

fact that this Bill was to come before the House was well known, and if any party felt aggrieved, they had none but themselves to blame, although he was sure Mr. Gibson would be willing to allow an amendment next Session if it was found to bear heavily on any party on the stream.

Hon. Mr. SMITH said he had looked over the Bill, and although it was granting extraordinary privileges to this gentleman, yet he found it properly guarded.

Bill was agreed to.

Mr. BOYD moved the House into Committee of the whole on a Bill to provide for the expenses of Grand Jurors.

Progress reported.

Mr. HILL moved the House into Committee of the whole on a Bill to provide for the Incorporation of the Saint Croix Bridge Company. Mr. Cudlip in the Chair.

Bill agreed to.

Mr. KERN wished to bring under the notice of the House the decease of the Hon. J. A. Street, who died in St. John on Wednesday last, and that his remains are to be removed to this city for interment to-morrow. Remembering the time he occupied a prominent position in the House—some fifty-three years—he would move the following resolution:—

Whereas, This House have learned that the Hon. John Ambrose Street, for twenty-three years a member of this House, died in the City of Saint John on Wednesday, the 3d inst., and that his remains will be interred in this City on Saturday the 6th instant;

And Whereas, That lamented gentleman held the office of Attorney General, and a seat in the Executive Council of this Province for several years, and discharged the important duties which devolved upon him with great zeal and integrity, and deservedly gained the esteem and confidence of the people of this Province, therefore

Resolved, That as a tribute of respect for the memory of the deceased, this House do adjourn, to meet on Monday morning at 9 o'clock.

The Resolution was seconded by Mr. Connell, who paid a just tribute of respect to the memory of the deceased gentleman.

Mr. CAIR, Chairman of the Scrutiny Committee, came before the House and reported that they had met, and begged to ask leave of the House to adjourn to sit again on Friday next, the 12th inst., at 11 a.m.

Mr. KERN's resolution was then put, and the House adjourned to meet on Monday morning at 9 a.m.

J. M.

MONDAY, May 8.

Col. BOYD, by leave, brought in a Bill relating to the Charlotte County Bank.

Mr. McMILLAN said that in the official report of the second days proceedings of this House, he had been reported to have said that "he had the utmost confidence in the present Government." He would wish to have this corrected, as he did not say it.

Mr. WILLISTON presented a petition praying for a reduction in the fees for Marriage Licenses; and for shortening the time required for the publication of the Banns of Marriage.

Col. BOYD moved that the House go into Committee on the further consideration of a Bill for the payment of Grand Jurors.

Mr. KERN said that there was a very important principle involved in this Bill, and it would be a serious burden upon

the revenues of the country, therefore it should be discussed in a full house, and not now, as there were only seventeen members present.

Hon. Mr. BOTSFORD was of the same opinion. He knew of no country in which Grand Jurors were paid, and they should not discuss the question now when the members from St. John, Queen's, Carleton and Kent were absent.

Col. BOYD said that he was anxious to get on with the business as fast as possible; but in consideration of the absence of so many members he would withdraw the motion.

Mr. GILBERT had seen it reported in the newspapers that there were two door keepers employed by the House, and he would ask the hon. Chief Commissioner if it was true.

Hon. Mr. HATHEWAY replied that it was the usual practice to put questions to the Government in writing, and they would answer next morning; but he would say now, that it is a matter with which the Government has nothing to do, and he had no more right to answer that question than Mr. Gilbert had.

Col. BOYD said there were two door keepers here who expect to get their pay. Some person must have ordered the second door keeper to come, and they should know who it was, so as to have the matter settled.

Mr. SUTTON said that one door keeper had nothing to do but keep the door shut while prayers were said, and the other employed his time sitting on the sofa.—He might sit there as long as he liked, but he (Mr. Sutton) would raise his voice against paying him for it. While he was up he would ask the Chief Commissioner of the Board of Works when he intended to bring in his Report?

Hon. Mr. HATHEWAY then laid before the House the "Report of the Proceedings of the Board of Works," and observed that the report was not complete, but he had brought before the House the most important part at as early a day as he possibly could. He would also say to the House that the list of "Surveyors" throughout the Province would be made up this week; and any complaints to be made in regard to them must be made during that time. He would further state that he had no power to make any change, however trifling, without first submitting it to the Council.

Mr. WILLISTON gave notice of a motion on Thursday, praying his Excellency to lay before the House all correspondence and information relating to the employment of Professor Hind as Geologist in this Province.

Mr. OTTY brought in a petition, to repeal the "Act" making Sussex the Shire Town of Kings, and praying that it may be established at Ousekewag instead.

Col. BOYD brought in a Bill to prevent fraud in the sale of coal.

On motion of Mr. MEXIAN the Bill before the House relating to the Coast and River Fisheries was referred to a Committee.

On motion of Mr. COSTIGAN the Bill before the House relating to imprisonment for debt was referred to a Select Committee.

On motion of Mr. OTTY a petition relating to a Bridge to be built across Hammond River, in the Parish of Upham, was received and referred to the Board of Works.

Mr. WILLISTON asked if it was the intention of the Government to make provision in the estimates for a steamer on the North Shore.

Hon. Mr. HATHEWAY replied that it was the intention of the Government to do so. Tenders will be received until the 15th of May. They had received one tender and expected several more, and the prospect of securing a steamer was much fairer than it had ever been. Whether the amount of money appropriated in the estimates for that purpose is sufficient, is a question which can be discussed when it comes up.

Mr. WILLISTON wished to know whether the Government recognised the office of Police Magistrate on the European and North American Railway, and whether he received a salary from the earnings of the road.

Hon. Mr. HATHEWAY said that he found by reference to the file of the Clerk of the Executive Council, that the Government paid no money to the Police Magistrate for the last twelve or sixteen months. The late Government held that he was indebted to the Province, instead of they to him, and he (Mr. H.) thought that all future Governments would come to the same conclusion.

Mr. McCLELLAN asked whether it was the intention of the Government to bring forward any of the measures foreshadowed in the Speech, or whether they were to remain shadows without a substance.

Hon. Mr. HATHEWAY said that the hon. member for Albert knew that the Secretary had fourteen days from the opening of the House to lay before them his estimates, and according to a rule of the House, the Government must allow the public fourteen days to send in petitions. The Secretary has been ready these two days, and probably the estimates will be laid before you to-morrow. The Government will be ready with their measures at an early day.

Hon. Mr. BOTSFORD said that an important measure had already been laid before the House, and they were ready to go on with the Post Office Bill.

House adjourned until 9 o'clock to-morrow.

T. P. D.

TUESDAY, May 9.

The SPEAKER called the attention of the House to a Bill relating to the Charlotte County Bank, introduced by Mr. Boyd yesterday. As it partook of a local character, the Bill came under the rule and could not be received.

Mr. BOYD said in that case he should pursue the usual course, and he therefore moved that the rule be suspended.

Hon. Mr. ALLEN said, that although the Bill was of a somewhat public character, yet no harm could arise from its lying over till the people were fully notified of the intention of the Bill.

Mr. CUDLIP thought the rule should be suspended, and the Bill be allowed to come in. The affairs of the Bank are fully wound up the people will not feel justified in entering into new arrangements for the opening of another Bank.

Mr. KERN said the Bank could carry out their designs without the passage of such a Bill as this. Its object is to legislate away the rights of certain parties holding notes on the Bank. They could, if they chose, close down their business under the Act without further legislation. He believed that a bank note, payable on demand, should be held to be good till the demand was made. He thought the Bill a local one.

Mr. THOMPSON said full notice of the winding up of the affairs of the Bank had been given. The object of the Bill was to allow shareholders to sell certain lands