

the advancement of its population and Agriculture, arising from the powerful effects of his paternal protection; blessings which they look upon as the most solid Basis of support to its defence and Commerce; and which the Assembly, by adopting the tax contained in the said Act, did not wish to discourage. Together with a memorial containing the reasons which induced the House to prefer the mode resorted to, in preference to a tax upon lands.

ORDERED, That Mr. *Bedard*, Mr. *Taschereau*, Mr. *Berthelot*, Mr. *Turgeon*, Mr. *Roy Portelance*, Mr. *Planté*, Mr. *Martineau*, Mr. *Fortin*, and Mr. *Lussier*, do compose the said Committee.

The order of the day for the House to resolve itself into a Committee of the whole upon the Bill, which declares in whom is vested the power of granting *des Lettres de Terrier* in this Province, being read—

The House resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair,

Mr. *Le Gendre* took the Chair of the Committee;

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair,

And Mr. *Le Gendre* reported, that the Committee had gone through the Bill without any amendment.

On motion of Mr. *Berthelot*, seconded by Mr. *Caron*,

ORDERED, That the Bill be ingrossed.

A Bill to provide for sureties to be given in future by Sheriffs that shall be hereafter named and appointed in this Province; was, according to order, read for the second time.

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