

Excellency the Lieutenant Governor praying a Copy of the despatch or such part thereof as contains the commands to Sir J. C. Sherbrooke, in 1818, from his Royal Highness the then Prince Regent, calling upon the Provincial Legislature to vote the sums necessary for the ordinary annual expenditure of the Province.

The River du Loup Common Bill was read a second time, and referred to a Special Committee.

The order of the day for the House in Committee on the Bill to extend the provisions of the Sheriff's Sales Act, was discharged, and a Special Committee appointed to examine the same, with an instruction to inquire into the amount of the sums of money in the hands of the Sheriffs of each District, or which are due or they may be otherwise accountable for, arising from sales.

The House in Committee, on the expediency of encouraging Ship Building, reported progress, and obtained leave to sit again on the 12th inst. [It is reported that a motion will be made to appoint a Committee to take evidence on the subject.]

FRIDAY, 4th February.

Mr. Cuvillier, as one of the Messengers with an Address to his Excellency the Lieutenant Governor, for copy of a despatch to Sir J. C. Sherbrooke, calling on the House to provide for the civil expenses of the Province, reported that His Excellency had been pleased to say he would answer the Address by Message.

The House, on the petition of divers Merchants of Montreal, referred to the Committee of Privileges, ordered that the petition ought to be received, and it was referred to a Special Committee to examine the contents thereof.

Mr. Neilson, from the committee on the Census Bill, reported several amendments, and the Bill was ordered for consideration, in committee of the whole, on Tuesday next.

Mr. Latendière, from the committee on François Cloutiers's Bridge Bill, reported amendments, and they were ordered for consideration on Tuesday next in committee of the whole.

The Résolutions passed in committee of the whole House on the subject of the Inspection of Flour, were agreed to by the House; they were in substance that it is expedient to amend the act for the Inspection of Flour, and to augment the Inspector's fees; a Bill, in consequence was introduced by Mr. Young, read a first time, and ordered for a second reading on Monday next.

The Quebec Friendly Society's Bill, after several amendments, was ordered to be engrossed.

On motion of Mr. Simpson, it was resolved that the House would go into committee on Saturday the 12th instant, to consider of the expediency of opening a road of communication from Coteau du Lac in this Province, to the division line between the two Provinces of Upper and Lower-Canada.

On motion of Mr. Berthelot a committee of seven members was appointed to enquire into the most proper means of obtaining application of the Estates of the late order of Jesuites of this Province to their original destination.

On motion of Mr. Cuvillier an humble address was voted to his Excellency, praying that he would order, 1st. The proper officer to lay before the House, a statement of the bouds due and outstanding on the Revenue of the Customs at the Port of Quebec;—2d. Copy of the Receiver General's account current with the Government, from the 1st December 1823, to the 1st November 1824.

The McGill Street, Montreal, Market Bill, was read a second time, and referred to a special committee.

The House in committee on the Fire Assurance Company Incorporation Bill, reported progress, and obtained leave to sit again on Wednesday next.

The House on consideration of a motion by Mr. Neilson, resolved that Messrs. L. J. Duchesnay, Joseph Roy, and W. Fisher Scott, be appointed Commissioners to examine the witnesses of the Petitioners against the return of Mr. Young for the Lower Town of Quebec, on Monday the 28th February next and the following days, in such place in the Lower Town as they may previously appoint, and that Mr. Duchesnay be chairman of the Commission. It was ordered that the petitioners and Mr. Young do deliver to the House a list of the witnesses they mean to produce on the trial, and that they exchange a list of the votes and voters which they intended to object to, with the grounds of objections, before the 21st February next.