

and yet she had done so without burthening the people to any large extent. Our revenues were increasing, and the country generally was prosperous. As this prosperity increased, the funds at our disposal would grow larger. Under all the circumstances he believed that there was no reason for the fears entertained by some gentlemen; they were either chimeras of the imagination or got up for electioneering purposes.

The bill then passed through committee.

The House then adjourned.

TUESDAY, April 9.

The house met at 3 o'clock.

#### PETITIONS.

Mr. KILLAM presented a petition from Argyle in reference to a light house.

Mr. COFFIN, a petition from Barrington relative to the protection of the fisheries.

Mr. MORE, petition for the alteration of a post ride.

#### BILL.

Mr. BOURINOT introduced a bill in reference to a joint stock company.

Hon. ATTY. GEN. suggested a general bill for the winding up of joint stock companies, which were now becoming so numerous in this country. It would be well to refer the matter to a select committee.

Mr. BOURINOT agreed to the hon. member's suggestion, and the committee was composed of the Attorney General, Financial Secretary, Miller, Blanchard, and S. Campbell.

Hon. PROV. SEC. read a telegram from Mr. Fleming stating that an engine had gone over the falls all the way to Pictou, on an experimental trip. The experiment had succeeded perfectly.

Hon. FIN. SEC. laid on the table the report of Mr. McNab in respect to a ferry across Lennox Passage.

The bill in reference to the Windsor and Annapolis Railway was read a third time and passed.

Hon. ATTY. GEN., as chairman of the committee appointed to confer with a committee of the Council, read the following resolution, which had been adopted:—

"Resolved, That a humble address be presented to her Majesty the Queen requesting that whenever hereafter the members of the Legislative Council shall be reduced to 18, the number shall not be further increased; and that Her Majesty will be graciously pleased to establish the number of the Legislative Council of this Province at 18 members, and to provide that absence for two sessions consecutively shall vacate the seat of a Councilor.

"Resolved, That a conference be requested with the House of Assembly, by committee, on the general state of the Province, and that the committee of this House be requested to communicate to the committee of the Assembly the foregoing resolution."

The House then went into committee on bills, and passed the bill to incorporate the Prince of Wales Lodge of Odd Fellows; the bill to amend the act incorporating the R. C. Bishop of Arichat; the bill to incorporate the Caledonia Lodge.

The committee rose and reported.

Hon. Mr. MCFARLANE introduced a bill relative to the Roman Catholic cemetery at Dartmouth.

The bill to provide for the more effectual prevention of cruelty to animals was read a second time.

The House adjourned.

WEDNESDAY, April 10

The House met at 3 o'clock.

#### MISCELLANEOUS.

Mr. HEBB presented a petition relative to protection of the fisheries.

Mr. ANNAND presented a petition from Tangle and another from Spry Harbor on the same subject.

Mr. BALCAM presented a petition from Eastern Passage and another from Shoal Bay, relative to inaction of fish.

Mr. BOURINOT asked the government to lay on the table the memorial and plans connected with the bridge over Little Bras d'Or. Also the papers connected with the erection of the light house at Gurgon Island.

Mr. DONKIN introduced a bill to amend chap. 49 R. S., relating to County Assessments.

Mr. LOCKE introduced a bill relative to the Fall term of the Supreme Court at Shelburne.

Hon. PRO. SEC., by command, laid on the table papers relating to the sale of a school house at Shelburne.

#### PETITIONS.

Hon. FIN. SEC. laid on the table the following list of petitions for money votes:—

##### Post Communication.

Mail Carrier, 6 Mile Brook—  
Inhabitants, Weymouth—presented by Mr. Campbell,

Do, Kenville.  
J. C. Morse, Sandy Co. Digby.

J. Calahan, Sydney.  
C. P. Jones, Weymouth.

H. B. Prince, Renfrew.  
A. Martell, Cow Bay, C. B.

J. B. Gray, Halifax.  
Inhabitants, Weymouth.

Do, L'Ange.  
Do, Albion Mines.

H. B. McNutt, Co. Cumberland—presented by  
Hon. Mr. McFarlane,

Postmaster, Co. Inverness.  
Inhabitants, Broad Cove.

W. O. Keeper, West Dublin.

Inhabitants, Co. Lunenburg—Presented by  
Mr. Kauback,

Do, Do.  
Do, Do.

Do, Do.  
W. O. Keeper, Do.

Inhabitants, Summerville.

Do, Co. Lunenburg—presented by Mr.  
Jost, M. P. F.

Do, Long Island, Co. Digby.

Do, Mr. Untacke, Gold Mines.

Do, Capt. George Mr. Henry,

C. R. Warner, Melford—Mr. Hamilton, "

Inhabitants, Waterville— " "

J. M. Parker, Berwick— " "

Postmaster, Laurencetown.

Inhabitants, Newport, Co. Hants.

Postmaster, Co. Queen's—presented by Mr. J.  
Campbell,