

" the General Assembly which are near expiring."

and committed. *Ordered*, That the said bill be committed.

Petition presented. A Petition of fundry freeholders of the parish of *Burton* in the county of *Sunbury*—was presented to the House and read—

Order thereon. *Ordered*, That the said petition be referred, to be taken into consideration in committee of the whole House with the bill
*" For preserving the Bank of the River Saint John within the
 " Limits therein mentioned."*

The House then resolved itself into a committee on the further consideration of the said bill.

House in committee. Captain *Agnew* in the chair.

The *Speaker* having resumed the chair—

Report of the chairman. The chairman *Reported*, That the committee had agreed to the said bill with amendments.

That upon the question that the following clause do stand a part of the said bill, to wit : " And whereas Horses and
 " Neat Cattle, Sheep, Goats, and Hogs may at present stray
 " as well from the public high road of the said parish where it
 " crosses the river *Oromocto* nearest its mouth or entrance as
 " where the public high road of said parish crosses several un-oc-
 " cupied lots; *Be it therefore further enacted*, That the Com-
 " missioners of the Highways in said parish shall from and after
 " the passing of this act be impowered and they are hereby em-
 " powered and directed to erect, make and support, or cause to
 " be erected, made and supported a good and sufficient water
 " fence on the lower side of the public high road of the said
 " parish where the same descends to the said river *Oromocto* near-
 " est to its mouth or entrance, and communicating with and ad-
 " joining to the nearest front fence of the owner or occupier of
 " the land next adjoining to the lower side of the said public
 " high road of *Burton* where it descends to the said river *Oro-*
 " *mocto* as aforesaid, and also to erect a good and sufficient fence
 " or fences adjoining to the public road or between the said
 " road and the river where the same crosses any un-occupied lots
 " the whole width of such lots and communicating with and
 " adjoining to the fences on each side of the same, and to keep
 " the said water fence and the said fence or fences crossing such
 " un-occupied lots in sufficient repair; the expense of which
 " erection and support of a water fence as aforesaid to be defrayed
 " by an assessment to be made therefor on the owners or occupi-
 " ers of said lands within the limits above described, and the
 " expense