

The Bill to regulate the bankruptcy and relief of honest but unfortunate debtors was read a second time, and committed to a committee of the whole House. Mr. Muirhead in the chair. After some time spent therein, the House resumed. The chairman reported that the committee had come to a resolution, which resolution was agreed to by the House, and is as follows:—

*Resolved*, That the further consideration of the Bill to regulate the bankruptcy and relief of honest but unfortunate debtors, be deferred, and that it be recommended to the House to appoint a special committee to bring in a Bill to amend the Insolvent Debtors Act."

The Hon. Col. Secretary, Hon. Col. Treasurer, and Hon. Mr. Palmer were appointed the said committee.

The Hon. Mr. Whelan, from the committee appointed to prepare an Address to His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor, in accordance with the report of the special committee to whom were referred the petition of Henry Palmer and Theophilus Stewart, Indian Commissioners, presented a draft of an Address, which was agreed to by the House, and engrossed, and the same committee appointed to wait upon His Excellency with the said Address.

The engrossed Bill from the Council, entitled "An Act for preventing fraud by secret bills of sale of personal chattels," was read a second time. Hon. Mr. Whelan then moved it be referred to a committee of the whole House.

Mr. Laird moved, in three months, upon which discussion:—

**AYES**—Messrs. Laird, Cooper, Dingwell, Perry, Mr. Wightman—10.

**NAYS**—Hons. Messrs. Whelan, Longworth, T. H. Haviland, Col. Treasurer, Col. Secretary, Palmer and Mooney, Messrs. Macdonald, H. Haviland and Munro—10.

The Bill was lost on the casting vote of the Speaker, who decided in the affirmative.

The engrossed Bill from the Council, entitled "An Act relating to the office of Surrogate, and for other purposes," was read a second time, and ordered to be committed to a committee of the whole House this afternoon.

Read a third time, as engrossed, the "Act for the relief of debtors confined under process of the inferior Courts, and to amend the Act relating to the recovery of Small Debts." Passed. Adjourned for one hour.

WEDNESDAY, March 31, 1858.

During the whole of the forenoon of this day, the House was sitting with closed doors, and engaged in conferences with the Council.

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ment, that it be read this day  
the House divided, after a short

Mr. Muirhead, Clark, Macintosh, Yeo,  
Hon. Mr. Montgomery, and Hon.