

27th April, 1835.

FIFTH SESSION FIRST COLONIAL PARLIAMENT, 5th WILLIAM IV.

Ordered, that the Master in Chancery do go down to the Commons House of Assembly and request that the evidence produced to that House, previous to the passing of the above named Bill, be furnished to this House.

On motion, the Petition of certain Inhabitants of Harbor Grace for the repeal of a part of the Harbor Grace Street Act amendment Bill was read.
St John's Fire Companies' Act amendment Bill—

Revenue Act continuation Bill, and —

Sick and disabled Seamen and Fishermen's relief Bill—brought up, and read 1st time.

Report of Conferees on amendments made in Game preservation Bill.

On motion of the Honorable the Attorney General, a petition from 122 Inhabitants of Harbor-Grace, praying that certain parts of the Act of the 4th Wm. 4, cap. 2, might be repealed, was read.

The same deputation also brought up, for the concurrence of this House, the Bills entitled—

“An Act to amend an Act of the Parliament of this Colony, entitled ‘An Act for the establishment and regulation of Fire Companies in the Town of Saint John’s:’ ”

“An Act to continue an Act of the Parliament of this Colony, passed in the fourth year of the Reign of His present Majesty, entitled “An Act for the further increase of the Revenue:”

“An Act for the relief of sick and disabled Seamen, Fishermen, and other Persons” —which were severally read a first time, and—

Ordered, to be read a second time to-morrow.

The Honorable Mr. Thomas, from the Conferees appointed to meet the managers from the Commons House of Assembly, on the subject of the Amendments made in the Bill entitled “An Act for the protection of the breeding of Hares and Wild Fowl,” reported that they had met the said Managers, who had delivered to them the Instructions of the House of Assembly, in the following words:—

The Commons House of Assembly have requested this Conference with the Legislative Council for the purpose of acquainting them that the House of Assembly do not concur in the Amendments made by the Council in the Bill entitled “An Act for the protection of the breeding of Hares and Wild Fowl,” whereby it is proposed to expunge the words “Black Ducks and Wild Geese,” and to alter the time within which persons are prohibited from killing Hares and Partridges.

The House of Assembly were induced to extend the protection of the Law to the breeding of Wild Geese and Ducks by prohibiting the killing of them from the Twentieth of April to the Tenth of July, as the Assembly apprehend that unless some such provision were made, these species of Wild Fowl, which, some few years ago, abounded in vast numbers in all parts of the Island, would, from the destroying of them at all seasons of the year, in a short time entirely disappear, as of late years they have disappeared from the Eastern part of the Island, between Cape Race and Conception Bay---more particularly as the House are fully of opinion that the Black Duck and the Wild Goose both breed in this Island and remain here during the whole of the year, excepting about four months of the winter season, when the latter Bird seeks a warmer climate.

The Assembly do not concur in the amendment by which it is proposed to alter the period within which persons are prohibited from killing Hares and Partridges, as the Assembly are of opinion that both Hares and Partridges pair quite as early as the Twenty-fifth of March, and as the object of the Bill would be thereby in a great measure defeated.

The House of Assembly concur in the amendment expunging the words “or found dead in his or her possession.”

THOMAS BENNETT,
Speaker.

House of Assembly,
April 24th, 1835.

Master in Chancery to inform the Assembly that the Council insist upon their amendments.

38th Standing Rule dispensed with.

Fishery Bill read 2nd time—

Committed—

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Thomas, it was---

Ordered, that the Master in Chancery acquaint the Commons House of Assembly that the Legislative Council insist upon their amendments in and upon the Bill above named.

Ordered, that the 38th Standing Rule of the House, so far as it respects the Bill entitled “An Act to provide for the better conducting of the Fisheries of this Island,” be dispensed with.

The said Bill was then read a second time, and---

Ordered, to be committed to a Committee of the whole House presently.

The House then went into a Committee of the whole.

The Honorable Mr. Crowdy in the Chair.