

The committee on the bill to compel Seignors to concede in their lands, reported the same with several amendments, and the bill and report were ordered to be considered in a committee of the whole House on Monday next.

Mr. Duprés from the committee of the whole House on the bill to authorize François Cloutier to erect a toll Bridge over the river which divides St. Ann and St. Joachim, in the County of Northumberland, reported the amendments made to the bill by the committee, which being agreed to, the bill as amended was ordered to be engrossed.

According to order, the House went into a committee on the bill to facilitate the administration of justice in this Province, made some progress and obtained leave to sit again Friday next.

The order of the day for the House in committee on the report of the Magistrates under whose direction the monies appropriated for the support of the indigent sick emigrants, were spent, and on the message from his Excellency the Lieutenant Governor recommending a further appropriation for the support of the Emigrant Hospital, was postponed till Wednesday next.

A committee of five members was then appointed to enquire whether it is expedient to facilitate the communication between the Ports of Quebec and Halifax, by means of Steam-boats and otherwise.

The other orders of the day having been postponed, the House adjourned.

FRIDAY, 17th February.

Mr. Cuvillier from the committee on the petition of divers electors of the County of Buckinghamshire against the return of Messrs. Bourdages and Proulx, reported that as far as practicable, all the formalities required by law have been observed, and that no blame attaches to the Returning Officer.

The engrossed bill for the qualification of Justices of the Peace was read a third time, passed and sent to the Legislative Council.

J. Bte. Lague's bridge bill (over the River *des Hurons*,) was read a third time, passed and ordered to the Legislative Council.

Mr. Berthelot from the committee on the most proper means to obtain the application of the Estates of the late order of Jesuits of this Province to their original destination reported that the operation of the 41st Geo. III, chap. 17, had not corresponded with the views of the Legislature.

The House agreed to the following resolution, viz :—

“It is expedient that an humble address be presented to His Majesty praying that His Majesty will be pleased to order that the estates of the late order of Jesuits in this Province, be applied to their original destination, the instruction of the Youth of this Province, and be put, for such purpose, at the disposition of the Legislature of this Province.

The Wesleyan Methodists' Bill after receiving several amendments was agreed to by the House and ordered to be engrossed.

The Bill to authorize a further loan for the erection of a Gaol in the District of St. Francis, was ordered to be engrossed.

The Bill relating to the Inspectors of Flour after several amendments was ordered to be engrossed.

The Bill for facilitating a legal remedy to such as have claims and demands on His Majesty's Provincial Government, was ordered to be engrossed.

A Message from His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor was delivered to Mr. Speaker, by Louis Montizambert, Esquire, Acting Secretary to His Excellency, and the same was read by Mr. Speaker, all the Members being uncovered.

The Message was accompanied with the Estimate of the Expenses of the Civil Government of the Province for the present year.

Another Message from His Excellency was also delivered with an Address from the Legislature of Upper Canada, to Sir Peregrine Maitland, relating to roads of communication between the two Provinces.

The Bill to facilitate a legal remedy to such as have claims against His Majesty's Civil Government in this Province, was after a second reading, referred to a Special Committee.

The Bill to relieve farmers whose lands are intersected by the Lachine Canal, was, on a division of yeas 19, nays 9, referred to a Special Committee, with an instruction to enquire whether there be a tow-path along the Canal, to whom it belongs, and whether the multiplication of Bridge might not be injurious.