

MONDAY, 4th FEBRUARY, 1839.

Committee, have been made by his authority, from the Provincial Treasury, to pay off the balance due to the Superintendent, at the date of the Report, and to support the Institution from that period, to the end of last month.

The necessity for the immediate erection of a New House of Correction, on an enlarged scale, has become so obvious, that the Lieutenant-Governor invites the attention of the Legislative Council to this subject, and hopes they will concur with the House of Assembly in making provision for the construction and maintenance of a suitable Establishment, with sufficient accommodation for a judicious classification of Prisoners, and for the introduction of some of the other recent improvements in Penitentiary Systems.

Government-House, Halifax, 4th February, 1839.

(For Report, vide Appendix No. 13.)

M E S S A G E.

(Signed) C. CAMPBELL.

Message relative to
duties on Salted
Provisions and
Flour
No. 135, 5th March
1839.
21st April 1838.

The Lieutenant-Governor lays before the Legislative Council the Copy of a Despatch from the Right Honorable Lord Glenelg, inclosing Copies of a Correspondence which has passed between the Colonial Office and the Board of Trade, on the subject of the proposed repeal of the Duties levied on Salted Provisions and Wheat Flour, imported into Nova-Scotia, New-Brunswick, and Prince Edward's Island, with a Copy of the Report of a Committee of the Executive Council, to whom that Communication was referred.

The Lieutenant-Governor also transmits the Copy of a subsequent Despatch from the Secretary of State, and, in obedience to His Lordship's direction, requests the attention of the Legislative Council to the subject, and an expression of their opinion upon it, for the information of the Lords of the Treasury.

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(For Despatches, &c. vide Appendix No. 14.)

M E S S A G E.

(Signed) C. CAMPBELL.

Message relative to
Bay of Verte Canal

The Legislature of this Province having, by one of its enactments in the last Session, acknowledged the many and important advantages with which the opening of a Canal between the Gulf of St. Lawrence and the Bay of Fundy would be attended, the Lieutenant-Governor is persuaded that the Legislative Council will give their ready attention to the Papers which accompany this Message, and consider of the propriety of joining (as is requested) with the Legislature of New-Brunswick in soliciting Her Majesty's Government to send out some skillful Engineer for the purpose of examining the various lines of communication between these Waters, which have been proposed, and fixing upon that which, in his opinion, would be the best for adoption.

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(For Despatches and Papers, vide Appendix No. 15.)

Estimates for 1839

Sir Rupert George, also by His Excellency's command, laid before the House the Estimate for the year 1839.

(For Estimate, vide Appendix No. 16.)

Acct. of Casual
Revenue

Also, An Account of the Receipts and Disbursements of the Queen's Casual Revenue for the year 1838.

(For Account, vide Appendix No. 17.)

The said Messages, Despatches, Papers, Estimates and Account, were read and ordered to lie on the Table.

Thirty-eight continuing Bills this day brought up from the House of Assembly, the titles of which are hereinbefore mentioned, were read a first time.

Bills read

Ordered, That the said Bills be read a second time at a future day.

Pet. of J. R. Smith
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Mr. Stewart brought up the Petition of James R. Smith and others, praying for a Charter of Incorporation, which was ordered to lie on the Table. On