

Of *John Munn*, Esquire, and others, Ship-builders, Ship-owners, and Merchants, of *Quebec*; praying that no alterations or amendments be made, during the present Session, to the Merchant Seamen's Act now in force.

Of *John Munn*, Esquire, and others, Ship-builders and Ship-owners, of *Quebec*, and others interested in Shipping; setting forth the incorrectness of the evidence of *Edward Glackmeyer*, Esquire, as given before a Committee of the Legislative Assembly on a proposed amendment to the Merchant Seamen's Act.

Twelfth Report of Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills.

Mr. *Chauveau*, from the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills, presented to the House the Twelfth Report of the said Committee; which was read, as followeth:—

Your Committee have examined the Bill to incorporate the College of *Bytown*, and beg leave to report the same without amendment.

Bytown College Bill.

*Ordered*, That the Bill to incorporate the College of *Bytown* be committed to a Committee of the whole House.

*Resolved*, That this House will immediately resolve itself into the said Committee.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. *Sauvageau* took the Chair of the Committee; and after some time spent therein,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair;

And Mr. *Sauvageau* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made an amendment thereunto.

*Ordered*, That the Report be now received.

Mr. *Sauvageau* reported the Bill accordingly; and the amendment was read, and agreed to.

*Ordered*, That the Bill, with the amendment, be engrossed.

Marriage Oppositions Bill.

Mr. *Laurin* reported from the Select Committee on the Bill to abolish Oppositions to Marriages founded on promises of Marriage, and to repeal the Act therein mentioned, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made amendments thereunto.

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

*Resolved*, That this House will immediately resolve itself into the said Committee.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. *Fournier* took the Chair of the Committee; and after some time spent therein,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair;

And Mr. *Fournier* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made amendments thereunto.

*Ordered*, That the Report be now received.

Mr. *Fournier* reported the Bill accordingly; and the amendments were read, and agreed to.

*Ordered*, That the Bill, with the amendments, be engrossed.

Protested Bills of Exchange Bill.

*Ordered*, That the Amendments made by the Legislative Council to the Bill, intituled, "An Act to regulate the rates of damages on Protested Bills of Exchange in *Upper Canada*," be now taken into consideration.

The House proceeded accordingly to take the said Amendments into consideration; and the same were read, as follow:—

Press 1, line 39. After "thereon" insert Clause (A.)

Clause (A.) "And be it enacted, that damages at the rate of four per cent, upon the principal sum specified therein shall be allowed and paid upon the protest of every promissory note made or ne-

"gotiated within *Upper Canada*, and payable only at some place in the *United States of America*, or in any of the British *North American Colonies* except *Canada*, and not otherwise or elsewhere, and that such principal sum, together with interest thereon at the rate of six per centum per annum, to be reckoned from the day of the date of the protest, shall be reimbursed to the holder at the current rate of exchange of the day when the protest shall be produced, and repayment demanded, that is to say; the holder of any such note returned under protest shall be entitled to demand and recover from the maker or endorsers thereof, so much current money of this Province as shall then be equal to the purchase of a bill of exchange of the like amount, drawn on the same place at the same date on sight, together with the damages and interest above mentioned, and also the expense of protesting the note, and all charges and postages incurred thereon."

Press 1, line 40. After "bill" insert "or note."

Press 1, line 42. After "drawer" insert "maker."

Press 1, line 46. After "drawer" insert "maker."

Press 2, line 2. After "bill" insert "or note."

Press 2, line 11. Leave out "given" and insert "made or negotiated."

The said Amendments, being read a second time, were agreed to.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Morrison* do carry back the Bill to the Legislative Council, and acquaint their Honors, that this House hath agreed to their Amendments.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Holmes* have leave to bring in a Bill to incorporate the Merchants' Exchange and Reading Room of *Montreal*. Montreal Merchants' Reading Room Bill.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time.

*Ordered*, That the Bill be now read a second time; and the Rule of this House suspended as to the same.

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House.

*Resolved*, That this House will immediately resolve itself into the said Committee.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. *Morrison* took the Chair of the Committee; and after some time spent therein,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair;

And Mr. *Morrison* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without amendment.

*Ordered*, That the Bill to remove all doubts as to the right of suing and defending Causes in *forma pauperis* before the Courts of Law in *Lower Canada*, be engrossed. Bill relating to Causes in forma pauperis.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Chauveau* have leave to bring in a Bill to facilitate Actions against persons associated for Commercial purposes, and against unincorporated Companies. Bill to facilitate Actions against unincorporated Companies.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time.

*Ordered*, That the Bill be now read a second time; and the Rule of this House suspended as to the same.

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House.

*Resolved*, That this House will immediately resolve itself into the said Committee.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.