

PLEURO-PNEUMONIA.

ORDER OF REFERENCE.

Extract from the Journals of the House of Representatives.

THURSDAY, JUNE 13TH, 1861.

Ordered, That the question respecting the prohibition of the importation of Cattle from places where the disease of Pleuro-Pneumonia is known to exist, be referred to a Select Committee consisting of Mr. R. Graham, Mr. McGlashan, Mr. Carter, Mr. Dick, Mr. Mason, Mr. O'Neill, and the Honorable Mr. Weld. Report be brought up on Friday the 21st Instant.

True Extract.

F. E. CAMPBELL,
Clerk of House of Representatives.

REPORT.

THE Committee appointed the 13th June, 1861, to ascertain the advisability of prohibiting the importation of Cattle from places where the disease of Pleuro-Pneumonia is known to exist, have carefully considered the subject referred to them—and, after having examined persons acquainted with the disease; with the capabilities of the Colony, and of its own resources to supply the demand for butchers' meat, have agreed to recommend that a Bill should be immediately introduced by the Government, forbidding, under penalties, the importation of horned cattle from any place where the disease called Pleuro-Pneumonia is known to exist. The Governor in Council to declare from time to time, the places to which the provisions of the Bill shall apply.

ROBERT GRAHAM,
Chairman.

MINUTES OF EVIDENCE.

SATURDAY, 15TH JUNE, 1861.

The Committee met pursuant to notice.

Present :—

Mr. R. Graham,
“ McGlashan,
“ Dick,
“ Carter.

Mr. Mason,
“ O'Neill,
“ Williamson,
Hon. Mr. Weld.

The Order of Reference of the 13th June, read.

Mr. R. Graham was elected Chairman.

The Hon. Mr. Weld stated that it would be desirable to have the evidence of persons who were conversant with the disease, and the following gentlemen were proposed as being the most likely to afford evidence on the subject.

Mr. Austen, V.S., Mr. Walton, Mr. A. Buckland, Mr. Walters, and Mr. Rhodes; and it was decided that they should be requested to attend the Committee on its next sitting.

The Hon. Mr. Weld undertook to write to the Commissariat to enquire in what manner any of their Contracts would be affected in the event of the Legislature deciding to prohibit the importation of cattle from places where the disease is known to exist.

The Committee then adjourned to Monday the 17th instant, at 10 o'clock.