

The order of the day being read, the House according thereto resolved itself into a Committee of the whole House, on consideration of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor's Speech.

Mr. *Speaker* left the Chair.

Mr. *Peters* took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. *Speaker* resumed the Chair.

Mr. *Peters*, from the Committee, reported three resolutions, which he read in his place and delivered in at the Clerk's table, which being again severally read, were agreed to by the House, and are as follow:

First---Resolved that it is the opinion of this Committee, that so much of His Excellency's Speech as relates to the subject of Confined Debtors, be referred to a select Committee, to examine and report thereon to the House, by bill.

Second---Resolved that it is the opinion of this Committee, that it is expedient that the Acts for the encouragement of Schools in this Province, should be revised and amended, and that a Committee should be appointed for that purpose.

Third---Resolved that it is expedient, in the opinion of this Committee, that a Committee should be appointed to inquire into and report upon the expenditure of the public monies.

And that he was directed to move for leave to sit again.

Ordered that the report be accepted and leave granted.

Ordered that Mr. *Chipman*, Mr. *Johnston*, and Mr. *Allen*, be a Committee to carry into effect the first resolution: That Mr. *R. Simonds*, Mr. *Smith*, and Mr. *Vail*, be a Committee to carry into effect the second resolution: And that Mr. *Peters*, Mr. *Ritchie*, and Mr. *Wetmore*, be a Committee to carry into effect the third resolution.

On motion of Mr. *Fraser*, resolved that a Committee be appointed, to consist of one Member from each County, to inquire and report what further sums are necessary for the improvement of the Roads and Bridges throughout the Province.

Ordered that Mr. *Fraser*, Mr. *Campbell*, Mr. *Perley*, Mr. *W. Peters*, Mr. *Wetmore*, Mr. *Wilmot*, Mr. *Crandal*, and Mr. *R. Simonds*, be a Committee for that purpose.

Mr. *Stubs*, pursuant to leave, brought in a bill, "to repeal an Act, intituled "An Act to prevent the importation or spreading of Infectious Distempers "within this Province," and to make more effectual provision for the same."

Which was read a first time.

Mr. *Peters*, from the Committee appointed to examine what Laws have expired or are near expiring, and report thereon,---reported as follows:---

An Act for regulating, laying out, and repairing Highways and Roads, and for appointing Commissioners and Surveyors of Highways within the several Towns and Parishes in this Province---50 G. 3, c. 6, continued 52 G. 3, c. 3, further continued by 54 G. 3, c. 7, further continued 56 G. 3, c. 24, and further continued with an amendment, 58 G. 3, c. 3, will expire the end of this Session.

An Act to provide for the more effectually repairing the Streets and Bridges in the City and County of St. John---50 G. 3, c. 16, continued 54 G. 3, c. 16, further continued 56 G. 3, c. 25, and further continued 58 G. 3, c. 9, will expire at the end of this Session.

An Act to prevent the destruction of Moose on the Island of Grand-Manan, 50 G. 3, c. 22, continued 54 G. 3, c. 3, further continued by 58 G. 3, c. 11, will expire at the end of this Session.

An Act for the better security of the Navigation of certain Harbours in the County of Northumberland---50 G. 3, c. 5, continued 54 G. 3, c. 3, and further continued the 58 G. 3, c. 11, will expire at the end of this Session.