

*Ordered*, That Mr. Partelow, Mr. Taylor, Mr. Scoullar, Mr. Rankin, Mr. Thomson, Mr. Botsford and Mr. Payne do compose the Committee.

On motion of Mr. Williston,

*Resolved*, That a Standing Committee be appointed, to whom shall be referred all matters which may in any way affect the Trade of the Province.

*Ordered*, That Mr. Williston, Mr. Taylor, Mr. Stewart, the Honorable Mr. Simonds, Mr. Alexandre and Mr. Burns do compose the Committee.

On motion of Mr. Partelow,

*Ordered*, That the House do on Friday next, being the 3d day of February, go into Committee of the whole, in consideration of the Speech from His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor at the opening of the Session.

The House adjourned until to-morrow morning at 10 o'clock.

### Wednesday, 1st February, 1843.

#### Prayers.

Mr. Smith, by leave, presented a Petition from James Wallace, Lewis Trites, James Black, John Trenholm, and 460 others, inhabitants of the County of Westmorland, praying that the said County may be divided into two separate and distinct Counties; which he read.

*Ordered*, That the said Petition be received and lie on the Table.

Mr. Smith moved for leave to bring in a Bill to divide the County of Westmorland into two Counties, and to provide for the Government and Representation of the new County.

Leave granted.

Mr. Partelow, by leave, presented a Petition from Rachael Martin, a valuable Instructress of Youth, praying a Legislative Grant for her services in that capacity; which he read.

*Ordered*, That the said Petition be received and referred to the Committee of Supply.

Mr. Wark, by leave, presented a Petition from Edward Cavana, of the Parish of Carleton, in the County of Kent, praying compensation for having taught a School in that Parish for a period of twelve months ending in August, 1842, he not having received any compensation under the Act relating to Parish Schools; which he read.

*Ordered*, That the said Petition be received and referred to the Committee on School Petitions to report thereon.

The Honorable Mr. Simonds, by leave, presented a Petition from Thomas Hayward, praying to be remunerated for teaching a School in the Parish of Lancaster and County of Saint John, for a period of six months ending in December last; which he read.

*Ordered*, That the said Petition be received and referred to the Committee on School Petitions to report thereon.

The Honorable Mr. Simonds, also by leave, presented a Petition from Thomas M'Elroy, praying for a return of Duties on articles consumed by the Great Fire in the Parish of Portland and County of Saint John, on the 17th of August, 1841; which he read.

*Ordered*, That the said Petition be received and referred to the Committee of Trade to report thereon.

The Honorable Mr. Simonds, by command of His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor, laid before the House the following Documents, made up by the Provincial Treasurer, viz:—

Abstract shewing the state of the Revenue for the past year:

Statement shewing the Finances of the Province on the 31st day of December last.

[See Appendix.]

On motion of Mr. Partelow,

*Ordered*, That the said Returns be referred to the consideration of the Committee of Finance to report thereon.