

upon the question severally put, thereupon agreed to by the House, and thereupon
Ordered, That Mr. Tonge, Mr. Wilkins, and Mr. Robie, be a Committee to prepare and bring in a Bill agreeable to the first resolution of the Committee.

A petition of Edmund Ryan was presented by Mr. Cochran, and read, setting forth, that the petitioner in the year 1800, contracted with Mr. Fairbanks, the then Commissioner, to make a Bridge over a piece of Swampy Ground on the Windsor road near to Mr. Uniacke's House for the sum of 23l. which contract the Petitioner faithfully executed agreeable to certificates annexed to the Petition, but has not yet received payment for the same, and praying relief.

Ordered, That the petition be referred to the Committee who are to consider the several sums required for Roads, &c.

Then the House adjourned 'till To-morrow at Eleven of the clock.

Tuesday, 9th March, 1802.

PRAYERS.

Mr. Millidge pursuant to leave given presented a Bill for establishing Public Schools throughout the Province, and the same was read a first time.

Mr. Fulton pursuant to leave given presented a Bill to enable the Justices and Grand Jury for the District of Colchester and Pictou to assess the inhabitants for the repair of Roads, and the Bill was read a first time.

Resolved, That the Bills be read a second time.

The Collectors of Impost and Excise and the Inspector and Searcher for the Port of Halifax pursuant to an order delivered to the House a special report made by them on the several petitions to them referred, and thereupon

Ordered, That the report do lie on the table to be perused by the Members of the House.

A Message from the Council by Mr. Gautier,

Mr. Speaker,

The Council have not agreed to the Bill, entitled an Act, in addition to an Act made in the 28th year of his present Majesty's Reign, entitled an Act, for the establishment of Fees as regulated by the Governor and Council, at the request of the House of Assembly.

The Council adhere to the amendment as proposed by them to the Bill, entitled an Act, to alter and amend an Act, passed in the 32d year of the Reign of his late Majesty, entitled, An Act to provide for the support of Bastard Children and the punishment of the Mother and reputed Father.

And then the Messenger withdrew.

The order of the day being read.

On motion, the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole House, on the further consideration of the report of the Committee on the general state of the Revenue of the Province.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair,

Mr. Millidge took the Chair,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chairman reported from the Committee, that they had gone through the business to them referred, and that the Committee had come to several resolutions thereupon, which they had directed him to report to the House, and he read the report in his place, and afterwards delivered it in at the Clerk's table, where it was read, and is as follows:

Resolved, That it is the opinion of this Committee, that the Law imposing an Impost