELL.	

Whereas the Governor of Her Majesty's Island of Newfoundland, with the Council and Assembly of the said Island, did, in the month of December, 1848, and April, 1849, pass five Acts, which have been transmitted, entitled as follows, viz:—

No. 70.—An Act to continue an Act passed in the ninth year of the reign of *Her present* Majesty, entitled “An Act for granting to Her Majesty certain duties on Goods, Wares, and Merchandize, imported into this Colony and its Dependencies.”

No. 73.—An Act to provide for the Regulation, Management, and Collection of all Duties granted to Her Majesty, Her Heirs or Successors, on Goods, Wares, and Merchandize imported into this Island and its Dependencies.

No. 75.—An Act to continue and amend An Act passed in the third year of the reign of Her present Majesty, entitled “An Act to amend several Acts now in force respecting Light Houses, and to make further provision for the said Light Houses, and to consolidate the Laws respecting the same.”

No. 88.—An Act to authorize the raising by loan a further sum of money for the erection of a Colonial Building and Public Market House in the town of St. John's.

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No. 89.—An Act to raise by loan a sum of money for the general purposes of the Colony.

And whereas the said Acts have been referred to the Committee of the Lords of Her Majesty's Most Honorable Privy Council, appointed for the consideration of all matters relating to Trade and Foreign Plantations, and the said Committee have reported as their opinion to Her Majesty that the said Acts should be left to their operation, Her Majesty was thereupon this day pleased, by and with the advice of Her Privy Council, to approve the said Report: Whereof the Governor, Lieutenant Governor, or Commander-in-Chief for the time being, of Her Majesty's Island of Newfoundland, and all other persons whom it may concern, are to take notice and govern themselves accordingly.

(Signed)

W. L. BATHURST.

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Secretary of State to His Excellency the Governor, transmitting a correspondence relative to a revised Table of Fees for the Vice Admiralty Court.

[COPY]  
No. 107.

Downing Street, }  
11th May, 1849. }

SIR,—I transmit for your information and guidance copies of a 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.

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 2nd 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 Newfoundland may deem expedient for making the same scale of fees applicable to the Courts of the Province under your Government.

I have, &c.,

(Signed.)

GREY.

Governor Sir G. LEMARCHANT, &c., &c., &c.

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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 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 Earl Grey, you will observe to His Lordship that as the arrangement for remunerating the Judge, and partly remunerating the Registrar and

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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 2 and 3 W. 4, 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 North 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 am, &c., (Signed)

C. E. TREVELYAN.

B. HAWES, ESQ., &c., &c.,

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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 2nd of W. 4, 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 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 a Committee of the Honorable the Executive in Council of Lower Canada; and we are of opinion that, as it has been customary for the Judge of the Vice Admiralty Court to receive a salary for the performance of his Official duties, and 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 £200 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

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and partly by a reduced or moderate scale of Fees ; and we think that the salary of the Registrar should be £100 per annum, and that of the Marshal should be £50 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 Merchants Seamen's Act, the 7th and 8th Vic., 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 Seamen'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 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, by 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 W. 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 of 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 formed, 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                    £200   0   0

**BY THE SURROGATE.**

Fees in the progress of a suit or cause, sterling money.

For administering an Oath, or to a witness, or party in a cause, taking Bail, whether by one or more persons, decreeing Monitions, 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 engrossing Warrant to arrest Ship, Goods, or person,				
Copy and filing affidavits	.....	.....	.....	£0 4 6
Bail Bond	.....	.....	.....	0 4 6
Monition, Commission, or Decree, whether of unlivery, appraisement, or sale or other wise	.....	.....	.....	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 in 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 1 0

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 interests of a party proceeding in poenam, being signed by the Judge, including the drawing the Act	.....	.....	.....	0 6 0
On filing Affidavit or Protest of a Master or Mariner, 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 and 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 Interpreter, (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.

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*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, Examinations, 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	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, advances, &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 poenam .....	0	4	6
On every Interlocutor, 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's day, in addition to the sum paid for the advertisement .....	0	4	6
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*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 stg. ....	0	0	2

*8.—Taxing Costs.*

For taxing a Bill for costs, if under six folios, from the party at whose instance the taxing takes place .....	0	4	6
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*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, (each) .....	2	2	0

**BY THE MARSHAL.**

For arresting a Vessel, Goods, or Person .....	0	18	0
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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 .....	3	0	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 poenam .....	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 stg. ....	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 stg. ....	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 the distance exceed four, and be under six miles .....	1	1	0
If the distance be still greater, the allowance to be increased by an addition of two shillings and threepence for each additional league, and his reasonable disbursements.			

**BY THE ADVOCATES.**

As the professions 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.**

Retaining Fee, Instructions to prosecute or defend .....	0	10	6
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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 on Petition, Responsive Plea (or Replication) to Libel, 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 Witnesses.

For consultation with the party for the purpose of taking instruction for the Libel, Information, Plea, act on Petition, or for any other important purpose during the dependance of a suit .....	0 6 0
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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; 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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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 collecting and extracting the same.

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
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For every additional 12 folios .....	0 1 6
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For attending Informations on the final hearing of a Cause, when it occupies only a short time .....	0 10 0
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If a few hours .....	0 16 8
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If a whole day .....	1 6 8
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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 *via voce*, the Fees to be taken by the several Officers of

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the Court shall become half of the foregoing fees, and no more, save and except as to the Fee for the Warrant of Arrest, and Bail Bond, which shall remain as above.

So also as to cases under £20, stg., 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 jury 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 11th 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 the amount of all their just debts.

(Signed)

J. DOBSON,  
J. FILLAMORE,  
W. ROTHERY,  
H. B. SWABEY.

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, Esq.

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.

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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, &c.,

(Signed)

H. MERIVALE.

Captain W. B. Hamilton, R. N.

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,)

H. Merivale, Esq.

W. A. B. HAMILTON.

Despatch from Lord Grey in reply to Address of the House of Assembly, in 1849, on making Carbonear and Burin Free Ports.

[Copy.]  
No. 143.

Downing Street, }  
18th Feb. 1850. }

SIR,—I have received, and laid before the Queen, your Despatches, Nos. 17 and 24, of the 11th of last April and 29th last May, transmitting Addresses from the House of Assembly of Newfoundland, praying Her Majesty to constitute Burin and Carbonear Free and Free Warehousing Ports.

You will inform the House of Assembly that Her Majesty has been pleased to receive the Addresses very graciously, and to command me to instruct you to refer the House to the statute passed in the last Session of the Imperial Parliament for the Repeal of the Navigation Laws, by the effect of which, repealing as it does, among other Acts, portions of the 8th and 9th Victoria, cap. 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 have, &c.,

(Signed.)

GREY.

Governor Sir G. LEMARCHANT, &c., &c., &c.

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**Despatch from the Governor of Canada.**


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Governor of Canada to His Excellency Sir J. G. LeMarchant, transmitting Copy of an Act of the Legislature of Canada "to amend the Law relative to the Duties of Customs."

[Copy]

Circular.

Government House,  
Montreal, 10th May, 1850. }

SIR,—I have the honor to transmit herewith, for Your Excellency's information, a Copy of an Act passed on the 25th ultimo, by the Legislature of Canada entitled "An Act to amend the Law relative to the Duties of Customs," which contains provision for the free importation of certain articles of the growth, produce, or manufacture of any of the other Provinces of British North America into which similar articles from Canada are admitted duty free.

I have, &c.,

(Signed)

ELGIN AND KILCARDINE.

His Excellency the Governor of Newfoundland.

(For copy of Act, see Miscellaneous Papers of the second Session of the fourth General Assembly.)

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**REPORT OF THE DIRECTORS OF THE ST. JOHN'S ACADEMY.**

ST. JOHN'S, JANUARY 9, 1850.

SIR.—It cannot, I think, be denied, that the St. John's Academy has hitherto disappointed the wishes of its projectors. The cost of supporting it has been great—the good it has produced inconsiderable—and the inhabitants of St. John's have evidently no confidence in the system of education there pursued. Were the want of confidence unreasonable; could the failure of the Institution be attributed to the prejudices or party feeling of those for whose benefit it was intended; it would undoubtedly be our duty to follow out the present system, regardless of any outcry which might be raised against it. But this is not the case with the Academy. For my own part, so far from being surprised at its failure, I am inclined to think that public support ought not to be given to any School conducted on similar principles; and some of the Directors are apparently of the same opinion, if any inference may be drawn from the fact of their sending their children to other schools. Under these circumstances, it seems right to endeavour to point out the faults of the present system, and to show what reforms in it are practicable; and I consider myself especially called on to perform this duty. By my position, as Senior Master of the Academy, and my daily experience of the working of the present system, I am enabled, perhaps, better than any one else, to judge of its merits and imperfections. I may add, that I have for some time given the subject serious consideration, and that I am well acquainted with the system pursued in many of the best Schools in England. I have accordingly determined to address you, as Chairman of the Board of Directors, in the earnest hope that, should my suggestions be thought worthy of attention, the matter may be taken up by those members of the Board who have seats in the House of Assembly, and a well-digested plan of Reform laid by them before the Legislature in the ensuing Session.

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To guard against misconstruction I wish it to be distinctly understood that I am about to argue the question on general principles, keeping entirely out of sight the conduct and capabilities of the present Directors, as well as of the present Masters, all which are mere accidents. This, I trust, will be borne in mind by all to whom this letter may be shewn; and, as I certainly do not intend to wound the feelings of any by the following observations, so no one will, I hope, be offended:—

The most obvious, though certainly not the only objection to the Academy, is the absence of all religious instruction. On the evils resulting from this, it seems scarcely necessary to enlarge; but I cannot help observing that education ought to consist in something more than giving lessons in certain sciences and languages; it is at least equally important to form in children good habits, and to teach them to act on right principles. And this is what I understand by a religious education—not mere instruction in the abstract doctrines of Christianity, but the application of those doctrines to the actions and business of every-day life. Now, as the Academy is at present constituted, the introduction of any such system is impossible: discipline in a school of this kind can only be maintained by severity, and the fear of punishment, or hope of reward, must supply the place of all higher motives—an appeal to a boy's religious principles from a person whose opinions he is taught to regard as erroneous could be attended with little or no effect.

It has been suggested that each of the present Masters should instruct a class in Theology—one taking the Protestants, the other the Roman Catholics—the school in other respects going on as it does now. Were there no other objection to this scheme, it would not solve the real difficulty. Religion would still not be treated as the rule of life, but be taught and regarded simply as a separate branch of study.

The only remedy I have to propose is—entire separation; and as it may be effected without any additional cost to the colony, nothing can be lost by making the experiment. My plan is to have three schools—one for Roman Catholics, another for members of the church of England, the third for Protestants of other denominations. Three schools are, I think, necessary—a division into Protestants and Roman Catholics would be scarcely more satisfactory than the present arrangement. I could not conscientiously teach any other doctrines than those of the Church to which I belong, and this, I am aware, would be far from being universally acceptable. But I believe that Presbyterians, Wesleyans, and Congregationalists do not differ materially in points of doctrine; at any rate, their numbers as yet do not warrant any further sub-division, as their school must in a great measure be self-supporting. I do not, however, propose to leave it entirely without endowment. I would willingly give up one-third of what I now receive from the colony as a salary for the Master, and perhaps there may be other funds available for the same purpose; but if a salary of only £100 were guaranteed, and the prospect held out of increasing this by pupils' fees, there would, I am sure, be no difficulty in finding a competent person willing to accept the appointment.

The sum granted by the Legislature for the erection of an Academy might be divided into three equal portions. Whether it would be sufficient for building three schools, I am not prepared to say. The expenses of the Academy, be it remembered, are borne by the whole colony; and for the inhabitants of the Outports to derive any benefit from such an Institution, the Masters should have every facility for taking boarders.

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It must not be supposed that I consider myself now by any means overpaid ; but I feel confident that if the scheme I have proposed were adopted, the sum which I offer to give up would be supplied, and more than supplied, by the Fees I should receive from my pupils. But then I must have the entire management of the school in my own hands ; on no other condition would I consent to a reduction of salary. What good could ever have been expected from the appointment of Directors, I cannot imagine. Every one is proverbially more conversant with the duties of his own calling than any one else can be ; and it is certainly not disparaging the abilities of the gentlemen of St. John's, to say that no nine persons selected from among them can be so competent to direct the affairs of a School as a properly qualified Schoolmaster. But, were this otherwise, what reason can there be for supposing that persons who have little or no direct interest in the affairs of an Institution, should manage it better than one whose present means of livelihood, and future prospects, depend altogether on its failure or success.

Directors are, in my opinion, powerless for good, though they may cause an incalculable deal of mischief. They may misunderstand a Master's plans, and (perhaps unintentionally) thwart his endeavours to advance the interests of the School, than which nothing can be more disheartening ; or they may, by injudicious and ill-timed interference, cause him to become dissatisfied with his situation, and careless in the discharge of its duties—they may, in short, make a good Master useless ; but no efforts of theirs can render a bad one serviceable. Even supposing they were armed with the fullest powers, and could, at their pleasure, dismiss a Master or reduce his salary, still, all they could then exact would be a perfunctory compliance with their wishes, necessarily unproductive of any good effect whatever.

When a Master is not permitted to make rules for the School in which he teaches, he occupies an equivocal position—for a distrust is implied either in his honesty or capacity. In the nature of things, persons so situated will be extremely tenacious of their rights and privileges, and regard with suspicion anything like a further encroachment on them. Now, every act of the Directors, however delicate and cautious be their mode of proceeding, must unavoidably wear this appearance in the eyes of the Masters ; and no system can be more calculated to destroy unanimity and confidence between the two parties, and consequently to impede the progress of the School. If a Master is expected to work well, he must be uncontrolled—he must neither be thwarted in his own plans, nor required to comply with rules for which he is not responsible—he cannot be expected to enter heartily into the theories of others, especially when they do not coincide with his own notions, or to carry them out with the same zeal and vigour as he would his own.

In reply to this it may perhaps be urged that many schools under the control of Directors are in a flourishing condition—none such have come under my own observation ; but if there are any, I think it will be found that the Directors are content with a nominal power, leaving the actual management of the School to the masters.—But, at any rate, is it desirable to continue a system liable to the dangers I have pointed out ?

All practical men will, I am sure, concur in the opinions I have advanced. In support of them I can quote the words of the late Dr. Arnold, of Rugby, and of Adam Smith. The former thus writes to the present Sir J. Stephen (then under Secretary of State) about the establishment of a College in Van Dieman's Land :—"I am only anxious to understand clearly, whether he (the Principal) is to be under the control of any local board, whether lay or cle-

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tical ; because, if he were, I could not conscientiously recommend him to undertake an office which I am sure he would shortly find himself obliged to abandon. Uniform experience shows, I think, so clearly the mischief of subjecting Schools to the ignorance and party-feelings of persons wholly unacquainted with the theory and practice of education, that I feel it absolutely necessary to understand the intentions of Government on this question."—The following extract is from the "Wealth of Nations":—"An extraneous jurisdiction of this kind is liable to be exercised both ignorantly and capriciously. In its nature it is arbitrary and discretionary ; and the persons who exercise it neither attending upon the lectures of the Teacher themselves, nor perhaps understanding the sciences which it is his business to teach, are seldom capable of exercising it with judgment. From the insolence of office too, they are frequently indifferent how they exercise it, and are very apt to censure or deprive him of his office wantonly, and without any just cause. The person subject to such jurisdiction is necessarily degraded by it, and instead of being one of the most respectable, is rendered one of the meanest and most contemptible persons in the society."

The power at present vested in the Directors of the Academy—of fixing the rate of Fees to be paid by the Students, and of spending the money so raised, as they may think fit, ought undoubtedly to be in the hands of the Masters. And there need be no fear that this power will be abused, for it will be the direct interest of each Master to make his own School popular, and to attract thither as large a number of Scholars as possible. Accordingly, any outlay which may seem conducive to this end will be readily incurred, while, at the same time, no more will be spent than may be absolutely necessary. In short, they may as safely be trusted with the management of all money-matters, as a merchant may with that of his own capital. This, however, does not apply to Directors. They suffer neither inconvenience nor loss from their neglect or mismanagement, nor can they derive any profit from the most judicious exercise of their authority. They cannot know from personal observation and experience what, from time to time, may be required for the School, nor will they trouble themselves to see that this is either expeditiously or economically supplied. At present any addition to the Masters' salaries depends on the caprice of the Directors ; were my plan adopted, they would have the satisfaction of knowing that their income would increase with their labour ; and what an incentive must this be to exertion ! On this point I will quote another passage from the "Wealth of Nations." The author is speaking of Colleges, where "the Teacher is prohibited from receiving any Honorary or Fee from his Pupils ; and his salary constitutes the whole of the Revenue which he derives from his office. His interest" he says "is, in this case, set as directly in opposition to his duty as it is possible to set it. It is the interest of every man to live as much at his ease as he can ; and if his emoluments are to be precisely the same, whether he does or does not perform some very laborious duty, it is certainly his interest, at least as interest is vulgarly understood, either to neglect it altogether, or, if he is subject to some authority which will not suffer him to do this, to perform it in as careless and slovenly a manner as that authority will permit. If he is naturally active, and a lover of labour, it is his interest to employ that activity in any way from which he can derive some advantage, rather than in the performance of his duty, from which he can derive none."

Should a Master be found to be utterly incompetent, or be proved guilty of gross negligence, tyranny and the like, in such a case (to use the words of Dr. Arnold) "the remedy is not interference, but dismissal." Perhaps it would be advisable that the Governor, or (in the Church of England and Roman Catholic Schools) the Bishop should have authority to investigate charges of this nature, and to dismiss the Master if they were proved against him. But such powers could not, I think, be safely committed to any one else ; persons living in



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daily and familiar intercourse with the other inhabitants of the place might so frequently be required to decide cases in which they themselves, or their friends, were personally interested.

In process of time, if the system were once firmly established, the pupils of the several schools might periodically be examined together, and prizes or exhibitions awarded to the most distinguished. A wholesome spirit of emulation might in this way be excited both in masters and scholars.

I now leave the whole question in the hands of the Directors, feeling sure that they will give it that consideration which its importance demands. That the alterations I propose will be beneficial to all concerned, I have not the slightest doubt. Should, however, my expectations be disappointed, (and the success of any system of education depends less on its own intrinsic merits than on public opinion, guided too often by fashion and prejudice), in that case, I shall be the only sufferer. The Directors, at any rate, cannot lose by the experiment—they will, I am sure, most gladly relinquish duties at once onerous and unsatisfactory.

I have, &c.,

(Signed)

C. D. NEWMAN, B.A.,

*Senior Master of the St. John's Academy.*

THOMAS BENNETT, Esq.,

*Chairman of the Board of Directors of the St. John's Academy.*

(Copy.)

Eton Buildings,  
25th January, 1850. }

SIR,—As it was only yesterday I, for the first time, heard the Board were preparing their Annual Report of the Academy, and as it was only to-day I was called upon by the Secretary to send them a Report, and urged, if I did so, to send it in *early* on to-morrow; I fear I shall not be able to do justice to the subjects that press upon my consideration; still do I deem it my duty to lay before the Board my humble opinions upon some of the matters, trusting they may attract some little attention.

Mr. Newman on yesterday was kind enough to let me have a copy of the Report he had sent in some time previous to the last meeting of the Board, and as it is not unlikely the Board would be solicitous to learn how far I coincided in or dissented from the opinions expressed therein, perhaps it would be as well that I in a great measure confine myself to that document; and therefore, with one or two preliminary observations, I shall adopt that course.

In order to be in a position to judge correctly how far the St. John's Academy has succeeded, if it have succeeded, or how far it has failed, if it have failed, to produce the effect intended by the country, in the Legislature, upon its endowment, we must look to its brief history and to the peculiar circumstances that awakened the wish originally to obtain it, and that en-

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dowed its advocates with the energy and perseverance that carried them through a struggle of years until, in 1844, their labours and their zeal were rewarded with success.

The members of the Board are aware that, in the older countries, the children of the middle classes of society, owing to the facilities afforded to persons of moderate means to obtain a good education, have constantly distinguished themselves in every path of literature; have guided the Press with towering talent; have graced the Bar, the Bench, the Pulpit, and the Cabinet; have raised themselves, unaided but by their own might of mind, to fill the highest positions in the Empire; while in Newfoundland such education, to persons in that class, was wholly unattainable, and therefore there grew up amongst them a spirit of apathetic disregard of its advantages. The highest step they could covet for their children was the attainment of a subordinate office in a counting-house, or the command of a trading vessel, and to reach to these distinctions no "education" was necessary; a moderate amount of Arithmetical knowledge, or three months' study of Navigation sufficed, and all parties appeared satisfied.

Thus were the wants of the people in that respect very limited, and such as they were, the fewness of Pension Educational Institutions rendered it often necessary that persons of considerable means should consent to have their children taught at the several charity schools of the town, and that necessarily saved them from feeling anything approaching to degradation in owing their childrens' education to eleemosynary institutions. The practice was begun and continued long through necessity, it assumed the character of a habit, and even at this moment is resorted to without hesitation.

It was to correct this state of things that the second Assembly sought to establish an Academy; they were solicitous to restore a proper tone to the thoughts, the hopes, and wishes of the parents in middle life respecting their offspring. They were desirous, by opening up to them the opportunity of attaining it, to awaken within them the desire for the expansion of the minds of their little ones; and with this high motive they struggled through the whole period of their existence, having passed Bills for the establishment of such an institution in every one of six Sessions, which, however, never became law.

In the Amalgamated Legislature this same spirit was breathed; and accordingly one Bill having been lost in the first Session, the present Act was passed in the second, and the St. John's Academy was instituted. Let us not then be deceived—let us look at the question as we really ought, and enquire "Has that Academy succeeded or not?" And in order to qualify ourselves for a reply, we are not to ask whether the number of pupils bear a reasonable proportion to the expenditure; but whether it has had the effect of attracting the children of those for whom it was principally intended, and whether it is calculated still to win them? And if we find that the children who have most distinguished themselves in the Academy are the offspring of mechanics or others of the respectable members of middle life, they can hardly say it is not fairly fulfilling its end; although fully to realize that grand object must necessarily take considerable time. The Academy then is doing this—it is doing it certainly, and doing it, although impeded by the addition of a thousand difficulties and discouragements that I need not here advert to.

It will be seen by these observations that I do not think the Academy has failed, but that I really feel that, with a reasonable degree of encouragement, it is calculated and likely to pro-

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gress most favorably. True, there are many who may object that religious instruction is not imparted in the School; but from the outset, I have urged that the Masters should be empowered to devote a certain period of each day to the religious instruction of the Scholars—the Protestant Master to the Protestants, and the Catholic Master to the Catholics.

Mr. Newman, in his report, imagines, however, that this would not answer the purpose intended, and suggests, as the only remedy, the separation of the children in three Schools—Catholic, Protestant, and Presbyterian—while I am still inclined to think that it would silence every objection. As to the proposition of three Academies, I deem it greatly objectionable, economically, politically, and philanthropically.

It is economically objectionable, because you can hardly hope to have three such endowments made without incurring an expense very far beyond that of the existing Institution. Politically it is objectionable, because none who have the true welfare of the whole community at heart will think calmly of forbidding little children to mingle because they happen to entertain different religious opinions. If the children be then separated in their boyhood, can they be expected to be united in manhood? I might quote the opinions of the greatest statesmen that such separations were impolitic—of distinguished literary men that they were improper—of Divines, that they were wrong.

In 1839, Lord Durham, then Governor-General of Canada, spoke of the danger to be apprehended from separating children into Class Schools. His Lordship said “No common education has served to remove the difference of origin and language—the associations of youth, the sports of childhood, and the studies by which the character of manhood is modified, are distinct and totally different. In Montreal and Quebec there are English Schools and French Schools—nation against nation; and the quarrels which arise amongst boys in the streets usually exhibit a division into English on one side, and French on the other.” Divide them on account of religion and the effect is the same, save that there is far more of rancor engendered. Ten years have elapsed since Lord Durham penned these sentiments, and we find the boys who were then separated into French and English in the Schools, marshalled against each other to-day in stern hostility as men.

In Holland, education is most carefully fostered by the State, but in the Schools there is no question as to the religious principles of the children. Holland is a Protestant country, but its government is most tolerant. In the exquisite work of M. Victor Consin, on the state of Primary Education in that Country, he gives a conversation he had on the subject with M. Vander Ende, wherein that distinguished Scholar, General Inspector of Primary Instruction, observed of these Schools—“Yes, they ought to be, in an extended sense, Christian, but neither Protestant or Catholic; they ought to belong to no particular sect, nor to teach any creed, in order that even the Jews, without prejudice to their faith, may attend them.”

No man of the present day has devoted himself so untiringly to the study of Education as Mr. Wyse; his opinion, therefore, on this subject cannot be unimportant. “To class our native Schools,” says he, “under the partial designations of Protestant and Catholic, is a contradiction. By becoming sectarian they cease to be national. We tell the child that it is in his nature and in his duty to live apart and hostile; we grow Protestants and we grow Catholics for future conflicts; and lest, if we confided to their own untutored feelings, they should seek in religion only that in which all agree, we take care to point their attention to that in which each differs.”

I have thus given the opinion of an illustrious statesman, and of a Roman Catholic gentleman of the highest literary character, upon the subject of these unhappy School divisions. I now turn to Protestant English authority of the highest character, as I have already adduced evidence of the opinions of the Protestant State of Holland. “The Central Society of Edu-

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cation" embraced names the most distinguished for learning and religion ; among the Committee of Management we find the names of Beckford, Edward Lytton Bulwer, Sir M. L. Chapman, Coates, A. De Morgan, Howard Elphinstone, W. Ewart, Captain Ferguson, Lord King, Sir Wm. Molesworth, Right Hon. A Murray (Lord Advocate), Sergeant Talfourd, &c. Amongst the members, Denis LeMarchant, Esq., Lord Ebrington, M. D. Hill, Miss Martineau, Lord John Russell, Sir Hussey Vivian, Lord Mount Eagle. Let us see their opinion, as appears from their work published in 1838 :—

"A few words," says this work, "upon the principle of separate or sectarian Schools. It is a principle discouraged by the Governments of France and Germany, and to which *every good man should be disposed* ; so long as children are not allowed to play together because the opinions of the parents differ, the religion of peace and good will among men will never have a practical meaning. However numerous a sect might be, we would not promote the formation of an exclusive School ; an Educational Board should be extremely solicitous to bring the children of different sects together, that they may no longer grow up regarding the conscientious of other sects as moral monsters to be shunned and abhorred."

I need only add to these strong evidences that of a distinguished Divine, published in this country in 1834, in commenting upon the strong opinions adverse to this principle expressed by the late Chief Justice of Newfoundland, Mr. Boulton, at the St. John's Charity School. The Right Rev. Dr. Fleming strongly upheld the views that were dictated by the highest sense of religion and philanthropy.

Need I say more ? I fear I have already trespassed too much upon the patience of the Board, but cannot conclude without imploring them to pause before they sever the Christian bond that is being bound around the hearts of all in the Academy. I have already, in my anxiety to anticipate every objection, suggested that the Masters should teach religion ; but, should they think that would not be desirable, then let them not incur the expense of two additional Academies, but let them endow the present one with three Chaplaincies—one Catholic, one Protestant, and one Presbyterian or Methodist—and let the duty of these Chaplains be to impart religious instruction ; and surely, then, every objection on the score of religion that could be sought to be met by the separation would be completely obviated. I pray that I be pardoned for speaking thus strongly ; I do so because my every feeling for the public welfare is interested—I do so because I feel convinced of the correctness of my opinions—because I have derived these opinions from the practical experience in the education of youth of upwards of a quarter of a century, and they have been strengthened by the experience and the wisdom of the wisest and most experienced and most virtuous men of our day.

Believe me, the St. John's Academy needs not the touch of this dangerous experiment. Let it have a fixed settlement somewhere and immediately—let it not be flung into an abode calculated to render it a bye-word ; a mockery—let not the feelings of the children, of the Masters, be subjected every hour of the day to outrage—let the Teachers reside upon the premises—let the entire control and management of the Institution be flung upon them, who are responsible to the Government, to the public, to their families, for its well-being—and be assured the Academy will not fail to fulfil the warmest wishes of its projectors.

I have, &c.,

(Signed)

J. V. NUGENT.

THOMAS BENNETT, Esq., &c., &c., &c.

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*To His Excellency Sir JOHN GASPARD LEMARCHANT,  
Governor, &c., &c., &c.*

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY,—

The Directors of the St. John's Academy, in presenting their Annual Report upon the affairs of that Institution, have much regret in stating that the anticipations of a rapid improvement in its state and condition, in which at the time of their last Report they indulged, have not been realized, and that experience has not justified the opinions they then entertained of the causes of its apparent failure. In accordance with the views they then expressed, the Directors, at the commencement of the past year, removed the Academy from Castle Rennie to a more central situation within the town—the Fees annually payable by the Pupils having been reduced a short time previously from Eight to Five Pounds—but no corresponding increase has as yet taken place in the number of the Scholars ; and a prospective change in the management of the Academy by the substitution of surplus fees for the allowance heretofore made to the Masters for house-rent, a change made as well from a regard to the straightened income of the Board as from a desire to give the Masters a deeper interest in the prosperity of the Institution, and of which change they were in due course notified, has also failed, at least hitherto, in producing any favorable result.

Under these circumstances the Directors have been obliged to seek for other causes besides those already suggested, to which to attribute the want of success which has attended the working of this establishment; and they now with some diffidence submit the following observations as containing the conclusions at which they have arrived upon the subject.

The Directors have no reason whatever to doubt the competency of either Master for the situation assigned to him; a satisfactory examination of the pupils which took place at the last Midsummer vacation sufficiently satisfied them upon this point ; but the Directors conceive that there is something very anomalous in the relative positions of the Board and the Teachers, in the circumstance of the latter being appointed by, and being therefore virtually responsible to, the Government only—while the former have merely the direction of the Masters, without the power of punishing a breach of any regulation which may have been found necessary for their guidance. In such a case any interference on the part of the Board may be rendered wholly nugatory by the independence of the Masters, and a divided responsibility may thus be occasioned which, by enabling the one to shift the odium of any failure in the working of the Institution to the shoulders of the other, cannot fail to be productive of the worst consequences.

By the accompanying letters from the Masters (communications in which there is much that is well deserving of serious consideration, and which display in the writers a very praiseworthy interest in the charge committed to them,) it will be seen that upon this point these gentlemen hold opinions very different from those entertained by the Board ; but notwithstanding the high authority which may be adduced in favour of an alteration there suggested, of leaving the whole responsibility and the whole power in the hands of the Masters, and of abolishing the Board of Directors altogether, the Directors cannot bring themselves to the belief that in the present case such a course would be either wise or satisfactory, inasmuch as the objection to the Board of Directors, on the ground of any injury they might do by any improper interference with the functions of the Masters, is an objection in the abstract only, and one which practically can hitherto have had little or no effect in the working of the St. John's Academy ; and the example of other flourishing Educational Institutions in the Colony under similar management has amply shewn that the principle in itself, so reasonable and popular, of

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giving to the public, who find funds for such an establishment, the guarantee of a Board of Directors for their just appropriation, is not in itself one which necessarily indicates the failure of the scheme to which it is applied.

Instead, therefore, of doing away with the Board of Directors, as suggested in Mr. NEWMAN's letter, the Board are clearly of opinion that their powers should be increased, by vesting in them the appointment of the Masters, and thus giving them that effectual control over the affairs of the Academy without which any proceedings of theirs can practically bear no stronger character than that of recommendation or advice. The Directors, however, would not be understood as ascribing to this defect alone the ill-success of their labours; another, and a much more serious cause is, in their opinion, to be found in the entire absence, in the course of instruction, of all religious teaching. The Directors are firmly of opinion that for an Institution such as this, designed not so much for communicating to adults knowledge purely scientific and classical, as for the instruction in the ordinary branches of a good general education, the confidence of the public will never be attained until a proportionate degree of attention is paid by the Masters to the religious training of those intrusted to their charge, and, as in the present constitution of the Academy, this end cannot be attained, the Board do not hesitate to recommend an alteration in this respect by means of a slight amendment in the Act of Incorporation.

Concurring in a very great degree in the opinions expressed by the First Master upon this point, the Directors believe that a distribution of the present salaries, with the amount annually voted for the support of a Presbyterian School, amongst three, or if necessary, a greater number of Masters, each of whom might, in the same building though in a different apartment from his fellow-teachers, instruct those of his own faith in both religious and secular learning, would restore the Academy to that place in the opinion of the public which at present it does not possess; while the introduction of a new principle into its system of instruction and the proper emulation which might naturally be expected between the different branches of an Institution so constituted, would be sufficient guarantees for its progressive and permanent advantage, and for the steady improvement of its pupils.

In the belief that these suggestions, if carried into effect, will produce that favourable change in the condition of the Academy which is so much to be desired, and without which it ought not longer to be continued a burden upon the funds of the Colony, the Directors respectfully submit them to the consideration of Your Excellency. The Reports of the Masters, and the Treasurer's Account for the year 1849, are herewith transmitted.

THOMAS BENNETT,  
*Chairman.*

HARCOURT MOONEY, B.A.,  
*Secretary.*

St. John's, 31st January, 1850.

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DR.		THE ST. JOHN'S ACADEMY IN ACCOUNT WITH THE DIRECTORS.		CR.	
1849.			1849.		
Stationery account, 1848.....	£ 0	9	By Balance.....	£3	10
Cash paid Edward Carew for work.....	1	17	By Cash received from the Colonial Treasurer		5
J. V. Nugent, his account for Lighting,			£146 sterling.....	168	19
Cleansing, and attendance at Castle Rennie	15	0	Amount of Fees received from Pupils.....	80	16
J. V. Nugent, half year's rent.....	14	0			2
Whelan, work at Castle Rennie.....	2	2			
Robert Prowse, rent of Castle Rennie.....	65	8			
John Sanders, his account.....	12	0			
Coal account.....	12	7			
Books for Prizes at Examination.....	3	5			
J. C. Toussaint, for rent.....	33	5			
H. Winton, advertising.....	1	0			
One year's salary to Secretary.....	30	0			
Balance to ditto from last year.....	1	19			
Stationery.....	1	0			
Messenger.....	2	0			
Law Expenses.....	2	10			
Westcott, mending Clock.....	0	2			
Cash paid for firewood.....	0	11			
Cash paid T. B. Job.....	0	9			
Cash paid Mr. Newman as part of rent.....	5	19			
Balance in Treasurer's hands.....	48	8			
	£253	6		£253	6
		2			2

(Signed)  
 THOMAS BENNETT, *Chairman.*  
 HARCOURT MOONEY, *Secretary,*

Audited and approved.  
 (Signed) A. SHEA, } *Auditors.*  
 JOHN STUART, }

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## REPORT OF THE COMMISSIONERS OF LIGHT HOUSES.

The Commissioners of Light-Houses, in submitting their Annual Report, have to observe on the progress that, in the course of the past year, has been made in the erection of the Light House at Cape Pine, which has been undertaken by the British Government, and which, the Commissioners have reason to believe, will be completed and in operation in the course of the ensuing year.

But in adverting to this subject, the Board cannot but express their regret that no arrangement has yet been arrived at with the Provinces of Canada, Nova Scotia, and New Brunswick, respecting the charge for the maintenance of this Light. This subject has been repeatedly brought under the notice of the Executive in the Reports which this Board have had the honor of laying before them; but up to this time no progress has been made towards the settlement of the question on an equitable and legitimate basis. The prospect of an early completion of the establishment renders it most advisable that a definite understanding should be arrived at without further delay, and the Board are not willing to believe that the Governments of those Provinces will refuse that co-operation which every principle of justice would claim at their hands. To this Colony the Light at Cape Pine is of less value than to any of the others. In the casualties that have occurred on that part of our Coast, but few have been connected with the trade of this Island. It is to the trade of the Gulf of St. Lawrence that this Light is mainly valuable as a guide for ships homeward bound, which, in steering from the Gulf for Cape Race, are set into St. Shott's by the current, as has so frequently been the case. This is a trade wholly unconnected with this Colony—and, with the Royal Mail Steamers, is the only interest to be materially benefitted by the Cape Pine Light. The Board must accordingly believe that there will be a willingness to participate in the charge to sustain it on the part of those Governments whose trade is to receive so large a share of benefit. The Commissioners would therefore respectfully suggest that an early communication be made to the proper quarter, with a view to that co-operation which the circumstances so well claim.

The Board, as intimated in their last Report, have had to incur at Cape Spear an outlay of £420 sterling. A Stone Pier, to sustain the Lantern as at Cape Bonavista, has been built, and the Establishment generally put in so substantial and efficient a condition that any expense beyond trifling repairs will not be required for many years to come.

The annual accounts are herewith transmitted, shewing an aggregate expenditure of £1410 12s. 4d., on account of the several Establishments, including the cost of repairs at Cape Spear above noted.

Respectfully submitted by

THOMAS BENNETT,

*Chairman of Commissioners of Light Houses.*

St. John's, January 12, 1850.



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GENERAL LIGHT-HOUSE ACCOUNT.		CR.	
Dr.	1849.	Stg.	Cy.
	1849.		
Dec. 31.—To Cape Spear Light-House.....	£786 10 4		£ 30 4 7
“ Cape Bonavista ditto.....	365 0 4	Col. Treasurer...	£61 13 8
“ Harbor Grace ditto.....	347 17 9	do. do. (salaries)	87 10 0
“ Fort Amherst ditto .....	129 2 6	do. do. (ditto) ...	87 10 0
“ Balance .....	29 6 4	do. do. (Oil).....	229 1 6
		do. do. (salaries)	87 10 0
		do. do. (contig'cies)	30 0 0
		do. do. (fuel).....	84 0 0
		do. do. (salaries)	87 10 0
		do. do. (contig'cies)	235 17 2
		do. do. (N. Croke)	420 0 0
		£1410 12 4	1627 12 8
		£1657 17 3	

Errors Excepted.  
 THOMAS BENNETT,  
 Chairman of Commissioners Light Houses.

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## Dr. CAPE BONAVIDA LIGHT-HOUSE IN ACCOUNT WITH THE COMMISSIONERS. Cr.

1849.		Dec. 31—By general Account		£347 17 9
Jan. 1—	To J. White, quarter's salary	£23 15 0	£27 8 1	
April 1—	“ J. White, quarter's salary		27 8 1	
June 20—	“ 755 gallons Oil ...		100 5 6	
	“ Insurance ditto ...		1 0 0	
July 1—	“ J. White, quarter's salary		27 8 1	
Aug. 20—	“ Ditto, 12 months' fuel	28 0 0	32 6 2	
Nov —	“ Hunters & Co., fyt. Oil, &c. ....		10 0 0	
	“ T. McMurdo, pot-ash, &c. ....		1 19 9	
	“ Alex. Strathie, carpenter		2 11 8	
	“ Bowring Brothers, freight, 1848		3 0 0	
	“ J. White, painting house		3 0 0	
	“ St. John's Mill, 1 Cooking Stove ...		12 8 0	
	“ J. Mifflin, freight, 1848		10 0 0	
	“ Prop. office rent...		1 5 0	
	“ Bowring Brothers,		32 6 0	
	“ J.P. Melledge.....		2 19 6	
	“ Prop. Secretary's disbursements ...		1 8 3	
	“ Do. printing accts.		1 5 8	
	“ Do. Secy. salary...	12 10 0	14 8 6	
	“ Do. Surveyor's do.	6 11 3	7 11 5	
	“ Messenger		0 10 0	
				£347 17 9

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Dr. FORT AMHERST LIGHT-HOUSE IN ACCOUNT WITH THE COMMISSIONERS. Cr.

	Stg.	Cy.	1849. Dec. 31.—By general account .....	£129 2 6
1849. Jan. 1—To P. Roach, quar- ter's salary.....	£13 15 0	£15 17 4		
April 1—To P. Roach, quar- ter's salary.....		15 17 4		
June 25—To 80 gallons Oil...		10 12 6		
July 1—“ P. R. Roach, quar- ter's salary.....		15 17 4		
Oct. 1—To P. Roach, quar- ter's salary.....		15 17 4		
Nov. —To W. T. Parsons, re- pairing Lamp.....		1 0 0		
To L. Maccassey, 30 hhds. coal .....		12 0 0		
“ T. Barnes, carriage of oil .....		0 10 0		
“ M. Hayden, sweep- ing chimnies .....		0 4 4		
“ Baine Johnston & Co., freight.....		0 2 6		
“ P. Hennessey, car- penter.....		2 18 6		
“ J. Fleming, boat hire.....		0 10 0		
“ Charles Daly, Mason .....		0 18 6		
“ W. T. Parsons, repairing Lamp .....		1 5 0		
“ Bowring Brothers, sundries...		9 3 0		
“ Proportion Secretary's dis- bursements.....		1 8 3		
“ Ditto printing accounts .....		1 5 8		
“ Ditto Secretary's salary .....	12 10 0	14 8 6		
“ Ditto Surveyor's ditto .....	6 11 3	7 11 5		
“ Messenger.....		0 10 0		
“ Proportion office rent .....		1 5 0		
		£ 129 2 6		£129 2 6

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DR.	HARBOR GRACE LIGHT-HOUSE IN ACCOUNT WITH THE COMMISSIONERS,		CR.
	1849.	1849.	
	Stg.	Cy.	
Jan. 1, 1849.			
To E. Oke, quarter's salary ...	£26 5 0	£30 5 9	By general account .....£365 0 4
April 1.			
To E. Oke, quarter's salary .....		30 5 9	
June 20.			
To 804 gallons Oil.....		109 18 5	
July 1.			
To E. Oke, quarter's salary .....		30 5 9	
Aug. 20.			
To E. Oke, 12 months' Fuel ...	28 0 0	32 6 2	
Oct. 1.			
To E. Oke, quarter's salary ...		30 5 9	
Nov.			
To A. Drysdale, postages .....		3 17 6	
" T. Woodfrey, iron work ...		1 2 6	
" J. Woodfrey ditto .....		1 12 6	
" G. Snow, boat hire.....		3 0 0	
" J. Stansbury, cartage to Cove		0 7 6	
" J. Bartlett, 1 boat .....		6 0 0	
" E. Knight, Cooper.....		2 11 3	
" R. Oke, account sundries ...		7 5 6	
" John Sheppard, boat hire ...		3 0 0	
" Ridley Harrison & Co. sundries		5 0 6	
" Morning Courier, Printing		1 6 3	
" prop. office rent, 1848 .....		1 5 0	
" Job Brothers & Co., sundries		3 9 2	
" Dechazean & Crow, wick ...		2 15 3	
" Bowring, Brothers, sundries		29 16 0	
" J. P. Melledge, wick, &c.		4 0 0	
" prop, Secy's disbursements...		1 8 3	
" ditto Secretary's salary .....	12 10 0	14 8 6	
" ditto printing accounts .....		1 5 8	
" ditto Surveyor's salary .....	6 11 3	7 11 5	
" Messenger .....		0 10 0	
		£365 0 4	£365 0 4

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Dr.	CAPE SPEAR LIGHT-HOUSE IN ACCOUNT WITH THE COMMISSIONERS.		Cr.
	1849.	1849.	
Jan. 1—	To J. Cantwell, quarter's salary, £23 15s. 0d. Stg. ....	£27 8 1	By general account £786 10 4
April 1—	“ J. Cantwell, quarter's salary	27 8 1	
June 20—	“ 320 gallons Oil .....	42 10 0	
July 1—	“ J. Cantwell, quarter's salary...	27 8 1	
Aug. 18—	“ Do. 12 months' fuel, £28 0 0 stg.	32 6 2	
Oct. 1—	“ Do. quarter's salary .....	27 8 1	
“	“ H. Langley, sundries .....	2 16 6	
“	“ J. & W. Boyd, 1 M. Lumber	4 0 0	
“	“ J. Cantwell, conveying Oil...	5 0 0	
“	“ Thos. Ryan, boat hire .....	1 10 0	
“	“ Samuel Allan, ditto .....	9 0 0	
“	“ Paul Hennessy, carpenter ...	5 6 1	
“	“ John Doyle, boat hire .....	1 10 0	
“	“ John Fleming, ditto .....	3 0 0	
“	“ P. Fitzgerald, 1 boat .....	5 0 0	
“	“ J. Fleming, boat hire .....	1 0 0	
“	“ Valentine Kough, do. ....	1 0 0	
“	“ James Cantwell, sundries. 1848	7 3 10	
“	“ J. Westcott, fitting lamps .....	5 0 0	
“	“ John Breen, boat hire .....	1 10 0	
“	“ Prop. office rent, 1848 .....	1 5 0	
“	“ Bowring Brothers, sundries...	28 15 0	
“	“ J.P. Melledge, wick, &c. ....	4 0 0	
“	“ Prop. Secretary's disbursements	1 8 4	
“	“ Ditto printing accounts .....	1 5 8	
“	“ Do. Secy's salary, £12 10 0 stg.	14 8 6	
“	“ Do. Surveyor's do. 6 11 3	7 11 5	
“	“ N. Croke, contract 420 0 0	484 13 1	
“	“ T. Kough, 2 2 0	2 8 5	
“	“ S. Allen, boat hire .....	3 0 0	
“	“ Messenger .....	0 10 0	
		£786 10 4	£786 10 4

**REPORTS.****REPORT OF THE PHYSICIAN TO THE PROVISIONAL LUNATIC ASYLUM.**

The steady success of the treatment of the insane, upon the principle of non-restraint, during the past two years at Palk's Farm, has added another proof to those recently given in other countries, of the practicability of its application to insanity, even under very adverse circumstances. Yet I conceive it to be not altogether out of place to give a brief review of the causes which led to the establishment of this temporary retreat, and of its true character, lest the curative measures, there adopted, may appear to have produced inadequate results; notwithstanding the complete disuse of chains, strait-waistcoats, and every other means of mechanical restraint. For, to the public ear, a Lunatic Asylum at St. John's conveys the idea of an Institution adapted in every way to the purpose of caring for and curing those afflicted with the disease of insanity—and not of a temporary abode, where a thousand expedients are resorted to, to supply, in some degree, the requisites that are always at hand in Asylas of the present day.

I will therefore sketch in a few words, the institution, progress, and present condition of the Provisional Lunatic Asylum, December 31st, 1849.

Suggested, from the same reasons, as those which operated in originating the present country and other Asylas, in England, viz.—the wretched condition, and cruel treatment of the Insane, in Hospitals, Poor Houses, and Private Lodgings. Funds for the erection of a suitable building were voted by the Legislature in the session of 1846. But upon a very careful examination of the subject, made by Mr. Purcell the Architect on the one hand, and myself on the other, at the instance of the Government, touching the necessary accommodation to be provided for the care and treatment of Lunatics, under the system of non-mechanical restraint; it became obvious, that the sum voted (£1500) was insufficient. And having been directed to ascertain what would be an adequate sum, we determined, after patient calculation, that £3000 would be required—upon which, the Legislature, at the instance of the Government, with ready benevolence, voted a second sum of £1500 (1847.) In the meantime, a delay of twelve months had occurred in commencing the projected Asylum.

Upon my appointment (1846) as Physician and Superintendant of the Lunatic Asylum, commencing my duties by directing the organization of plans for the new building, it had repeatedly struck me, that a degree of certainty, not otherwise attainable, might be attached to the joint proceedings of Mr. Purcell and myself, and to ensure to the Colony full value for the contemplated outlay, if I could have the opportunity afforded to me, of comparing the actual state of the buildings, and of the patients therein, of the best Asylas in England, with the plans projected by ourselves for the St. John's Asylum, and its future inmates. I therefore proposed to the Government in 1847, that as the improved system of treating Lunatics had been carried out on a very extended scale with great success, since my opportunity of seeing it, in the interval between 1832 and 1837—and the arrangement of the buildings themselves had been also much improved—if the Government would allow me a salary, however small, from the date of my appointment, I would visit the best Asylas in England and France at my own expense, and so secure the erection in this Town, of the best kind of Asylum, obtainable upon the best models;—thereby preventing the possibility of a large sum being thrown away upon a public building,—useless as to its intended purpose;—which, from the peculiar requirements of an Institution affording means for the care of Lunatics in a state of comparative liberty, it would have been so easy to do.

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The Government did me the honor to approve of, and adopt my offer, and the reception of my report to the Government upon my return to St. John's, and that of my report of last year, embodying some of my observations at home, by the Government and Legislature, leave me no room to suppose that my exertions were without success.

Corrected in some things, and established in others, regarding my views of the system of mechanical non-restraint in the treatment of the insane, I benefitted by personal observation of the effect of good treatment, and by communication with those excellent Physicians who had practised it; and the professional architectural details of the new Asylum I submitted to the examination of the resident Architect at Hanwell, requesting him, if necessary, to furnish me with an entirely new plan, irrespective of that of Mr. Purcell and myself,—as we had no object in promoting the adoption of an inferior plan beyond the question of expense—£3000 being our limit. Upon this (although the sum appeared too small to the Hanwell Architect) that gentleman undertook to do as I requested; and further, upon the commencement of the building at St. John's, he promised to select and purchase the necessary items at the Hanwell contract prices; thereby ensuring the supply of a cheaper and better article through his experience and position than could be procured in general; and providing against the casualty of a bad or inappropriate material or manufacture being sent out. In constructing his plan, I desired him to provide for the heating of the building by steam or hot air, should its adoption hereafter be deemed advisable. Before leaving Hanwell, as I could not get the plan finished in time to bring with me, I, of course, bargained for its price; and with great liberality, Mr. Harris agreed to take £15 stg., instead of £20, which was his charge, upon my representing to him that I was employing him, in some degree, upon my own responsibility.

The plan referred to, in every way satisfactory in itself, awaits the time when the rapidly improving condition of the colony shall have so far advanced as to justify the Government in erecting the long projected Lunatic Asylum.

Upon my return from my mission, I was painfully convinced that the Government, from the embarrassed state of the finances of the colony, had determined that the erection of a Lunatic Asylum should be deferred for a considerable time. But having gone so far into the matter, upon my urgent representations, as the Cottage which had served for a Fever Hospital was still in the hands of the Government, I was instructed by His Excellency to fit up this small building as a temporary retreat for the Insane, and to commence their proper treatment, in so far as circumstances would permit. I need not say how cheerfully I set to work to effect a long cherished object, even situated so differently from what I had hoped, and reasonably expected to have been, at the commencement of my undertaking. And whatever has been accomplished during the two years' occupation of Palk's Farm, in carrying out a new system, has been done without additional cost to the Colony; for, as I showed in my report for 1848, the rent, wages, and all other charges forming the annual expenditure of the Provisional Asylum, did not amount to so much money as had been incurred under the old system in the Hospital. During the past two years my duties have been to instruct the attendants from day to day; to treat the Insane themselves, and to superintend the economy of a constantly increasing household; besides the difficult task of attempting to provide internal and external accommodation, by a sort of daily patchwork, for Lunatics in a state of freedom, combined with security.

But during the past year (1849) a great increase of the numbers of insane patients has taken place, viz.: from 23 to 42, being an increase of three-fourths. The increase of expense, however, has been but one-third, including the cost of ten other patients, treated during the

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year—making (as appears in the annexed table of cases) a total of 29 for the past year alone, exclusive of the 23 remaining at the close of 1848, numbering altogether 52.

To provide accommodation for 19 additional lunatics, some of whom were of violent character, and to provide also additional assistants, so that no lunatic need be confined, taxed the resources of the establishment to the utmost; and has inevitably increased the expenditure; though, as shown above, by no means in an equal relative proportion.

In 1848 it was found that the diet cost 6s. 9d $\frac{3}{4}$ . a-week for each person; but at the present date, the diet costs but 4s. 9d $\frac{3}{4}$ . each per week, the increase of numbers during the past year having enabled me gradually to effect this reduction without curtailing the allowances.

Annexed is the diet table:—

## DIET TABLE, PROVISIONAL LUNATIC ASYLUM.

## BREAKFAST &amp; TEA.—Bread, Butter, Tea, Milk, Sugar.

DINNER.	{	Sunday .....	Pudding .....	}	Potatoes or Bread.		
		Tuesday .....	..... Meat & Soup				
		Thursday .....	Dumplings.....				
		Monday.....	Oatmeal Porridge .....				
		Saturday .....					
		Wednesday .....	Fish.....			}	Potatoes or Bread.
		Friday.....					

ARTICLES.	DAILY.		WEEKLY.		For 48 persons.
	Quantity.	Value.	Quantity.	Value.	
		<i>s. d.</i>		<i>£ s. d.</i>	
Bread, at 3d.	41 lbs. ....	10 3	299 lbs. ....	3 12 6	7 days.
Butter, at 9d.	5 lbs. 2 oz. ....	3 10 $\frac{1}{8}$	36 lbs. ....	1 7 0	"
Tea, at 1s. 6d.	1 lb. 3 oz. ....	1 9 $\frac{2}{3}$	8 lbs. 5 oz. ....	0 12 5 $\frac{1}{8}$	"
Milk, at 4d.	8 quarts .....	2 8	56 quarts .....	0 18 8	"
Sugar, at 4d.	6 lbs. 13 $\frac{1}{2}$ oz. ....	2 3 $\frac{1}{4}$	48 lbs. ....	0 16 0	"
Fresh Meat, at 5 $\frac{1}{2}$ d	36 lbs. ....	15 4 $\frac{1}{2}$	108 lbs. ....	2 6 1 $\frac{1}{2}$	3 days.
Fish, at 11s.	48 lbs. ....	4 8	96 lbs. ....	0 9 4	2 days.
Oatmeal, at 3d.	24 lbs. ....	6 0	48 lbs. ....	0 12 0	"
Potatoes, at 8s.	40 lbs. ....	2 0	200 lbs. ....	0 10 0	5 days.
Flour, Vinegar, Pepper, Mustard, Onions, Turnips, &c., &c.				0 7 3	7 days.
				£ 11 11 3	

Cost of Diet for each, per day, 8 $\frac{1}{4}$ d.—per week ... .. £0 4s. 9 $\frac{3}{4}$ d.  
 Weekly cost of Diet for 42 patients now in the Asylum ... .. 10 2s. 4 $\frac{1}{2}$ d.



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I am happy to be able to say, in this place, that the comforts and care bestowed upon the insane in the Asylum provided for them, has not been without fruits. The condition of the insane is at length unquestionably much ameliorated in this country; notwithstanding the immense difference between what it now is, and what it might, and I hope, will ere long be, in a proper Asylum. The beneficial results produced during the past two years have, in some instances, fairly surprised me—much as I had reasonably expected; and I would fain that all those who feel any interest in the insane, could witness these things and judge for themselves. The amount and kind of care and watchfulness which the insane require when under treatment—if good results are expected—is both from Physicians and Attendants, however, by no means trivial.

As an example of the delicate task of treating the insane, I will mention what occurred to me a few days since:—

One of my patients, at one time a violent maniac, but latterly more tranquil, having been an inmate two years, to my very great delight, spoke to me in a rational manner; said he hoped soon to be well, that he felt a change in him, that he recollected and deplored his past state which it had pleased *God to visit upon him*, doubtless for wise purposes. That he begged to tell me that when he used to call himself God, and to say that God spoke in and thro' him, that it *was not so at all*,—only whatever had been the matter with him had caused him to say so, &c., &c. In short, this maniac was becoming a reasoning man, and as in so many instances recollected all that had happened to him so curiously, that he remarked—Doctor, you came into my room one day, (twelve months previous) and took one of the potatoes off my plate and ate it; now, Doctor, it is very strange, but the reason I wouldn't eat my dinner that day was because you touched it, and I could not bear, *and cannot yet*, that any one shall meddle with or touch the victuals that are brought to me. His insanity was not all gone, but a vast change was suddenly apparent. Just at the turn of the tide, as it were, was this man's mind, and a false step on my part might have replunged him into the darkness of insanity. The next day I found him repeating every word I said, as he did formerly in the height of his disease, in a mocking manner, answering nothing to questions; and I was much distressed lest the light of reason had been but a glimmer preceding imbecility or death, as is sometimes the case. In a few minutes, however, as I became silent, he turned towards me, and said—Doctor, I was repeating everything you said to me just now, as I used to do when I could not help it; something made me do it then, and just at this moment I felt it, but now it is gone. This mocking fit has not returned, and there is every hope of the young man's recovery. I have stated this circumstance of his case, to shew an example of a principle which is applicable in various degrees to all cases of insanity, viz.—the cure of the disease depends upon a watchful care and instructed observation, not to be obtained without the walls of an Asylum, private or public. What was apparently inevitable, if this mocking fit, the result of departing insanity, had caused irritation and erroneous management on the part of the person having control over this patient? The favorable moment might have been lost for ever.

An Asylum is a place of retreat for the afflicted, and is neither to many people a pleasant place to visit, nor is it fitting, at all times, that visitors should be encouraged; certainly never when prompted by idle curiosity. But on the other hand, besides the relatives of the insane, who are always welcome at fitting times, when the patients do not suffer from it, many per-

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sons would do well to make occasional visits to an Asylum, if they come as friends. Insanity would thus become better understood in general, and more sensible opinions would be entertained regarding it.

It is with the greatest pain that I have to refer to my report of last year, for a true statement of the general condition of the Asylum, as I indulged in the hope that my former representations would produce such an effect as to cause the immediate adoption of measures for the erection of a suitable building; the more so, as the Legislature did me the honor to approve of and print the report. I can only refer, therefore, to my first report on this subject, merely remarking that I have not therein drawn an imaginative picture, but stated facts which may be verified to-day.

It is, however, my duty to petition for a provision being made for the holding of religious services in the Asylum at regular periods. I believe a very moderate annual sum would prove sufficient for the purpose, even so little as £26; so that alternately, my asylum friends might each week have the benefit of attending the service of the church to which they severally belong. I have been asked by a lunatic, before the room full, "Doctor, are we all heathens in this place, as I never see any religion at all?" I should be glad of an answer, for I had none to give.

At the same time that I earnestly proffer this petition, I bear willing and grateful testimony to the occasional visits, during the past two years, of the Reverends Mr. Bridge, Mr. Forristal, Mr. Walsh, Mr. Condon, and Mr. Brewster, who have, from time to time, administered to the spiritual wants of the Asylum inmates; especially to three at the hour of death.

I feel so strongly on this point that I venture to express the opinion, that for a country to take charge of the bodies of the insane, and to leave their souls unprovided for, is the greatest of moral crimes. Several of the insane at the Asylum are fond of praying, and who shall say their prayers are not acceptable? In an appendix to my report of last year it may be seen that at La Salpetriere, as well as at Hanwell, Charenton, &c., the insane attend at public religious services with the greatest decorum and advantage.

It is with sincere gratification that I draw attention to the two worst cases of insanity, reported from last year--1st, The case mentioned at page 5 of my former report; Mary —, &c., admitted December 7, 1847. "A frightful object, in filth and rags, lower limbs contracted, knees touching the chin. She could not support herself in a sitting posture, having been lying so long in one position that she seemed to have no legs at all, they were so closely doubled upon her body. She spent the whole night and day in roaring and cursing, saying she was on fire for her sins, and entreating every bystander to throw her into the sea, as she was unfit to live. The calls of nature were to her as to the brutes. She tore every article of clothing put upon her, refused to be washed, struggled with, and struck the attendants, and seemed to be past remedy. She had been five years and-a-half insane at the time of her admission into the Asylum." This poor woman has completely recovered, and will this spring return to her friends in an out-harbor. The second case is also mentioned at page 5, of my former report, and from being one of the most distressing cases ever witnessed, her cries disturbing the Asylum night and day, almost incessantly, she has gradually improved, is tolerably intelligent, frequently reads to amuse herself, and is never affected by the

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dreadful pain in her head which formerly caused her frightful crying fits, and from being an object of horror to the sight, she has become a pleasing looking woman. Of the cases dismissed convalescent, one from a state of periodical acute mania, the satisfactory intelligence has reached one of the Roman Catholic Clergymen of this town, from Ireland, that the recovery is complete and permanent; and the other two convalescents, one of Conception Bay, and one of St. John's, continue in a sound state of mind.

In providing accommodation for the great increase of our numbers during the past year, and for the general safety, under the circumstance of several violent lunatics being added to the former inmates, a lincay, 45 feet in length, has been built at the back of the house occupied by the male patients, and has been divided, by very strong partitions, into seven bedrooms, thereby enabling me to separate thirteen male patients from the rest at night; and this proportion of single-bedded rooms in an Asylum containing 23 male patients, is the smallest that could be adopted, compatible with safety.

A separate bedroom for two male attendants, immediately adjoining that of the patients who sleep together, has been built, and a store-room also, for the male wards.

The privies have been enlarged, and pitched wooden drains laid down from them, in consequence of unwholesome and dangerous effluvia having been generated near the old privies last summer, about the time when the cholera was to be dreaded as a possible visitant. These drains are now so managed that no accumulation in them is possible, with ordinary attention, either in summer or winter.

At the road-side a clapboard fence has been put up, 123 feet in length, in consequence of the unceasing annoyance which the female patients were exposed to from the idle, thoughtless, and malicious portion of the passers-by. It is, indeed, to be regretted, that the Asylum is so much exposed to observation from both roads; for to such a height did the insolent curiosity of some evil-disposed persons attain during last summer, that I was obliged to apply to the Government for protection from the police, as the fences were scaled, the attendants defied, and the lunatics excited and made a mock of.

In the female division of the house an additional strong room has been built.

It having been found that the well afforded no water in dry weather, and that much time at very serious inconvenience, was, in consequence, occupied in bringing water from the river, &c., I applied to Mr. Minto, engineer of the Water Company, for the loan of the boring apparatus; and that gentleman having applied for, and received permission to lend it, not only did so, but was kind and liberal enough to superintend the tedious operation of boring through the solid rock in the well. The principal part of this labour was performed by alternate parties of the insane. Some blasting with gunpowder, after the boring had been completed, effected the necessary object, and the establishment now possesses an abundant supply of water.

In addition to the work already mentioned, a small field, of about three-quarters of an acre, has been rented, adjoining the garden, for the double purpose of keeping off the idle by a good fence, which has been put up along its outer boundary, and of giving the male patients some employment in cultivating it. The profit upon the field for 1849, as may be seen in the account, is £8 16s., which, added to the value of the fence, viz., £5 18s. 6d., is equal to £14 14s. 6d.; labor being free.

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In conclusion, I would observe that the constant encouragement and support which the institution has received through my hands, from his Excellency the Governor, and the rare appreciation by the honorable the Colonial Secretary, of the nature and difficulty of making the experimental trial of the non-mechanical restraint system of treating the insane, in so ill-adapted a place as the Cottage at Palk's farm, have been hitherto the foundations of its success, and for which I cannot be sufficiently thankful. But, until the Government has it in its power to build an Asylum on the scale provided for the purpose by a wise and benevolent Legislature, I cannot but regard myself, as indeed I am also regarded by some of the Asylum inmates, in the light of a gaoler, as well as a physician to the insane.

HENRY H. STABB.

EXPENSES INCURRED AT THE PROVISIONAL LUNATIC ASYLUM, FROM  
JANUARY 1st, 1849, TO DECEMBER 31st, 1849.

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March 31—Bedding	.....	.....	£ 9 8 7	
June 30—Ditto	.....	.....	... ..	
Dec. 31—Ditto	.....	.....	26 8 2	
				£35 16 9
March 31—Bread	.....	.....	40 6 9	
June 30—Ditto	.....	.....	46 12 6	
Dec. 31—Ditto	.....	.....	105 15 0	
				192 14 3
March 31—Butter	.....	.....	13 11 4 $\frac{3}{4}$	
June 30—Ditto	.....	.....	7 8 6 $\frac{1}{4}$	
Dec. 31—Ditto	.....	.....	29 10 2	
				50 10 1
March 31—Clothing	.....	.....	12 18 8	
June 30—Ditto	.....	.....	30 13 11	
Dec. 31—Ditto	.....	.....	26 15 3	
				70 7 10
March 31—Coals.....	.....	.....	... ..	
June 30—Ditto	.....	.....	4 7 6	
Dec. 31—Ditto.....(paid by Colonial Secretary)	.....	.....	20 8 3	
				24 15 9
March 31—Candles and Oil	.....	.....	1 14 4	
June 30—Ditto	.....	.....	... ..	
Dec. 31—Ditto	.....	.....	2 16 2	
				4 10 6
March 31—Crockery	.....	.....	1 11 7	
June 30—Ditto	.....	.....	... ..	
Dec. 31—Ditto	.....	.....	3 11 9	
				5 3 4

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March 31—Carpentry .....	.....	.....	£ 2 9 0	
June 30—Ditto .....	.....	.....	... ..	
Dec. 31—Ditto .....	.....	.....	11 10 0	13 19 0
March 31—Dressmaking .....	.....	.....	3 3 11	
June 30—Ditto .....	.....	.....	1 0 0	
Dec. 31—Ditto .....	.....	.....	3 10 0	7 13 11
March 31—Fish .....	.....	.....	3 17 0	
June 30—Ditto .....	.....	.....	4 6 11	
Dec. 31—Ditto .....	.....	.....	9 11 11	17 15 10
March 31—Firewood .....	.....	.....	6 0 0	
June 30—Ditto .....	.....	.....	3 8 11	
Dec. 31—Ditto .....	.....	.....	8 5 0	17 13 11
March 31—Flour .....	.....	.....	1 17 0	
June 30—Ditto .....	.....	.....	1 13 9	
Dec. 31—Ditto .....	.....	.....	6 6 0	9 16 9
Furniture .....	.....	.....	... ..	8 3 0
Feathers .....	.....	.....	... ..	1 2 4
Gravedigger .....	.....	.....	... ..	0 5 0
March 31—Ironmongery .....	.....	.....	6 1 8	
June 30—Ditto .....	.....	.....	6 15 0	
Dec. 31—Ditto .....	.....	.....	10 12 2	23 8 10
March 31—Ironwork .....	.....	.....	5 15 4	
June 30—Ditto .....	.....	.....	... ..	
Dec 31—Ditto .....	.....	.....	1 6 6	7 1 10
India Rubber, Blanket, Pillow, &c., .....	.....	.....	... ..	1 17 0
Lime Whiting .....	.....	.....	... ..	1 12 10
March 31—Lumber, Shingles, &c., .....	.....	.....	5 5 11	
June 30—Ditto .....	.....	.....	4 6 1	
Dec. 31—Ditto .....	.....	.....	17 9 5	27 1 5
March 31—Fresh Meat.....	.....	.....	23 5 10	
June 30—Ditto .....	.....	.....	27 2 11 $\frac{1}{2}$	
Dec. 31—Ditto .....	.....	.....	75 9 11	125 18 8 $\frac{1}{2}$
Masonwork and Bricks .....	.....	.....	... ..	2 2 6
March 31—Milk .....	.....	.....	8 2 8	
June 30—Ditto .....	.....	.....	9 2 0	
Dec. 31—Ditto .....	.....	.....	21 19 8	39 4 4
Medicines .....	.....	.....	... ..	6 14 11



## REPORTS.

## THE ASYLUM-POTATO-FIELD ACCOUNT.

DR.

1849	To Rent.....	.....	.....	.....	£5 0 0
	“ Fencing	.....	.....	.....	5 18 6
	“ Manure (10 loads)	.....	.....	.....	0 15 0
	“ Seed ( $3\frac{1}{2}$ barrels)	.....	.....	.....	1 18 6
	“ Labor	.....	.....	.....	.....
	“ Cash profit	.....	.....	.....	5 3 0
	“ Profit on value of Potatoes in cellar	.....	.....	.....	3 13 0
					<u>£22 8 0</u>

CR.

1849	By rent of $\frac{1}{4}$ Field (occupied by the Superintendent)	.....	.....	.....	£1 5 0
	“ Cash for Potatoes	.....	.....	.....	17 10 0
	“ Value of Potatoes in Cellar	.....	.....	.....	3 13 0
					<u>£22 8 0</u>

## GOVERNMENT IN ACCOUNT WITH THE LUNATIC ASYLUM.

DR.

1849	To annual expenditure	.....	.....	.....	£1007 19 2
	“ amount of Coal account furnished to the Government	.....	.....	.....	20 8 3
					<u>£1028 7 5</u>
	“ amount paid (by authority) for plans, sections, &c., &c., furnished by the resident Architect, Hanwell, for the projected New Asylum, St. John's, £15 stg., is currency	.....	.....	.....	18 0 0
	“ cash for current expenses	.....	.....	.....	15 5 3
					<u>£1061 12 8</u>

CR.

1849	By cash paid by Colonial Secretary for Asylum Coals	.....	.....	.....	£20 8 3
	“ Warrant	.....	.....	.....	£226 17 2
	“ Ditto	.....	.....	.....	214 7 3
	“ Ditto	.....	.....	.....	600 0 0
					<u>£1041 4 5</u>
					<u>£1061 12 8</u>

Errors excepted.

HENRY H. STABB.

St. John's, Newfoundland,  
December 31st, 1849.

REPORTS.

APPENDIX TO TABLE OF CASES, DEC. 31, 1849.

Shewing the increase in 1849 by  $\frac{3}{4}$  of the number of Patients remaining Dec. 31, 1848; also, the real annual increase of cases of Insanity, sent to the Asylum from the whole Island, and the number of *recent cases* compared with the recoveries:—

	CASES.	REMARKS.
REMAINING FROM 1848.	23	Convalescent, about to leave..... 1
		Died..... 2
		Improved..... 8
		Remaining unchanged..... 12
—23		
Admitted in 1849.		
From the Hospital .....	10	{ 1 bad case ..... recent 9 Bad cases..... old
From St. John's District	4	{ 1 dismissed, convalescent ..... } 1 died ..... } recent 2 remaining ..... }
From lodgings, (St. John's)	2	{ 1 bad case ..... } 1 Convalescent ..... } old
From Out-harbors .....	4	{ 2 Congenital cases..... 2 Nearly convalescent, recent .....
Re-admitted.....	3	Relapsed cases, having left improved in 1848—old
Admitted under observation, } insanity doubtful }	4	{ Probably cases of sudden, impulsive insanity, ( <i>manie sans deliric</i> )—dismissed.
	48	Death from Consumption ..... 1
Dismissed..... 3 }	6	" " Paralysis ..... 1
Died..... 3 }		" " Dropsy ..... 1
Remaining .....	42	

Sent direct to the Asylum, 1849.

RECENT CASES.—A probable average for future years.		OLD CASES	
From St. John's District .....	4	From St. John's District .....	4
" Out-harbors .....	2	Relapsed cases .....	3
	6	From Out-harbors.....	2
			9
Dismissed convalescent.....	1	Convalescent, about to leave .....	1
Nearly recovered .....	2	Remaining .....	8
Died.....	1		9
Remaining .....	2		
	6		

TOTAL.—Remaining from 1848, 23. Admitted in 1849, \*29.—52. Dismissed, \*7. Died 3. Remaining, 42.—52

\* Four of these were permitted to leave with their relatives for a longer or shorter period, and were re-admitted within the year.



TABLE OF CASES TREATED IN THE PROVISIONAL LUNATIC ASYLUM FOR THE YEAR 1849.

Names not inserted from the great natural objection of the Patients' relatives.	Age.	If Married.	Trade or Occupation.	Religion.	Country.	Disease.	Duration at time of Admission.	Date of Admission.	By whom sent in.	State on Admission.	Present state.	Remarks.
a L.—T.	41	Single	Artist	Church of England	England	Mania	1½ years	February 19	Colonial Secretary.	Greatly excited, fearful, inclined to suicide, haggard, ill-clad	Much improved—subject to periodical returns of his malady	Dismissed last year. His disease prevented the successful practice of his profession; he has necessarily been sent back to the Asylum. Dismissed April 6, not deemed insane.
b I.—F.	50	Married	Fisherman	Roman Catholic	Ireland	Mania	— years	March 27	Do.	Shows no symptoms of insanity	More tranquil; Mania very slight.	Permitted to leave with his relatives, Oct. 28; he returned Nov. 15, being unmanageable at home.
c E.—F.	24	Single	Shoemaker	Do.	Newfoundland	Dementia Mania	2 to 3 years	May 4	Do.	Thin, pale, dispirited, refuses to eat, subject to sudden fits of excitement; makes astonishing efforts to escape. An irritable Maniac, just released from chains.	Dementia increasing	Harmless under careful control. His state of mind alternates between hilarity and savage temper.
I.—L.	50	Do.	Fisherman	Do.	Ireland	Mania	— years	July 9	Do.	Very irritable and inclined to violence; but much improved	Do.	Do.
T.—H.	45	Do.	Shoemaker	Do.	Do.	Mania	— years	Do	From Hospital.	A very passionate Maniac; obstinate; has lost a leg	Much more tractable	This patient is dangerous when not under control, although perfectly tractable in the Asylum.
R.—H.	26	Do.	Sailor	Do.	Newfoundland	Mania, Dementia	— years	Do	Do.	Quiet, stupid, unhealthy	Unchanged	Do.
T.—P.	50	Married	Fisherman	Do.	Ireland	Mania	— years	Do	Do.	Subject to periodical fits of violent excitement; quiet in the intervals	Unchanged	Do.
d I.—B.	32	Do.	Do.	Do.	Do.	Lypemania	— years	Do	Do.	Incipient Mania, combined with excitable bad temper	Unchanged	Do.
R.—S.	31	Single	Do.	Do.	Newfoundland	Dementia, epilepsy	— years	Do	Do.	Idiotic, obstinate, silent, treacherous	Much improved—talks and walks about	When admitted he would not stand or be dressed—but lay in bed in constant see-saw motion. A tall very athletic fellow. Dismissed.
b I.—F.	Do.	Married	Do.	Do.	Ireland	Do.	Do.	Do 19	Do.	Apparently sane	Under observation	Confined (by sentence) for life.
W.—F.	50	Single	Do.	Do.	Newfoundland	Homicidal Mania	— years	August 11	Do.	Industrious, cheerful, thoroughly insane, violent on slight provocation	Improved in health	Insanity combined with Epilepsy; is almost incurable.
T.—Q.	38	Do.	Do.	Do.	Do.	Mania, Epilepsy	— years	Do	Do.	Do.	Do.	Do.
a L.—T.	Do.	Do.	Artist	Church of England	England	Mania	Recent	Sept. 21	Do.	Quiet, harmless, very nervous and easily fatigued by manual labor	Improved	To be dismissed in spring.
I.—C.	36	Do.	Fisherman	Roman Catholic	Ireland	Mania	Recent	October 4	Do.	Do.	Do.	Do.
d I.—B.	Do.	Married	Do.	Do.	Do.	Mania	— years	Nov. 21	Do.	Unhealthy, nervous, mental dis'se slight	Convalescent	Do.
C.—W.	48	Single	Do.	Do.	Ireland	Mania	— years	Do. 15	Do.	Do.	Do.	Do.
e E.—F.	Do.	Do.	Shoemaker	Do.	Do.	Dementia	— years	Do. 15	Do.	Unhealthy; insanity intense, intractable	Do.	Do.
I.—A.	46	Do.	Do.	Church of England	Newfoundland	Monomania	— years	Do. 23	Do.	Do.	Do.	Do.
I.—M.	47	Do.	Fisherman	Roman Catholic	Ireland	Mania	— years	Dec. 30	Do.	Apparently sane	Under observation	Dismissed.
M.—F.	48	Widow	Do.	Do.	Newfoundland	Mania	— years	Jan. 25	Do.	Very sullen and morose, intractable, restless	Improved	This woman attempted to set a house on fire—being dangerous out of an Asylum.
C.—W.	Do.	Married	Do.	Do.	Ireland	Ditto	— years	Feb. 22	Do.	Unhealthy; thoroughly insane	Unchanged	She left against my wish (1848) nearly well; her relations' folly has ruined her mind. Died.
E.—B.	50	Widow	Do.	Church of England	Do.	Ditto	Recent	Do. 16	Do.	Dropsical—mind nearly gone	Convalescent	Dismissed.
M.—C.	27	Married	Do.	Roman Catholic	Ireland	Puerperal Mania	Recent	Do. 20	Do.	Violent, restless; malady acute	Do.	In all probability will soon be dismissed—cured
M.—Mc.	39	Widow	Do.	Do.	Newfoundland	Mania	Recent	June 24	Do.	Very violent; malady acute	Nearly recovered; highly nervous	Do.
S.—B.	Do.	Married	Do.	Congregationalist	Do.	Ditto	— years	July 12	Do.	Irritable old Maniac	Unchanged	Do.
H.—O.	44	Married	Do.	Do.	Do.	Ditto	— years	Do. 29	Do.	A thoroughly insane old Maniac, of violent character	Noisy, but easily managed	Quiet, steady control is producing good effect.
M.—M.	37	Do.	Do.	Do.	Do.	Ditto	— years	Do	Do.	Irritable, obstinate old Maniac un'h'lthy	Much improved	Do.
I.—K.	49	Do.	Do.	Do.	Do.	Amentia	— years	Dec. 29	Do.	Do.	Do.	These unfortunates were sent from Fortune Bay, where they lived under a large rock, and lived on shell fish, &c.
M.—K.	17	Single	Do.	Do.	Do.	Ditto	— years	Do	Do.	Mother and daughter; scarcely above the condition of wild animals.	Improving in an extraordinary manner; especially the daughter	Do.

a, b, c, d, The same persons re-admitted within the year—(see Appendix.)

**POOR RETURNS.****ABSTRACT STATEMENT**

of the expenditure of £750, voted in 1849 for the relief of the destitute poor of St. John's district.

**DR.**

Amount as per Statement furnished—(See Appendix to Journals of House of Assembly) .....		.....	£268	16	10
162 persons at St. John's, as per Returns .....	.....	.....	293	12	0
40 persons at Flat Rock and Pouch Cove, ditto .....	.....	.....	166	8	1
21 ditto at Petty Harbor, ditto .....	.....	.....	54	13	8
40 ditto at Portugal Cove ditto .....	.....	.....	30	2	6
10 ditto at Broad Cove ditto .....	.....	.....	24	14	5
11 ditto at Black Head ditto .....	.....	.....	18	12	0
4 ditto at Bay Bulls Goolds ditto .....	.....	.....	8	8	0
			£865 7 6		

**CR:**

By amount Legislative grant, £750 stg. ....	.....	£865	7	6
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JAMES DOUGLAS,

St. John's, March 13th, 1850

*Superintendent.*

**ABSTRACT STATEMENT**

Of amount expended in relieving Paupers by Her Majesty's Government from the 1st to the 31st day of December, 1848.

1130 Men, Women, and Children, as per detailed Statement laid before the House of Assembly, 5th April, 1850 .....	.....	.....	Cy. £237	15	7
			Stg. 206	1	0

December, 1848.

**ABSTRACT STATEMENT**

Of amount expended by Her Majesty's Government in relieving Casual Paupers from the 1st January to the 30th June, 1849.

5966 Men, Women, and Children, per detailed Statement laid before the House of Assembly 5th April, 1850. ....	.....	.....	Cy. £2,575	14	7
			Stg. 2,232	5	10

St. John's, 11th Sept., 1849.

(Correct.) T. F. H. BRIDGE.

**ABSTRACT STATEMENT**

Of amount expended by Her Majesty's Government in relieving Permanent Paupers for the quarter ending 30th June, 1849.

634 Men, Women, and Children, per Detailed Statement laid before the House of Assembly 5th April, 1850 .....	.....	.....	£744	7	11
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**POOR RETURNS.**


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## INCIDENTALS.

To Jonas Barter for amount Coffins furnished	.....	£2	12	6		
John Murphy, for graves opened	.....	0	15	0		
Samuel Perfect, ditto	.....	0	15	0		
John Freeman's salary for attendance on Casual and Permanent Poor	.....	£25 stg.	28	17	0	
Stationery, Travelling Expenses	.....	3	10	0		36 9 6
						Currency £780 17 5
						Sterling 676 15 1

(Correct)

THOMAS F. BRIDGE,

St. John's, 1st July, 1849.

Chairman.

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**MONTHLY STATEMENT**


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of the expenses incurred for relief of the Poor in the district of St John's, from July 'till December, 1849, under the authority of the Commissioners for the Poor.

	<i>Poor in Sheds.</i>	<i>Casual Poor.</i>	<i>Poor on Cash List.</i>	<i>Total number relieved.</i>	<i>Increase since last month.</i>	<i>Decrease.</i>	
	No.	No.	No.				
July.	12	120	306	438			£199 15 5 $\frac{1}{2}$
Aug.	23	169	301	493	55		151 13 0 $\frac{1}{4}$
Sept.	27	106	283	416		77	147 15 0 $\frac{3}{4}$
Oct.	30	185	286	501	85		160 5 1 $\frac{3}{4}$
Nov.	33	237	288	558	57		159 14 11 $\frac{1}{4}$
Dec.	67	315	285	667	109		186 0 6
							£1005 4 1 $\frac{1}{2}$

The increase in the month of December is owing to 34 Paupers from Burin being lodged in the sheds.

J. SHEA.

DETAILED STATEMENT OF THE EXPENDITURE OF ONE THOUSAND AND FIVE POUNDS, FOUR SHILLINGS, AND ONE PENNY HALF-PENNY, BY THE POOR COMMISSIONERS IN  
THE DISTRICT OF ST. JOHN'S, FROM JULY UNTIL DECEMBER, 1849.

	No.	Indian Meal.	Oatmeal.	Molasses.	Tea.	Sugar.	Barley.	Rice.	Bread.	Beef.	Wine.	Soap.	Coals.	Miscellaneous Expenses.	Amount.	Total Amount.
		Lbs.	Lbs.	Gls.	Lbs.	Lbs.	Lbs.	Lbs.	Lbs.	Lbs.	£ s. d.	Lbs.	Hhds.			
July.																
In Sheds	12	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	12 Setts Bedding, Straw and sundry utensils	18 2 8	
Casual	120	436	12	25	17 $\frac{1}{4}$	11	13	2	39	65 $\frac{1}{2}$	1 2 6	.....	.....	3 Funerals, and sundry charges for Furniture	£5 19 3 $\frac{3}{4}$	15 12 1
On Cash List	306	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	166 0 8 $\frac{1}{2}$	—199 15 5 $\frac{1}{2}$
August.																
In Sheds	23	736	65	17 $\frac{1}{2}$	4	.....	.....	.....	70	26 $\frac{1}{2}$	.....	.....	.....	Shirts, Hose, Bedding, Cartage, Fuel	0 12 5	19 18 1
Casual	169	600	34	18 $\frac{3}{4}$	20 $\frac{1}{2}$	36	.....	5	105	55	0 10 0	.....	.....	Funeral expenses of C. Walsh, and cartage sick	3 7 6	13 7 9 $\frac{3}{4}$
On Cash List	301	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	118 7 1 $\frac{1}{2}$	—151 13 0 $\frac{1}{4}$
Sept.																
In Sheds	27	663 $\frac{1}{2}$	318	30	5 $\frac{1}{2}$	.....	.....	.....	114	57	.....	.....	.....	12 Setts Bedding, Shirts, Hose, and Cartage	12 6 5	23 15 1 $\frac{1}{4}$
Casual	106	377	26	10 $\frac{1}{4}$	17 $\frac{1}{2}$	63	.....	3	69	42	.....	.....	.....	7 Funeral expenses	4 16 0	11 15 7 $\frac{1}{2}$
On Cash List	283	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	112 4 4	—147 15 0 $\frac{3}{4}$
Oct.																
In Sheds	30	721	352	26	7 $\frac{1}{2}$	.....	.....	.....	103	51 $\frac{1}{2}$	.....	12	2	3 Funerals	3 11 0	18 18 5 $\frac{1}{2}$
Casual	185	1006	90	57 $\frac{3}{4}$	56 $\frac{3}{4}$	30	.....	.....	87	52	.....	.....	.....	Passage from Halifax, 2 Coffins, Graves, Stationery, Shirts and Shoes	6 15 0	21 18 9 $\frac{3}{4}$
On Cash List	286	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	119 7 10 $\frac{1}{2}$	—160 5 1 $\frac{3}{4}$
Nov.																
In Sheds	33	936	457	33	12 $\frac{1}{2}$	.....	.....	.....	51	64	.....	.....	.....	Washing, Repairing, Cartage, and Potatoes	1 3 5 $\frac{1}{2}$	15 3 8
Casual	237	1519	151	29 $\frac{3}{4}$	38 $\frac{1}{2}$	25	.....	.....	72	48	.....	.....	.....	6 Funerals, Shoes, and paid Thomas Pearl	7 17 0	24 9 4 $\frac{1}{4}$
On Cash List	288	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	120 1 11	—159 14 11 $\frac{1}{4}$
Dec.																
In Sheds	67	989 $\frac{1}{2}$	339 $\frac{1}{2}$	32 $\frac{1}{2}$	6	.....	.....	.....	90	27	.....	.....	6	Herrings, Salt, Lumber in October, Mrs. Divine, and sundry Furniture	22 2 11	34 5 8
Casual	315	1991	245	38 $\frac{1}{4}$	45 $\frac{1}{4}$	29	.....	.....	84	58	.....	.....	.....	1 Funeral, Clothing, Lodging Sick Person, and Cartages	30 5 0	30 5 0
On Cash List	285	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	121 9 10	—186 0 6
		10,035	20,891 $\frac{1}{2}$	3181 $\frac{1}{4}$	2311 $\frac{1}{4}$	194	13	10	884	546 $\frac{1}{2}$	1 12 6	12	8			£1005 4 11 $\frac{1}{2}$

J. SHEA.

December 31, 1849.

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**POOR RETURNS.**


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**RETURN**

of Expenditure for the Poor, for the half-year ending December, 1849.

	£.	s.	d.	
Casual Poor .....	117	8	8 $\frac{1}{2}$	
Poor in Sheds .....	130	14	7 $\frac{3}{4}$	
Poor in Lodgings.....	757	0	9 $\frac{1}{2}$	
Outport Poor .....	761	8	1	
Hospital .....	64	19	5	
Incidentals, including salaries.....	257	6	1	£2,088 17 8 $\frac{1}{2}$

There will be some small additional expenditure in some of the Outports; but at present, as no Returns have been received, the amount cannot be given.

J. SHEA.

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**EDUCATION.****PETITION ON BEHALF OF THE NEWFOUNDLAND SCHOOL SOCIETY.**

*To the Honorable the Assembly of Newfoundland, in General Session convened.*

The Petition of the undersigned Merchants, Tradesmen, Householders and others, inhabitants of St. John's, and its vicinity,

HUMBLY SHEWETH,—

That your Petitioners, resident inhabitants of St. John's and its vicinity, have witnessed with great pleasure for many years the beneficial results of the labours of the Newfoundland School Society in this Island, which they mainly attribute (under God) to the sound principles upon which its fundamental laws are based, and to the Catholic spirit in which the operations of that benevolent Institution have been carried out.

Instituted at a period (nearly 30 years since) when this Colony was almost without any educational appliances, it has pursued the even tenor of its way through evil report and through good report, holding out the advantages of a good education to all parties without distinction.

That your Petitioners confidently affirm this system has worked well, the proof of which is to be found at the present time in the Society's Schools, composed of children of all denominations in the localities in which they are situated.

That in a country like Newfoundland, consisting of small and widely scattered settlements, containing members of several denominations of Christians, it is next to impossible to carry out any exclusive system of education; whilst the expense to the colony, even in making the attempt, must be very great.

That the Newfoundland School Society has spent between Forty and Fifty Thousand Pounds sterling in this colony alone in the work of education since its commencement, arising from contributions made in Great Britain, in addition to the liberal support of your Honorable House, and the generous donations of local contributors.

That the Society expends annually in this Colony the sum of One Thousand Two Hundred

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**EDUCATION.**


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Pounds, sterling, beyond the sum of Five Hundred granted to it by the Legislature. By these strenuous efforts in the cause of education, aided by the well-known character of the Schools, your Petitioners hope that this valuable Society will continue to merit and obtain the patronage and support of your Honorable House.

That this Society has all the resources and machinery at its command for carrying forward and perfecting its important work without much additional outlay or trouble, in School Buildings, in facilities for obtaining competent teachers, and in a depot replete with the most approved books and school furniture.

Your Petitioners, grateful for the support that Your Honorable House has so liberally granted to the Newfoundland School Society, respectfully and earnestly pray that Your Honorable House will be pleased to renew and continue the grant heretofore made to that Society; that being effectually aided in its scholastic labours, it may persevere in its undertaking, which your Petitioners firmly believe has proved and will continue to prove of lasting benefit to this colony, and very acceptable to their fellow colonists generally.

And your Petitioners, as in duty bound, will ever pray, &c., &c.

(Signed)

THOMAS DUNN,

ROBERT PROWSE, and 280 others.

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Petition from the Bishop, Clergy, and others, for a separate Grant for Schools in connexion with the Church of England.

*To the Honorable the House of Assembly of Newfoundland in Legislative Session convened.*

The Memorial of the undersigned, the Bishop, Clergy, and other Members of the Church of England in St John's

HUMBLY SHEWETH,—

That in the existing Act for promoting Education in this colony, the principle of dividing the amount voted for that purpose is recognized as far as the two great classes of Protestants and Roman Catholics are concerned, and that annual grants are also made for the support of Schools in connection with the Wesleyan Methodists and Presbyterians.

Your Memorialists, therefore, respectfully invite the attention of Your Honorable House to the propriety and expediency of fully carrying out the principle of this division of the said Grant; and pray that in any Act which may be passed on the expiration of the existing Law, provision may be made that a proportionate part of the yearly Grant for Education, according to population, may be awarded for the support of Schools in connection with the Church of England, and under the direction of the Clergy and other Members of that Church only.

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

(Signed by)

EDWARD NEWFOUNDLAND,

CHARLES BLACKMAN, M.A., and 510 others.

## MISCELLANEOUS.

## LETTER

from the Registrar of the Vice Admiralty Court in reference to Specie picked up at Bacalieu in 1835.

St. John's, 21st. March, 1850.

SIR,—I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 19th instant, enclosing an Address from the House of Assembly to His Excellency the Governor, in which they respectfully request that His Excellency will be pleased to cause information to be laid before the House, as to whether the balance remaining in the Vice Admiralty Court, due to the Salvors, as appears by the returns to the Legislature printed in the Appendix to the Journals for the year 1843, on account of Specie picked up near Bacalieu in the year 1835, has been paid over to the parties entitled to the same; and in reply, I beg respectfully to state; for the information of His Excellency, that by a Decree of the Vice Admiralty Court, bearing date the 26th of August, 1835, John Churchill, and others, Salvors of the Specie picked up near Bacalieu, amounting to One Thousand, Seven Hundred and Thirty Pounds, currency, were allowed Eight Hundred and Sixty Five Pounds currency, as Salvors in common; first deducting One Hundred and Nineteen Pounds; Sixteen Shillings, currency, withheld by them, which Salvage Money was paid to their Proctor on the 30th September, 1835, including therein the sums which had been, by order of Court, previously advanced to them, from which period to the present there has been no money or property belonging to the Salvors, or to any one of them, in the Court, or in my possession.

I have the honor to be, Sir,

Your most obedient,

Humble Servant,

P. W. CARTER.

To the Hon. JAMES CROWDY, *Colonial Secretary*.

## STATEMENT OF MONEY ON LICENSE FUND AND FINES FOR 1849.

Quarter ending.	License Fund.	Fines.	Fees.	To whom paid.
March 31. ....	£ 100 0 0	£ 1 3 6	£ 12 10 0	Hon. P. Morris.
June 30. ....	113 8 0	2 8 9	14 17 2	Hon. P. Morris.
September 30. ...	168 11 7	11 0 0	17 4 0	R. Carter, Esq.
December 31. ...	240 18 0	36 17 6	21 4 6	R. Carter, Esq.
	£ 622 17 7	£ 51 9 9	£ 65 15 8	

## RECAPITULATION.

License Fund .....	£ 622 17 7
Fines .....	51 9 9
Fees .....	65 15 8

Sterling £740 3 0

Police Office, St. John's,  
April 11, 1850. }

ROBERT R. W. LILLY, *Acting Clerk Peace*.





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tion, on the subject of the sum of £4000, appropriated by the Legislature, towards defraying the expense of erecting a Colonial Building and Market House in this town;—

Amount of deficit, as per statement of 1849.....	£ 509	5	3
“ of contract with Parker and Reid for converting part of Market House building to Court House and Offices .....	1,096	6	8
“ allowed for building Clock-room, Turret, Decorations on south front, and other incidental expenses connected with the Clock .....	380	0	0
“ allowed for Colonial Building, for making Terrace and Water-course on front, building Curtain-walls, levelling, filling, and making good round the building.....	400	0	0
“ extra work, allowed on Market House for increased height of walls, additional windows, &c., &c., .....	350	0	0
“ incidental expenses for Suprintendant, Clerk, indemnities for ground .....	800	0	0
“ expense of Hot Air apparatus .....	130	0	0
“ lower gallery and seats in House of Assembly, and platforms and bars in both Chambers.....	71	18	4
“ Expenses incurred in putting up fences, and for digging drains on the north of building .....	21	0	0
	£ 3,758	10	3
Balance.....	241	9	9
	£4000	0	0

There are other incidental expenses, the accounts of which have not yet been collected, including carpeting, grates, stoves, chairs, &c. &c. to be defrayed from this balance, which will absorb, if not the whole, the far greater portion of it.

I have the honor to remain, Sir,

Your most obedient Servant,

PATRICK KOUGH,

*Superintendent Colonial Building and Market House.*

The Hon. JAMES CROWDY, Col. Sec., &c., &c.

## REPORT

of examination of the Books of the late Colonial Treasurer.

St. John's, Newfoundland, }  
13th October, 1849. }

GENTLEMEN,—

Having been appointed by His Excellency the Governor to examine the Books and Accounts of the late Treasurer and to report thereon to you, we have now the honor to lay before

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you the result of our investigation, which we have recorded in a Book under the heads mentioned at foot hereof for your information, and for the guidance of the new Treasurer.

In entering upon the Audit of the late Treasurer's Accounts, we consider it necessary to state that we have experienced great difficulty in ascertaining the exact amount of monies received by Mr. MORRIS in his capacity of Treasurer—there was no regular Book kept exhibiting an account of daily cash transactions, neither is there a Ledger or any other Book in which the various accounts connected with his department should have been regularly recorded.

Most of the monies which came into the hands of the late Treasurer were lodged at the Bank of British North America, upon which he drew cheques; but we do not find that any account was kept by which his Bank Account could be correctly compared; in fact we find no account beyond a cash account made up in a very confused way, periodically, on the 31st day of March, 30th day of June, 30th day of September, and on the 31st day of December in each year, from which, and from other separate memoranda papers having reference to monies received, we have compiled the statement before referred to.

On reference to the Cash Account, the total debit thereof is £454,740 2s. 0d. sterling, and that the total credit is £448,478 5s. 5d., showing a balance due by the Treasurer of £6,261 16s. 7d., to meet which there is the sum of £2738 8s. 5d., leaving a deficiency to be accounted for of £3,523 8s. 2d. sterling.

We beg also to inform you that our examination has been extended to the statements handed to us of the affairs of the "Savings' Bank," and that we have minutely examined every account connected with that Institution, and find the statements furnished to us by the Clerk to agree with the Books, with the exception of a sum of £948 14s. 1d. currency, contained in the account of "*Loans and Advances to the Colony.*"

This account shows a debit balance of £19,536 19s. 4d., comprised in the following items all brought together in the above account, viz;—

1—Colonial Debentures	£7651	12	11
2—Treasury Notes	2228	0	0
3—St. John's Academy	157	3	6
4—Interest due on Colonial Debentures	91	15	0
5—Loans to Treasurer	} 2307	13	10
on 2 notes			
No Security	923	1	6
Discount Customs' Bonds	} 6177	11	7—9408
without security			
			6 11
			£19,536 19 4

Under the 5th head in the above account "Loans to the Treasurer," we find a sum owing by the Treasurer to the Savings' Bank of £9,408 6s. 11d., while in the Treasurer's Books and Statements of Account we find the amount standing to the credit of the Savings' Bank to be £7,331 14s. 7d. sterling, equal to £8,459 12s. 10d. currency, viz:—

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On 2 notes ... ..	£2307 13 10
£800 sterling, no security ...	923 1 6
Bonds Discounted, no security ...	5228 17 6
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	£8459 12 10

Clearly showing an error of £948 14s. 1d. currency, either short, carried to the debit of cash account, and to the credit of the Savings' Bank in the Books of the Treasurer, or contrariwise an over debit to the account "Loans and Advances to the Colony," and to the credit of Cash Account in the Books of the Savings' Bank.

In tracing the various transactions of Discounts of Bonds in the Books of the Savings' Bank, we discover an entry made on the 2nd day of August last of £1326 to the credit of cash and to the debit of "Loans and Advances," without security or corresponding entry being made in the Books of the Treasurer, and on which entry the discrepancy of £948 14s. 1d. has arisen.

In giving this account our best consideration, we are clearly of opinion that the entry to rectify this error should be made to the debit of cash and to the credit of "Loans and Advances" in the Books of the Savings' Bank; as it does not appear that any money passed on the occasion, or that the sum so charged was applied by the Treasurer to the use of the colony.

The cash account of the Savings' Bank, so altered, will exhibit a balance of £8970 15s. 6d. currency, to meet which, there is at the Bank of British North America the sum of £5408 4s. 1d., leaving a deficiency of £3562 11s. 5d. currency, equal to £3087 11s. 3d. sterling; to which add the sum of £352 8s. 2d., the amount of cash deficiency in the Treasurer's department, making together a total sum of £6610 19s. 5d. sterling, to be accounted for.

We have, &c.,

(Signed)

GEORGE J. HAYWARD:  
WILLIAM LASH.

The Honbles. E. M. ARCHIBALD and WILLIAM THOMAS.

## LETTER

from Captain Spearman, in reference to the necessity of separating the offices of Tide and Landing Surveyor.

CUSTOM-HOUSE, St. John's, }  
27th Sept., 1849. }

SIR,—The Governor having requested I would put on paper my opinion, as expressed to His Excellency, respecting the necessity of separating the offices of Tide and Landing Surveyor, in the arrangements necessary to give effect to the new Colonial Customs' Establishment, I have much pleasure in complying with that request, and I therefore repeat that, if those offices are not separated the new Establishment, in my opinion, will not only be inefficient for the purposes of the trade of this port, but that the due collection of the Revenue will be jeopardized.

I will further add, that I would, were I, with my experience of the working of the machinery at this port, required to collect the new duties without the assistance of a distinct and efficient officer in each of those situations, respectfully decline such an undertaking.

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It is, perhaps, unnecessary I should here observe, that originally, I had not the assistance of an officer in the situation of Landing Surveyor, distinct from the officer performing the duties of Tide Surveyor, in collecting the Colonial Duties; and that had not the Honorable the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Customs allowed me, on my representation of the loss to which the Local Revenue was, in consequence, exposed, the aid of the Imperial Landing Surveyor, an officer whose office is ordered to be abolished on the expiration of the present quarter, I must at that time have discontinued my services to the Colony.

I am, Sir,

Your most obedient Servant,

(Signed)

J. M. SPEARMAN.

E. E. RUSHWORTH, Esq.

## LETTER

from Mr. Canning, in reference to the duties performed by the Landing and Tide Surveyor.

CUSTOM HOUSE, 17th January, 1850.

SIR,—In conformity with your instructions, I beg to report that the duties performed by the Tide Surveyor at this port have been in accordance with his instructions, as far as they could be carried out, with one boat and crew. To give effect to them in every particular would require a much larger establishment, and a more extensive place of import than we possess. All, however, has been done that could be, to protect the Revenue of the Colony.

The following is a minute detail of the principal duties that have been performed; the minor ones, however, do not require any particular notice, some of which are therefore omitted in the present Report:—

That in the months of August, September, October, and November, the Tide Surveyor has been in attendance at the Custom House between 6 and 7 o'clock every morning, Sundays not excepted, and in the month of December at 9 o'clock, for the purpose of boarding vessels on their arrival, and placing on board such Tide-waiters as might be required for the protection of the Revenue, and that these duties are continued as required by the service until sunset each day, and sometimes later.

That he has kept a journal containing the arrival and departure of every vessel; shewing their name, name of the master, from or to what port, nature of the cargo, when boarded, name of officer, if any, appointed to the ship, date of appointment, date of discharge, number of days employed, and the attendant expenses; a daily transcript of the journal has been laid before the Collector every morning, for his information, in conformity with the 6th article of the Tide Surveyor's instructions.

That after a vessel's arrival, and the master has reported at the Custom House, it has been his practice, after preparing the Blue Book for the Tide-waiter, to proceed on board, and, with the assistance of the boatmen, strictly and carefully examine the hold, cabin, and all suspicious places, taking an account of the stores on board for the use of the vessel.

That from time to time, the vessels in the port have been visited by him to ascertain if the stores, left on board on the vessel's arrival, appeared to have been expended for the use of the ship.

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That he has taken great care that the Tide-waiters have been at their posts, and that they have strictly attended to their duties; and when any may have conducted themselves improperly, it is his duty to report to the Collector; but none, I am glad to say, have, as yet, violated their trust.

That frequently, and at uncertain periods in the day time, vessels having Tide-waiters on board have been visited by him to ascertain whether they were on duty, and were sober, and care has been taken that they should not absent themselves from the vessel without leave; that on such visitations their official books have been examined, and the Tide-Surveyor having ascertained that they had discharged their duty agreeably to their instructions, has at all times noted the day and hour of such visitations on the back of the Tide-waiters' official book, and signed his initials thereto.

That in order to ascertain that the Tide-waiters were not neglecting their duties, he has occasionally visited vessels in the port during the night, at uncertain periods, varying both the night and the hour.

No vessel has been allowed to exceed 20 days in discharging, without being duly reported to the Collector.

When the cargo has been out, the vessels have been rummaged in order to discover whether any goods have been concealed for the purpose of defrauding the Revenue; and when all has been found to be correct, the Tide-waiter has been discharged, and the same noted in his book.

That he has taken great care to clear all vessels in due time, otherwise the Revenue would incur unnecessary expense in Tide-waiters: and on their discharge a Bill has been made out to enable such Tide-waiters to obtain payment thereof in the Collector's Office.

To give further information as to the extent of duties performed, I would here observe that from the 5th January, 1849, to the 5th January, 1850, no less than 813 vessels have entered this port, and that 2480 visits have been required for those entering only, for the purpose of superintending the Tide-waiters placed on duty, 1168 of which have been made by Mr. Moore, the past year, and 1312 by Mr. Canning—the number of such visits being principally regulated by the number of days the Tide-waiters are employed.

For the further protection of the Revenue, there is a constant look-out required to guard against smuggling in various ways, without which a contraband trade would soon become of frequent occurrence, and the offending parties emboldened in their unlawful enterprise;—such transactions as are hereby described have occurred by night, there is every reason to believe—although perhaps not to any very great extent;—and such will, no doubt, be repeated occasionally, unless a night boat be employed for its prevention,—but I might here remark that the probable expense would be equal to the Revenue lost, for want of such protection.

The duties of the Landing Surveyor having been performed with those of the Tide Surveyor, I beg to state some particulars relative to that Department which are as follows:—

The Landing Surveyor assists in attending to the Waterside and Warehousing Departments. This can be done daily when in the performance of his Tide Surveying duties—for having to call at the respective vessels while discharging, and at the different wharves, he can then observe if all matters relative to the Water-side and Warehousing Departments are going on correctly, and can see if proper stowage is made in the Warehouses, and that the Landing Officers are at their duties; and the respective Officers have frequent opportunities of seeing the Landing Surveyor, and of getting any information from him that they may require in the discharge of their duties; he can, and has frequently attended at the valuation of goods under

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such circumstances, and in a small port like this, all those duties can be attended to, without any very great additional trouble, in connection with those of the Tide Surveyor.

So far I have detailed the principal duties of the Landing Surveyor, as they are now performed at this port in the Outer Department.

The duties required in the Inner Department are to give attendance at the Office at such times as the Collector may deem it necessary for the accommodation of the Trade, and to take care that the Landing Waiters give like attendance, and report should any be absent from their duties when the service requires them; to see that the Collector is charged with all monies received by him on account of duties, or on any other branch of the Revenue; am required to re-compute the duties on all entries passed, to ascertain that the correct sum has been paid, to charge the Collector with the amount in a receipt book as the same shall arise at the end of each day, and compare the same with that kept by the Collector, affixing my signature to the Collector's account in proof of my having done so; at least once a week to ascertain that the whole of the money exhibited by the Collector in his cash book, as remaining in his hands, is actually deposited in the Queen's chest, and on finding the amount to correspond with the accounts, to write opposite the balance, *compared*, and to sign my name thereto in proof of the correctness of such comparison. But should the balance expressed in the Collector's accounts be not forthcoming, and in the Queen's chest, I am forthwith to report to the Colonial Secretary, for His Excellency the Governor's consideration; am bound to sign the Collector's weekly abstract of receipts and payments, for the accuracy of which abstract, and that the balance is duly deposited in the Crown's chest, I am equally responsible with him. I give a Blue Book, with a manifest to every Landing-waiter employed in taking an account of goods landed or unshipped. After the books are made up I examine them, and that all post entries required are made, and that the over-entries are correct, I examine the values in the respective entries on the day after they are passed; when any article appears to be undervalued, I point out the same for the information and government of the Landing-waiters—this is done to urge them to a strict examination of such entries themselves, so that no article can well escape the scrutiny of the whole department. I superintend the registering the ships reported inwards. (which is prepared for me) I then appoint the Landing-waiter, giving him a Blue Book with a manifest. (the Blue Book is also prepared for me) I then sign the book, and allot it to the proper officer to be appointed to the vessel. Jointly with the Collector, I see that all condemned goods are put up for sale, & attend thereat, and I examine the Warehouse-keeper's ledger, and all entries and papers connected therewith; also the additions and balances brought forward. Finally, I examine all outport entries, manifests, and accounts, as they arrive, and see that they are all correct, in every particular, both as to value and duty in the entries passed, and that they are properly brought to account, pointing out any errors that may be found for amendment to the Collector, for his information.

Having detailed the principal duties as they are now performed by me, in the capacity of Landing and Tide-surveyor, I beg to observe, that, together, they are onerous; although with great exertions they can be done by one individual, so far as I can judge from the nature of those duties already performed; however, I must admit that the experience I have had is scarcely sufficient to enable me to form a decided opinion on the matter.

I am, &c., (Signed)

JOHN CANNING,

*Landing and Tide-Surveyor.*

JOHN KENT, Esq., *Collector, &c., &c., &c.*

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A STATEMENT  
of Receipts and Payments of the St. John's Water Company to the 31st December, 1849.

1848.—Sundry expenditure, as per Statement furnished the Executive in 1848.....	£4,763 12 5	1848.—Paid up capital on stock, £600 shares at £9 per share.....	£5,400 0 0
1849.—Paid for Pipes and Materials imported since, with freight, insurance, shipping charges, and duties	145 10 9	Amount received for supplying water in 1848, as per statement furnished .....	39 4 9
Paid labor, cutting trench, laying pipes, &c. ....	94 5 5	Amount of Legislative vote, £40 sterling .....	46 3 1
Paid incidental expenses keeping Fire-plugs and other works in repair .....	150 0 0	Amount received for supplying water in 1849.....	191 8 2
Paid Superintendent's Salary.....	273 1 6		
Paid Secretary's Salary .....	50 11 9		
Paid rent of store for hose, Materials, &c. ....	22 17 11		
Balance.....	176 16 3		
Currency	£5,676 16 0	Currency	£5,676 16 0
		Balance brought down.....	£176 16 3

WILLIAM THOMAS, *President*,  
W. J. WARD, *Secretary*.

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