

or which might deeply involve the interest or general welfare of society. That it has long been a subject of much regret, whilst many other salutary regulations have been from time to time devised and adopted, that no endeavour has ever been made to establish in the said Town a public Magazine for the depositing of Gunpowder. Recent circumstances have clearly evinced, that so long as this highly necessary measure was overlooked, no precautionary regulations whatever against the spreading of fire can prove effectual. Urged by the foregoing considerations, the Petitioners humbly pray that an Act may be passed, directing that a Powder Magazine be built in some suitable place in the said Town of Harbor-Grace, in such manner as the House may determine. That further it is the general opinion of the Inhabitants that Gunpowder ought not to be kept in any Store, Outhouse, or dwelling, in the said Town; and that any person having more than seven pounds of powder on his premises, should be liable to pay such fine as the House might deem necessary.—Petitioners therefore humbly pray the House to take their case into consideration.

Petition of J. C. Nattall presented and read.

A Petition of James Sharpe, of Harbor Grace, was presented by Mr. PETER BROWN, and read, setting forth that shortly after the destructive fire at Harbor-Grace, the Petitioner was employed by the Commissioners appointed to lay out a New Street and Fire Breaks in the said town, and attended them as Chainman while laying out the said street. That Petitioner was charged with the care of the said street and directed to prevent persons from building thereon, except under certain restrictions, and that he punctually obeyed the orders and directions given to him. That at the time the said Commissioners gave Petitioner the above orders, they stated, that they had no funds in their hands to remunerate him for his labor, or what casual expense he might be put to, but added, that Petitioner would be sure of being paid thereafter—whereupon Petitioner continued to act until other Commissioners were afterwards appointed, by whom he was employed on the same terms as by the former Commissioners. That in July last, the Petitioner, pursuant to order, attended and gave evidence at the Bar of the House respecting the line of the said streets, and also produced certain plans of the same. That the Members for the District of Conception Bay are well aware petitioner received no salary, and for eighteen years past has acted as a Peace Officer, Sheriff's Bailiff, and latterly, as Assistant Land Surveyor, for which services he has received only the small fees attending on the said Offices, which were quite inadequate to maintain him respectably. That petitioner begs to lay before the House three accounts which he trusts the House will take into consideration and grant him such remuneration as may seem most fit to the House.

Petition of J. Sharpe presented and read.

On motion, *Resolved*, that the foregoing petitions be taken into consideration on Monday next.

Ordered, that the Petition be considered on Monday.

Mr. PACK gave notice that he should, to-morrow, move for leave to introduce a Bill to regulate the cutting of ice in the different Harbors of the Island.

Mr. Pack gives notice of Bill to regulate the cutting of Ice Channels.

Mr. KOUGH gave notice, that, on Saturday next, he should move that the House resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House, to take into consideration the General state of the Colony.

Mr. Kough gives notice of motion for Committee of the whole House on the state of the Colony.

Mr. KENT gave notice, that, on an early day, he should move that the House do come to a Resolution to the effect that the Colony cannot at present bear additional taxation.

Mr. Kent gives notice of motion relative to additional taxation

Then the House adjourned until to-morrow, at eleven of the clock.

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FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 14, 1834.

ON motion of Mr. CARSON, seconded by Mr. POWER,