

The Amendments to the Bill to raise a Sum of Money not exceeding £2000. by Lottery, &c. were then read throughout a first and second Time, and upon the Question severally put thereupon, agreed to by the House.

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

Then the House adjourned, till To-morrow, at Ten of the Clock.

Friday, 27th March, 1795.

PRAYERS,

An engrossed Bill, to raise a Sum of Money, not exceeding £2000. by Lottery, for the purpose of building Bridges and repairing and amending Roads, within this Province; was read the third Time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass, and that the Title be, *an Act, to raise a Sum of Money, not exceeding £2000. by Lottery, for the Purpose of building Bridges, and repairing and amending Roads, within this Province.*

*Ordered*, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Council, and desire their Concurrence.

The Order of the Day being read,

The House *resolved* itself into a Committee of the whole House, on the Consideration of private Petitions.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair,

Mr. *Millidge*, took the Chair,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair;

The Chairman *reported* from the Committee, that they had gone through the Business to them referred; and had come to several Resolutions, which they had directed him to report to the House; and he read the Report in his place, and afterwards delivered it in at the Clerk's Table, where it was also read, and is as follows:

The Petition of *Benjamin Knant*, was read and considered, and thereupon,

*Resolved*, That it is the Opinion of this Committee, that the Sum of £11. 10. should be granted and paid to the Petitioner, agreeable to the Prayer of his Petition.

The Petition of *James Clarke*, was read; and thereupon,

*Resolved*, That it is the Opinion of this Committee, that the Consideration of the said Petition should be deferred, until the Petitioner, do present to the House, an Account of the actual Expences incurred in taking a Census of the Inhabitants within the County of *Halifax*, as set forth in his Petition.

The Petition of *Andrew Belcher*, was read and considered; and thereupon,

*Resolved*, That it is the Opinion of this Committee, that the Petition should be dismissed, it appearing to the Committee, that upwards of 34,000 Gallons of Rum, having been imported into the Port of *Halifax*, between the 9th of July, and 23d September, 1794, the Petitioner had it in his Power to have complied with the requisitions of the Law.

The Petition of *George Bell*, was read and considered; and thereupon,

*Resolved*, That it is the Opinion of this Committee, that notwithstanding it appears to them, the Petitioner had no Intention whatever of defrauding the Revenue of the Province, but had been led into an Error, from a past Practice of not obtaining Permits, on the Removal of dutiable Articles from one Place to another, in the Town of *Halifax*, still the Prayer of the Petitioner cannot be granted, it being out of the Power of the Committee, to dispense with the Law.

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