

“Parliament towards defraying the necessary expences of defending
“protecting and securing the British Colonies and Plantations in
America.” But supposing these as well as the other revenues collected
in the Province had been in the first instance appropriated to the de-
fraying the expences thereof, the expenditure has still exceeded the re-
ceipts in the sum of fifteen thousand four hundred thirty four pounds
eleven shillings and one penny half penny sterling.

At the *Castle of St. Lewis*, in } (Signed) D. G.
Quebec 16th February, 1795. }

On motion of Mr. *De Bonne*, seconded by Mr. *Lees*,
Ordered, that His Excellency the Governor's Message be taken into
consideration on Monday next the 23d instant.

On motion of Mr. *Rivard*, seconded by Mr. *Coffin*,

Leave of absence was granted said Mr. *Rivard*, to return home for the
recovery of his health.

The order of the day for the taking into consideration the amend-
ments to the Bill, to establish the form of Registers of Baptisms, Mar-
riages and Burials, and which provides for the want or loss of said Re-
gisters; being read,

Mr. *De Bonne*, moved seconded by Mr. *Coffin*,

That the said Bill be recommitted to the Committee that reported
thereon, with an instruction to the said Committee, to add to the said
Bill clauses to the following purport,

1. That no Curate, Vicar, Priest or Minister, doing the Parochial
duty of any Parish in this Province, shall presume or take upon him to
inter or bury the body of any person deceased, considered as belonging to
his Parish or communion, before thirty six hours from the time of its
decease, under a penalty of—pounds current money of this province.

2. That every Curate, Vicar, Priest or Minister doing the Parochial
duty of any Parish in this Province, who shall from the time he has been
informed thereof, neglect or refuse to inter or bury the body of any
person deceased, considered as belonging to his Parish or communion,
after the time above fixed, and shall not within twenty four hours after
the said time is expired, comply therewith, shall incur a fine of—
pounds current money of the Province.

3. That from the first day of the month of June in the year of our
Lord 1796, every Curate, Vicar, Priest or Minister doing the Parochial
duty of any Parish, Church or community situated within the walls of
any City or Town in this Province, who shall presume to inter or bury
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