

time had arrived when the power of annulling licenses for violations of the law should be placed in the hands of the Judges of the Supreme Court and Grand Jury.

Dr. JENKINS said what he objected to was the principle involved in giving the corporation power to grant licenses to tavern keepers, and then to give jurisdiction over those to another body. He would prefer taking from the City Council the power of granting them altogether, as he believed the reason why taverns were in this city so much in excess of the requirements was owing in some degree to the circumstance, that several members of the City Council were engaged in the liquor business, and when they granted a tavern license to a man, they secured a customer and furthered their own interests. By placing the power of granting licenses in the Executive Government, a remedy would be applied which might remove the evils complained of.

Hon. Mr. HAVILAND said, as the amendment of the hon. member for Alberton made no provision for how the penalties imposed were to be recovered, he would submit the following amendment:—

“And which said fines shall be recoverable in the same mode and manner as fines directed to be recovered under and by virtue of the provisions of the Act regulating the sale by license of spirituous liquors, or any other acts in amendment thereof.”

The amendment was carried.

House resumed, when the bill was reported agreed to with amendments.

### Small Debt Court in King's County.

On motion of Mr. Owen, the petition for the establishment of a Small Debt Court at Cardigan Cross-roads was referred to a committee to report thereon.

### Teachers' Salaries Bill.

House in committee of the whole on the bill to alter the system of paying teachers' salaries.

Mr. McNeill in the chair.

Hon. Mr. HAVILAND was in favor of the principle of the bill, and with respect to the details, as he (Mr. H.) did not profess to be a book-keeper, he hoped that hon. members who did understand keeping accounts would see that the proper remedy was applied in arranging the details.

Hon. Mr. HOWLAN said the object of the bill was to lessen the amount of labor in the Treasurer's office, while every precaution would be exercised to guard against any undue advantage being taken of its provisions.

Hon. P. SINCLAIR said the bill would lessen the labor and also the cost now incurred in having the payments made to the teachers.

Hon. the SPEAKER was well aware that such a bill was required, and knew the proposed arrangements were such as would save much labor while they would entail no loss, extra cost, or inconvenience upon any party.

The bill was reported agreed to and ordered to be engrossed.

House adjourned for one hour.

### AFTERNOON SESSION.

#### Supply.

House in committee of supply.

Mr. Bell in the chair.

Hon. Mr. HOWLAN moved a resolution granting the salaries provided for by statute.

In reference to the sum of £250 for the Registrar of Deeds, Hon. Mr. Haviland remarked that he was under the impression that £200 was the salary provided by statute for that officer.

Hon. P. SINCLAIR said he believed that £250 was the allowance provided by statute, but that part of the salary had been made payable to an assistant, but the present incumbent paid his own assistant.

Hon. Mr. HOWLAN said that the salaries of some officers had been so cut and carved that it was almost impossible to find out how much the salaries really were. It would appear as if the late Government had not paid their officers as much as the present Government, but the difference was made up in paying assistants.

The words, “and assistant Registrar of Deeds” were inserted and the resolution agreed to.

Hon. Mr. HOWLAN moved another resolution granting a sum sufficient for Education and some other items.

Hon. Mr. HAVILAND asked how the grant of £100 for the Indians was to be expended. Was it through the Clerk of the Executive Council or the Indian Commissioner? and was it to be given in money or blankets?

Hon. Mr. HOWLAN remarked that we had a man in this Colony who devoted a great part of his time to the relief of the Indians, and that he did sometimes provide them with blankets and also shoes and other necessary articles. The annual grant for the Indians was disbursed by this Indian Com-