

“ had, in compliance with their request, invited a Priest to reside among them, and assigned him a salary of *fifty pounds* sterling, which being reported and explained to the Secretary of State; was approved, and the salary, payable to the Priest under the title of *Indian Agent*, was included in the accounts of military contingent expences incurred in this Province, and continued until the Priest was removed to another mission.

“ The PRESIDENT further informs the House, that soon after his taking charge of this Government, he was importuned by the Savages to procure for them another Missionary, and, with the unanimous advice of His MAJESTY'S Council, made application for that purpose to the Catholic Bishop of Quebec, promising a renewal of the salary formerly allowed for the same service; that a Missionary has accordingly been appointed who appears to be not unworthy of the confidence of Government; and to whom it was hoped the payment of the salary above mentioned might have been again authorised as a military contingent expence, but this, on application to the Commander in Chief, has been found inadmissible—The PRESIDENT therefore recommends it to the House of Assembly to make provision for this service.

“ Extracts and copies of Letters on this subject, numbered 1 to 6, are herewith laid before the House for their more particular information.

“ M. H.”

Which was referred to the Committee of Supply.

Mr. *R. Pagan* brought in by leave a Bill to continue and amend an Act intituled “ An Act for regulating pilots.” Which being read a first and second time: Ordered, that the said Bill be committed.

Mr. *Allen* by leave brought in a Bill to alter and amend an Act to regulate the winter roads in the Counties of York and Sunbury, which was read a first and second time.

Mr. *J. Taylor* by leave brought in a Bill to alter and amend an Act against the profanation of the Lord's-day. Which was read a first time.

Mr. *Agnew* by leave brought in a Bill in addition to an Act, intituled “ An Act for encouraging and extending literature in this Province.”—Which was read a first time.

Mr. *Johnston* brought in by leave a Bill to subject non residents of this Province to a duty on all importations by them to be made. Which was read a first and second time, and ordered to be committed.

Read a second time, a Bill to alter and amend an Act, intituled “ An Act for regulating Marriage and Divorce, and for preventing and punishing incest Adultery and Fornication.” Ordered that the said Bill be committed.

On motion of Mr. *P. Fraser*, for leave to prepare a Bill to secure certain of His MAJESTY'S Subjects, Freeholders of this Province, professing the Roman Catholic Religion, in the exercise of their Franchises as Electors of Representatives to serve in the General Assembly of this Province: Ordered accordingly.

A Message was received from His HONOR the PRESIDENT as follows, to wit,

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