

these matters, have tended much to withdraw from His Excellency, the confidence of the Inhabitants of this Colony.

V. *Resolved*, That an humble Address be presented to his Majesty, beseeching His Majesty to refer to the Address of the last House, dated the 5th Jan. 1819, to His Majesty (then Prince Regent) and the Documents accompanying said Address, and also to these Resolutions, and to the report of the Committee of the whole House, dated 31st July, on which Report said Resolutions are founded; humbly praying that His Majesty would be graciously pleased to make such order in the matter, as will in future secure to this Colony, the Constitutional Rights of its Inhabitants.

On Motion of Mr. *Mabey*, seconded by Mr. *Murray*, Ordered, That a Committee be appointed to frame an Address to His most gracious Majesty King

George the Fourth, on the subject of the foregoing Resolutions: Mr. *Mabey*, Mr. *Campbell*, Mr. *Cambridge*, Mr. *Murray*, and Mr. *Cameron*, were appointed for that purpose.

Mr. *Chappell*, Chairman of the Committee appointed to bring in a "Bill to regulate the measure of Ton Timber, Boards and all kinds of Lumber, and to repeal two certain Acts made and passed in the 14th and 57th years of His late Majesty's Reign, and also for declaring what shall be deemed Merchantable Timber, and for appointing Officers to survey the same," Reported, the same to the House, which on Motion, received the first reading.

On Motion, the Bill received the second reading.

Adjourned 'till 10 o'clock on Monday next.

MONDAY, August 7th, 1820.

THE House met pursuant to adjournment.—PRAYERS.

On Motion the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole House to take into consideration the "Bill to regulate the measure of Ton Timber, Boards and all other kinds of Lumber, and to repeal two certain Acts, made and passed in the 14th and 57th years of his late Majesty's Reign, and also for declaring what shall be deemed Merchantable Timber, and for appointing Officers to survey the same,"

Mr. Speaker left the Chair,

Mr. *Chappell*, took the Chair of the Committee,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair,

Mr. *Chappell*, Chairman of the Committee, Reported, that the Committee had the Bill under consideration, and was directed to move that they had made a progress in the same, and to beg for leave to sit again.

Ordered, That the Report be agreed to.

Mr. *M'Neill*, Chairman of the Committee appointed to wait upon His Excellency with the Address of this House relative to Chief Justice *Fremlett*, Reported, That His Excellency was pleased to make the following written answer, viz.

"WILLIAM M'NEILL, Esq. Chairman of the Deputation, which presented an Address to the Lt. Governor on Saturday August 5th.

"SIR,

"IN reply to the Address this day presented to me by a Deputation on the part of the House of Assembly, I have to state, that I find on reference to Despatches, I received one from Earl Bathurst, Secretary of State for the Colonial Department, on the subject in question bearing date, 11th May, 1819, in substance as follows:

"His Lordship entirely approves of my having forborne to comply with the Address of the House of Assembly, which prayed for the suspension of the Chief Justice: he remarks on the absence of the evidence against him, upon which the Assembly state themselves to have proceeded, and adds, that unless some grave and serious criminality be proved against the Chief Justice, he should consider himself bound to refuse his acquiescence to any proposal for his removal."

"Having thus made known the official reply I have received, you will feel yourself authorised to communicate it in the most regular manner for the information of the House.

"I remain, Sir,

"Your most obdt. Servt.

"C. D. SMITH,

"Lt. Govr.

"Charlotte-Town, Saturday Night,
August 5th, 1820."

Mr. *Mabey*, Chairman of the Committee appointed to frame an Address to His Majesty our most gracious So-